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### 2009 COLORADO BUFFALO FOOTBALL

## GAME NO. 2 — TOLEDO ROCKETS

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### QUICKLY SPEAKING...

The **Colorado Buffaloes** (0-1, 0-0 Big 12 in 2008) have as short week following their season opening setback to Colorado State on Sunday, having to turn around in 120 hours and travel to Ohio to take on the **Toledo Rockets** (0-1, 0-0 MAC) in a 9:06 p.m. eastern time kickoff (7:06 MDT) ... CSU defeated the Buffaloes 23-17, while the Rockets lost their opener at Purdue, 52-31 ... The game will be televised nationally on ESPN with **Ron Franklin** (play-by-play) and **Ed Cunningham** (analysis) to call the action (no sideline reporter) ... It will also be available on-line at ESPN360.com ... This is the first-ever meeting between the two schools, as this game was scheduled last March, when Miami-Ohio asked out of its end of the home-and-home with the Buffaloes so it could play Kentucky in Cincinnati last Saturday; Miami had visited CU in 2007. Both games ended in 42-0 losses for the RedHawks ... This is just the third game the Buffaloes will ever play in the state of Ohio; the previous two were at Ohio State, where the Buffs won 20-14 in 1971 and lost 13-10 in 1986 ... Colorado owns the nation's 22nd best record over the last 20-plus seasons, while Toledo owns the 23rd ... CU's last road game at a non-BCS school was in 1996 at Colorado State ... Freshman (true or redshirt) accounted for 95 starts over the last two seasons, the most in any two-year period in CU history; three redshirt frosh started versus Colorado State to up that total to 98 ... The Glass Bowl in Toledo seats 26,248; it will mark the first time CU will play in a stadium that seats under 40,000 since 1996 (Colorado State) and under 30,000 since 1966 (when Kansas State's Memorial Stadium sat 22,500 at the time) ... Visit [CUBuffs.com/gameday](http://CUBuffs.com/gameday) as your one stop for everything, including live stats for all games.

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### STAT OF THE WEEK

**WR Andre Simmons'** first career reception went for 44 yards when he hauled one in during the third quarter. That sent us to the record book to check the longest first receptions by a Buff in school history. Turned out it is the longest since 2002, when Jeremy Bloom had a catch-and-run play cover 94 yards against Kansas State.

### OBSCURE NOTES OF THE WEEK

Looking inside the statistics, the defense didn't have a horrible game in the opener. CU did surrender five plays over 20 yards, four which covered 42 through 57 yards for a total of 215; that means CSU gained 161 on its other 57 plays from scrimmage (2.8). The Rams missed on their last 10 third down conversions, had four three-and-outs on its last six possessions (not including the game's final one where they kneeled down to run out the clock), and gained three or fewer yards on 34 of 59 plays (58%, again not include those three late kneeldowns).

### REDEMPTION

**PK Aric Goodman**, who set the dubious school record of eight straight field goal misses last season, opened up 2009 with a vengeance. His three kickoffs (not counting an onside try), all reached the end zone and the average CSU starting yardline for the trio was the 21. He nailed both PAT kicks and got the Buffs on the scoreboard in the second quarter with a career-best 54-yard field goal. That kick was one of dozen on opening weekend that went for 50 yards or longer. The longest Division I-A/FBS field goals on opening weekend:

59 – Carson Wiggs, Purdue vs. Toledo

54 – Aric Goodman, Colorado vs. Colorado State

53 – Matt Szymanski, SMU vs. Stephen F. Austin

53 – Blair Walsh, Georgia vs. Oklahoma State

52 – Dustin Hopkins, Florida State vs. Miami

52 – Aaron Pettreg, Ohio State vs. Navy

50 – on six occasions.

### 2009 COLORADO RESULTS (0-1, 0-0 BIG 12)

Date	CU*	Opponent	Opp*	TV	Result/Time	2009 Record	Series	This-N-That
SEPT. 6	NR	COLORADO STATE (N)	NR	FSN	<b>L 17-23</b>	1-0	59-20-2	CSU jumps out to 20-3 halftime lead; Buffs rally falls just short
Sept. 11	NR	at Toledo (N)	NR	ESPN	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	0-1	0-0-0	Toledo replaced Miami-Ohio; first non-Thanksgiving Friday game since '75
SEPT. 19		WYOMING		FCS-C	<b>1:30 p.m.</b>	1-0	23-2-1	First meeting between old RMAC/Skyline conference rivals since '97
Oct. 1		at West Virginia (N)		ESPN	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	1-0	1-0-0	Goodman's field goal in '08 OT propelled CU to win in first-ever meeting
Oct. 10	+	at Texas		TBA	<b>tba</b>	1-0	7-10-0	Buffs sluggish on offense, late first half UT TD put 'Horns up 21-0
OCT. 17	+	KANSAS (FW)		TBA	<b>tba</b>	1-0	41-24-3	KU breaks open a 16-14 game with two fourth quarter scores
Oct. 24	+	at Kansas State		TBA	<b>tba</b>	1-0	44-19-1	Buffs rush for 247, CU forces KS into 6 3-and-outs, matching season total
OCT. 31	+	MISSOURI (HC)		TBA	<b>tba</b>	1-0	31-39-3	Tigers end CU's 242-game scoring streak, but trot first team D out at end
NOV. 7	+	TEXAS A & M		TBA	<b>tba</b>	1-0	5-3-0	Buffs ahead 10-3 at half but A&M scores 21 in 3Q; CU season-high 392 TO
Nov. 14	+	at Iowa State		TBA	<b>tba</b>	1-0	48-14-1	CU rallies from 11 down (9:14 4Q); Hawkins 4 TDs, Smith/Dykes GS TFL
Nov. 19	+	at Oklahoma State (N)		TBA	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	1-0	26-18-1	Buffs fall behind 13-0 and tried to play catch-up the rest of the way
NOV. 27	+	NEBRASKA		ABC	<b>1:30 p.m.</b>	1-0	18-47-2	Henery 57-yard field goal with 1:43 remaining dashes CU postseason hopes
Dec. 5		Big 12 Championship Game		ABC	<b>6:00 p.m.</b> (Arlington, Texas)			Buffs have second most appearances (4) in Big 12 title game

(All times mountain. KEY: +—Big 12 Conference game; N—Night game; HC—Homecoming; FW—Family Weekend.)

**MEDIA SERVICES**

- Coach **Dan Hawkins** holds a **Tuesday press luncheon** in the Dal Ward Athletic Center, starting at 11:30 a.m. with lunch, followed by Hawkins beginning the interview session promptly at Noon. This year's dates: Sept. 8-15-28 (Monday), Oct. 6-13-20-27, Nov. 3-10-16 (Monday)-23 (Monday), Dec. 1-Dec. TBA (bowl). NOTE that there is no organized press luncheon on Sept. 22 (bye week). The **press conference portion of the luncheon is streamed live** on [www.CUBuffs.com](http://www.CUBuffs.com) (in the BuffsTV area); all press conferences on CUBuffs.com are free and thus do not require access codes.
- Hawkins can be heard Mondays (Aug. 31-Nov. 30) on the **Big 12 Teleconference Call** at 10:40 a.m. MT. All coaches participate; call the Big 12 office (469-524-1007) for access (media only—you must register). A teleconference replay is available after 3 p.m. MT the same day by phone (706/634-1618) or on [www.Big12sports.com](http://www.Big12sports.com).
- **Video highlights** of CU football games are available anytime provided by the Big 12 Conference through XOS, with access managed by Collegiate Images. Contact Bob Burda at the Big 12 office for approval and access (469/524-1007; [bob@big12sports.com](mailto:bob@big12sports.com)). Special requests can also be made through CU's **BuffVision** (Deric Swanson or Eric Pelloni: 303-735-3637).
- The **Colorado lockerroom** (home and road) is closed after games; following the customary 10-minute cooling off period, players will be made available (a list of players will be solicited immediately following the game; no cutoff to request players).
- Colorado's regular season **football practices** are closed to the general public (exception: Sundays) but are open to the media (exception: Thursdays). The 11th through 30th minute of practices Tues.-Wed. (all of Sun.) in-season are open for photo/video needs from the end zones and sidelines. All parameters listed in CU media policies.
- This year's standard **meeting/practice schedule** (mountain time, pre-time change): Sunday (3:15-5:00, 5:15-6:15); Monday (off); Tuesday (2:30-3:40/4:00-6:30), Wednesday (2:30-3:40/4:00-6:30), Thursday (2:30-3:40/4:00-5:45), Friday (3:00-4:00, evening meetings).
- **Interviews** with Colorado players are allowed post-practice on Sundays, pre- and post-practice on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and pre-practice Thursdays (the cutoff moves up to pre-Wednesday practice for Thursday/Friday games). Phone interviews with out-of-town media are allowed all four days in all time slots. Interviews on Mondays are at the discretion of the player, as it being the standard player day off (no meetings/practice), CU can't arrange due to NCAA rules.
- **Collegepressbox.com** is the official media website for Big 12 football. Access and download weekly game notes, statistics, quotes, media guides and more for the conference and each member school throughout the season. Most FBS conferences are also accessible as well. Login information will be distributed to accredited media, and media members can also apply for a password by sending an e-mail to [password@collegepressbox.com](mailto:password@collegepressbox.com).
- **CU On-Line Photo Database.** The CU sports information service has an online photo database that allows registered members of the media instant access to print quality head shots of all CU coaches and student-athletes as well as action shots of key players. Registration is easy: for a login and password, simply log on to [www.CUBuffs.com](http://www.CUBuffs.com), select "Sports Information" from the "Athletic Department" menu located on the left navigation bar and follow the instructions.

**THE BUFFALOES ON THE INTERNET**

- Colorado has its information available to both the media and fans alike on the Internet. Visit the official CU site at [www.CUBuffs.com](http://www.CUBuffs.com) for the latest information, releases, game notes, press conference broadcasts (free) and articles by former *Rocky Mountain News* sportswriter B.G. Brooks. Go to [www.cubuffs.com/media](http://www.cubuffs.com/media) and click on Media Center: it will link you to everything you'll need to know about CU football. "BuffsTV" offers the opportunity to listen and/or watch live game action of several CU athletic teams. Breaking news with the program will be found here first every time and delivered in full without others editing out what they might deem unessential.
- **Audio.** **CUBuffs.com** is now the official site for subscription service for audio-only broadcasts, as all football and men's and women's basketball games (and Dan Hawkins' weekly radio show) are streamed through BuffsTV on the site. It is still a subscription service, but is quite affordable: \$4.99/month or \$39.99/annual.

**THE BUFFALOES ON THE AIRWAYS**

- **KOA-Radio** in Denver (850 AM) originates the 8-station CU Football Network, with sports director **Mark Johnson** in his sixth year as the play-by-play voice of the Buffs. **Larry Zimmer** (analysis) is in his 36th season broadcasting Colorado football (he handled play-by-play from 1971-81 and 1985-2003). Former CU quarterback **Charles Johnson** (pre- and postgame shows/sidelines) is in his fifth year on the broadcast team. Other cities on the network in addition to KOA/Denver metro: Alamosa, Aspen, Colorado Springs, Durango, Glenwood Springs, Grand Junction and Salida. (*CSU game: pregame show on 760am, with KOA to pickup around 4:30 after Rockies game.*)
- Wednesdays at 7 p.m., the **Dan Hawkins Show** originates from The Boulder Draft House (13th & Spruce), with Mark Johnson and Zimmer hosting the program; the show will air Tuesdays the weeks of the West Virginia (Sept. 29) and Oklahoma State (Nov. 17) games. The shows run Sept. 2 through Nov. 25.
- **Satellite Radio:** Sirius-XM is the satellite home of the Buffaloes; the CU-Toledo game (KOA broadcast) will be on channels 125 (Sirius) and 102 (XM).
- **FOX Sports Net Rocky Mountain** is the television home of the Buffaloes, as "The Buffalo Stampede" is broadcast in the six-state FSN area. The show airs Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. MT with replays at 11:00 a.m. Fridays (sometimes with adjustments for Colorado Rockies baseball). Assistant AD and former CU QB **Charles Johnson** hosts the program; the show airs through the end of basketball season. It is also online at <http://buffalostampede.tv/>.

**IMPORTANT ROSTER INFORMATION & UPDATES** (Number changes, etc., from the media guide)

**Number Changes:** Anthony Wright (16, from No. 21; playing WR as well as CB). **Position Change:** Wright. **DUPE NUMBERS:** While there are several duplicate numbers, those who appear below are the ones where both are likely to see action (at the other dupes, **10** (Sipili), **13** (Goodman), **18** (Hawkins), **22** (Jaffee), **25** (Moyd), **28** (Smith), **59** (Beatty), **68** (Daniels) and **83** (Pericak) are likely the only ones to play). CU jerseys *DO* have names; Skin tone key: A—African-American, C—Caucasian, P—Polynesian:

Offense/Kicker	Defense/Kicker	Offense/Kicker	Defense/Kicker
<b>12</b> Ryan Maxwell, WR (C)	<b>12</b> Patrick Mahnke, S (C)	<b>20</b> Brian Lockridge, TB (A)	<b>20</b> Matt Meyer, S (C)
<b>15</b> Jason Espinoza, WR (C)	<b>15</b> Zach Grossnickle, PK/P (C)	<b>55</b> Max Tuioti-Mariner, OG (P)	<b>55</b> Josh Hartigan, ILB (A)

**PRONUNCIATION GUIDE****Coaches/Staff**

Brad **BEDELL** (buh-dell)  
 Brian **CABRAL** (cuh-browl)  
 Eric **KIESAU** (key-saw)

**ROMEO** Bandison (row-may-oh)

**Players**

Tyler **AHLES** (alice)  
 Ryan **AWEIDA** (uh-weigh-duh)  
 Matthew **BAHR** (bar)  
 David **BAKHTIARI** (bock-T-are-E)

B.J. **BEATTY** (bay-tee)  
 Blake **BEHRENS** (bear-ens)  
 Jake **BEHRENS** (bear-ens)  
 Austin **BISNOW** (bizz-no)  
 Nate **BONSU** (bonn-sue)  
**CHA'PELLE** Brown (shuh-pell)  
**JALIL** Brown (juh-leal)  
 Ryan **DANNEWITZ** (dan-uh-wits)  
**JARROD** Darden (Jared)  
 Patrick **DEVENNY** (duh-vain-E)  
 Matt **DILALLO** (di-lah-low)

Justin **DRESCHER** (dresh-er)  
**RIAR** Geer (rye-er)  
 Eugene **GOREE** (gore-ray)  
 Brandon **GOUIN** (go-in)  
**MARQUEZ HERROD**  
 (mar-qwez her-rod)  
**Nick KASA** (cah-suh; casa)  
**Taj** Kaynor (as in Taj Mahal)  
 Patrick **MAHNKE** (main-key)  
 Justin **MIHALCIN** (muh-hull-sin)  
 Shaun **MOHLER** (mole-er)

Kevin **MOYD** (moid, as in void)  
**LILLOA NOBRIGA** (lie-low-ah,  
 no-brigg-uh)  
 Conrad **OBI** (oh-bee)  
**DEJI OLATOYE** (day-ghee  
 O-la-toy-ye)  
 Will **PERICAK** (pre-check)  
**LAGRONE** Shields (luh-gronn)  
**MARKQUES SIMAS**  
 (marcus see-muss)  
 Michael **SIPILI** (sih-pill-E)

Nate **SOLDER** (sold-er)  
**SIONE TAU** (see-own-E  
 towe, as in now)  
 Maxwell **TUIOTI**-Mariner  
 (two-E-oh-T)  
**TERDEMA USSERY**  
 (ter-dee-muh us-er-E)  
 Paul **VIGO** (vee-go)

**GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS**

Here are CU's starters for the 2009 season (**bold** indicates first career start); this list often does not reflect who might "listed" first at a position, as especially on offense, the first play selected often involves a particular grouping:

OFFENSE	WR	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	QB	TB	FB / Other
Colorado State	McKnight	<b>Espinoza</b>	Solder	<b>Adkins</b>	<b>Iltis</b>	Miller	<b>Givens</b>	Geer	C.Hawkins	Scott	Deehan (TE)
DEFENSE	LE	DT	NT	RE / Other	MLB	WLB	SLB	LCB	FS	SS	RCB
Colorado State	Herrod	<b>Cunningham</b>	<b>Pericak</b>	C.Brown (N)	Mohler	Smart	<b>Beatty</b>	Burney	Perkins	<b>Polk</b>	J.Smith

(N)—Nickel back. **CONSECUTIVE STARTS**—Smart 23, C.Brown 16, Solder 14, Mohler 10, J.Smith 4. **CAREER STARTS**—Geer 26, C.Brown 25, C.Hawkins 24, Smart 23.

**PLAYER PARTICIPATION (dressed/played):** Colorado State 100/57.

**COLORADO COACHES' WEEKLY AWARD WINNERS**

A look at Colorado's weekly award winners for each game as selected by the coaching staff (#—chosen if a linemen does not win offensive or defensive; none selected following losses; \*—denotes nominated for Big 12 player-of-the-week):

Opponent	Offensive	Defensive	Special Teams	#Lineman (Off or Def)	Scout Team (Offense, Defense, Special Teams)
Colorado State	none				

**TOP CU COMEBACKS FROM SEASON OPENING LOSSES**

Colorado has had to rebound from a tough opening loss many times, and in several instances, recovered to have outstanding, if not championship seasons. The top six CU rallies from an opening day loss:

**2002****Colorado State 19, Colorado 14 in Denver**

Bufs win nine of next 11, repeat as Big 12 North Division champions and return to the league's championship game.

**2001****Fresno State 24, Colorado 22 in Boulder**

Bufs win 10 of next 11, including a 62-36 thrashing of No. 2 (BCS #1) Nebraska to win the Big 12 North and avenge the only loss in that span by beating Texas in a rematch in the Big 12 Championship game. Despite having *two* losses, CU is .005 shy of the No. 2 BCS ranking and just misses playing Miami in the Rose Bowl. CU rose to No. 2 in both the AP and Coaches final regular season polls.

**1990****Tennessee 31, Colorado 31 at Anaheim (Disneyland Pigskin Classic)**

Though a tie, the players will tell you felt like a loss. CU was No. 5 in the preseason polls after coming off an 11-1 season where it played for the national championship. The Buffs led No. 8 Tennessee 31-17 in the fourth quarter, but basically had to hang on for the tie. The team started 1-1-1 on the season, but went on to win its last 10 and claim both the Big 8 and national titles.

**1986****Colorado State 23, Colorado 7 in Boulder**

In this case, one loss became four, as the Buffs lose the next three by a combined eight points; CU thus opened 0-4 after being the national comeback darlings in 1985. However, CU rebounds and goes 6-1 in league play, the 11th best rally in NCAA history for a team that opened 0-4 and played Oklahoma for the conference title in November.

**1976****Texas Tech 24, Colorado 7 at Lubbock**

The offense was stagnant with 208 yards; the defense allowed just 186 but was doomed by two big Tech plays and turnovers (CU threw five interceptions). Buffs win eight of next 10, win the Big 8 title and play Ohio State in the Orange Bowl.

**1956****Oregon 35, Colorado 0 in Boulder**

Unranked Oregon shuts CU out at Folsom, and has 444 yards of offense to just 102 by the Buffs. CU picks itself up, goes 7-1-1 the rest of the way, with the only loss to #1 Oklahoma (27-19) and then posts the first bowl win in program history, 27-21 over Clemson in the Orange Bowl.

**CU-CSU NINTH TOP FSN-ROCKY MOUNTAIN BROADCAST; SECOND HIGHEST RATED COLLEGE GAME ON NETWORK**

FSN Rocky Mountain delivered the ninth-highest-rated live event in the network's history recording an 11.5 rating during Sunday's Colorado-Colorado State football game. It also is the second-highest-rated college football telecast on FSN Rocky Mountain, behind the 2008 CU-CSU game which registered a 12.3 rating. The high-rating for the annual in-state rivalry game comes less than two weeks after the network recorded its highest-rated Colorado Rockies telecast (9.7 on Aug. 25).

According to FSN's analysis of Nielsen Media Research data, Sunday's telecast generated an **11.5 rating/24 share** in the Denver DMA with an average of nearly 175,000 households tuned in to the Rams 23-17 win over the Buffaloes. It was the highest-rated program through the duration of the game (5:00 p.m. — 8:45 p.m. MT) beating such programs as the 5:00 p.m. local affiliate newscasts on NBC, CBS and ABC, "60 Minutes" (6:00 p.m. — 7:00 p.m.) on CBS and "Spiderman 2" (6:30 p.m. — 9:00 p.m.) on KDVR (FOX 31). The game peaked at a 13.0 rating/24 share (More than 195,000 households) during the 8:15 p.m. — 8:30 p.m. quarter hour.

The CU-CSU PREGAME REPORT presented by Toyota recorded a 7.4 rating and the postgame report followed the game with a 3.2 rating. The pregame report rating is 54 percent higher than the 2008 CU-CSU PREGAME REPORT. The Colorado versus Colorado State football game now owns five spots on FSN Rocky Mountain's list of Top 10 highest-rated college football telecasts. The Top 10 Highest-Rated College Football Telecasts on FSN Rocky Mountain:

Rating	Game	Result	Rating	Game	Result
12.3	Aug. 31, 2008 — Colorado St. vs. Colorado	CU won 38-17	8.5	Nov. 16, 2002 — Iowa State at Colorado	CU won 41-27
11.5	Sept. 6, 2009 — Colorado St. vs. Colorado	CSU won 23-17	8.4	<b>Sept. 4, 1999 — Colorado St. vs. Colorado</b>	<b>CSU won 41-14</b>
11.3	Sept. 4, 2004 — Colorado St. at Colorado	CU won 27-24	7.9	Sept. 7, 2002 — San Diego St. at Colorado	CU won 34-14
9.6	Sept. 1, 2007 — Colorado St. vs. Colorado	CU won 31-28 (OT)	7.3	Nov. 10, 2001 — Colorado at Iowa State	CU won 40-27
8.9	Sept. 7, 2002 — Colorado St. at UCLA	UCLA won 30-19	6.9	Nov. 9, 2002 — Colorado at Missouri	CU won 42-35 (OT)

**MCKNIGHT ON THE VERGE OF HISTORY**

Junior **Scotty McKnight** has caught a pass in every game he has played in as a Colorado Buffalo—25 regular season plus the one bowl game for a total of 26. The school record for the most consecutive games with at least one reception is 27, set by Charles E. Johnson between 1991 and 1993; McKnight's 25 are thus closing in on the record (CU records do not include bowl games; if it did, Johnson's record would be 29).

Nationally, McKnight is among the leaders as well; here's the list going through games of September 7 as compiled by the Central Michigan SID office (these include postseason): Bryan Anderson, Central Michigan 41; Naaman Roosevelt, Buffalo 39; Duke Calhoun, Memphis 38; Dennis Pitta, BYU 31; Brandon LaFell, LSU 29; Antonio Brown, Central Michigan 28; Eric Decker, Minnesota 27; **Scotty McKnight, Colorado 26**; Delashaun Dean, Arizona 26; Arrelious Benn, Illinois 26; Jermaine Gresham, Oklahoma 25.

**NEXT 100 WILL BE 100**

In its history, Colorado has had 99 occasions where a player has had 100 or more yards receiving in a game; the next one up will be No. 100. The first was recently unearthed: **Jim Haley** caught three passes for 108 yards and a touchdown against Colorado State on Nov. 25, 1930; the next was **Frank McGlone** versus Northern Colorado on Nov. 18, 1933; he caught two passes, both for touchdowns for 109 yards. It was 13 years until the next one (**John Zisch** at BYU). **Scotty McKnight** is the only current player on the CU roster with one, which he registered in his first game (vs. CSU, Sept 1, 2007; 8-106, 1 TD).

**FOURTH ALMOST ALWAYS A WINNER**

**Dan Hawkins** will become the 11th head coach in CU history to coach at least four seasons this fall. The 10 coaches who previously reached year number four generally had winning teams, with eight posting winning records and a ninth going .500; the 10th? That was the 1938 team coached by **Bunny Oakes** that had to replace Mr. Everything, **Byron "Whizzer" White**, and it still managed to go 3-4-1. On two other occasions when coaches were asked to rebuild the program, **Eddie Crowder** had his first winning season in his third year (going 6-2-2 in 1965), following that up with a 7-3 campaign his fourth year, while **Bill McCartney** enjoyed his first winning year in his fourth season at the helm.

Head Coach	Season	Record	First 3 Yrs	Head Coach	Season	Record	First 3 Yrs	Head Coach	Season	Record	First 3 Yrs
Fred Folsom	1898	4-4	17-2	Dal Ward	1951	7-3	11-15-1	Rick Neuheisel	1998	8-4	25-10
Myron Witham	1923	9-0	12-6-3	Eddie Crowder	1966	7-3	10-18-2	Gary Barnett	2002	9-4	20-16
Bunny Oakes	1938	3-4-1	17-8	Bill Mallory	1977	7-3-1	22-13	Dan Hawkins	2009	?	13-24
Jim Yeager	1946	5-4-1	15-8-1	Bill McCartney	1985	7-5	7-25-1				

**YOUNG BUT NOT SO YOUNG**

It's been rare when Colorado hasn't had at least one senior in its two-deep on its offensive line or at least one senior starter. The last time the latter happened was in 1998, when two different units of non-seniors started a combined five games and crushed Oregon in the Aloha Bowl, 51-43 (it was 44-14 at one point). The last time that a senior did not start at least one game on the offensive line was in 1982, **Bill McCartney's** first season as head coach. In 2009, CU has no senior offensive linemen on its roster; should it remain so, it'll be the first time in known CU history that has happened (Mac's '82 team had one senior OL, **Mark Hasart**). A look at senior-less starting offensive lines since 1978, when records are available:

Season	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	Notes
1982	Derek Weisner, Jr.	Vince Rafferty, Jr.	Tim Howard, So.	Steve Heron, Jr.	John Firm, Jr.	started the '82 opener, Mac's 1st
	Derek Weisner, Jr.	Vince Rafferty, Jr.	Steve Heron, Jr.	Tim Howard, So.	John Firm, Jr.	started 2 games
	Derek Weisner, Jr.	Vince Rafferty, Jr.	Steve Heron, Jr.	Calvin Beaty, Jr.	John Firm, Jr.	started 1 game
	Randy Hogbin, Jr.	Vince Rafferty, Jr.	Steve Heron, Jr.	Calvin Beaty, Jr.	John Firm, Jr.	started 3 games
	Randy Hogbin, Jr.	Vince Rafferty, Jr.	Steve Heron, Jr.	Eric Coyle, Fr.	John Firm, Jr.	started 4 games
1993	Tony Berti, Jr.	Heath Irwin, So.	Bryan Stoltenberg, So.	Chad Hammond, So.	Derek West, Jr.	a—group started first seven games
1998	Shane Cook, Jr.	Brad Bedell, Jr.	Ryan Johanningmeier, Jr.	Chris Morgan, Jr.	Victor Rogers, Fr.-RS	started 2 games
	Ryan Johanningmeier, Jr.	Brad Bedell, Jr.	Andre Gurode, Fr.-RS	Chris Morgan, Jr.	Shane Cook, Jr.	started 3 games, incl. Aloha Bowl
2009	Nate Solder, Jr.	Ethan Adkins, Soph.	b—Mike Iltis, Soph.	Ryan Miller, Soph.	Bryce Givens, Fr.-RS	started '09 opener

a—Hammond suffered a season-ending back injury; b—was injured six plays into game and was replaced remainder of the way by Keenan Stevens, Jr.

**RECRUIT & ROSTER UPDATE**

Three of CU's 19 recruits from last February did not qualify per NCAA standards and were thus not able to join the program: **QB Josh Moten**, **DT Edward Nuckols** and **OL Shaun Simon**. All could still wind up as Buffaloes, but need to go the junior college route first to do so. CU did add **WR Will Jefferson** as a scholarship recruit just prior to the start of fall camp (literally, he signed two days before). Three freshmen have cracked the two-deep in the first depth chart of the season, Jefferson, **DT Nate Bonsu** and **DE Forrest West**. **DE Nick Kasa** might have been in position to had he not suffered a knee injury midway through camp. **PK/P Zach Grossnickle** is running third at punter entering the season, but it is likely he will be ticketed for a redshirt season along with the other 13 members of the class. Kasa is rehabbing the injury at present without undergoing surgery; a decision on if he will have it will depend on his progress.

**TRUE FROSH WATCH**

Three true freshmen played in the opener as expected against Colorado State, but none started the game. **DT Nate Bonsu**, **WR Will Jefferson** and **DE Forrest West** all played against Colorado State, and had they started, were in line to become the first player at their respective position in Buff annals to ever start the season opener. Here are the six known true freshmen in CU history thrown in the fray from play one:

**TB Billy Waddy**, 1973 (at Louisiana State); **CB Victor Scott** and **OLB Scott Hardison**, 1980 (at UCLA); **HB Eric Bieniemy**, 1987 (vs. Oregon); **OG Clint Moore**, 1991 (vs. Wyoming) and **ILB Jordon Dizon**, 2004 (vs. Colorado State).



## QUARTERBACK BATTLES OVER THE LAST THE QB BATTLE

The competition for the starting quarterback job this year is really just the seventh real battle in the last 18 years at Colorado, though the fourth time in the last seven seasons (the other times the incumbent was either entrenched or had little competition). **Cody Hawkins** battled **Tyler Hansen** this season, with Hawkins pulling ahead a bit the second half of camp with the plan now to redshirt Hansen if possible; Hawkins also beat out **Nick Nelson** and **Matt Ballenger** for the nod in 2007. There was a three-way competition for the job in 2006 among **James Cox**, the initial winner, **Bernard Jackson** (who would start games two through 12) and **Brian White** (who quit after the first game). The last time had been in 2003, when walk-on **Joel Klatt** earned the nod; in 2000, the competition between **Zac Colvin** and **Bobby Pesavento** raged from the start of spring ball to the final week of August camp. Colvin was named the opening game starter but four weeks into the season, freshman **Craig Ochs** came in during the second quarter of the Kansas State game and did not relinquish the role the remainder of the season. In 1998, the first real battle in six years, juniors **Mike Moschetti** and **Jeremy Weisinger** and sophomore **Adam Bledsoe** duked it out for the starting role. Moschetti won the job and Weisinger subsequently transferred to Texas A & M, where he became a free safety. Moschetti was the first junior college transfer to start a game at quarterback for Colorado since 1976, when **Jeff Austin** started the first three games of the year. Back in 1992, it was a four-way battle between a hero off the bench in junior **Vance Joseph**, an unknown sophomore named **Kordell Stewart**, the younger brother of a Heisman winner, **Koy Detmer**, and a transfer from Illinois, **Duke Tobin**. Stewart emerged as the winner and held the reins for three years, with Detmer the heir in 1995. **John Hessler**, of course, subbed for an injured Detmer most of that season and assumed control his senior year (1997). **Darian Hagan** had piloted the ship from 1989-91, taking over for the dying Sal Aunese after he was diagnosed with stomach cancer in March 1989.

**AND MORE**— In looking back at CU history, the Buffs have usually had a capable backup quarterback that became a household name. As far back as 1971, when 5-foot-7 **Joe Duenas** subbed for an injured **Ken Johnson** to lead CU to a 56-13 win over Wyoming in the second game of the season, Colorado second-team signal callers have made names for themselves. Two years later, **David Williams** and **Clyde Crutchmer** dueled for starting honors; in 1976, Austin replaced **Jeff Knappe** on occasion after Knappe wrestled the starting job away from him; in 1979, **Charlie Davis** and **Bill Solomon** battled back and forth; in the early 1980s, **Steve Vogel** and **Randy Essington** alternated as starters for three years, with Vogel emerging as CU's all-time passing leader at the time. In the last 1980s, there was the run of **Sal Aunese** replacing **Mark Hatcher**, Hagan replacing Aunese, **Charles Johnson** and Joseph both subbing for an injured Hagan on occasion; Stewart replacing Hagan, and he himself being replaced by Detmer and Tobin due to injuries; and of course, Hessler subbing for Detmer after Detmer replaced Stewart. Perhaps the best examples of this came in the 1991 Orange Bowl, when Johnson replaced an injured Hagan in the second half and earned MVP honors in leading CU to a 10-9 win over Notre Dame which paved the way for Colorado to be named the consensus national champion, and in 2001, when **Bobby Pesavento** took over the second half of the year for an injured **Craig Ochs**, and he helped lead the Buffs to their first Big 12 Conference title. That run included Pesavento steering the Buffs to wins over No. 2 Nebraska and No. 3 Texas. And in 2002, **Robert Hodge** has had to replace Ochs, after Ochs suffered the third concussion of his CU career and eventually left the team.

How did the quarterbacks compare in the six main scrimmages (three each in the spring and fall)? Pretty darn close; take a look:

Quarterback	PASSING							RUSHING				
	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Long	Sacked	Rating	Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
Cody Hawkins	118-75-1	63.6	1,001	11	50	11/60	163.89	7	27	3.9	0	15
Tyler Hansen	88-53-1	60.2	746	7	70t	16/99	155.41	19	123	6.5	1	23

The two combined for an **18-to-2** touchdown-to-interception ratio, one any coaching staff in the country would love to have one playing for real starts.

## DIVERSE SCHEDULE

Colorado has played at least one team from every FBS Conference this decade, matched only by Cincinnati, Georgia, Navy, Southern Miss and Syracuse. Four of the six have a leg up on CU and UGA, they've also played an independent. Here's a look at CU's opponents from 2000 through 2008 (no additions to the list in 2009):

**ACC:** Clemson, Florida State, Miami-Fla.

**Big East:** West Virginia

**Big 10:** Wisconsin

**Big 12:** All other 11

**Conference USA:** UTEP

**Independents:** none

**Mid-American:** Miami-Ohio

**Mountain West:** Colorado State, San Diego State

**Pac-10:** Arizona State, Oregon, UCLA, USC,

Washington, Washington State

**SEC:** Alabama, Georgia

**Sun Belt:** North Texas

**WAC:** Fresno State, New Mexico State,  
San Jose State

## HEAD COACHES & COACHING A POSITION

CU head coach **Dan Hawkins** is coaching the receivers this season, grooming defensive technical intern **Ashley Ambrose** to take over in 2010. Hawk is the first Buff head coach to take over the chores of a specific position (other than special teams) since **Rick Neuheisel** coached the quarterbacks from 1995-97. It's pretty rare: only three have really done it at Colorado, and Hawk is the lone BCS head coach and one of just six overall doing it this year; take a look:

Colorado			NCAA (2009)		
2009	Dan Hawkins	Receivers	Ball State	Stan Parrish	Quarterbacks
1995-97	Rick Neuheisel	Quarterbacks	Colorado	Dan Hawkins	Receivers
1993	Bill McCartney	Quarterbacks	Kent State	Doug Martin	Quarterbacks
			Nevada	Chris Ault	Quarterbacks
			San Diego State	Brady Hoke	Defensive Line
			Texas Tech	Mike Leach	Quarterbacks
			Utah State	Gary Andersen	Defensive Tackles

Before the birth of the coordinator in the late 1960s, head coaches usually handled those chores on one or both sides of the ball; the last head coach to also serve as a coordinator was McCartney, when he was over the offense in his first season (1982).

**ANOTHER CHANCE OR TWO VERSUS THE TOP FIVE IN '09?**

Marking the 40th anniversary of CU's first win ever against a team classified as a top 5 opponent, there are five Big 12 teams in the nation's preseason top 25, three in the top 10, four on CU's regular season schedule as of now. The Buffs are 12-49-1 all-time versus the top five (0-10 vs. No. 1; 2-14 vs. No. 2; 6-11 vs. No. 3; 2-6-1 vs. No. 4; 2-8 vs. No. 5); though are 8-16 since 1989. When assigning those 12 wins (if a player was injured and his replacement led the team to the win, the replacement gets the credit), there's a three-way tie for the lead with two. The nine quarterbacks who have piloted CU to wins over top five programs (*Associated Press* poll):

Quarterback	Date	Rk	Opponent	Score
Jim Bratten	Oct. 25, 1969	#5	MISSOURI	W 31-24
Jim Bratten	Sept. 26, 1970	#4	PENN STATE	W 41-13
Ken Johnson	Oct. 21, 1972	#2	OKLAHOMA	W 20-14
Mark Hatcher	Oct. 25, 1986	#3	NEBRASKA	W 20-10
Darian Hagan	Nov. 4, 1989	#3	NEBRASKA	W 27-21
Darian Hagan	Nov. 3, 1990	#3	at Nebraska	W 27-12

Quarterback	Date	Rk	Opponent	Score
#Charles Johnson	Jan. 1, 1991	#5	*Notre Dame	W 10-9
Kordell Stewart	Sept. 24, 1994	#4	at Michigan	W 27-26
#John Hessler	Sept. 23, 1995	#3	TEXAS A&M	W 29-21
Bobby Pesavento	Nov. 23, 2001	#2	NEBRASKA	W 62-36
Bobby Pesavento	Dec. 1, 2001	#3	^Texas	W 39-37
<b>Cody Hawkins</b>	<b>Sept. 29, 2007</b>	<b>#3</b>	<b>OKLAHOMA</b>	<b>W 27-24</b>

\*—Orange Bowl in Miami; ^—Big 12 Championship at Irving, Texas; #—Johnson replaced an injured Hagan; Hessler replaced an injured Koy Detmer.

Stewart, Hessler and Hawkins led their respective teams to wins after trailing at some point in the fourth quarter, with the wins by Stewart (TD) and Hawkins (FG) coming on the game's final play as time ran out.

**2009 ANNIVERSARIES**

The annual listing of what happened years ago, or anniversaries of 5, 10 and 25-year increments:

- 1904** (Oct. 8) Considered one of the biggest wins in the 15-year history of the program, Colorado beats Nebraska in Boulder, 6-0. The game ball remains on display at CU's Heritage Center on campus (third floor of Old Main).
- 1909** The 100th anniversary of CU's 6-0 team, the first of three in a row while establishing the school's all-time winning streak of 21 games between 1908 and 1912. CU squeezes by the State Prep School and an Alumni squad, both by 3-0 scores, but follow those up with routs over Colorado A&M (57-0) and New Mexico (53-0) before closing with road wins over Colorado College (9-0) and Colorado Mines (16-0).
- 1924** (Oct. 11) The 85th anniversary of the first game at Colorado Stadium (now Folsom Field), a 39-0 win over Regis. Colorado says goodbye to Gamble Field the previous Saturday with a 21-0 romp over Western State.
- 1934** (Nov. 10) The 75th anniversary of CU's 7-6 win over Utah, snapping a nine-game losing streak at the time against its conference archrival. It's the first game that the school is known as the "Buffaloes" following a contest in the school newspaper to come up with a permanent nickname. In the 7-0 win at Denver on Thanksgiving Day, the foundation for future Ralphie's is laid down when students rent a buffalo calf and more or less control it on the sidelines during the win.
- 1949** (Oct. 29) The 60th anniversary of the most wackiest game in CU history when it comes to weather. In a 14-7 homecoming win over Utah, the temperature was 61 degrees at its 2 p.m. kickoff with clear skies. It was overcast by halftime, and by the end of the game, the field was covered in six inches of snow.
- 1954** The 55th anniversary of one of the most prolific rushing offenses in Colorado history, the unit averaging 316 yards per game, ranking third in the nation. **John Bayuk** (824 yards), **Frank Bernardi** (668), **Carroll Hardy** (642), **Homer Jenkins** (446) and **Emerson Wilson** (419) combine to average 6.8 yards per carry and 31 touchdowns in CU's 7-2-1 season.
- 1969** The Buffs cap an 8-3 season with an emotional 47-33 win over Alabama in the Liberty Bowl, where CU had to put up with racial slurs from some Alabama fans because Colorado had African-American players and the Crimson Tide were not integrated at the time. **Bobby Anderson** is moved from quarterback to tailback the third game of the season and goes on to earn All-America honors. On Oct. 25, the Buffs topple No. 5 Missouri, 31-24 in Boulder, the Tigers' lone conference loss of the year.
- 1974** (Oct. 5) The last meeting between Front Range rivals Colorado and Air Force, won by the Buffs, 28-27 at the USAFA. CU leads the all-time series 12-4, but won nine of the last 10 by an average margin of 19 points.
- 1979** (Sept. 8) The 30th anniversary of the Colorado-Oregon game being the first college football game televised on ESPN (tape delay). It was also the first game of the short tenure as Colorado head coach by **Chuck Fairbanks**.
- 1984** (Sept. 15) The 25th anniversary marking the severe brain injury to CU tight end **Ed Reinhardt**, who was in a coma for a month after being hurt in the final two minutes of CU's 27-20 loss at Oregon. Reinhardt had caught 10 passes in the season opener the previous week against Michigan State and was the nation's leading receiver, despite CU's new two-tight offense being revealed by the *Denver Post* in one of those weak "public's right to know" defenses. CU is never the same after the injury and fights its way through a 1-10 season.
- 1989** Following Colorado's first 11-0 regular season in school history and No. 1 national ranking, the Buffaloes play for the national championship in the Orange Bowl against No. 4 Notre Dame, but come up short, 21-6. The Buffs dedicated the season to fallen quarterback **Sal Aunese**, who died on Sept. 23 after a six month battle with stomach cancer. His replacement, **Darian Hagan**, leads the team to the first of three straight undefeated seasons in Big 8 conference play and finishes fifth for the Heisman Trophy. The season is defined with back-to-back wins at Oklahoma (20-3) and then over No. 3 Nebraska (27-21).
- 1994** The 15th anniversary of "The Catch," (CU's 27-26 win at Michigan); of **Rashaan Salaam** winning the first Heisman Trophy by a Buff (Dec. 10); of **Chris Hudson** winning the Thorpe Award (Dec. 8); of Salaam going over 2,000 yards for the season against Iowa State (Nov. 19); of **Kordell Stewart** becoming the Big 8's all-time total offense leader (also Nov. 19); of **Bill McCartney** retiring as CU's head coach (also Nov. 19); and of CU's 11-1 season which saw the Buffs finish as the No. 3 team in the country.
- 1999** The 10th anniversary of **Gary Barnett** returning to head the program where he spent nine seasons as an assistant (1983-91); along the way, CU defeats at least one ranked opponent for a 12th straight season, plays in and wins its first overtime game in its history (46-39 over Missouri) and a monster bowl win (62-36 over Boston College in the Insight.com Bowl) extends CU's bowl winning streak to a nation's best six games.
- 2004** (Oct. 16) Hard to believe it's been five years since **Mason Crosby** kicked CU's school record 60 yard field goal in a 19-14 win over Iowa State. And 10 years after "The Catch," **Joel Klatt** and **Ron Monteilh** hook up for the exact same distance—64 yards—with five seconds left to give CU a 38-31 win over Kansas State. Colorado, 1-4 in league play entering November, rallies to win the Big 12 North Division.

**PRESEASON ALL-AMERICA**

None

FWAA Preseason Checklist (367 players): none.

**PRESEASON REDSHIRT FRESHMAN ALL-AMERICA**OT BRYCE GIVENS (*Scout.com/FoxSports.com*)OLB DOUGLAS RIPPY (*Scout.com/FoxSports.com*)**PRESEASON ALL-BIG 12 CONFERENCE**OG BLAKE BEHRENS (fourth-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)CB CHA'PELLE BROWN (first-team: *Huskers Illustrated, Nationalchamps.net, Phil Steele's College Football*)TE RIAAR GEER (second-team: *Lindy's Big 12 Football*; third-team: *Athlon*)OG RYAN MILLER (second-team: *Huskers Illustrated*; third-team: *Athlon*; fourth-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)ILB SHAUN MOHLER (third-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)TB DARRELL SCOTT (first-team: *collegefootballnews.com, southerncollegesports.com*; fourth-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)ILB JEFF SMART (second-team: *Huskers Illustrated*; fourth-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)CB JIMMY SMITH (second-team: *collegefootballnews.com*)OT NATE SOLDER (first-team: *collegefootballnews.com*)**BUFFALOES ON NATIONAL AWARD LISTS****(WATCH, SEMIFINALIST, FINALIST)**

John Mackey Award (top tight end): TE Riar Geer (one of 30 on official watch list)

**NATIONAL TOP 60 PLAYER RATINGS**Inside Linebacker: Michael Sipili (No. 57, *Phil Steele's College Football*)Offensive Guard: Ryan Miller (No. 12, *Phil Steele's College Football*)Punter: Matt DiLallo (No. 15, *Phil Steele's College Football*)Tight End: Riar Geer (No. 31, *Phil Steele's College Football*)Wide Receiver: Scotty McKnight (No. 43, *Phil Steele's College Football*)**NATIONAL UNIT RATINGS**Linebackers: No. 11 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)Offensive Line: No. 20 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)Running Back: No. 13 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)**PRESEASON TEAM RANKINGS**

Publication	National	Big 12 North	Publication	National	Big 12 North	Publication	National	Big 12 North
ESPN.com/ESPN The Magazine	No. 37	3rd	Sports Illustrated	No. 55	4th	Surefire Scouting	.....	3rd
Collegefootballnews.com	No. 39	4th	Lindy's Big 12 Football	No. 60	4th	Big 12 Media Summer Poll	.....	4th
Rivals.com	No. 41	...	College Football Poll.com	No. 68	4th	Nationalchamps.net	.....	4th
Phil Steele's College Football	No. 42	2nd	USA Today ( <i>coaches poll</i> )	OTRV	...	Southern College Sports	.....	4th
Athlon Sports	No. 49	4th	NCAA Football Commentary	.....	1st	USA Today Sports Weekly	.....	4th
The Sporting News	No. 51	...	Huskers Illustrated	.....	3rd	Football Outsiders	.....	5th
Kickoff	No. 52	3rd	Jim Feist's College FB	.....	3rd	Game Plan Magazines	.....	5th

**INJURY UPDATE**

What a difference a year makes; CU entered the 2008 season with four players already out for the season with four more out for an extended period of time. By the end of the year, 12 players were down for the finale at Nebraska and maybe one could have played in a bowl. Fast-forward to 2009, and no one is officially out for the season, with only five missing the opener. The injury list as of September 8:

Pos	Player	Injury	Notes	Status/Toledo
C	Mike Iltis	ankle	suffered a sprain on the sixth play of the CSU game	PROBABLE
DE	Nick Kasa	knee	sprained (MCL tear) in practice (Aug. 17), rehabbing to determine if surgery is needed or not	OUT (4-6 weeks)
SS	Patrick Mahnke	ankle	suffered a sprain in practice (Sept. 4)	QUESTIONABLE
WR	Scotty McKnight	concussion	suffered on helmet-to-helmet hit in CSU game; should be rarin'to go	PROBABLE
ILB	Michael Sipili	knee	suffered a sprain in practice (Aug. 17), working way back	QUESTIONABLE
OG	Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner	knee(s)	tore ACL in non-contact drill in practice (9/23), tore other in winter conditioning (3/03)	OUT (3-5 weeks)

**HIPAA:** The players listed above have signed waivers for their injury information to be released/discussed with the media.

**NOTE:** Injuries are reported in conjunction with the HIPAA laws. CU releases player name, body part (but no right or left ID's), the general nature and playing status when it comes to reporting injuries. Status will be listed as either OUT, DOUBTFUL, QUESTIONABLE, DAY-TO-DAY, PROBABLE or DEFINITE. Injuries will be updated in-game, postgame, the Sunday after the game, and for game notes at the end of the week.

**2009 LETTERMAN PICTURE**

Colorado has **51** lettermen returning for 2009, including 23 on offense, 25 on defense and three specialists; the Buffs lost **20** lettermen off the 2008 squad (six offense, nine defense, two specialists). CU returns 12 starters from last season (8 offense, 4 defense) plus one from 2007 and loses 11 (4 offense, 7 defense); several positions had multiple personnel shuttle in and out, so these numbers aren't truly reflective of the experience returning. The 2008 starters are listed in bold, and (\*\*) denotes letters earned primarily on special teams. The breakdown:

**OFFENSE**

Position	Returning (23)	Lost (9)
WR (x)	**Cameron Ham, Kendrick Celestine ( <i>ineligible</i> )	<b>Josh Smith</b> , Cody Crawford
WR (z)	<b>Scotty McKnight</b> , **Jason Espinoza	<b>Patrick Williams</b> , Steve Melton
LT	<b>Nate Solder</b>	
LG	<b>Blake Behrens</b> , Shawn Daniels	
C		<b>Daniel Sanders</b>
RG	Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner	<b>Devin Head</b>
RT	<b>Matthew Bahr</b> , Ryan Miller	
TE	<b>Riar Geer</b> , <b>Ryan Deehan</b> , Patrick Devenny, **Devin Shanahan	
QB	<b>Cody Hawkins</b> , Tyler Hansen	Nick Nelson, Matt Ballenger
TB	<b>Demetrius Sumler</b> , Rodney Stewart, Darrell Scott, **Kevin Moyd, **Corey Nabors Brian Lockridge ( <i>from 2007</i> )	
FB	Jake Behrens	Maurice Cantrell

**DEFENSE**

Position	Returning (25)	Lost (9)
DE	Conrad Obi	<b>Maurice Lucas</b>
DT	Curtis Cunningham, Taj Kaynor	<b>George Hypolite</b>
NT	Eugene Goree, Eric Lawson	<b>Brandon Nicolas</b>
DE	Marquez Herrod, Lagrone Shields	Jason Brace ( <i>from 2007</i> )
MLB	<b>Jeff Smart</b> , Michael Sipili	
WLB	<b>Shaun Mohler</b> , Bryan Stengel, Marcus Burton	
SLB	B.J. Beatty, **Josh Hartigan, **Tyler Ahles	<b>Brad Jones</b>
CB	<b>Cha'pelle Brown</b> , <b>Jalil Brown</b> , **Jonathan Hawkins	
SS	Anthony Perkins, **Travis Sandersfeld	<b>D.J. Dykes</b> , **Joel Adams
FS	Patrick Mahnke, **Bret Smith ( <i>from 2007</i> )	<b>Ryan Walters</b>
CB	<b>Benjamin Burney</b> ( <i>from 2007</i> ), Jimmy Smith, **Anthony Wright ( <i>now WR</i> )	<b>Gardner McKay</b>

**SPECIALISTS**

Position	Returning (3)	Lost (2)
P	<b>Matthew DiLallo</b>	Tom Suazo
PK	<b>Aric Goodman</b>	Jameson Davis
SN	<b>Justin Drescher</b>	

**Fall Overall Roster (112 players/78 scholarship)**— 17 seniors, 21 juniors, 36 sophomores, 38 freshmen (26 true/10 redshirt/1 letterman/1 transfer).

**2009 SCHEDULE FACTOIDS**

- There are 78 games involving 119 FBS teams in week one of the college football season and the Buffaloes are playing in the third-to-last game of the week. The Buffs play in the later of two Sunday games, preceding two Monday games. Additionally, Florida International is the only school with an opening-weekend bye.
- The Buffs will also have the fourth-shortest amount of time between contests from the first to second weeks. Florida State opens against Miami, Fla. (6 p.m. MT Monday, Sept. 7) and then hosts Jacksonville State (4 p.m. MT Saturday, Sept. 12), giving the Seminoles four days, 22 hours between games. Rutgers opens with Cincinnati (2 p.m. MT Monday, Sept. 7) and then hosts Howard (1:30 p.m. MT Saturday, Sept. 12), giving Scarlet Knights four days, 23-and-a-half hours. Clemson opens its season at home against Middle Tennessee State (4 p.m. MT Saturday, Sept. 4) before playing at Georgia Tech (5:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 10), giving the Tigers five days, one-and-a-half hours between games. The Buffs will have five days and two hours, opening at 5 p.m. MT Sunday before traveling to Toledo for a 7 p.m. MT kickoff against the Rockets.
- The Buffs arguably have the shortest week when factoring travel into the situation. Clemson, Colorado, Florida State and Rutgers all open at home, but Florida State and Rutgers will also remain home in week two while Clemson will travel just 105 miles from Clemson, S.C. to Atlanta to face the Yellow Jackets. The Buffs will travel 1,137 miles from Boulder to Toledo, Ohio.
- Additionally, the Buffs are the only school in the country that plays each of the first three weeks of the season without having a Saturday game until the third weekend on Sept. 19. Miami, Fla. opens its season Monday, Sept. 7 and then has a bye week before playing on Thursday, Sept. 17, meaning the Hurricanes are the only team waiting longer to play on a Saturday during 2009 (Sept. 26) and they are the only other team in the FBS to open with two non-Saturday games. Eastern Kentucky (Thursday), Ole Miss (Sunday) and Utah State (Thursday) both open with non-Saturday tilts and all have bye weeks before holding their first Saturday games on Sept. 19 like the Buffs.
- The 28 days that Colorado has between home games (Sept. 19/Wyoming;-Oct. 17/Kansas) ties for the eighth-longest span between home games in 2009. UAB has 37 days (Oct. 1-Nov. 7), Hawai'i goes 36 days (Sept. 4-Oct. 10), while Arizona (Sept. 12-Oct. 17), Georgia (Oct. 3-Nov. 7), Middle Tennessee State (Sept. 12-Oct. 17), SMU (Sept. 5-Oct. 10) and Washington State (Oct. 10-Nov. 14) all have 35-day windows.



**SERIES HISTORY—CU VS. TOLEDO**

It's the first-ever meeting between Colorado and Toledo — in any sport with head-to-head competition. The schools have crossed paths in a few golf tournaments and cross country and track competitions, but never in a dual situation. So unlike last week, where CU and Colorado State met for the 712th time head-to-head across the board in all sports, this is number one.

**FAMOUS OHIO BUFFALOES** — Three Buffaloes who hailed from Ohio high schools had extraordinary careers at Colorado (out of 14 who earned letters prior to **TB Rodney Stewart** (Westerville, Brookhaven HS) picking one up as a freshman in '08). **OT Mike Montler** (Columbus, St. Mary's) was All-Big 8 in both 1967 and 1968, earning All-America honors as a senior; **TE Don Hasselbeck** (Cincinnati, La Salle) was both All-Big 8 (1975-76) and an All-American (second-team '75, first-team '76); and CB/KR Ben Kelly (Cleveland, Mentor Lake Catholic) was a three-time All-Big 12 performer and an All-American at kick returner as a junior in 1999; he declared early for the NFL Draft after that season. All three went on to play in the NFL.

**CU-TOLEDO BY THE NUMBERS**

Here's a look at some numbers-related trivia in the Colorado-Toledo series:

- 0 The number of meetings in football, and in all sports in head-to-head situations, between the two schools;
- 2 The number of previous trips by CU to the state of Ohio in football, both visiting Columbus to play Ohio State (1971, 1986);
- 15 The number of lettermen, including sophomore **TB Rodney Stewart**, who have hailed from the state of Ohio;
- 1,138 The number of miles, as the crow flies, between Boulder and Toledo.

**CONFERENCE CALL**

- ➔ **Colorado** is 2-0 against current members of the Mid-American Conference, winning both games in Boulder by the same score (42-0), against Kent State in 1977 and Miami-Ohio in 2007.
- ➔ **Toledo** is 2-4 all-time versus Big 12 Conference schools (1-1 vs. Iowa State, 1-3 vs. Kansas); two of those six games went into overtime, multiple at that (one a 3OT affair with ISU, a 45-43 loss in 2006). Two weeks after that heartbreaker, Toledo beat KU, 37-31, in double OT at the Glass Bowl. The win over Iowa State was another shootout, 36-35, at home in 2007.

**IN COLORADO BUFFALO HISTORY: SEPTEMBER 11**

Colorado is 5-2 all-time on **September 11**, as the Buffaloes did not play on the date until 1971, but have played on the date every time in the 5- or 6-year cycle since. Here's a brief look at the Sept. 11 games in Colorado history: **1971**—CU traveled to Baton Rouge with a sophomore-laden roster and upended the No. 9 Louisiana State Tigers, 31-21. **TB Charlie Davis** rushed for 174 yards and two touchdowns, and **WR Cliff Branch** broke open a 10-7 game with a 75-yard punt return early in the third quarter to send the Buffs on their way. CU had 293 rushing yards and limited LSU to just 227 overall, picking off four Tiger passes. (*This was also Larry Zimmer's first game as CU's play-by-play man.*) **1976**—This could not have been pretty; Texas Tech beat CU, 24-7 in Lubbock. The Buffs outgained the Red Raiders, 208-186, but QB Jeff Austin (5-of-19, 67 yards) was intercepted five times (if today's passer rating existed then, it would have been 3.31). TTU committed three turnovers as well. The teams combined to run 128 plays for those 394 yards, or 3.1 per try. **1982**—In Bill McCartney's first game as head coach, the Buffs take the field with 73 (out of 95) scholarship players, the Buffs battle both some nasty rainfall and California, but the Bears escape Boulder with a 31-17 win. **1988**—**QB Sal Aunese's** 1-yard plunge with 1:55 remaining in the game capped an 85-yard drive to rally Colorado to a 24-21 win at No. 19 Iowa. **TB Eric Bieniemy** rushed for 153 yards, but it was Aunese's calm demeanor leading the comeback that paved the way for the first real signature road win over a ranked team in Bill McCartney's tenure. A fierce CU defense held Iowa to 75 rushing yards—on 38 tries, with **SS Bruce Young** and **ILB Don DeLuzio** each recording 11 tackles. **1993**—The Buffs roll to a 42-0 lead midway through the fourth quarter before Baylor make the scoreboard more respectable in garbage time in a 45-21. In a “dress rehearsal” for the next season's “The Catch,” **QB Kordell Stewart** (14-of-18, 221 yards, 2 TD) throws the Hail Mary pass into the end zone, where **WR Michael Westbrook** tips it to **WR Charles Johnson** (6-151, 3 TD) who gathers it in as the halftime gun sounds to put the Buffs up, 35-0. Johnson had two touchdown receptions and a third when he recovered a fumble in the end zone. **1999**—**QB Mike Moschetti** (25-of-32, 2 TD) passed for a school record 465 yards, with a record 500 yards of total offense, with **TB Cortlen Johnson** rushing for 104 yards and three touchdowns as the Buffs topple San Jose State, 63-35. CU jumped out to a 28-0 first quarter lead and led 49-15 midway in the third period en route to amassing a school record 767 yards of total offense; SJSU had 507 of its own, as the teams were just shy of 1,300 yards this sunny afternoon. **WR Marcus Stiggers** caught five of Moschetti's passes for 174 yards. **2004**—It was ugly, but a win: Colorado had its second lowest amount of total offense in its history while winning a game, as the Buffs beat Washington State 20-12 at Qwest Field in Seattle. CU had 125 yards of total offense, scoring its touchdowns on a recovered blocked punt in the end zone (by **RB Lawrence Vickers**) and on a 51-yard interception return by **OLB Joe Sanders**. WSU was knocking at the door late, but **ILB Jordon Dizon** forced QB Alex Brink to fumble inside the Buff 5 in the final seconds. **SEPTEMBER 11 COLORADO MVP: QB Sal Aunese.** He completed 5-of-8 passes for 116 yards, and rushed for 31 yards and two touchdowns in CU's 24-21 win at No. 19 Iowa in 1988. CU led 14-0 only to see Iowa claw back and take a 21-17 lead in the third quarter.

## TALE OF THE TAPE

Here's a comparative look at **Colorado** and **Toledo** in several statistical categories for the 2008 season; the NCAA released one-game statistics through last Saturday's games, so CU was not yet included. That and one-game comparisons don't serve much so we will revert to last year (NCAA/national rankings, if applicable, are in parenthesis; national rankings include bowl games):



Category	Colorado	Toledo
Overall Record, 2008 .....	5-6	3-9
Versus AP Ranked Teams (at time of game).....	1-4	0-0
Opponents Played Combined Record (SOS: NCAA, Sagarin) .....	68-53 (20, 19)	74-77
Overall Record, 1989-current (last 20 seasons).....	153-89-4 (22)	146-86-3 (23)
Versus Ranked Teams.....	42-56-2	5-6
In Conference Play.....	97-53-3 (11)	105-50 (10)
Alumni On NFL Rosters (as of September 7).....	22	?
Rushing Offense.....	124.5 (86)	146.3 (60)
Average Per Rush .....	3.4	4.7
Passing Offense.....	194.0 (81)	187.8 (85)
Completion Percentage .....	55.9	60.1
Average Per Attempt.....	5.8	5.9
Passing Efficiency .....	112.9 (90)	116.7 (83)
Total Offense.....	318.5 (95)	334.1 (85)
Average Per Play.....	4.5	5.3
Scoring Offense.....	20.2 (100)	22.4 (88)
Rushing Defense.....	166.3 (86)	178.3 (96)
Average Per Rush .....	4.4	4.4
Passing Defense .....	215.3 (72)	203.1 (53)
Completion Percentage .....	64.5	65.4
Average Per Attempt.....	6.8	7.1
Pass Efficiency Defense .....	130.8 (73)	141.5 (102)
Total Defense.....	381.6 (78)	381.4 (77)
Average Per Play.....	5.5	5.5
Scoring Defense.....	29.3 (86)	31.4 (81)
Third Down Conversion Offense.....	37.6 (75)	35.0 (92)
Third Down Conversion Defense.....	39.3 (62)	45.4 (101)
Quarterback Sacks By / Allowed.....	26 / 33 (45/107)	10 / 16 (118/24)
Net Punting .....	34.0 (80)	36.0 (45)
Punt Returns .....	9.2 (56)	6.1 (101)
Punt Return Yardage Defense.....	10.5 (82)	5.7 (21)
Kickoff Returns .....	22.3 (38)	20.4 (77)
Kickoff Return Yardage Defense.....	26.7 (114)	25.4 (111)
Turnovers .....	24 (64)	20 (34)
Turnover Margin.....	-0.58 (94)	0.00 (62)
Time of Possession.....	28:57 (91)	28:12 (101)

## TOLEDO NOTES

**Toledo** is 0-1 overall, coming off a 52-31 loss at Purdue in the head coaching debut for **Tim Beckman**. The Rockets open the season with three games against Big Ten or Big 12 schools. After the contest Friday, the Rockets will travel to Cleveland to face Ohio State in the third week of the season. The Rockets are undefeated at home against Big 12 competition all-time, as they defeated Kansas State 37-31 in double OT in 2006 and Iowa State 36-35 in 2007. On its extended schedule, Toledo is scheduled to face more Big 12 competition as the Rockets will play a home-and-home with Missouri in 2013 and 2014 and will host the Cyclones again in 2015.

- ➔ Toledo head coach **Tim Beckman** is in his first season at the reins of the Rockets, owning a 0-1 record. Despite CU and Toledo having never met on the field, Beckman is familiar with the Buffaloes – he was the defensive coordinator at Oklahoma State the last two seasons and faced the Buffs once, a 30-17 OSU victory last season in Boulder.
- ➔ Toledo is coming off a 52-31 loss at Purdue. The Boilermakers ran out to a 21-0 lead and both teams scored 31 points the remainder of the game. The Rockets did pull within 21-14 before Purdue scored 10 points in the last two minutes of the first half and then scored two more touchdowns to open the second half and take a 45-14 lead. The Rockets were successful through the air against the Boilermakers as QB **Aaron Opelt** completed 41-of-67 passes for 423 yards and three scores through the air while WR **Stephen Williams** had 15 receptions for 185 yards and a pair of scores while WR **Eric Page** had 12 receptions for 123 yards and a touchdown in his first collegiate game.
- ➔ Opelt, Williams and Page set their marks on the national rankings and the UT record book against Purdue, as well. Opelt leads the nation early in the season with 423 passing yards, a mark that is good enough for fourth in Toledo history, while his 67 attempts set a new school and his 41 completions ranks as second-most in school history. Williams also leads the nation with 15 receptions, second most in Toledo history while his 185 yards is the second most in the NCAA after one week and ranks fourth at Toledo. Page set a UT freshman record with his 12 receptions, a mark that is third nationally in the young season.
- ➔ Toledo is designating the game as a Midnight Blue Out and is asking fans attending the game to wear dark blue since the game will likely end well after midnight east coast time (9:06 p.m. EDT kickoff).
- ➔ **SPORTS INFORMATION CONTACT/FOOTBALL:** Paul Helgren, Assistant AD/Media Relations: 419/530-4918 ([paul.helgren@utoledo.edu](mailto:paul.helgren@utoledo.edu)).

**TOUGH ... LITERALLY**

Colorado lost **121** games due to injury or illness in 2008, with all but **11** of those **121** by players who figured in either the two-deep or prominently on special teams. The Buffs were a bit shorthanded as Hawkins & Staff continue to rebuild the CU roster, with 20 on the inactive roster by season's end (11 injured, five ineligible, four transfers), not including 16 freshmen ticketed for a redshirt season. Here are the worst regular seasons for injuries/illness for the CU program over the last 20 years (KEY: GL—Games lost to injury; GL/2—Games lost by 2-deep players; MG—"Man games" as defined by as the total number of games if all players NOT ticketed to redshirt played every game; Pct. Lost – percentage of man games lost, knowing that in actuality, the number is higher as third-team players and reserves don't see that much action; 2/MG—2-deep man games, or starting 22 positions plus backups):

Season	G	GL	MG	Pct. Lost	GL/2	2/MG	Pct. Lost	Season	G	GL	MG	Pct. Lost	GL/2	2/MG	Pct. Lost
2009	1	1	75	1.3	1	44	2.2	2002	13	139	1118	12.4	80	572	14.0
2008	12	121	1008	12.0	110	528	20.8	2003	12	74	876	8.4	58	528	11.0
1998	11	101	864	11.7	89	484	18.4	1997	11	51	770	6.6	41	484	8.5
2000	11	101	880	11.5	82	484	16.9								

Dating back to 1987, only seven times has CU lost over five percent of its "man game" count due to injury (1995-97-98-2000-02-03-08).

**THREE SENIORS SERVING AS 2009 CAPTAINS**

Senior linebackers **Marcus Burton** and **Jeff Smart** along with senior tight end **Riar Geer** were selected as team captains by their University of Colorado teammates at the end of August camp (Aug. 23). All are fifth-year seniors, three-year lettermen and were at the top of the depth chart at their respective positions enter fall camp. Burton is a 6-0, 265-pound linebacker from Channelview, Texas; Geer is a 6-4, 250 pounder from Fruita-Monument High School in Grand Junction, and Smart is a 6-0, 225-pound linebacker from Boulder High School.

"The leadership throughout this team is really outstanding, so it says something special for these three to be selected by their peers to be at the top of that list," Hawkins said, noting that all players, not just seniors, were eligible to be selected. "All three of these guys have grown and developed their way into being in this position, so it's a well-earned reward on their parts and will handle the responsibilities that come with it well."

Smart is the first CU captain from Boulder since linebacker **Barry Remington** served in the capacity as both a junior and senior for the 1985 and 1986 seasons. He was a graduate of Fairview High; the last two from Boulder High were linebacker **Phil Irwin** (1970) and All-America tailback **Bobby Anderson** (1969). Irwin's son, **Heath**, also played at BHS and was an offensive guard as a senior in 1996 and served as a captain on occasion when they were appointed each game between 1995 and 1997.

A former walk-on, Smart is the first named captain since 2007, when **R.J. Brown** earned the distinction; **Joel Klatt** (QB, 2004 & 2005) and **Steve Beck** (S, 1986) are the only other one-time walk-ons to be selected as (season-long) team captains in program history.

Geer is the first from Grand Junction to be named a Buff captain since tackle **Jerry McClurg** served as a senior in 1964; he attended Grand Junction High. Since then, two others from the state's Western Slope have been so honored, defensive end **Mike Pruett** (Delta High School, 1969) and offensive tackle **Matt Miller** (Durango High School, 1978).

Burton's selection marks the sixth straight year a player with Texas high school roots will serve as a Colorado captain, as he follows **Sam Wilder** (OT, 2004), **Lawrence Vickers** (FB, 2005), **Mason Crosby** (PK, 2006), **Hugh Charles** (TB, 2007), **Terrence Wheatley** (CB, 2007) and **Patrick Williams** (WR, 2008).

**DAVIS HANGS 'EM UP**

Citing issues with his surgically repaired knee, sophomore **PK Jameson Davis** decided to end his football career on August 31. He had been struggling with constant soreness in his knee and never fully returned to the player he was prior to the injury. He made 1-of-3 field goals as a true freshman in 2008, after selecting to attend Colorado after serving his Mormon mission. He was CU's No. 1 kickoff man, with 46 total; 31 were returned and 15 went for touchbacks; he had five inside-the-20 and a very respectable 26 inside-the-25.

**TUFTS IN GRAD SCHOOL, SIGNS ON AS RALPHIE HANDLER**

**Sean Tufts**, who lettered four years at linebacker (2000-03), is back at CU in its MBA program. But he will also be back on the football field, as just the second football player-turned-Ralphie Handler (**OG Chad Hammond** did the same in 1996 after his career ended due to a back injury). Senior **DT Tyler Sale** was a two-year Ralphie Handler before joining the team last year as a walk on, the first handler-to-player. "This is a good fit for me," Tufts said. "It's a way to stay involved in the athletic program, get with guys and teach them some of the lessons I've learned." He could be one of the six who run with Ralphie V this Sunday in the season opener, or one of the six who manage her pen.

**TRUE FRESHMAN TRIFECTA**

In 2008, Colorado was the only school in the nation to have three freshmen (and in CU's case, all are true freshmen) finish as the top three in any major statistical category. Looking at the school's top three rushers, you will find **TB Rodney Stewart** (622 yards), **TB Darrell Scott** (343) and **QB Tyler Hansen** (261). The Stewart-Scott combo adds to 965 yards, second only in CU "two-frosh" rushing to the 1991 total of 1,131 yards by the combo of **TB Lamont Warren** (830) and **TB Kent Kahl** (301). The 2008 trio of Stewart, Scott and Hansen have combined for 1,226 rushing yards, and in "three-frosh" rushing, they also finished second, on the heels of the 1991 group of Warren, Kahl and **QB Kordell Stewart** (177 yards), which totaled 1,275 yards between them.

**HANSEN JUST THE ELEVENTH**

When he appeared late in the first quarter against Kansas State on October 18, **QB Tyler Hansen** became just the 11th true freshman to see action in a game for Colorado since 1972, the year freshmen were once again eligible to play. At this point, Hansen is ticketed to redshirt in 2009, meaning another true freshman could very well join this list at some point this season (CU's other three quarterbacks other than starter Cody Hawkins are all true frosh). Here's a look at the group Hansen joined and how they fared; game number indicates how far into the season the player made his debut (Colorado is 9-2 in games when a true frosh made his Buffalo debut):

Quarterback	Season	Game	FIRST GAME	Passing-----					Rushing-----			SEASON Passing-----					Rushing-----			
		No.	Opponent	Att	Com	Int	Yds	TD	Att	Yds	TD	G-GS	Att	Com	Int	Yds	TD	Att	Yds	TD
Larry Lillo.....	1977	9	at Iowa State (W)	1-	1-	0	4	0	6	8	0	1-0	1-	1-	0	4	0	6	8	0
Charlie Davis.....	1978	1	OREGON (W)	2-	0-	0	0	0	1	0	0	5-0	15-	6-	0	87	0	34	118	1
Randy Essington.....	1980	1	at UCLA (L)	7-	6-	0	62	0	0	0	0	6-2	80-	43-	4	453	2	18	-45	1
Marc Walters.....	1986	6	IOWA STATE (W)	2-	0-	0	0	0	7	47	0	5-1	13-	7-	0	167	1	35	177	2
Darian Hagan.....	1988	1	FRESNO STATE (W)	1-	0-	0	0	0	4	85	1	5-0	6-	2-	1	33	0	32	175	2
Vance Joseph.....	1990	7	IOWA STATE (W)	1-	0-	0	0	0	2	4	0	4-0	7-	5-	0	80	1	13	55	0
Kordell Stewart.....	1991	3	MINNESOTA (W)	1-	1-	0	2	0	8	73	1	2-0	2-	1-	0	2	0	18	144	1
Koy Detmer.....	1992	3	at Minnesota (W)	18-	11-	0	184	2	2	8	0	7-2	117-	67-	10	962	8	7	-5	0
Craig Ochs.....	2000	4	KANSAS STATE (L)	24-	15-	1	208	1	9	38	1	8-7	245-	145-	7	1778	7	62	106	4
Joel Klatt.....	2002	7	at Baylor (W)	3-	0-	0	0	0	0	0	0	3-0	3-	0-	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tyler Hansen.....	2008	7	KANSAS STATE (W)	14-	7-	1	71	1	16	89	0	5-3	65-	34-	4	280	1	63	261	0

The most interesting of the above might be the first listed; in 1977, CU traveled three quarterbacks to Ames, and the first two, Jeff Knapple and Pete Cyphers, both went down with injuries and Lillo took over for the last 11:40 of the game and helped preserve a 12-7 Colorado win. It was the only action of his career at quarterback as he redshirted in 1978, and then played free safety his sophomore through senior seasons. NOTE: In 1984, Mark Hatcher was originally a quarterback but was moved to tailback where he saw action for seven games; he returned to quarterback in 1985 in CU's switch to the wishbone offense.

And in 1986, Bill McCartney opened up the competition at quarterback after the fifth game of the year, and true frosh Marc Walters (father of current Buff Ryan) appeared for the first time in game seven (Nebraska), and started the season finale at Kansas State when CU needed the win to secure a Bluebonnet Bowl bid.

**AND JUST THE FIFTH** Hansen started the next game at Missouri on October 25, becoming just the fifth true freshman to start a game at quarterback for the Buffaloes (and just the eighth freshman overall when three redshirts are included). Here's how he compared with the four before him:

**TRUE FRESHMAN STARTING QB DEBUTS**

Date	Quarterback	Opponent	Result	Statistics
Oct. 18, 1980	Randy Essington	at Missouri	L 7-45	<i>Rushing: 4-(-19), 0 td    Passing: 22-11-1, 58, 0 td (57.2 rating)</i>
Nov. 22, 1986	Marc Walters	at Kansas State	W 49-3	<i>Rushing: 18-88, 2 td    Passing: 4-4-0, 111, 1 td (415.6 rating)</i>
Oct. 17, 1992	Koy Detmer	OKLAHOMA	T 24-24	<i>Rushing: 9-(-22), 0 td    Passing: 50-33-5, 418, 2 td (129.4 rating)</i>
Oct. 7, 2000	Craig Ochs	at Texas A&M	W 26-19	<i>Rushing: 6-6, 1 td    Passing: 25-15-0, 239, 1 td (153.5 rating)</i>
Oct. 25, 2008	<b>Tyler Hansen</b>	<b>at Missouri</b>	<b>L 0-58</b>	<b><i>Rushing: 16-30, 0 td    Passing: 16-12-0, 72, 0 td (112.8 rating)</i></b>

**HAWKINS RISING UP THE CHARTS**

**QB Cody Hawkins** was one of 16 freshman starting quarterbacks in the nation in 2007 (8 at BCS schools), and threw for 2,693 yards, just the fifth 2,500-yard season in school history (the total tied for the third most a season at CU). He set all the major passing and total offense records for a true freshman, and also set a record for attempts in a season by any class. Hawkins placed high on the other single season lists as well, such as attempts, completions and total offense. His 19 touchdown passes were the fourth most in a single season (record: 22, Koy Detmer in 1996), while his 15 interceptions tied for the second most in a single year (record: 16, John Hessler in 1997, followed by 15, Joel Klatt 2004). The interception count was a bit skewed—seven were by deflection. As is sometimes the case after a solid freshman year, a sophomore slump can set in. While some numbers are down, that can be traced to a youthful CU offensive line; he's cut his interceptions by over 50 percent and has just three fewer TD passes than last season.

- He is now in the top 10 in virtually every major passing category (and in the top 5 in three: TD passes (37), attempts (784) and completions (444)).
- **Red Zone.** He has a **28-to-3** career ratio of touchdowns to interceptions in the red zone (**1-to-0** in 2009 after **11-to-2** in 2008; one pick really could have also been scored a catch and a fumble, as a KU defender ripped the ball away from Cody Crawford after an apparent catch).
- **The 40-On-In.** Once the Buffs reach the opponent's 40-yard line, Hawkins was fairly deadly last season. He completed 55-of-91 passes for 564 yards, with 16 touchdowns and three interceptions. That worked out to a passer rating of **163.91** from the opponent 40- on-in for CU's sophomore signal caller. (*In rallying CU to the win over Iowa State, he was 10-of-12 for 81 yards and 4 TDs, a rating of 250.03.*) *Against CSU, he was 3-of-6 for 32 yards and a TD (149.80).*
- He had his career game when it came to passer rating with a figure of **179.95** in the 28-24 come-from-behind win over Iowa State. But looking inside the numbers, once CU crossed midfield, he was even more deadly: he completed 11 of 13 passes for 91 yards and four touchdowns, which worked to a rating of **244.96** (and it was even higher from the 40-on-in, at 250.03).

**Cornerbacks****BROWN RECORDS KNOWN SCHOOL FIRST**

**CB Cha'pelle Brown's** 27-yard interception return for a touchdown that provided the winning points in CU's 31-24 win over Eastern Washington last year marked a first in school history: never before had the Buffs used a defensive score in the fourth quarter as the decisive play to come-from-behind or break a tie for a win.

➔ **Icing On The Cake.** There have been several times the defense scored points late to ice the win, but always followed an offensive score; this was the case in 1976 (a 20-10 win over Oklahoma State); in 1995 (a 27-17 win over Kansas State) and in 2002 (a 41-27 win over Iowa State). In a 20-19 win over Wyoming in 1997, Ben Kelly returned a kickoff 99 yards to close to within 19-17, and then got the ball back at the Wyoming 25 on a Ron Merkerson fumble return to the Cowboy 25.

➔ Then there's **CB Jimmy Smith.** He intercepted a pitch on a Nebraska fake field goal try and raced 58 yards for a touchdown, the second year in a row he put six on the board against the Huskers. As a freshman in 2007, he returned an interception 31 yards for score. One wisecrack walked by him at CU's spring game and asked him, "Shouldn't you be at Nebraska's spring game right now returned a blocked field goal for a touchdown?"



**IN THE POLLS**

Colorado was not ranked in any *Associated Press* (media) or *USA Today Coaches* poll in 2008. CU was last ranked on November 6, 2005, when the Buffs peaked at No. 21 in the coaches' ballot (No. 22 in the AP and Harris Interactive), but dropped out after a Nov. 12 loss at Iowa State. CU was ranked three times in 2005, reaching No. 18 in the BCS Standings at one point (Nov. 6) and had returned to the polls after a 25-month hiatus on October 9. Dating back to the 1989 preseason, CU has been ranked in **185** of the last **327** polls (*AP*; 57%), which includes a tremendous run of 143 consecutive between 1989 and 1997 (the 10th longest streak of all-time). CU has been ranked **293** times in its history, the 23rd most all-time (Michigan State in 22nd with 303, Pittsburgh is 24th with 282). Since 1989, CU has played the third most ranked teams in the nation (101), trailing Florida (111) and Florida State (102), while being tied with Michigan and Ohio State.

**COLORADO IN THE POLLS – 2009 WEEKLY**

A weekly look at where Colorado has placed weekly in each of the four major polls in 2009 (RV—denotes received votes; number is place outside top 25):

Poll	PS	9/08	9/13	9/20	9/27	10/04	10/11	10/18	10/25	11/01	11/08	11/15	11/22	11/29	12/06	Final
<i>Associated Press</i>	---	---														
<i>USA Today Coaches</i>	RV (53)	---														
Harris Interactive																
BCS Standings																

**42 WINS OVER RANKED TEAMS EIGHTH BEST SINCE '89**

CU's 42 wins over *Associated Press* ranked teams since the start of the 1989 season is the eighth most in the nation in this time frame (20 seasons). Florida State has the most with 68, followed by Florida (65), Michigan (60), Ohio State (57), Miami, Fla. (52), Tennessee (51), Southern Cal (50), **Colorado (42)**, Penn State (42), Texas (41), Alabama (41), Notre Dame (40), Oklahoma (39) and Nebraska (36); as for the Big 12, after CU, UT, OU and NU, the next schools on this list are Texas A&M (29) and Texas Tech (22). All-time, Colorado's 65 wins over ranked teams are the 23rd most in history. (*AP polls used for these figures because the coaches' poll omits teams on probation, but AP still ranks those teams.*)

- Colorado's last win over a ranked team was over No. 21 West Virginia in 2008 (17-14 in OT); its last over a top 10/top 5 team was the 27-24 win over No. 3 Oklahoma in 2007. CU has lost nine straight road games against ranked opponents, with the last win at UCLA 31-17 in 2002.

**COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS IN 2008**

- 8-2** Dan Hawkins' record following a bye week, including the win over West Virginia and loss to Nebraska.
- 14** The number of players who have scored touchdowns for CU in 2008, tied for the 19th most in the nation (3 by true freshmen, which is 9th).
- 15** The number of players who have at least one reception for Colorado, tied for the 20th most in the nation.
- 17.2** The conversion percentage by CU opponents on 3rd-and-8 or longer in 2008 (**11-of-64**).
- 18** The number of first half turnovers by Colorado this season (13 in the second quarter) ... but just **6** in the second half.
- 21** The margin of victory by Colorado in the season opener over Colorado State (38-17).
- 22** The number of freshmen CU played in 2008 (eight true, 14 redshirt); that tied for the seventh most in the nation.
- 24-16** Colorado owns the best intra-division mark over the last eight seasons against fellow Big 12 North teams at 24-16.
- 25** The combined margin of victory in the six CU-CSU games between 2002 and 2007 (four wins by CU).
- 25:49** The time CU led Kansas State 14-13 after the game's final points were scored, the longest CU had to hold on to a 1- or 2-point lead for a win in 72 years and the longest such instance in 2008 to date in the FBS.
- 26** The number of drives opponents have started inside-their own 25 after 46 Jameson Davis kick offs.
- 43** The number of passing yards by West Virginia, the fewest against Colorado since 1999 (Baylor, 40).
- 44:15** The amount of time CU led against Colorado State, taking the lead early in the second quarter.
- 53.3** Josh Smith's kickoff return average for three returns against Colorado State, tying Walter Stanley's school record set against Oklahoma in 1980.
- 57** The length of an Alex Henery field goal that rallied Nebraska to a 40-31 win over the Buffs and kept CU from earning a bowl bid.
- 61.0** The touchdown percentage by the opponent when it cracked the CU red zone (scoring a TD just **25** times in **41** tries).
- 95** The number of freshmen who have started games for Colorado over the 2007 and 2008 seasons, a 2-year school historical high (**41** true frosh).
- 99** The percent grade **OT Nate Solder** earned against Kansas State, the best since All-America guard Joe Garten scored a 100 against KSU in 1990.
- 100.0** The conversion percentage on 3rd-&-1 runs by Rodney Stewart (5-of-5).
- 242** Colorado's streak of scoring in 242 consecutive games, the ninth longest streak of all-time (and third active longest at the time) came to and end.
- 422** Colorado's total yards against Iowa State, a season-high (274 pass, 148 rush).
- 728** The number of yards CU has been outgained by in the first and third quarters combined (but is plus-**88** in the second and fourth).
- 1,125** The number of games Colorado has played in its history (119th season of intercollegiate football).
- 1,987** The number of all-purpose yards by Josh Smith; second only to TB Rashaan Salaam's mark set in his Heisman Trophy season.

**COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS IN 2009**

- 12-12** Colorado was 2-of-2 in the red zone against Colorado State, thus are now 12-of-12 (8 TDs/4 FGs) when crackling the 20 in Dan Hawkins' four season-opening games.

**STATISTICALLY SPEAKING**

Here's where the Buffs ranked statistically in select categories in the Big 12 and the NCAA for the 2008 season:

TEAM											
B12	NCAA	Category	Stat	B12	NCAA	Category	Stat	B12	NCAA	Category	Stat
10th	86th	RUSHING OFFENSE.....	124.5	9th	86th	RUSHING DEFENSE.....	166.3	8th	56th	PUNT RETURNS.....	9.2
11th	81st	PASSING OFFENSE.....	194.0	1st	72nd	PASSING DEFENSE.....	215.3	7th	38th	KICKOFF RETURNS.....	22.3
12th	95th	TOTAL OFFENSE.....	318.5	4th	78th	TOTAL DEFENSE.....	381.6	7th	80th	NET PUNTING.....	34.0
12th	100th	SCORING OFFENSE.....	20.2	8th	86th	SCORING DEFENSE.....	29.3	9th	94th	TURNOVER MARGIN.....	-0.58
INDIVIDUAL (Top 25 in conference)											
Rushing				Receiving Yards				Field Goals			
Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm		Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm		Big 12	NCAA	FG/Gm	
Rodney Stewart.....	7th	66th	69.1	Scotty McKnight.....	27th	.....	43.3	Aric Goodman.....	10th	.....	0.45
Darrell Scott.....	25th	.....	31.2	Josh Smith.....	43rd	.....	32.3	Interceptions	Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm
Passing				Punting				Ryan Walters.....			
Big 12	NCAA	Cmp/Gm		Big 12	NCAA	Avg.		Big 12	NCAA	Avg.	
Cody Hawkins.....	11th	71st	15.3	Matt DiLallo.....	5th	53rd	40.5	Cha'pelle Brown.....	17th	.....	0.17
Pass Efficiency				Punt Returns				Shane Mohler.....			
Big 12	NCAA	Rating		Big 12	NCAA	Avg.		Big 12	NCAA	Avg.	
Cody Hawkins.....	12th	78th	118.1	Josh Smith.....	6th	34th	10.4	Fumble Recoveries	Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm
Total Offense				Kickoff Returns				Ryan Walters.....			
Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm		Big 12	NCAA	Avg.		Big 12	NCAA	Avg.	
Cody Hawkins.....	12th	93rd	155.8	Josh Smith.....	5th	35th	25.5	QB Sacks	Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm
Rodney Stewart.....	18th	.....	69.1	Scoring				Brad Jones.....			
All-Purpose				Big 12	NCAA	Pts/Gm		Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm	
Josh Smith.....	3rd	9th	165.6	Aric Goodman.....	37th	.....	4.1	Tackles For Loss	Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm
Receptions				Big 12	NCAA	Pts/Gm		Brad Jones.....	6th	46th	1.17
Bi 12	NCAA	No./Gm		Big 12	NCAA	Pts/Gm		Tackles			
Scotty McKnight.....	23rd	.....	3.8	Aric Goodman.....	10th	.....	4.1	CU uses coaches' video; numbers don't match			

**CAREER CHART WATCH**

Here's where several Buffs are ranked on some of CU's all-time statistical charts one game into the 2009 season (*Note: Colorado does not count bowl stats into career totals to protect past history*):

- ⇒ **CB CHA'PELLE BROWN** is 86th in total tackles (**168**) and is 12th in pass deflections (**24**);
- ⇒ **WR RIAR GEER** is tied for 33rd in receptions (**53**) and is 43rd in receiving yards (**637**);
- ⇒ **QB CODY HAWKINS** is fourth in passing yards (**4,807**), is third in completions (**446**), is third in attempts (**784**), is third in touchdown passes (**37**), is fifth in interceptions (**26**) and is eighth in total offense (**4,735**);
- ⇒ **WR SCOTTY MCKNIGHT** is 13th in receptions (**93**), is 21st in receiving yards (**1,043**) and is tied for 13th in receiving touchdowns (**10**);
- ⇒ **ILB JEFF SMART** is 54th in total tackles (**207**);
- ⇒ **TB RODNEY STEWART** is 68th in rushing yards (**660**);
- ⇒ **TB DEMETRIUS SUMLER** is 74th in rushing yards (**606**);

**CAPITAL RETURNS**

CU's success often correlates directly with if it owns a hefty margin in return yards, as was the case in the 2001, 2002 and 2004 seasons—when the Buffs won the Big 12 North. The Buffs had advantages of **854-417** (2001), **803-607** (2002) and **574-499** (2004) in return yards, which includes all return yardage other than those on kickoffs (in 2006, the opponent had the upper hand at **390-277**, but for 2007, CU had **677** and owned a **269-yard** edge on the enemy); CU had a hefty **518-323** edge in 2008. And the Buffs have **44** return and/or non-offensive touchdowns over the last 10 seasons (40 regular season, four bowl game), tied for the 14th most in the nation for this span. The overall list through games of September 7:

School	99	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	Total	School	99	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	Total
Virginia Tech	8	6	7	7	11	6	7	5	10	5	1	73	<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>44</b>
Kansas State	9	5	2	12	6	4	5	9	7	8	0	67	Nebraska	7	7	6	7	4	2	4	0	3	4	0	44
Texas	6	7	6	7	9	2	7	8	5	5	1	63	Southern California	9	4	8	1	8	3	5	2	0	3	0	43
Miami, Fla.	3	13	12	5	9	10	3	1	1	3	0	60	Alabama	4	4	2	4	7	3	2	6	1	9	0	42
Oklahoma	4	7	6	9	9	3	3	5	7	3	0	56	Michigan State	9	0	5	3	7	3	4	4	5	2	0	42
Florida State	7	4	5	6	6	3	5	6	5	6	1	54	East Carolina	7	5	6	5	4	3	0	4	2	6	0	42
Fresno State	5	5	3	6	4	6	7	4	5	7	1	53	Boston College	8	3	1	3	1	5	2	6	4	8	0	41
California	8	3	1	8	3	2	4	8	5	7	0	49	Hawaii	0	1	7	5	3	8	0	5	9	3	0	41
Louisville	6	4	5	7	3	6	4	4	3	6	0	48	San Jose State	5	7	1	7	5	4	3	1	3	4	0	40
North Carolina State	3	3	4	9	10	5	2	4	3	3	0	46	Texas Tech	3	7	8	6	3	2	3	2	1	4	0	39
Boise State	3	4	3	4	4	7	8	4	3	5	0	45	Wake Forest	1	2	2	3	6	5	3	3	10	3	0	38
Notre Dame	4	6	4	9	3	3	5	4	3	4	0	45	LSU	4	1	1	4	9	4	5	4	2	2	0	36
Ohio State	1	8	3	3	5	6	6	5	4	4	0	45	TCU	6	3	4	6	3	1	3	3	5	2	0	36

**2009 LEADERS:** Clemson 2, 19 schools with 1.

**MISCELLANEOUS STAT BOX**

Game	Red Zone (Scores-Att; (TD/FG); Plays-Yards)				2nd Down Efficiency		Plays (+/-)				Plus Territory (Plays-Yards)	
	Colorado	Opponent	Colorado	Opp.	Colorado	Opp.	Colorado	Opponent	Colorado	Opponent	Colorado	Opponent
Colorado State	2-2 (2/0)	4-19	4-4 (2/2)	11-36	4-19	6-21	39 17 5	42 11 9	24- 47	33-215		

**ROAD-SWEET-ROAD: BUFFS 13TH BEST IN ENEMY STADIUMS SINCE '88**

The Buffaloes have enjoyed a lot of success on the road over the last 21 seasons. CU has been victorious 59 of the last 103 times in enemy stadiums with a **59-43-1** overall road record (a 57.8 winning percentage) since the start of the 1988 season. That stands 13th nationally (tied for 11th in raw wins) and third among Big 12 Conference teams in this span; only 11 schools have won 60 percent of their away games in this time frame. The Buffaloes own a **48-30-1** mark in their last 79 road conference games (Big 8 & Big 12—seven losses at Nebraska, four at Kansas State and Missouri, three at Kansas, two at Iowa State and Texas A&M, Oklahoma, Texas and Texas Tech; and one each at Baylor and Oklahoma State; the tie was at K-State in 1993). CU is **23-29** on the Big 12 road since 1996 (**0-4** in 2008). The chart to the right does not include neutral site games and includes games of September 5:

**ON THE ROAD (1988-2009)**

School	G	W	L	T	Pct.
Miami, Fla.	110	79	31	0	.718
Ohio State	99	70	27	2	.717
Florida State	100	71	29	0	.710
Tennessee	98	67	29	2	.694
Michigan	101	68	30	3	.688
Florida	85	57	27	1	.676
Nebraska	101	66	32	3	.668
Southern Cal	115	73	40	2	.643
Texas	100	64	36	0	.640
Notre Dame	100	62	36	2	.630
Alabama	96	60	36	0	.625
Penn State	102	59	42	1	.583
<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.578</b>

**22ND BEST IN THE NATION SINCE 1989**

Colorado has the nation's 22nd best record over the last 20 seasons, or since the start of 1989, CU has posted a **153-89-4** record. From opening 1-0 in '89, through the 10th game of the 2005 season, the Buffs owned one of the top 10 overall records in the nation (**247 consecutive weeks**). The best Division I-A records from the start of 1989 through games of Monday, Sept. 7 (#--2009 Colorado opponent):

Rk	School	G	W	L	T	Pct.	vs. AP Ranked Teams		2009
							G	W-L-T	
1	Florida State	252	197	54	1	.784	102	68-33-1	0-1
2	Florida	254	197	56	1	.778	111	65-45-1	1-0
3	Ohio State	250	191	56	3	.770	101	57-41-3	1-0
4	#Nebraska	251	192	58	1	.767	74	36-37-1	1-0
5	Miami, Fla.	244	187	57	0	.766	90	52-38-0	1-0
6	Tennessee	250	186	61	3	.750	96	51-42-3	1-0
7	Michigan	246	179	64	3	.734	101	60-39-2	1-0
8	#Texas	247	177	68	2	.721	83	41-40-2	1-0
9	Penn State	246	172	73	1	.701	88	42-46-0	1-0
10	Virginia Tech	247	172	73	2	.700	69	33-35-1	0-1
11	Southern Cal	248	171	73	4	.698	90	50-39-1	1-0
12	Oklahoma	248	170	75	3	.692	83	39-43-1	0-1
13	Georgia	244	168	75	1	.691	91	39-51-1	0-1
14	Auburn	242	163	76	3	.680	80	33-46-1	1-0
15	Alabama	249	167	81	1	.673	89	41-47-1	1-0
16	Brigham Young	252	167	83	2	.667	41	12-28-1	1-0
17	Notre Dame	245	161	82	2	.661	90	40-48-2	1-0
18	#Texas A & M	246	160	84	2	.654	78	29-48-1	1-0
19	Oregon	242	154	88	0	.636	71	29-42-0	0-1
20	#Kansas State	243	154	88	1	.636	60	19-40-1	1-0
21	#West Virginia	241	151	87	3	.633	57	19-36-2	1-0
22	<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.630</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>42-57-2</b>	<b>0-1</b>
23	#Toledo	235	146	86	3	.628	11	5- 6-0	0-1

**THE BUFFALOES IN THE BIG 12**

The Big 12 Conference is starting season No. 14, and the Buffaloes are still tied for the second most division titles won with four, trailing only Oklahoma's seven; seven of the schools in the conference have won a division title. A closer look:

➔ **Big 12 Division Titles:** Oklahoma 7, **Colorado 4**, Nebraska 4, Texas 4, Kansas State 3, Texas A & M 2, Missouri 2.

➔ **Big 12 Championship Game Records:** Oklahoma 6-1, Nebraska 2-2, Texas 2-2, Texas A & M 1-1, Kansas State 1-2, **Colorado 1-3**, Missouri 0-2.

**CU vs. THE BIG 12 NORTH:** Colorado owns the second best record in intra-division competition going back to the start of the 2001 season against Big 12 North Division rivals, as the Buffaloes are **24-16**; other records: Nebraska is 25-15 (passing CU with its '08 win over CU), Missouri 20-20, Kansas State 20-20, Kansas 18-22 and Iowa State 13-27. Colorado is **15-5** at home in this stretch versus the North, the only losses to NU (2003, 2005), KSU (2006) and KU and MU (2007).

**2009 BIG 12 CONFERENCE STANDINGS**

North Division (E)		conference-----					overall-----					Next Up
School (AP/Coaches)		W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	
Kansas (#24/#25).....		0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	49	3	S 12 at Texas-El Paso
Nebraska (#22/#18).....		0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	49	3	S 12 ARKANSAS STATE
Missouri (#25/RV).....		0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	37	9	S 12 BOWLING GREEN
Iowa State .....		0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	34	17	S 12 IOWA
Kansas State .....		0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	21	17	S 12 at UL-Lafayette
<b>COLORADO .....</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>S 11 at Toledo</b>
South Division (E)		conference-----					overall-----					Next Up
School (AP/Coaches)		W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	
Texas (#2/#2).....		0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	59	20	S 12 at Wyoming
Texas A & M.....		0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	41	6	S 12 UTAH STATE
Texas Tech (RV/RV) .....		0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	38	13	S 12 RICE
Oklahoma State (#5/#6) .....		0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	24	10	S 12 HOUSTON
Baylor (RV/RV) .....		0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	24	21	S 19 CONNECTICUT
Oklahoma (#13/#14).....		0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	13	14	S 12 IDAHO STATE

## HEAD COACH DAN HAWKINS

**Dan Hawkins** is now in his fourth season as head coach of the University of Colorado football program, his ninth overall as a FBS/Division I-A head coach and 15th as a collegiate head coach. He owns a **13-25** record at Colorado, along with a **66-36** record in the Division I-A ranks (53-11 at Boise State) and an overall career mark of **105-48-1** including five years at NAIA Willamette (Ore.) College. In his final year at Willamette (1997), his team posted a 13-1 record, falling in the NAIA Championship game, before he moved on to Boise State where he was assistant head coach under Dirk Koetter. At BSU, he coached the tight ends and special teams while coordinating recruiting; when Koetter left BSU for Arizona State after the 2000 season, Hawkins was promoted to head coach. He took the Broncos to four bowl games in five years, with his 2004 team compiling an 11-0 regular season mark and ascending to No. 10 in the national polls; in the most anticipated non-BCS bowl game to date, Boise dropped a thriller to No. 7 Louisville, 44-40. In the modern history of Division I-A football, only three coaches won more games in their first five seasons than Hawkins (53, bested by Bob Pruett, Marshall; Bob Stoops, Oklahoma; and Pete Carroll, USC). **Hawk's Handiwork:**



	Overall	Home	Road	Neutral	Ranked	Unranked	Non-league	Big 12	Bowls
<b>Hawkins at Colorado .....</b>	<b>13-25</b>	<b>9-10</b>	<b>2-13</b>	<b>2- 2</b>	<b>2-11</b>	<b>11-14</b>	<b>5- 9</b>	<b>8-16</b>	<b>0- 1</b>
<b>Career (NCAA I-A) .....</b>	<b>66-36</b>	<b>40-12</b>	<b>23-21</b>	<b>3- 3</b>	<b>4-16</b>	<b>62-20</b>	<b>21-17</b>	<b>9-16</b>	<b>2- 3</b>

- ♦ **COLORADO STREAKS:** 2-game plus wins, 2-game plus losses: **2, 8**. 3-game plus wins, 3-game plus losses: **2, 4**. 4-game plus wins, 4-game plus losses: **0, 1**. 5-game plus wins, 5-game plus losses: **0, 1**. Longest winning streak: 3, in 2007 & 2008. Longest losing streak: 6, in 2006.
- ♦ **Hawkins & Bye Weeks.** Hawkins is **8-2** in games following bye weeks, not including bowls (2-2 at Colorado, 6-0 at Boise State). At Colorado, the 2-2 mark includes a 1-2 mark against Nebraska, and a win over West Virginia in 2008.
- ♦ **Hawkins** has been a head coach for **154** games (105-48-1), with that record and 68.5 winning percentage the 14th best in the nation for active coaches with five or more seasons coached.
- ♦ In 15 seasons as a head coach, Hawkins' teams have been shutout just once, coming in his 149th game at the hands of Missouri (58-0). He had never dropped more than two games in a row in the same season (which happened just three times) until his first season at CU and won at least eight games seven times (10-plus four times).
- ♦ **Hawkins** tells his players: "You're in America, you're going to college, you live in Colorado. You have it better than 90 percent of the people in the world."
- ♦ Hawkins has used the term "conflama" when referring to some people's desire for conflict and drama (the reason someone like Jerry Springer and that lot is even on the air). He references it when people on the outside of a program choose to look at the negative without choosing to understand why something may very well be the way it is.
- ♦ Hawk on depth charts: "To be honest, we really don't pay too much attention to depth charts, we run a lot of personnel in and out of there at several positions. For example, I view the defensive line like hockey; they're playing in shifts as we want them fresh." As a result, especially on offense at receiver, tight end and in the backfield, CU utilizes different "groupings" as opposed to following a depth chart.
  - ♦ Hawk on the vertical passing game: "I love the long pass. As I've come along in this game, I've learned you've got to pound it and launch it."
  - ♦ Hawkins believes the four most important positions on a football team are the offensive and defensive lines, quarterback and cornerback.
  - ♦ Hawk's philosophy on big wins, like CU's 27-24 over No. 3 OU in 2007: "You enjoy it on Saturday, but come Sunday, it's in the vapor trail."
  - ♦ One of his beliefs is, "Once is a mistake; twice is a behavior." He applies it to football, whether for things on or off the field, and to life.
  - ♦ Hawk's response about potential for disaster after the 0-3 start in 2006: "There's always potential. When you get in your car and get out on the freeway, there's potential for disaster. I knew when I left Boise State there was potential for disaster. That doesn't scare me... there's also the potential for greatness. So you can hide behind the shadow if you want, but that's not living."
- ♦ Versus' **Ron Thulin** on Hawkins' optimism: "His glass isn't half-full, it's overflowing. He's not going to change. He said they are going to keep fighting and doing the little things everyday. I think everyone on our crew was ready to put on a football helmet after talking to this man yesterday. He is excitable and he cares." Chimed in analyst
- ♦ As with many coaches, at the end of practice, the team will run for turnovers, mistakes, missed field goals, etc. One day in 2006 after **PK Mason Crosby** missed a kick within his range, Hawk felt a little bad as he wondered to himself, "How many coaches are making their kids run for a missed 64-yard field goal?"
- ♦ **Hawkins** was one of the 60 Division I-A coaches voting in the *USA Today*/ESPN Coaches poll in 2008 (the eighth straight year he was a voter and the 22nd straight year CU's head coach has participated).

DAN HAWKINS  
COLORADO

## Dan Hawkins Year-By-Year Coaching Record

Season	School	Overall						Conference					
		W	L	T	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts	Opp
1993	Willamette.....	5	4	0	.556	293	281	3	2	0	.600	179	143
1994	Willamette.....	6	3	0	.667	218	214	4	1	0	.800	111	108
1995	Willamette.....	6	2	1	.722	314	171	4	0	1	.900	195	103
1996	Willamette.....	9	2	0	.818	374	246	5	0	0	1.000	158	100
1997	Willamette.....	13	1	0	.929	470	187	5	0	0	1.000	200	47
2001	Boise State.....	8	4	-	.667	411	280	6	2	-	.750	307	184
2002	Boise State.....	12	1	-	.923	593	240	8	0	-	1.000	409	111
2003	Boise State.....	13	1	-	.929	602	239	8	0	-	1.000	375	143
2004	Boise State.....	11	1	-	.917	587	308	8	0	-	1.000	401	196
2005	Boise State.....	9	4	-	.692	469	317	7	1	-	.875	339	178
2006	Colorado.....	2	10	-	.167	196	267	2	6	-	.250	160	199
2007	Colorado.....	6	7	-	.462	355	383	4	4	-	.500	238	276
2008	Colorado.....	5	7	-	.417	242	351	2	6	-	.250	135	257
2009	Colorado.....	0	1	-	.000	17	23	0	0	-	.000	0	0
<b>Colorado Totals .....</b>		<b>13</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>.342</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>1024</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>.333</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>732</b>
<b>Division I-A Totals .....</b>		<b>66</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>.647</b>	<b>3472</b>	<b>2408</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>.703</b>	<b>2364</b>	<b>1544</b>
<b>Career Totals .....</b>		<b>105</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.685</b>	<b>5141</b>	<b>3507</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.747</b>	<b>3207</b>	<b>2045</b>

KEY: (a)—NAIA National Quarterfinalist; (b)—NAIA National Runner-up.



**HEAD COACH DAN HAWKINS CONTINUED**

Hawkins got his first look in 2008 at the three other members of the Big 12 South he had not seen (Oklahoma State, Texas and Texas A & M); in all, he coached against five schools for the first time in 2008 (Eastern Washington and West Virginia in non-league). He has now coached against **44** different teams in his career:

**Dan Hawkins vs. the Nation (I-A/FBS Only)**

School	W	L	Pts	Opp	School	W	L	Pts	Opp	School	W	L	Pts	Opp	School	W	L	Pts	Opp
Alabama.....	0	1	24	30	Georgia.....	0	2	26	62	Nebraska.....	1	2	110	128	Texas.....	0	1	14	38
Arizona State.....	0	2	17	54	Hawai'i.....	5	0	244	124	Nevada.....	5	0	256	52	Texas A & M.....	0	1	17	24
Arkansas.....	0	1	14	41	Idaho.....	5	0	242	86	New Mexico State...	1	0	56	6	Texas Tech.....	2	0	61	32
Baylor.....	1	1	74	57	Idaho State.....	1	0	62	0	Oklahoma.....	1	1	30	48	Tulsa.....	4	0	165	96
Boston College.....	0	1	21	27	Iowa State.....	3	1	123	87	Oklahoma State.....	0	1	17	30	Utah State.....	2	0	108	59
Bowling Green.....	1	0	48	20	Kansas.....	0	3	43	69	Oregon State.....	1	2	104	90	UTEP.....	4	0	198	72
Brigham Young.....	2	0	78	39	Kansas State.....	1	2	55	94	Portland State.....	1	0	21	14	Washington State....	0	1	20	41
Central Michigan.....	1	0	26	10	Louisiana Tech.....	4	1	206	122	Rice.....	1	1	63	52	West Virginia.....	1	0	17	14
Colorado State.....	2	2	96	82	Louisville.....	0	1	40	44	San Jose State.....	5	0	272	98	Wyoming.....	2	0	68	30
Eastern Washington	1	0	31	24	Miami-Ohio.....	1	0	42	0	SMU.....	2	0	83	23	<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>3482</b>	<b>2408</b>
Florida State.....	0	2	27	55	Missouri.....	0	3	23	141	South Carolina.....	0	1	13	32					
Fresno State.....	4	1	173	111	Montana State.....	0	1	10	19	TCU.....	1	0	34	31					

**Dan Hawkins / Situational (I-A/FBS Only)**

Category	W	L	Category	W	L	Category	W	L
Overall.....	66	36	Scoring 50+ Points.....	20	0	Category	W	L
At Colorado.....	13	25	Scoring 20+ Points.....	64	13	Non-Conference.....	21	17
At Boise State.....	53	11	Scoring <20 Points.....	2	23	At Colorado.....	5	9
Home.....	40	12	Ranked Teams.....	4	16	7-Point Games Or Closer...	17	14
Boulder.....	9	10	No. 1.....	0	0	Overtime.....	3	1
Boise.....	31	2	Top 5.....	1	1	1 OT.....	2	0
Road.....	23	21	Top 10.....	1	5	2 OT.....	1	0
At Colorado.....	2	13	Unranked Teams.....	62	20	3 OT.....	0	1
Neutral.....	3	3	As A Ranked Team.....	16	2	August.....	2	0
Bowl Games.....	2	3	Conference Games.....	45	19	September.....	17	15
Day Games.....	39	23	Home.....	26	6	October.....	25	9
Night Games.....	27	13	Big 12 Games.....	8	16	November.....	19	9
Shutouts.....	2	1	Home.....	6	6	December.....	3	3
						January.....	0	0

See **Trends III** for more Hawk numbers

**HAWKINS AMONG THE BEST**

**Dan Hawkins** has one of the top records among all-active Division I-A (FBS) coaches. He owns the 14th best winning percentage (minimum five seasons) and is listed among some of the top names in the profession. A closer look through games of September 7:

Coach, School	W	L	T	Pct.
Pete Carroll, USC.....	89	15	0	.856
Urban Meyer, Florida.....	84	17	0	.832
Bob Stoops, Oklahoma.....	109	26	0	.807
Mark Richt, Georgia.....	82	23	0	.781
Bobby Bowden, Florida State.....	382	124	4	.753
Joe Paterno, Penn State.....	384	127	3	.750
Jim Tressel, Ohio State.....	219	76	2	.741
Brian Kelly, Cincinnati.....	160	57	2	.735
Steve Spurrier, South Carolina.....	171	62	2	.732
Paul Johnson, Georgia Tech.....	117	43	0	.731
Gary Patterson, TCU.....	73	27	0	.730
Les Miles, LSU.....	71	32	0	.689
Nick Saban, Alabama.....	111	50	1	.688
<b>Dan Hawkins, Colorado.....</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.685</b>
Dennis Erickson, Arizona State.....	164	75	1	.685
Chris Ault, Nevada.....	198	92	1	.682

**THE CLASS OF '06**

In 2006, 10 programs hired new head coaches, including Colorado (with Northwestern being the 11th to do so when head coach Randy Walker passed away unexpectedly in July '06). Here's a look at what coaches make up the "class of 2006" and their record through games of September 7 (\*—denotes first college head coaching job):

Coach, School	W	L	Pct.
*Chris Peterson, Boise State.....	36	4	.900
*Bret Bielema, Wisconsin.....	29	11	.725
*Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern.....	20	18	.526
*Rick Stockstill, Middle Tennessee.....	17	21	.447
*Turner Gill, Buffalo.....	15	23	.395
<b>Dan Hawkins, Colorado.....</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>.342</b>
*Al Golden, Temple.....	9	27	.250
<b>No longer with same program:</b>			
Todd Graham, Rice.....	7	6	.538
*Ron Prince, Kansas State.....	17	20	.459
Dennis Erickson, Idaho.....	4	8	.333
*Chuck Long, San Diego State.....	9	27	.250

**COACHES ON GAME DAY**

The coaching staff is split between the sidelines and the press box. Upstairs are offensive coordinator **Eric Kiesau**, secondary coach **Greg Brown**, outside linebackers coach **Bob Foster**, graduate assistants **Paul Creighton** and **Skyler Fulton** and technical assistants **Brad Bedell** and **Ashley Ambrose**. Head coach **Dan Hawkins** wears a headset on the sideline, along with defensive coordinator **Ron Collins**, linebackers coach **Brian Cabral**, offensive line coach **Denver Johnson**, running backs coach **Darian Hagan**, defensive line coach **Romeo Bandison** and special teams/tight ends coach **Kent Riddle**. Plays are generally shuttled in from substituting players.

**OLD-TIMER**

Associate head coach and linebacker coach **Brian Cabral** has taken his place among legendary assistant coaches who have spent time at Colorado. Entering his 20th full-time season, he is now the longest tenured assistant coach in Colorado all sports history. A closer look at the top eight in football:

**ASSISTANT COACH LONGEVITY: 1. Brian Cabral 19 (1990-current); 2. Frank Potts 18 (1927-39, 1941-43, 1946-47) and Frank Prentup 18 (1941-58); 4. Dan Stavelly 15 (1958, 1963-76); 5. Chet Franklin 12 (1963-74), Mike Hankwitz 12 (1985-94, 2004-05) and Alva Noggle 12 (1920-31); 8. Marshall Wells 11 (1948-58).**

Versus' **Ron Thulin** said about Cabral: "He's one of the great individuals. Besides being an outstanding football coach he has been the barometer for this football program for the last two decades. He teaches a lot more than just football to these players and that's why Dan Hawkins kept him on the staff. He's one of the best in the business."

## HAWKINS, CU AGREE TO CONTRACT EXTENSION

In 2008, the University of Colorado extended Dan Hawkins contract through the 2012 season, athletic director **Mike Bohn** announced October 7. Hawkins was named the 23rd head football coach in Colorado history on December 16, 2005, and originally signed a five-year, \$4.25 million contract that was effective January 1, 2006, through December 31, 2010, not including incentive compensation for academic progress, student citizenship and community outreach, along with various performance incentives ranging from rewarding bowl appearances to winning conference and national championships.

The new contract was effective as of July 1, 2008 and runs through January 31, 2013, with the guaranteed compensation package for fiscal year 2008-09 to include base salary (\$174,720); radio, television and public appearances (\$514,500); sponsorship support (\$210,000); and football camps (\$52,500) for a total of \$951,720, prior to performance incentives. Those incentives includes academic progress toward graduation of football program athletes; meeting performance objectives in the area of player welfare and development; development of football program outreach; participation in the Big 12 Conference championship game; league and national titles and bowl participation and wins; and competitive success, e.g., if he is named the conference or national coach of the year.

## EXPERIENCE

Colorado's 2009 coaching staff is youthful, yet experienced. Through September 1, the 10 full-time coaches who comprise the Colorado coaching staff have coached a collective **105** seasons in Division I-A and have combined to coach in **1,144** games (with a record of **642-489-13, 567**). The aggregate age of the 10 is 468 years, thus making the average age **46.8**; outside linebacker coach **Bob Foster** is the elder statesman at 68, followed by associate head coach Brian Cabral (53) and secondary coach **Greg Brown** (51). five of the coaches are 40 or older, including head coach **Dan Hawkins** (48), and five under, with offensive coordinator **Eric Kiesau** the youngest (36). Kiesau is the 10th youngest coordinator in the Division I-A/FBS ranks, the seventh most youthful on the offensive side; a closer look:

### YOUNGEST COORDINATORS (as of September 8, 2009)

Name	School	Position	Birthdate	Age	Name	School	Position	Birthdate	Age
Marcus Arroyo	Wyoming	Offensive	Jan. 30, 1980	29	Mark Helfrich	Oregon	Offensive	Oct. 28, 1973	35
Neal Brown	Troy	Offensive	March 11, 1980	29	Todd Ford	North Texas	Offensive	March 28, 1973	36
Jeff Grady	Fresno State	Offensive	March 3, 1979	29	Brent Brennan	San Jose State	Co-Offensive	March 20, 1973	36
Phil Galiano	FIU	Defensive	Sept. 8, 1977	32	<b>Eric Kiesau</b>	<b>Colorado</b>	<b>Offensive</b>	<b>Nov. 24, 1972</b>	<b>36</b>
Brian Harsin	Boise State	Offensive	(private)	33	Tyrone Nix	Mississippi	Defensive	Sept. 30, 1972	36
Justin Wilcox	Boise State	Defensive	(private)	33	Danny Langsdorf	Oregon State	Offensive	June 28, 1972	37
Nigel Burton	Nevada	Defensive	July 30, 1976	33	James Franklin	Maryland	Offensive	Feb. 2, 1972	37
Rocky Seto	USC	Defensive	March 12, 1976	33	Dave Doeren	Wisconsin	Defensive	Dec. 3, 1971	37
Mike Bajakian	Central Michigan	Offensive	Aug. 4, 1974	35	Dana Holgorsen	Houston	Offensive	June 21, 1971	38
Manny Diaz	Middle Tennessee	Defensive	March 3, 1974	35	Todd Orlando	Connecticut	Defensive	March 24, 1971	38
Jeremy Rowell	Troy	Defensive	Nov. 21, 1973	35	<i>(Five others born between Dec. 25, 1969 and July 30, 1970)</i>				

## THE AVERAGE BUFF

The 113 players on the 2009 opening week roster (active and inactive, as of August 31 and including those walk-ons set to join the team after the first game) totaled **8,273** inches in height and weighed **25,805** collective pounds, or an average of 6-1¼, 228 pounds per player (within a half inch and 3 pounds of the average number each of the last six seasons). The 8,273 inches translate roughly into 689 feet or 230 yards, about the average distance of a par-three hole on the PGA Tour, while the weight of 25,805 pounds is the equivalent of 103,220 quarter-pounders at McDonald's. Here's a look at position-by-position averages (LW—denotes lettermen):

Position (Seniors)	Players	LW	Height	Weight	Position (Seniors)	Players	LW	Height	Weight
Cornerbacks (2)	9	4	5-11½	192	Quarterbacks (0)	5	2	6-2	208
Defensive Ends (0)	7	3	6-3	256	Safeties (0)	10	4	5-11	197
Defensive Tackles (2)	8	4	6-2½	279	Special Teams Snappers (1)	2	1	6-1	220
Fullbacks (2)	2	1	6-0	230	Tailbacks (0)	7	6	5-9	198
Inside Linebackers (4)	11	5	6-1	235	Tight Ends (4)	7	4	6-4	241
Kickers/Punters (1)	6	3	6-0	189	Wide Receivers (1)	16	4	5-10	190
Offensive Linemen (0)	17	6	6-4½	291	<b>Team (17)</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>6-1¼</b>	<b>228</b>
Outside Linebackers (0)	6	3	6-1	226					

At six of the 14 positions, CU has no seniors, most notably on the offensive line; three others have just one set to graduate.

## A 265-POUND LINEBACKER?

Not to mention a father for the second time ... Senior **ILB Marcus Burton** actually does check in at 265 pounds, making him the heaviest inside or outside linebacker in school history (and by 10 pounds). And since he's got around 18 percent body fat, he's also fast, with 4.7 speed in the 40. Marcus and his wife, **Krislen**, welcomed their second child into the world Sept. 6 as **Noah Alanea Christopher Burton** was born at 9:59 a.m. at Boulder Community Hospital. They already have another son, Tysen, 2. But now, back to the heaviest linebackers to don a CU uniform (\*—now weighs 240, but played at 250 earlier in career):

Player	Pos.	Seasons	Height	Weight	Player	Pos.	Seasons	Height	Weight
<b>Marcus Burton</b>	<b>ILB</b>	<b>2005-09</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>265</b>	Sam Rogers	OLB	1992-93	6-3	245
Ron Merkerson	OLB	1994-97	6-3	255	Matt Russell	ILB	1993-96	6-2	245
Kanavis McGhee	OLB	1987-90	6-4	250	Jeff Nabholz	ILB	1993-96	6-5	245
Walter Boye-Doe	OLB	2003-06	6-2	250	Hannibal Navies	ILB	1995-98	6-3	245
<b>*Michael Sipili</b>	<b>ILB</b>	<b>2006-09</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>250</b>	Fred Jones	OLB	1996-99	6-3	245
Rodell Guest	OLB	1991	6-5	245	Thaddaeus Washington	ILB	2003-06	5-11	245

## HEAD COACHING FATHERS AND THEIR PLAYER SONS

There have been **64** known players in Division I-A (FBS) history who have played for their head-coaching fathers in college, including **23** quarterbacks and **six** active pairings, according to a survey of I-A sports information departments. The count includes CU head coach **Dan Hawkins** and his oldest son, **Cody**.

The most famous and perhaps best head coach father (HCF) and quarterback son (QBS) tandem in NCAA history is **Jim** and **Kevin Sweeney** at Fresno State. Kevin played for his father from 1982-86, when he became the first player in NCAA history to throw for 10,000 career passing yards (Jim was FSU's head coach for 19 years, retiring No. 17 on the all-time win list with 200 in his 32-year coaching career). The most famous "near-miss" happened at Stanford, where **John Elway** played quarterback from 1979-82 and his father, **Jack**, took over as head coach from 1984-88. And at Marshall, when they were a I-AA powerhouse just before moving up to I-A, **Todd Donnan** started at QB for his father, **Jim**, in 1993-94.

**STARTING FROSH.** Cody started the first game of his redshirt frosh year, which made him the ninth known son at the time to start at quarterback for his head coach father in I-A/FBS history, and just the third freshman to do so. Kevin Sweeney started the first two games of his true freshman season at Fresno State in 1982, but was injured in the second game and granted a medical hardship for the season; he came back to start as a redshirt frosh through his senior season. **Tim Sale** started all 11 games of his true frosh year at Minnesota in 1980; he lettered that year, but played sparingly thereafter. There are two other active HCF-QBS combos, at North Texas where Riley Dodge is starting this season as a redshirt frosh, playing for his father, Todd; and at Arkansas, where Nick Petrino is a reserve for his father, Bobby (upping the count to 11 quarterbacks, four of which were freshmen). The list (#—denotes active):

-----Quarterbacks-----			
School	Head Coach	Son (Position)	Years
#Arkansas	Bobby Petrino	Nick (QB)	2008-09
Army	Earl "Red" Blaik	*Robert (QB)	1949-50
Ball State	Bill Lynch	Joey (QB)	2002
<b>#Colorado</b>	<b>Dan Hawkins</b>	<b>*Cody (QB)</b>	<b>2006-09</b>
Fresno State	Jim Sweeney	*Kevin (QB)	1982-86
Iowa	Bob Commings	*Bobby Jr. (QB)	1977-78
Kansas State	Jim Dickey	*Darrell (QB)	1979-82
Kentucky	Hal Mumme	Matt (QB)	1997-98
Memphis	Rip Scherer	Scott (QB)	1998-00 Miami, Fla.
Michigan	Lloyd Carr	Jason (QB)	1994-95
Minnesota	Joe Sale	*Tim (QB)	1980-82
Minnesota	Tim Brewster	Clint (QB)	2007
#North Texas	Todd Dodge	*Riley (QB)	2008-09
Ohio	Cleve Bryant	*Rodney (QB)	1989-90
Penn State	Joe Paterno	Jay (QB)	1986-89
San Diego State	Tom Craft	Kevin (QB)	2005
SMU	Rusty Russell	*H.N. (QB)	1950-51
Texas	Fred Akers	Danny (QB)	1983-85
Tulsa	Glen Dobbs	Glenn III (QB)	1963-67
Tulsa	Glen Dobbs	Johnny (QB)	1966-68
USC	Larry Smith	Corby (QB)	1992
Western Michigan	Bill Cubit	*Ryan (QB)	2003-06
-----Non-Quarterbacks-----			
Alabama-Birmingham	Watson Brown	*Steven (WR)	2005-06
Arizona State	Frank Kush	*Danny (PK)	1973-76
Arizona State	Larry Marmie	Larry Jr. (DB)	1989-91
#Arkansas	Bobby Petrino	Bobby (WR)	2009
Ball State	Bill Lynch	Billy (WR)	1998-01
Baylor	Bill Beal	*Phil (S)	1970-71
BYU	LaVell Edwards	*Jimmy (WR)	1981, 84-86
Chicago, U of.	Amos Alonzo Stagg	Amos Alonzo Jr.	1922
Colorado State	Harry Hughes	William	1935, 37
Florida	Doug Dickey	Don (DB)	1975-76
Florida State	Bobby Bowden	Jeff (WR)	1981-82

School	Head Coach	Son (Position)	Years
Fresno State	Pat Hill	Zak (SS)	2007-09
Houston	Art Briles	Kendal (WR/QB)	2004-05
Indiana	Lee Corso	*Steve (SE)	1979-80
Iowa	Kirk Ferentz	*Brian (OL)	2002-05
#Iowa	Kirk Ferentz	James (C)	2009
Iowa State	Jim Criner	Mark (LB)	1986
Kansas State	Bill Snyder	*Sean (P)	1991-92
Louisiana Tech/Mississippi	%Billy Brewer	Brett (P)	1980-84
#Louisiana-Lafayette	Rickey Bustle	Brad (OG)	2006-09
<del>Denison</del> <del>Arkansas</del>	<del>Bryce</del> <del>Reed</del> <del>Corso</del>	*Mike (C)	1981-82
Maryland	Jerry Claiborne	Jonathan (S)	1975-77
#Memphis	Tommy West	Turner (WR)	2006-09
Miami, Fla.	Randy Shannon	Xavier (C)	2008
Mississippi State	Bob Tyler	Breck (WR)	1977-78
Notre Dame	Ara Parseghian	Mike (RB)	1971-74
Notre Dame	Lou Holtz	Skip (WR)	1986
Oklahoma State	Bob Simmons	Nathan (RB)	1996-99
Oregon	Jim Aiken	*James Jr. (RB)	1948
Oregon	Rich Brooks	Brady (FS)	1988-89
Oregon	Mike Bellotti	Luke (PK)	2003-07
#South Carolina	Steve Spurrier	Scott (WR)	2006-09
SMU	Phil Bennett	*Sam (LS)	2006-07
Southern Miss	Jim Carmody	Steve (C)	1982-83
Southern Miss	Jim Carmody	Keith (DT)	1985-86
Tulsa	John Cooper	John, Jr. (DB)	1981-84
USC	John McKay	*John, Jr. (WR)	1972-74
Virginia Tech	Frank Beamer	*Shane (LS/WR)	1996-99
Wake Forest	Jim Caldwell	Jimmy Caldwell (WR)	1999
Washington State	Mike Price	*Aaron (PK)	1991-93
West Virginia	Bobby Bowden	*Tommy (WR)	1973-75
West Virginia	Bobby Bowden	Terry (RB)	1975

\*—denotes started/first-team (at some point when father was head coach at the time; in some cases, they became the starter after the father moved on).  
%—The elder Brewer moved on to Mississippi in 1983 and son followed.

While this is the first time that CU has had the head coach father-player son active combo, the Buffaloes have seen it against them in the past. Iowa State (**Criners**), Kansas State (**Dickeys, Snyders**), Oklahoma State (**Simmons**) and perhaps one of the most famous father-son duos, **Lee** and **Steve Corso** at Indiana. When confirming with Lee, he was pretty proud that Steve caught the game winning TD in a 36-30 win against Kentucky his senior year, and reminded us that he had two pretty good games against Colorado (5 catches for 87 yards in a 17-16 CU win in 1979, and 3-for-38 in a 49-7 Indiana win in 1980).

## IN-SEASON BIRTHDAYS

Here's the list of those coaches and players who have birthdays to celebrate during the 2009 season, including camp (\*—denotes on a game day):

<b>Aug. 10</b>	Ryan Maxwell (21)	<b>Oct. 1</b>	*Derrick Webb (19)	<b>Nov. 10</b>	Dan Hawkins (49)	<b>Dec. 15</b>	Matt Meyer (21)
<b>Aug. 10</b>	Liloa Nobriga (19)	<b>Oct. 2</b>	David Clark (21)	<b>Nov. 13</b>	Douglas Rippy (20)	<b>Dec. 15</b>	Paul Vigo (20)
<b>Aug. 25</b>	Josh Hartigan (20)	<b>Oct. 2</b>	Kevin Cooney (21)	<b>Nov. 14</b>	*Kevin Moyd (22)	<b>Dec. 19</b>	Vince Ewing (20)
<b>Aug. 31</b>	Bret Smith (22)	<b>Oct. 10</b>	*Greg Brown (52)	<b>Nov. 17</b>	Miguel Rueda (38)	<b>Dec. 19</b>	Riar Geer (23)
<b>Sept. 1</b>	Eugene Goree (20)	<b>Oct. 11</b>	Toney Clemons (21)	<b>Nov. 18</b>	Jarrod Darden (19)	<b>Dec. 21</b>	Conrad Obi (21)
<b>Sept. 6</b>	*Clark Evans (19)	<b>Oct. 14</b>	Jalil Brown (22)	<b>Nov. 22</b>	Jeff Smart (23)	<b>Dec. 23</b>	Eric Lawson (23)
<b>Sept. 8</b>	Jean Onaga	<b>Oct. 14</b>	Mile Iltis (21)	<b>Nov. 24</b>	Eric Kiesau (37)	<b>Dec. 30</b>	Will Pericak (20)
<b>Sept. 9</b>	Zach Grossnickle (19)	<b>Oct. 14</b>	Dwayne Thornton (19)	<b>Nov. 28</b>	Ethan Adkins (21)	<b>Dec. 30</b>	Lagrone Shields (22)
<b>Sept. 17</b>	Ashley Ambrose	<b>Oct. 15</b>	Devin Shanahan (23)	<b>Dec. 5</b>	Seth Lobato (19)	<b>Jan. 1</b>	Justin Drescher (21)
<b>Sept. 25</b>	Jashon Sykes (30)	<b>Oct. 24</b>	*Jerry Slota (19)	<b>Dec. 6</b>	*Tyler Ahles (21)	<b>Jan. 3</b>	Rodney Stewart (20)
<b>Sept. 27</b>	Luke Walters (23)	<b>Oct. 30</b>	Geoff Sissom (19)	<b>Dec. 6</b>	*Blake Behrens (21)	<b>Jan. 6</b>	Max Tuioti-Mariner (20)
<b>Sept. 30</b>	David Bakhtiari (18)	<b>Nov. 3</b>	Forrest Webb (19)	<b>Dec. 6</b>	*Tyler Hansen (20)		

**TRENDS****1985-2009**

Since 1985, when the Buffs returned to their traditional winning ways after six frustrating years, Colorado is **181-108-4**, the 22nd best record nationally in this span). In these 293 games spanning 25 seasons, CU has posted the following records (including bowls):

◆ with 400-plus yards total offense	105-18-2	◆ when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense	86-17-1
◆ with 500-plus yards total offense	52- 5-0	◆ when leading at halftime	146-19-2
◆ when leading in time of possession	119-29-3	◆ when leading after three quarters (145-13-3 in last 161)	149-15-3
◆ when making 20-plus first downs	109-32-1	◆ when scoring 24 or more points	147-21-2
◆ when converting 50 percent or better on 3rd down	69- 8-1	◆ when scoring 14 or more points	178-65-4
◆ when punting three or fewer times	67-14-1	◆ when held to 13 points or less	3-41-0
◆ when scoring first	117-33-1	◆ when not committing a turnover or allowing a sack	14- 0-0
◆ with zero turnovers (131-52-2 with two or fewer)	33-10-2	◆ when rushing for more yards than passing	105-35-2
◆ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	106-18-1	◆ when passing for more yards than rushing	76-73-2
◆ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	91-12-1	◆ when holding edge in 1st downs & possession time	98-20-2

**TRENDS II****1989-2009**

Since 1989, when the Buffs became a regular in the national rankings, Colorado has posted the nation's 22nd best overall record at **153-89-4**. Here are some trends during this time frame (246 games over 21 seasons, including bowls):

➤ when running more plays than the opponent	85-33-3	➤ when rushing for 200-plus yards	79- 5-1
➤ with 400-plus yards total offense (47-5 with 500-plus)	91-18-2	➤ when rushing for 250-plus yards	53- 2-1
➤ when scoring 30 or more points	101- 7-1	➤ when rushing for 300-plus yards	31- 0-1
➤ when leading in possession time (54-63-1 when not)	98-27-3	➤ when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards	34- 2-0
➤ when making 20-plus first downs	96-29-1	➤ when passing for 200-plus yards	83-42-2
➤ when converting 50 percent or better on 3rd down	55- 7-1	➤ when passing for 300-plus yards (10-0-1 400-plus)	25-13-1
➤ when scoring first (85-23-1 the last 109 times)	96-26-1	➤ when passing for more yards than rushing	76-73-2
➤ with zero turnovers (114-48-2 with two or fewer)	27-10-2	➤ when holding edge in 1st downs & possession time	80-19-2
➤ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	82-11-1	➤ when holding edge in field position	121-24-1
➤ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	75-12-1	➤ when not committing a turnover or allowing a sack	13- 0-0
➤ when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense	64-12-1	➤ when out-rushing the opponent	123-14-3
➤ when average field position is CU 30+ (26-2 40+)	111-39-2	➤ when owning the edge in return yards	115-34-2
➤ when play selection is 50 percent rushing calls	126-29-2		

**TRENDS III****HAWKINS**

Some trends of Colorado coach **Dan Hawkins** both overall and at his former school, Boise State; totals are for **102** games including bowls (**66-36**; the Broncos were 53-11 under his guidance in five seasons):

Category	At CU	Overall	Category	At CU	Overall
➤ when scoring 20 or more points (2-23 when not)	11- 7	64-13	➤ when leading after three (10-28 trailing, 3-2 tied)	8- 3	53- 4
➤ when scoring 30 or more points	9- 2	56- 4	➤ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	6- 5	38- 7
➤ when scoring 40 or more points	3- 0	38- 2	➤ when holding opponent under 300 yards offense	3- 5	27- 5
➤ when scoring 50 or more points	1- 0	20- 0	➤ when rushing for 200-plus yards	6- 1	38- 1
➤ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	6- 3	35- 3	➤ when rushing for 250-plus yards (7-0 300-plus)	3- 1	25- 1
➤ in games decided by 7 points or less	7- 9	17-14	➤ when rushing for more yards than passing	7- 6	25- 7
➤ with two or fewer turnovers (10-2 with zero)	11-18	49-26	➤ with a 100-yard rusher	8- 4	35- 4
➤ when turnover margin was plus or even	9-15	48-22	➤ when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards	3- 0	28- 0
➤ when scoring first (21-21 when not)	9-12	45-15	➤ with 400-plus yards total offense (45-2 last 47)	5- 2	49- 4
➤ when leading at halftime	9- 5	52- 8	➤ with 500-plus yards total offense (6-0 with 600-plus)	2- 0	25- 1
➤ when trailing at halftime (4-1 when tied)	4-18	10-26			

**TURNOVERS ARE INDEED COSTLY**

**Dan Hawkins**, as with most head coaches, believes that when it comes to turnovers, that they are one of the single most important factors in winning or losing ball games. He has penalties and rewards daily in the practice dependent on the number of turnovers committed or forced. Former CU coach **Gary Barnett** drilled home to his teams the importance of taking care of the football, which he learned from the legendary **Bill McCartney**. Statistics back up the argument, as the below shows that it is definitely better to take than to give over the last 21 seasons, in which CU owns the nation's 22nd best overall record:

	Turnovers Committed	Turnovers Forced	+/-	Scoring Off Turnovers PF	PA	+/-
153 WINS	256	384	+128	1,271	521	+750
HAWKINS ERA (13 WINS)	21	27	+ 6	73	65	+ 8
89 LOSSES (& 4 TIES)	225	150	- 75	353	720	-363
HAWKINS ERA (25 LOSSES)	48	39	- 9	91	138	- 43
21-SEASON TOTALS (246 Games)	481	534	+53	1,624	1,241	+383
HAWKINS ERA (38 Games)	69	66	- 3	164	203	- 39



**TWO-MINUTE WARNING**

Colorado has scored **126** times in **197** tries, including **22** game winning or tying scores, when the offense has gone into the “two-minute offense” drill since 1988; that’s 64 percent of the time. CU was **5-of-10**, scoring a TD with urgency to tie the game with Eastern Washington and netting another at Texas A&M (after a first half field goal). The Buffs then scored twice in the last 9:14 to rally and defeat Iowa State. CU was **9-of-12** in 2007, utilizing the drill to score field goals at the end of each half against CSU, a fourth quarter TD against Florida State (and nearly a second one), once for six before the half versus Miami, for the game winning field goal, though a bit less rushed, against Oklahoma, and twice in the final stages at Iowa State (scoring a TD a nearly the tying field goal), a first half TD against Nebraska and two TDs against Alabama in the Independence Bowl (one in each half). The Buffs were 2-of-6 in 2006: 1-of-1 against Texas Tech (field goal), 0-of-2 versus Montana State, 0-of-1 versus Colorado State, 0-1 at Georgia and 1-of-1 versus Iowa State (field goal). One of the most prolific years in the drill came in 1994, when CU was 7-of-8; that included two scores in the final two minutes at Michigan, including that certain play of the decade. Between 1988 and 1994, Colorado was an amazing **61-of-81** in the two-minute offense, with 44 touchdowns. The chart showing CU’s scores:

2-Min. Offense/Scores	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Totals	Pct.
Total.....	10-13	11-11	11-14	8-12	6-12	8-11	7-8	5-8	4-6	6-11	3-5	6-13	6-10	5-9	1-4	5-8	4-5	4-9	2-6	9-12	5-10	126-197	64.0
First Half.....	6-7	10-10	6-7	4-5	4-9	6-7	4-4	4-6	4-6	1-3	2-3	5-8	4-5	4-7	1-2	2-4	2-2	3-5	2-4	4-5	1-2	79-111	71.1
TDs/FGs.....	4/2	7/3	2/4	3/1	2/2	5/1	3/1	3/1	3/1	0/1	0/2	2/3	2/2	4/0	1/0	2/0	1/1	3/0	0/2	3/1	0/1	50/29	
Second Half.....	4-6	1-1	5-7	4-7	2-3	2-4	3-4	1-2	0-0	5-8	1-2	1-5	2-5	1-2	0-2	3-4	2-3	1-3	0-2	5-7	4-8	47-86	54.7
TDs/FGs.....	4/0	1/0	4/1	4/0	1/1	2/0	2/1	1/0	0/0	5/0	0/1	1/0	1/1	1/0	0/0	2/1	2/0	0/1	0/0	4/2	4/0	38/9	
Winning/Tying Scores	2	0	2	2	2	0	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	2	2	22	

**SAFELY AHEAD**

The Buffs have been a virtual lock to win once they have a lead of two or more scores (nine-plus points) over the past 33 seasons. Since 1976 (game 1), CU has protected a two-score lead **211** of **230** times, losing 16 and tying three when it blew the lead. A closer look (\*—Disneyland Pigskin Classic at Anaheim):

Date	Opponent	CU Lead (when)	Result	Date	Opponent	CU Lead (when)	Result
11/28/08	at Nebraska	14 (14-0; 1st Quarter)	L, 31-40	10/23/93	at Kansas State	9 (9-0; 2nd Quarter)	T, 16-16
11/10/07	at Iowa State	21 (21-0; 3rd Quarter)	L, 28-31	09/18/93	at Stanford	10 (37-27; 4th Quarter)	L, 37-41
09/08/07	at Arizona State	14 (14-0; 2nd Quarter)	L, 14-33	09/15/90	at Illinois	14 (17-3; 2nd Quarter)	L, 22-23
10/28/06	at Kansas	9 (9-0; 3rd Quarter)	L, 15-20	08/26/90	*Tennessee	14 (31-17; 4th Quarter)	T, 31-31
09/23/06	at Georgia	13 (13-0; 4th Quarter)	L, 13-14	09/27/86	ARIZONA	9 (21-12; 4th Quarter)	L, 21-24
10/23/04	at Texas A&M	12 (19-7; 3rd Quarter)	L, 26-29 OT	11/03/84	KANSAS	11 (27-16; 4th Quarter)	L, 27-28
11/01/03	at Texas Tech	14 (14-0; 1st Quarter)	L, 21-26	10/16/82	at Oklahoma State	13 (13-0; 1st Quarter)	T, 25-25
10/04/03	at Baylor	9 (23-14; 3rd Quarter)	L, 30-42	09/19/81	WASHINGTON STATE	10 (10-0; 4th Quarter)	L, 10-14
11/11/00	Iowa State	11 (20-9; 2nd Quarter)	L, 27-35	10/10/79	OKLAHOMA STATE	20 (20-0; 4th Quarter)	L, 20-21
09/02/00	Colorado State (Den)	10 (24-14; 3rd Quarter)	L, 24-28				

Colorado has lost only 20 games (and was tied twice) dating back to 1980 when leading by *any* margin at any point in the fourth quarter or overtime. The most recent losses were in 2008 (Nebraska, when the Huskers scored 10 points in the final 1:43), and in 2006 (Kansas, Baylor in three overtimes—CU scored first in OT2—and at Georgia, when the Buffs led 13-0 entering the quarter and lost with just 46 seconds remaining as UGA won, 14-13). In conference play, only Kansas (1984, 2006), Nebraska (1984, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2008), Oklahoma State (1997), Texas A&M (2004) and Baylor (2006) have rallied in the fourth to topple CU in this span. The ties came against Tennessee in 1990 (31-31, after leading 31-17) and Kansas State in 1993 (16-16 after taking a late 16-13 lead).

➤ Colorado has won **95** of its last **105** games in which it at any point has held a two-score lead—and **22** of the last **28**. A 2003 loss to Baylor snapped a 26-game winning streak in such situations on the road, and an overall streak of 49 consecutive wins between 1993 and 1999 was snapped in 2000 (to CSU; Iowa State also did it later that year).

In this same span, **Colorado has rallied to win 33 games and tie two others dating back to 1981 after once trailing at some point in the fourth quarter** (not including coming from 27-3 down against Nebraska in 1999 before losing in OT). The most recent wins of this variety came this year against Iowa State (won 28-24 after trailing 24-13 with 9:14 left) and versus Eastern Washington (won 31-24 after being down 24-17). In 2007 CU rallied from 28-17 down in the third and 28-25 in the fourth to defeat CSU 31-28 in overtime) and Oklahoma (down 24-7 late in the third, eventually tying the fourth largest comeback in school history in winning 27-24).

**DOMINATION**

Colorado has only **32** losses to unranked teams since dropping the 1987 season opener to Oregon. On several occasions, teams used the win over the Buffs to gain national notoriety and/or move into the rankings following the win. The Buffs are **94-30-2** in their last 126 games against unranked teams (AP), along with a record of **125-32-2** in the last 159. The Buffs are **163-88-4** in regular season games since the start of the 1986 Big Eight Conference season (8-9 in bowls); **112-63-3** in Big 8/12 games (including four league title games) and **51-25-1** in non-conference regular season action.

**LITTLE KNOWN RARITY**

In CU history, the Buffaloes have had a 100-yard rusher and receiver in the same game on **27** occasions (and are **21-6** in games when this occurs). It’s happened seven times this decade, most recently at Baylor in 2007 (**TB High Charles** 109 yards, and **WR Josh Smith** 103). It hadn’t happened since 2004, when it occurred thrice: at Texas A&M (**TB Bobby Purify**/**WR Dusty Sprague**), versus Kansas State (Purify/**WR Ron Monteilh**) and at Nebraska (Purify/**WR Blake Mackey**). In happened three games in a row late in 2001, including the first time the same player had 100 yards in both in the same game (**TB Cortlen Johnson** at Iowa State: 172 rushing and 105 receiving); Johnson and **TE Daniel Graham** did it against Missouri, Graham and **TB’s Chris Brown** and **Bobby Purify** all did it against Nebraska. *A closer look at this unique list can be found on page 34 of the 2009 CU History & Records supplement.*

**CAREER GAMES PLAYED/STARTED CHART**

Listed below are the career games played/started, including bowls, for the players on the 2009 Colorado Buffaloes. The players on this year's opening roster collectively had played in **847** games, with **235** starts entering the season. Recent past numbers entering a season have been **817** games played/277 started (2008), **853/251** (2007), **1,053/295** (2006), **1,080/314** (2005), **761/182** (2004), **845/239** (2003), **883/278** (2002), **694/223** (2000) and **790/229** (1999). The list (includes bowls):

Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS
ADAMS	0	0	DEEHAN	13	7	HERROD	25	4	NABORS	20	0	SMITH, B.	10	0
ADKINS	4	1	DEVENNY	19	1	HICKS	0	0	NOBRIGA	0	0	SMITH, J.	24	4
AHLES	9	0	DILALLO	34	—	HILDRETH	0	0	OBI	6	0	SOLDER	26	17
AWEIDA	0	—	DRESCHER	38	0	ILTIS	1	1	OLATOYE	0	0	STENGEL	9	0
BAHR	11	8	EBNER	1	0	JAFFEE	2	0	ORMS	0	0	STEVENS	2	0
BAKHITIARI	0	0	ESPINOZA	3	1	JEFFERSON	1	0	PERICAK	1	1	STEWART	10	5
BEATTY	13	1	EVANS	0	0	KASA	0	0	PERKINS	13	5	SUMLER	25	9
BEHRENS, B.	12	12	EWING	1	0	KAYNOR	26	0	POLK	1	1	TAU	0	0
BEHRENS, J.	23	4	FERNANDEZ	0	0	LaBARGE	0	0	POREMBIA	1	0	THORNTON	0	0
BISNOW	0	0	GEER	36	26	LAWSON	8	0	RIPPY	1	0	TUIOTI-MARINER	3	2
BONSU	1	0	GIVENS	1	1	LOBATO	0	0	SALE	0	0	USSERY	0	0
BROWN, C.	38	25	GOLDBERG	0	0	LOCKRIDGE	10	1	SANDERSFELD	13	0	VIGO	1	0
BROWN, J.	26	6	GOODMAN	12	—	MAHNKE	12	1	SCOTT	12	2	WALTERS	0	0
BURNEY	37	16	GOREE	12	0	MAJOR	0	0	SERGEANT	0	0	WEBB	0	0
BURTON	35	1	GOUIN	0	0	MANARINO	0	0	SHANAHAN	12	0	WEST	1	0
CELESTINE	14	2	GROSSNICKLE	0	—	MAXWELL	1	0	SHIELDS	3	0	WOOD	0	0
CLARK	0	0	HAM	6	0	McANINCH	0	0	SILIPO	0	0	WRIGHT	13	0
CONTE	0	0	HANDLER	0	0	McKNIGHT	26	15	SIMAS	0	0	<b>TEAM</b>	<b>904</b>	<b>257</b>
COONEY	0	0	HANSEN	5	2	MEYER	0	0	SIMMONS	1	0	<b>2008 Final</b>	<b>1469</b>	<b>541</b>
CUNNINGHAM	13	1	HARRIS	0	0	MIHALCIN	0	—	SIPILI	20	4			
DANIELS	2	0	HARTIGAN	13	0	MILLER	15	12	SISSOM	0	0			
DANNEWITZ	0	0	HAWKINS, C.	26	24	MOHLER	13	11	SLOTA	0	0			
DARDEN	0	0	HAWKINS, J.	9	0	MOYD	30	0	SMART	37	23			

**LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START:** TE Ryan Deehan, FS Patrick Mahnke, TB Darrell Scott, TB Rodney Stewart, OG Max Tuioti-Mariner (2008); TB Brian Lockridge, OG Kai Maiava, OT Ryan Miller, WR Josh Smith (2007); CB Cha'pelle Brown, ILB Michael Sipili (2006); Maurice Lucas (2005); ILB Jordon Dizon (2004); ILB Walter Boye-Doe, CB Terrence Wheatley, S Dominique Brooks, OG Brian Daniels, DB Lorenzo Sims (2003).

**LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START AT QUARTERBACK:** Tyler Hansen (2008), Craig Ochs (2000), Koy Detmer (1992). **IN A SEASON OPENER:** Has not occurred.

**LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START AT RUNNING BACK:** Darrell Scott (2008), Rodney Stewart (2008), Brian Lockridge (2007), Brian Calhoun (2002), Marcus Houston (2000).

**IN A SEASON OPENER:** Kent Kahl (1991).

**LAST REDSHIRT FRESHMEN TO START:** OT Bryce Givens, OT Will Pericak, SS Ray Polk (2009); OT Matt Bahr, OG Blake Behrens, S Anthony Perkins (2008); QB Cody Hawkins, WR Scotty McKnight, OG Wes Palazzi, TE Nate Solder, TB Demetrius Sumler (2007); OT Paul Backowski, TE Riar Geer, OG Devin Head (2006); OG Daniel Sanders (2005).

**LAST PLAYERS TO START FOR THE FIRST TIME AS A SENIOR:** WR Steve Melton (2008), TE Joe Sanders (2007); Paul Creighton, TE Dan Goettsch, C Bryce MacMartin, TB Mell Holliday, WR Nick Holz (2006); WR Mike Duren, OG Terrance Barreau (2004); WR D.J. Hackett (2003).

**STARTING STREAKS**

**ILB Jeff Smart** owns the longest starting streak on the team at **23** games, followed by **CB Cha'pelle Brown** (16) and **OT Nate Solder** (14). CU is still rather young, but this also is a result of what **Dan Hawkins** thinks of depth charts; he prefers the term contributors, so whatever play they want to run to open a game could feature virtually anyone that fits a particular play or scheme.

**EIGHT PLAYERS MAKE FIRST CAREER STARTS SO FAR IN 2009**

Eight players made their first career starts in the season opener against CSU, four each on offense and defense. **OLB B.J. Beatty**, **DT Curtis Cunningham**, **DT Will Pericak** and **SS Ray Polk** started the game on defense, while **OG Ethan Adkins**, **WR Jason Espinoza**, **OT Bryce Givens** and **C Mike Iltis** lined up for the first play on offense. Polk replaced Patrick Mahnke, who suffered a sprained ankle in the previous Friday's practice. And Pericak became the first freshman, true or redshirt, to start a season opener at defensive tackle in CU history. Over the last 25 seasons, CU has had as few as six players (1994) and as many as 29 (1984, 15 on offense) make their first career starts in a single year. The high on a single side of the ball came in 1998, when 17 of 27 new starters were on offense. Here are the annual numbers of first-time starters since 1984:

**ANNUAL FIRST-TIME STARTERS:** 1984 (29), 1985 (9), 1986 (15), 1987 (14), 1988 (16), 1989 (7), 1990 (16), 1991 (23), 1992 (15), 1993 (7), 1994 (6), 1995 (11), 1996 (8), 1997 (14), 1998 (27), 1999 (14), 2000 (16), 2001 (12), 2002 (16), 2003 (20), 2004 (12), 2005 (11), 2006 (24), 2007 (18), 2008 (15), 2009 (8).

**THIRTEEN SEE FIRST CU ACTION IN 2008**

Thirteen players saw their first collegiate action in the season opener against Colorado State (19 did so in 2008), though 11 of the 13 saw significant action from scrimmage as opposed to special teams. Four true freshmen were among the 11, **DT Nate Bonsu**, **WR Will Jefferson**, **CB Paul Vigo** and **DE Forrest West**. The breakdown by class of those players seeing their first CU action in 2009 (\*—mainly special teams duty):

**TRUE FRESHMEN (4):** DT Nate Bonsu, WR Will Jefferson, CB \*Paul Vigo, DE Forrest West

**REDSHIRT FRESHMEN (6):** WR Dustin Ebner, OT Bryce Givens, CB \*Vince Ewing, DT Will Pericak, S Ray Polk, OLB Douglas Rippy

**SOPHOMORES (2):** C Mike Iltis, WR Ryan Maxwell.

**JUNIORS (1):** WR Andre Simmons.

**SENIORS (0).**

Recent counts of players seeing their first action at Colorado by season: **30** (2008), **28** (2007), **19** (2006), **16** (2005), **24** (2004) and **24** (2003).

**2009 PARTICIPATION CHART**

The participation chart for the 2009 Colorado Buffaloes; KEY: **S**—started; **✓**—played; **DNP**—dressed, but did not play; **INJ**—injured; **(—)**—denotes did not dress; **SSP**—suspended; **\*\***—saw first action as a Buffalo in 2009:

Player	CSU	TOL	WYO	WV	UT	KU	KSU	MU	A&M	ISU	OSU	NU
ADAMS	DNP											
ADKINS	S											
AHLES	✓											
AWEIDA	DNP											
BAHR	DNP											
BAKHTIARI	DNP											
BEATTY	S											
BEHRENS, B.	DNP											
BEHRENS, J.	✓											
BISNOW	DNP											
BONSU	✓											
BROWN, C.	S											
BROWN, J.	✓											
BURNEY	S											
BURTON	✓											
CLARK	DNP											
CONTE	DNP											
COONEY	DNP											
CUNNINGHAM	S											
DANIELS	DNP											
DANNEWITZ	DNP											
DARDEN	DNP											
DEEHAN	S											
DEVENNY	✓											
DiLALLO	✓											
DRESCHER	✓											
**EBNER	✓											
ESPINOZA	S											
EVANS	DNP											
**EWING	✓											
FERNANDEZ	DNP											
GEER	S											
**GIVENS	S											
GOLDBERG	DNP											
GOODMAN	✓											
GOREE	✓											
GOUIN	DNP											
GROSSNICKLE	DNP											
HAM	✓											
HANDLER	DNP											
HANSEN	DNP											
HARRIS	DNP											
HARTIGAN	✓											
HAWKINS, C.	S											
HAWKINS, J.	DNP											
HERROD	S											
HICKS	DNP											
HILDRETH	DNP											
**ILTIS	S											
JAFFEE	✓											
**JEFFERSON	✓											
KASA	INJ											
KAYNOR	✓											
KIRKWOOD	—											
LaBARGE	—											
LAWSON	✓											
LOBATO	DNP											

Player	CSU	TOL	WYO	WV	UT	KU	KSU	MU	A&M	ISU	OSU	NU
LOCKRIDGE	✓											
MAHNKE	INJ											
MAJOR	DNP											
MANARINO	—											
**MAXWELL	✓											
McANINCH	DNP											
McKNIGHT	S											
MEYER	DNP											
MIHALCIN	—											
MILLER	S											
MOHLER	S											
MOYD	✓											
NABORS	✓											
NOBRIGA	DNP											
OBI	✓											
OLATOYE	DNP											
ORMS	DNP											
**PERICAK	S											
PERKINS	S											
**POLK	S											
POREMBIA	DNP											
**RIPPY	✓											
SALE	DNP											
SANDERSFELD	✓											
SCOTT	S											
SERGEANT	DNP											
SHANAHAN	✓											
SHIELDS	✓											
SILIPO	DNP											
SIMAS	SUSP											
**SIMMONS	✓											
SIPILI	INJ											
SISSOM	—											
SLOTA	DNP											
SMART	S											
SMITH, B.	DNP											
SMITH, J.	S											
SOLDER	S											
STENGEL	✓											
STEVENS	✓											
STEWART	✓											
SUMLER	✓											
THORNTON	DNP											
TUIOTI-MARINER	INJ											
USSERY	DNP											
**VIGO	✓											
WALTERS	DNP											
WEBB	DNP											
**WEST	✓											
WOOD	DNP											
WRIGHT	✓											
<b>TEAM:</b>												
DRESSED	100											
PLAYED	57											

**Inactive For 2009:** Cefalo (transfer), Celestine (ineligible), Clemons (transfer), Farley (transfer), Tau (suspended).

**EXPERIENCE ANALYSIS**

Upperclassmen started about 61 percent of CU's games in 2008, down a bit from two-thirds in both 2006 and 2007, though seniors accounted for 40 percent of the '08 starts, up from 31 percent the previous year, which was the third lowest figure over a 9-year span. In 2004, seniors started the fewest percentage of games (25.1) since the 1995 team (which had only seven seniors), while 38.8 percent of the starts were made by underclassmen. That showed the youth of the team, especially since underclassmen also had 41.7 percent of the starts in 2003. Fast-forward to 2006-07, Dan Hawkins' first two seasons where underclassmen accounted for 179 starts over the two years, or 33 percent. Over the course of the 2007 and 2008 seasons, 95 freshmen made starts, the most in any two-year period in school history (the old mark was 54 on two occasions, last in 1999-2000). It's historically a cyclical pattern, showing up in breakdown of the starters over the course of the season. A year-by-year look at starts by class since 1999:

Season	G	SR	JR	SO	FR (RS-True)	UpperCl%	Fr-Pct.
1999	12	115	42	86	21 (20-1)	59.5	8.0
2000	11	55	116	38	33 (15-18)	70.7	13.6
2001	13	102	95	83	7 (0-7)	68.9	2.4
2002	14	155	130	14	9 (0-9)	92.5	2.9
2003	12	105	49	78	32 (14-18)	58.3	12.1

Season	G	SR	JR	SO	FR (RS-True)	UpperCl%	Fr-Pct.
2004	13	72	103	100	11 (0-11)	61.2	3.8
2005	13	116	112	48	10 (4-6)	79.7	3.5
2006	12	92	84	71	17 (11-6)	66.7	6.4
2007	13	89	106	38	53 (29-24)	68.2	18.5
2008	12	106	54	62	42 (25-17)	60.6	15.9

**TWENTY-THREE SKIDOO**

Colorado is one of just **23** schools in I-A/FBS history to be able to make the claim of winning (or sharing) a national championship and also having a Heisman Trophy winner. The criteria for national championship consideration included those crowned by the *Associated Press*, the coaches and the BCS; 30 total schools at one point in the past have been able to claim the throne. This prestigious short list:

School	National Championships	Heisman Trophies	School	National Championships	Heisman Trophies
Army	1944-45	1945-46-58	Notre Dame	1943-46-47-49-66-73-77-88	1943-47-49-53-56-64-87
Auburn	1957	1971-85	Ohio State	1942-54-57-68-2002	1944-50-55-74-75-95-2006
Brigham Young	1984	1990	Oklahoma	1950-55-56-74-75-85-2000	1952-69-78-2003-08
<b>Colorado</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1994</b>	Penn State	1982-86	1973
Florida	1996-2006-08	1966-96-2007	Pittsburgh	1937-76	1976
Florida State	1993-99	1993-2000	Syracuse	1959	1961
Georgia	1980	1942-82	Texas	1963-69-70-2005	1977-98
Louisiana State	1958-2003	1959	Texas A&M	1939	1957
Miami, Fla.	1983-87-89-91-2001	1986-92	TCU	1938	1938
Michigan	1948-97	1940-91-97	UCLA	1954	1967
Minnesota	1936-40-60	1941	USC	1962-67-72-74-78-2003-04	1965-68-79-81-2002-04-05
Nebraska	1970-71-94-95-97	1972-83-2001			

Schools with national championships and no Heisman winner are Alabama (7 titles), Michigan State (2), Tennessee (2), Clemson (1), Georgia Tech (1), Maryland (1) and Washington (1).

**GRADUATION STAT(US)**

Two of CU's 17 seniors in 2009 have already earned their degrees: **CB Ben Burney** (Film Studies) and **TB/WR Kevin Moyd** (Accounting & Management). Ten are on schedule to pick up the sheepskin in December: **FB Trace Adams** (Communication), **Patrick Devenny** (Marketing), **P Matt DiLallo** (Integrative Marketing), **SN Justin Drescher** (Finance), **TE Riar Geer** (History), **DT Taj Kaynor** (Sociology), **DT Tyler Sale** (Environmental Engineering), **TE Devin Shanahan** (Economics), **ILB Jeff Smart** (Sociology) and **TE Luke Walters** (Geography). Three are on schedule for May graduation, **FB Jake Behrens** (Finance & Accounting), **ILB Marcus Burton** (Ethnic Studies) and **ILB Bryan Stengel** (Integrative Physiology). **ILB Shaun Mohler** (Sociology) and **CB Cha'pelle Brown** (Sociology) are looking at no earlier than next summer to wrap up.

► **NOTE:** Over the last seven years (2002-08), CU has had **120** of its **143** seniors, including medicals, graduate; that translates to 84 percent (with nine of the 23 non-grads still in school and looking to graduate within the next year, while six are in the NFL). NCAA numbers will not match these (it doesn't allow a school to count transfers who graduate, i.e., Wayne Lucier ('02), WR Mike Duren ('04), TE Tyson DeVree, FB Samson Jagoras and WR Chase McBride (all '07), but it does count against a school if it had a player transfer. It's one of the reasons the numbers are skewed to be lower than they really are, especially at tougher academic schools like Colorado.

**AROUND THE NATION**

Colorado gets most of its players from primarily three states: Colorado, California and Texas (73 percent of the entire roster—82 of 113 players). The roll call of state producers for the Buffs: Colorado **51**, California **25**, Texas **6**, Florida **4**, Arizona **3**, Hawai'i **3**, Idaho **3**, Ohio **3**, Tennessee **3**, Connecticut **1**, Georgia **1**, Illinois **1**, Indiana **1**, Louisiana **1**, Missouri **1**, Nebraska **1**, Nevada **1**, New Jersey **1**, Pennsylvania **1**, South Carolina **1** and Washington, D.C. **1**. That's **20** states total along with the District of Columbia that has produced the make-up of this year's team. Last year, Army had the most states represented with 37.

**SCORING STREAKS**

The Buffs scored in a school record **242** consecutive games until a 58-0 loss at Missouri on October 25, CU's first shutout loss since November 12, 1988 by Nebraska in Lincoln (7-0). The Buffs had scored in **94** consecutive road games (**123** including neutral sites) as well as in **153** straight league games, all **103** in Big 12 play, including the four title games, and their final 50 in Big Eight competition, dating back to the '88 shutout at Nebraska.

► CU has scored in **131** straight games at home (last shutout: a 28-0 loss to Oklahoma on Nov. 15, 1986), and has scored in **129** straight games against non-conference opponents (last shutout: a 44-0 loss at home to LSU on September 15, 1979). The home shutout losses to Oklahoma in '86 and LSU in '79 are the only two times CU has not scored at Folsom Field over the course of the last **270** games (all the way back to 1963).

► CU has been shutout just eight times in its last **479** games (dating to October 5, 1968), but only five schools have administered them: Oklahoma (three times), Nebraska (twice), Louisiana State, Michigan and Missouri.

► **Big 12 Conference Consecutive Game Scoring Streaks (through September 6):** Nebraska 165, Kansas State 153, Texas Tech 143, Oklahoma 135, Missouri 78, Kansas 77, Iowa State 64, Texas A&M 64, Texas 60, Oklahoma State 47, Baylor 24, **Colorado 5**. CU is the last team to shutout both Kansas State (12-0 in 1996) and Oklahoma State (34-0 in 2005).

**242 WAS HISTORIC**

Colorado's **242**-game scoring streak ranks as the ninth longest in Division I-A college history; of the top 16 all-time, nine were started in the 1980s while the other five began in the 1970s. Here's that list, through Sept. 7: (\*—329 games including I-AA games prior to joining I-A in 1992):

School	Streak	Dates	Ended By	School	Streak	Dates	Ended By
Brigham Young	361	9/27/1975 - 11/15/2003	Utah	Nebraska	233	1/01/1974 - 11/29/1991	Miami, Fla.
Michigan	301	10/27/1984 - present	.....	Florida State	232	9/10/1988 - 11/11/2006	Wake Forest
Texas	281	11/29/1980 - 10/02/2004	Oklahoma	Hawaii	219	12/04/1976 - 11/04/1995	Colorado State
Washington State	280	10/22/1984 - 10/18/2008	USC	Arizona	214	9/09/1972 - 12/15/1990	Syracuse
Washington	272	11/14/1981 - 10/16/2004	USC	TCU	204	11/23/1991 - present	.....
Oregon	267	10/05/1985 - 11/15/2007	UCLA	Virginia	195	9/15/1984 - 10/28/2000	Georgia Tech
Florida	257	11/05/1988 - present	.....	Air Force	194	12/31/1992 - present	.....
UCLA	245	10/02/1971 - 10/17/1992	Arizona State	*Nevada	187	9/05/1992 - 12/01/2007	New Mexico
<b>Colorado</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>11/19/1988 - 10/25/2008</b>	<b>Missouri</b>				



## STAT SHOTS

Here are some interesting statistical bullets about Colorado football:

- ➔ **30+.** In its history, Colorado is **294-12-1** when scoring 30 or more points, along with records of **209-3** with 35-plus points and **194-2** with 36-plus, **171-1** with 38-plus and **109-0** with 43 or more tallies. The three losses with 35 more points came to Air Force (58-35 in 1968), Oklahoma (82-42 in 1980) and Stanford (41-37 in 1993). Colorado has played **1,125** games in its history, and has registered final point totals of every number between 0 and 70 except 68 (and of course 1), and has hit 75 and 109 above that mark.
- ➔ Colorado is **98-53-3** in its last **154** league games, and has the 11th fewest conference losses in the nation since 1989 for schools that have been league members for that time period. Within this record is a 25-game span in which CU did not lose a conference game, the fourth longest streak all-time in the Big Eight (1958-1995). Colorado was 23-0-2 during that run.
- ➔ Colorado has scored 30 or more points in **109** of its last **246** games, posting a **101-7-1** record. The losses were at Stanford, 41-37 in 1993, to Missouri in Boulder in 1997, 41-31, three times to Nebraska (in Boulder in 1999, 33-30, in overtime; 34-32 at Lincoln in 2000 and 40-31 at Lincoln in 2008) and twice to Baylor (42-30 in 2003 and 34-31 in 3 OT in 2006); the tie was a 31-31 affair with Tennessee in the 1990 Disneyland Pigskin Classic. The Buffs have scored at least three touchdowns in **166** of these **246** dating to the start of 1989, going **131-33-2** (CU is **22-55-2** when held to two or fewer touchdowns).
- ➔ CU has allowed **426** touchdowns in the **808** times that the enemy has cracked its 20 dating back to 1988; the other **382** times has yielded **202** field goals as well as **180** non-scores. In this time frame, that works to the opponent coming away with nothing 24% of the time when penetrating the CU 20, and three points or less 48% of the time, solid defensive numbers.
  - ➔ Under Dan Hawkins, the opponent has penetrated the CU red zone **133** times, with **82** touchdowns, **34** field goals and **17** non-scores.
- ➔ Since the middle of the 1998 season, the Buffalo "D" has rose to the occasion when the opponent has started a drive inside CU territory. Going back to the last six games in 1998 to the present, CU has allowed just **103** touchdowns out of **252** drives started on the CU side of the 50 (and just **150** scores overall, meaning **102** non-scores). Over the last six seasons, CU's allowed just **109** scores (78 TD/31 FG) in **174** drives started from the 50 on into CU territory (18 scores out of 24 times in 2008, and just 10 TDs).
- ➔ CU has topped 400 yards of total offense in **52** of its last **143** contests (once in 2008; five times in 2007, after just one time in '06), as CU has made a habit of it since the start of the 1993 season. In **197** games in this span, CU has gained 400 or more yards **88** times (45 percent). The Buffaloes also have topped the 500-plus yard mark in **43** of the **195** games since the '93 season opener (23%)... and note that CU has played **80** ranked teams in this span.
- ➔ For years, the mark of a strong CU team was that the Buffaloes routinely averaged six or more yards on first down. The last time the Buffs averaged six or more for a season was in 2001, their Big 12 Championship year. Colorado did it six times between 1989 and 1997, including a team record best of **7.2** in both 1989 and 1994.
  - ➔ Colorado averaged **5.3** per first down play in 2007, but was inconsistent, gaining five or more yards just 149 times in 382 tries while being held to two yards or fewer 173 times. The average was 5.5 in Hawkins' first year.
  - ➔ In 12 games last year, the Buffs are averaging a modest **4.37** yards on first down; since 1966, CU has averaged less than 4.3 just six times (last in 1984) and less than 4.1 just once—3.5 in 1979.
- ➔ Dating back to the fifth game of the 1999 season, an OT win over Missouri, the Buffs have **44** scores by return in the last **123** games (three last year with season highs of seven in 2001 and 2002). Since the '95 opener and including postseason, CU has **65** scores by return in **172** games (58 regular season, seven bowl), or two every five games.
- ➔ **200/200.** Colorado has accomplished the 200 "double-double," that is 200 yards both rushing and passing **13** times in the last **122** games (and **34** times in the last **195**, dating to 1993); the Buffs nearly did it at A&M (198 pass, 194 rush). CU averaged over 200 in each for the season in both 1993 and 1994 (the first times ever at CU), as well as in 2001 (228.5/205.9). The Buffs are **34-2** since 1989 when they have reached the 200 plateaus in both. *Prior to '93, CU had accomplished the feat only 19 times in its first 929 games in its history.*
- ➔ **Grass.** Colorado is **65-56-1** in its last **122** games on grass, dating back to the 1985 season (**62-49** in the last **111**, including a **36-24** mark at home since Folsom Field converted back to grass in 1999).
- ➔ **Artificial Turf.** Colorado is **92-35-3** in its last **130** games on non-grass fields dating back to 1989, including a **59-27-3** mark in conference games. CU was 0-3 on the fake stuff in 2008; the Buffs are **2-8** on it under Hawkins.
- ➔ CU quarterbacks have traditionally taken care of the football, as Buff slingers have thrown just **192** interceptions in **6,085** attempts since the start of the 1993 season, an interception rate of just **3.20** percent (or one every **31.7** passes).
- ➔ The Buffs have been an enigma on **third down** defensively the last six seasons. In 2003, while opponents converted at an ordinary 34.6 percent clip (56-of-162), it's what they accomplished on the ones they made. Opponents gained 966 yards on those 56 makes, or an average of **17.3** per play; otherwise, CU allowed just 61 yards on the other 106 plays, or just 0.6 per. In 2004, opponents were 92-of-205 (44.9%), but gained 1,300 yards on the 92 conversions (**14.1** per). In 2005, that number was down a bit to **10.2** on the 73 conversions, but jumped to **12.0** in 2006 (**1,022** yards on the **85** conversions).
  - ➔ The trend continued in '07, as opponents had **838** yards on 60 makes (**14.0** per), and just 130 on 113 misses (1.1).
  - ➔ In 12 games in '08, opponents had **643** yards on its' 66 makes (**9.7** per), and just 78 on the 102 misses (**0.8**).
- ➔ **Second Down Conversions.** In the fourth year of tracking this statistic, trends basically show great success in converting on second down in wins as opposed to losses, whereas often on third down it doesn't seem to translate as much:
 

**Second Down:**  
 2008 WINS (5)—Colorado: 41-of-125, 32.8%; Opponent 29-of-111, 26.1%.  
 2008 LOSSES (7)—Colorado: 41-of-155, 26.5%; Opponent 68-of-166, 41.0%.

**Third Down:**  
 2008 WINS (5)—Colorado: 35-of-77, 45.5%; Opponent 23-of-73, 31.5%.  
 2008 LOSSES (7)—Colorado: 33-of-104, 31.7%; Opponent 43-of-95, 45.3%.
- ➔ **Third Down & 36 Inches.** Under Hawkins, CU is **38-of-48** on 3rd-&-1 (79.2%), including 0-of-0 this year. Colorado was **12-of-13** on 3rd-&-1 plays in 2006, and was a bit subpar in 2007 (**11-of-17**) before rallying to go **15-of-18** in 2008.
- ➔ **No Turns Or Sacks.** Dating back to 1972, Colorado is **14-0** in games when not allowing a sack or committing a turnover. The latest occurrence of this was in 2007—twice, in the 65-51 throttling of Nebraska and in the 31-26 win at Texas Tech. It also happened twice in 2005, when CU did it in a three-game span (in a 41-20 conquest of Texas A & M and a 44-13 win over Kansas). Those were the first times since 2001, when CU also did it twice (San Jose State and Nebraska). In these 14 games, the Buffs have outscored the opponent by **570-284**, with only three games decided by less than 17 points (a 21-16 win at Iowa State in 1993 and the two 2007 games).
- ➔ Colorado rarely folds when the opponent is faced with a 3rd-and-20 or longer. Since Miami, Fla., converted on a 3rd-and-20 in its 35-29 win in Boulder in 1993, opponents are just **3-of-87** on 3rd-and-20 or more. The Buff defense had stopped the opponent **51** straight times until UCLA converted a 3rd-and-30 in 2003 (WSU converted on a 3rd-&-23 and ISU on a 3rd-&-20 in 2004). The CU offense is **5-of-79** when it's faced with 3rd-and-20 plus in the same span.
- ➔ Under Dan Hawkins, the Buffs have scored in **93** of **152** quarters (61 percent) and 4 of 5 overtime periods. All told, dating back to 1993, CU has scored in **562** of **804** quarters (70%). Those numbers include 25 of 48 quarters in 2008 (after 35 of 52 quarters in 2007).

**NFL SCOUT WATCH**

Colorado had 15 seniors on its roster in 2008, and history proved again most, if not all NFL teams pass through Boulder or a road site for CU game every season. In 2008, 59 scouts from 23 teams witnessed the Buffs in person, visiting from Arizona, Atlanta, Baltimore, Buffalo, Chicago, Cleveland, Denver, Green Bay, Houston, Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Minnesota, New England, N.Y. Giants, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, San Francisco, Seattle, Tampa Bay, Tennessee and Washington. Dating back to 200, all 32 teams have seen multiple CU games in person (367 scouts in the seven-year period).

- For the 2009 season opener, five scouts from four teams were in Boulder (Buffalo Denver, New Orleans, San Francisco).

**"OUTSIDE THE NINE DOTS"**

Some out of the ordinary records by the Buffs in some unique situations:

- ❑ Colorado is 83-44 in its last 127 games against teams who were not undefeated at the time of the game;
- ❑ Colorado is 73-23 against teams with three or more losses dating back to the 1985 season;
- ❑ Colorado is 66-28-1 in its last 95 games against schools that include the word "State" (dating to 1986);
- ❑ Colorado is 76-23-2 before crowds under 50,000 since the start of the 1989 season (79-62-2 with 50,000-plus);
- ❑ Colorado is 522-243-25 all-time in games played in the Mountain Time Zone (Colorado, Arizona, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming)

**FOURTEEN TO THE HOUSE ON THE FIRST TRY WHEN IT COMES TO THEFTS & SCORES**

CU players have a penchant to return their first career interceptions for touchdowns, as since 1992, 14 Buffaloes have scored after stealing their first college pass. The latest was by redshirt frosh **CB Jimmy Smith**, as his 31-yard return of a Joe Ganz pass cut Nebraska's lead over CU to 35-31 early in the second half and was the impetus to a 65-51 comeback win in 2007. The one previous was the most spectacular of the lot: **ILB Marcus Burton** returned a pick 99 yards at Oklahoma State in 2005, preserving CU's shutout in the waning seconds of the game. Three did it in 2004: **OLB Brian Iwuh** did it off the bat when he made his first career pick and returned it 37 yards for what proved to be the winning touchdown against Colorado State in the season opener; a week later, he was injured early against Washington State, and his sub, **Joe Sanders**, plucked off a ball and raced 51 yards for six, snapping a 3-3 deadlock in the process. Against Texas, **CB Terrence Wheatley** plucked one off and race 37 yards for six with his first theft. Two did it in 2001: **S Medford Moorer** picked off his first career pass and returned it 64 yards for a touchdown against Texas in the Big 12 Championship game, while **CB Donald Strickland** returned his first career pick 31 yards for a touchdown just one minute into the CSU game. Frosh redshirt **CB Phil Jackson** did it in 2000, as he returned his first career INT 28 yards for a TD against Washington. **SS Rashidi Barnes** had his first one in CU's win over CSU in 1997, returning it 26 yards for a score, rallying the Buffs into a 14-14 tie early in the second half. Barnes was the fourth Buff in a 14-game span to return a first career pick for a TD—**Marcus Washington** had a 95-yard theft for a score in the '96 Cotton Bowl against Oregon; **Vili Maumau** had a 33-yard interception for six (and a Hula dance) at Colorado State in 1996; and **Nick Ziegler** stole one for a 31-yard score against Washington in the '96 Holiday Bowl. **Ben Kelly** didn't do with an interception, but he did take his first career punt return back for a TD (against Utah State). In 1992, **Dwayne Davis** returned one 31 yards for a TD in a 21-20 win at Minnesota to start this amazing run.

**BUFFALO DINOSAURS**

One game into 2009, the longtime radio voice of the Buffs, **Larry Zimmer**, has called 445 CU games in his career, including 182 in a row (he's only missed three bowl games, two due to contracts forbidding teams to originate broadcasts, and three regular season games due to travel conflicts); his 400th at CU was also the 1,000 of his professional career. **SID Dave Plati** has worked 347, including the last 305 (dating to the '83 finale), while facilities man **John Krueger** has worked 300 in all (a string of 144 straight ended last season). **Brian Cabral** is the football staffer with the most "Buff" experience, as he has now coached in 246 in a row as an assistant coach; including his playing days (46 games), he has been a part of 292 2CU games. The late **Fred Casotti**, the school's longtime SID and associate AD between 1952-87, witnessed 477 CU football games in person prior to his passing in 2001; included within that was a string of 268 in a row at one time at Folsom Field. Senior associate AD **Jon Burianek**, who retired in June 2006, is next as he worked 432 CU football games, including a closing run of 415 in a row (229 of which were at home; he'd seen 453 all told at the time he left CU). And the late **F.M. "Dutch" Westerberg** is the all-timer; he saw every CU home game (394 of 'em) from 1921 until 1999, when he passed away at the age of 94.

**CONFERENCE CHARTS**

A look at how Big 12 teams stack up in some categories since the league's birth in 1996 (TV appearance totals are for the year with all selections made):

**On The Big 12 Road**

School	W	L	Pct.
Texas	33	12	.733
Oklahoma	31	15	.674
Nebraska	27	24	.529
Kansas State	26	26	.500
Texas A&M	25	27	.481
Colorado	23	29	.442
Texas Tech	22	29	.431
Missouri	18	33	.353
Oklahoma State	17	34	.333
Kansas	11	40	.216
Iowa State	11	41	.212
Baylor	2	50	.038

*Does not include neutral site games  
OU-UT, '96 OSU-TTU or '98 NU-OSU  
or '07-'08 KU-MU.*

**Inter-Division (North vs. South)**

School	W	L	Pct.
Colorado	21	18	.538
Kansas State	21	18	.538
Missouri	21	18	.538
Nebraska	21	18	.538
Iowa State	8	31	.205
Kansas	8	31	.205

**Inter-Division (South vs. North)**

School	W	L	Pct.
Texas	32	7	.821
Oklahoma	29	10	.744
Texas A&M	23	16	.590
Texas Tech	22	17	.564
Oklahoma State	19	20	.487
Baylor	9	30	.231

*(does not include title games)*

**2009 Network TV Appearances**

School	Tot	ABC	FSN	ESPN	Uth
Baylor	1	1	0	0	0
Colorado	1	0	1	0	0
Kansas	1	0	0	0	1
Missouri	1	0	0	1	0
Oklahoma	1	0	0	1	0
Oklahoma State	1	1	0	0	0
Iowa State	0	0	0	0	0
Kansas State	0	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	0	0	0	0	0
Texas	0	0	0	0	0
Texas A&M	0	0	0	0	0
Texas Tech	0	0	0	0	0

*Does not include pay-per-view; does  
include other packages (Versus, FCS, etc).*

**vs. Ranked Non-League Teams**

*(AP, since 1990; by games played)*

School	G	W	L	T	Pct.
Colorado	28	14	13	1	.518
Texas	23	8	13	2	.364
Oklahoma	15	7	8	0	.467
Nebraska	14	8	6	0	.571
Texas A&M	12	4	8	0	.333
Texas Tech	12	0	12	0	.000
Baylor	11	2	9	0	.182
Missouri	10	2	8	0	.200
Iowa State	9	1	8	0	.111
Oklahoma State	7	1	6	0	.143
Kansas	7	0	7	0	.000
Kansas State	4	1	3	0	.333

*(regular season; does not include bowls)*

**PLAYING ON SUNDAY: IN-THE-PROS**

There are **22** former Colorado Buffaloes on National Football League rosters as Sunday morning, Sept. 6. There were 23 on the rosters at the end of the 2008 season (28 in 2007). CU has continually been one of the top 20 producers for the last 21 years of NFL talent, and at one time in the late 1970's had the most active players (47) of any school in the nation. The last time Colorado was in the top 10 in players produced was in 2002, coming in 10th, ironically with the same number (29) as were playing in 2006 (when it was 19th). CU led the Big 12 in this area in the first four years of the conference's existence, was second in 2002 and 2003, and was third seven other seasons (including 2004 through 2007). Nationally, CU was in the top four between 1996-99 (fourth in 1996-97-99, third in 1998). The active list (♣—denotes one-time Buffalo who finished at another school; 2R—denotes second-year rookie; i—denotes on injured reserve; wi—waived-injured status; club still owns rights but player does not count against roster maximum; p—practice squad):

Player	Pos.	Team	Exp.
Justin Bannan	DT	Baltimore Ravens	7
Tyler Brayton	DT	Carolina Panthers	6
Chris Brown	RB	Houston Texans	6
Mason Crosby	PK	Green Bay Packers	2
Jordon Dizon	ILB	Detroit Lions	1
Daniel Graham	TE	Denver Broncos	7
Andre Gurode	OG	Dallas Cowboys	7
D.J. Hackett	WR	Washington Redskins	5
♣—Marques Harris	DE	San Francisco 49ers	4
p—George Hypolite	DT	Carolina Panthers	R
Brian Iwuh	OLB	Jacksonville Jaguars	3
Brad Jones	OLB	Green Bay Packers	R
Michael Lewis	SS	San Francisco 49ers	7
p—Maurice Lucas	DE	Atlanta Falcons	R
i—Matt McChesney	OG	Denver Broncos	3
Tyler Polumbus	OT	Denver Broncos	1
Donald Strickland	CB	New York Jets	6
wi—Quinn Synniewski	TE	Baltimore Ravens	3
♣—David Veikune	DT	Cleveland Browns	R
Lawrence Vickers	RB	Cleveland Browns	3
Terrence Wheatley	CB	New England Patriots	1
i—Patrick Williams	WR	Green Bay Packers	R

Waived In-Season			
Player	Pos.	Team	Exp.
Brian Daniels	OG	Minnesota Vikings	2
Tyson DeVree	TE	Buffalo Bills	1
Edwin Harrison	OG	Kansas City Chiefs	1
Joe Klopfenstein	TE	St. Louis Rams	3
Vaka Manupuna	DT	Washington Redskins	1
Daniel Sanders	OL	St. Louis Rams	R

COACHES			
Name	Pos.	Team	Tie To Colorado
Ronnie Bradford	Def.	Kansas City	Player, 1989-92
Eric Bieniemy	RB	Minnesota	Player, 1987-90 & AC
Tom Cable	HC	Oakland	Asst. Coach, 1998-99
Jim Caldwell	HC	Indianapolis	Asst. Coach, 1982-84
Karl Dorrell	WR	Miami	Asst. Coach, 1992-98
David Gibbs	DB	Houston	Player, 1987-90
Vance Joseph	DB	San Francisco	Player, 1990-94
Rod Perry	DB	Indianapolis	Player, 1973-74
Kennedy Pola	RB	Jacksonville	Asst. Coach, 1997-98
Vernon Stephens	Str/Cond	San Diego	Asst. S&C Coach, 2003-06

DIRECTORS OF COLLEGE SCOUTING		
Name	Team	Tie To Colorado
Dave McCloughan	San Francisco	Player, 1987-90
Matt Russell	Denver	Player, 1992-96/Butkus Award

**BY TEAM (12 of 32)**—Denver 3, Green Bay 3, Baltimore 2, Cleveland 2, San Francisco 2, Carolina 1, Dallas 1, Detroit 1, Houston 1, Jacksonville 1, New England 1, N.Y. Jets 1, Washington 1.

**AND IN CANADA?** Two former Buffs are making livings north of the border in the Canadian Football League, as **C Marwan Hage** is in his sixth year with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats and **TB Hugh Charles** is in his second with the Saskatchewan Rough Riders.

**COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL COACHES:** Several former Buffaloes are serving as high school head coaches in the state. Here's the list of six who head prep programs: **Dave Logan** (Mullen), **Mike Marquez** (Northglenn), **Bill Mondt** (Eaton), **Tom Tesone** (Bishop Machebeuf), **Ron Woolfork** (Denver East) and **Scott Yates** (Kent Denver).

**ALL-TIME CU PRO NOTE:** How good was CU's 1994 offense? Ten of the 11 starters were drafted into the NFL (Tony Berti, Rae Carruth, Christian Fauria, Heath Irwin, Chris Naeole, Rashaan Salaam, Kordell Stewart, Bryan Stoltzberg, Derek West and Michael Westbrook), with the 11th signing as a free agent (Lepsis). All played, and three remain on NFL rosters some 11 years later. And six of the '94 defensive starters wound up playing professionally as well.

**O-LINEMEN PIPELINE?**

In recent times, CU has been a solid conduit to the National Football League when it has come to linebackers, encroaching a bit on the title justifiably thrown Penn State's direction. However, some research has indicated CU may very well be the place to go if an offensive lineman wants to take it to the next level. Dating back to the 1991 NFL draft, or the '87 recruiting class, 22 of 29 players who started at least two years on the Buff offensive line were either drafted or signed as free agents. The list is impressive (with three others who started just one season):

Full Years				Full Years			
Player	Pos	As A Starter	NFL (Round or FA)	Player	Pos	As A Starter	NFL (Round or FA)
Daniel Sanders	G/C	(3) 2006-08	St. Louis (FA)	Ryan Johanningmeier	G/T	(3) 1997-98-99	Atlanta (FA)
Edwin Harrison	G/T	(3) 2005-07	Kansas City (FA)	Melvin Thomas	G/T	(3) 1995-96-97	Philadelphia (7)
Tyler Polumbus	T	(3) 2005-07	Denver (FA)	Chris Naeole	G	(3) 1994-95-96	New Orleans (1)
Brian Daniels	G	(4) 2003-06	Minnesota (FA)	Heath Irwin	G	(3) 1993-94-95	New England (4)
Mark Fenton	C	(3) 2004-06	Denver (FA)	Bryan Stoltzberg	C	(4) 1992-93-94-95	San Diego (6)
Clint O'Neal	T	(2) 2004-05	Washington (FA)	Derek West	T	(3) 1992-93-94	Indianapolis (5)
Sam Wilder	T	(2) 2003-04	Dallas (FA)	Tony Berti	T	(2) 1993-94	San Diego (6)
Marwan Hage	G/C	(3) 2001-02-03	Jacksonville (FA)	Jay Leeuwenburg	C	(3) 1989-90-91	Kansas City (9)
Wayne Lucier	G/C	(2) 2001-02	N.Y. Giants (7)	Mark VanderPoel	T	(3) 1988-89-90	Indianapolis (4)
Justin Bates	T/G	(3) 2000-01-02	Dallas (7)	Joe Garten	G	(4) 1987-88-89-90	Green Bay (6)
Andre Gurode	G/C	(3) 1999-00-01	Dallas (2)	<b>One-Year Starters:</b>			
Victor Rogers	T	(3) 1999-00-01	Detroit (7)	Tom Ashworth	T	(1) 2000	New England (FA)
Brad Bedell	G	(2) 1998-99	Cleveland (6)	Ben Nichols	G	(1) 1998	Atlanta (FA)
Shane Cook	T	(2) 1998-99	New Orleans (FA)	Ariel Solomon	T	(1) 1990	Pittsburgh (10)

**McKNIGHT, SMART THE LATEST IN LONG LINE OF WALKONS TO RISE TO FIRST-TEAM**

After the NCAA started reducing the number of scholarships from 95 to 85 (completed in 1992), more and more players have had to make their bones starting as walk-ons. Here's a short list (27 count) of some of the standout former walk-ons at Colorado:

Player	Pos	First Season	Letters	Notes
Willie Beebe	FB	1978	4L	Solid blocker who scored nine career touchdowns as a bruiser near the goal line
Kyle Rappold	NT	1985	3L	Known as the "trash compactor" for his stature, the Fort Lewis transfer clogged the run
Jeff Campbell	WR/KR	1986	4L	Earned scholarship second day of freshman camp; played five years in the NFL
Ken Culbertson	PK	1986	3L	Scored 98 points in CU's 11-0 run in '89 season, making 59-59 PAT and 11-17 FG
David Gibbs	CB	1986	4L	Solid corner and special teams performer, now coaching with NFL Kansas City Chiefs
Mark Henry	WR	1987	3L	Big play guy with 18 career catches for 416 yards, or 23.1 per catch
Robbie James	WR	1987	1L	Threw TD pass on third down FG fake at Oklahoma State to lead CU to 16-12 win in 1991
Charles Johnson	QB	1987	2L	Often subbed for an injured Darian Hagan, earning Orange Bowl MVP honors in '91 vs. Notre Dame
Chris O'Donnell	LB/SN	1987	4L	Solid as a rock at long snapper on special teams all four years
Keith Miller	FB	1992	2L	From tiny Ovid, Colo., he was a solid blocking back. Now an opera singer with the MET.
Ryan Black	SS	1993	4L	Led team in tackles as a junior in 1996 with 154 (78 solo)
Ryan Sutter	FS	1993	3L	CU's all-time special team points leader, led Buffs in tackles (170, 98 solo) in 1997
Neil Voskeritchian	PK	1993	2L	Won the starting placekicker job in 1994, finished career ninth in scoring at CU (161 points)
Nick Pietsch	P	1996	4L	Led CU in punting in 1997-98-99, finished with a career average of 39.9
Beau Williams	TE	1998	2L	Primarily a blocking tight end, played a big role on CU's 2001 Big 12 title team
D.J. Hackett	WR	2001	2L	Walked on after CS-Northridge dropped football; led CU in receiving in '03, four-year NFL veteran
Tom Hubbard	FS	2001	2L	Defensive MVP of the 2004 Houston Bowl with two interceptions
Evan Judge	WR	2001	4L	Caught 69 balls for 903 yards to finish in top 20 in receiving yards
John Torp	P	2001	3L	Finished second for the '05 ray Guy Award; set a school records with 205 punts, 65 inside the 20
Paul Creighton	TE	2002	4L	Also saw action at FB, he primarily was a
Greg Pace	SN	2002	4L	Took over all special team snapping chores early as a freshman and handled through senior year
Joel Klatt	QB	2003	3L	Former infielder in Padres organization went on to set 44 CU passing and total offense records
Cody Crawford	WR	2004	3L	Has cracked the school's all-time lists in catches and yards
Jeff Smart	ILB	2005	2L	Earned a scholarship 3 games into the 2007 season, first LB to do so under Cabral; second most tackles by a WO
Scotty McKnight	WR	2006	2L	First freshman wide receiver to ever lead CU in receiving (43-488, 4 TD)
Aric Goodman	PK	2008	1L	In his first season, he was awarded a scholarship after making the game-winning FG versus West Virginia
Jason Espinoza	WR	2008	VR	Suffered two breaks to his collarbone in '08, playing briefly in-between; co-first team WR in '09

**CLOCK RULE CHANGES**

The third major change in how college football is timed did not have as big an effect in games involving CU in 2008 as they did in 2006, but the number of scrimmage and total plays remain down from 2007. While not large in number, scrimmage plays were 4.1 per game and total plays by both to 3.7, CU did run a no huddle offense last season as compared to other years. Thus, we'll chart again in 2009 with the Buffs returning to a regular tempo offense; note the big drop in plays, both overall (152) and from scrimmage (123), in the '09 opener versus CSU. The average game time was down 16 minutes between 2007 and 2008 (3:15 from 3:30), and is the second lowest in the seven years examined below. Here's a look at some regular season numbers over the last six seasons to compare; the NCAA rules committee started tinkering with the clock for the 2006 season and has changed them for each season since:

Season	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Games	13	12	12	12	12	12	12	1
Average Number of Offensive Plays/Game (Colorado)	69.7	73.9	65.6	69.0	59.6	74.4	70.3	61.0
Average Number of Offensive Plays/Game (CU & Opp)	141.7	146.1	142.5	142.1	126.3	143.6	139.9	123.0
Total Plays (Scrimmage + Kicks; CU & Opponent)	2,242	2,134	2,073	2,084	1,815	2,113	2,035	152
Average Per Game	172.5	177.8	172.8	173.7	151.3	176.1	169.6	152.09
Average Game Time	3:12	3:23	3:18	3:30	3:05	3:30	3:14	3:23

**2009 TEAM MAKE-UP**

The 113 players listed on the roster on August 31 break down into 17 seniors, 21 juniors, 37 sophomores and 38 freshmen (including 10 redshirt frosh). An expanded breakdown:

**Lettermen Returning:** 51 (23 offense, 25 defense, 3 specialists) **Lettermen Lost:** 20 (9 offense, 9 defense, 2 specialists)

**Starters Returning (13)—Offense 8:** OT Matt Bahr (8/8), OG Blake Behrens (12/12), TE Ryan Deehan (6/6), TE Riar Geer (25/8), QB Cody Hawkins (23/10), WR Scotty McKnight (14/9), OT Nate Solder (14/10), TB Demetrius Sumler (9/7). **Defense 5:** CB Cha'pelle Brown (24/12), CB Jalil Brown (6/6), CB Benjamin Burney (from 2007, 15/13), ILB Shaun Mohler (10/10), ILB Jeff Smart (22/12).

(Career/2008 starts in parenthesis; calculated by those with five-plus starts in 2008; C.Brown & J.Brown were both in when CU was in nickel scheme.)

**Others Returning With Significant Starting Experience (6; min. 3 career starts)—** DE Marquez Herrod (3/3), OT Ryan Miller (11/4), SS Anthony Perkins (3/3), ILB Michael Sipili (4/3), CB Jimmy Smith (3/3), TB Rodney Stewart (4/4).

**Others Returning With Significant Position Game Experience (13; two or fewer career starts)—** OLB B.J. Beatty, FB Jake Behrens, ILB Marcus Burton, DT Curtis Cunningham, TE Patrick Devenny, DT Eugene Goree, QB Tyler Hansen, DT Taj Kaynor, TB Brian Lockridge, FS Patrick Mahnke, DE Conrad Obi, TB Darrell Scott, ILB Bryan Stengel, OG Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner.

**Starters Lost (11)—Offense 4:** OG Devin Head (17/10), C Daniel Sanders (40/12), WR Josh Smith (10/5), WR Patrick Williams (22/8). **Defense 7:** SS D.J. Dykes (21/9), DT George Hypolite (32/12), OLB Brad Jones (36/12), DE Maurice Lucas (26/12), CB Gardner McKay (12/10), NT Brandon Nicolas (36/12), FS Ryan Walters (33/11)

**Others Lost With Significant Starting/Playing Experience (3)—** DE Jason Brace (1/0), FB Maurice Cantrell (9/2), WR Cody Crawford (10/6)

**Specialists Returning (3)—** P Matt DiLallo, SN Justin Drescher, PK Aric Goodman.

**Specialists Lost (2)—** PK Jameson Davis, P Tom Suazo.



**BUFFS AGAINST THE BEST**

Here's a look at how CU has fared all-time against nationally ranked teams (*Associated Press* poll):

<b>Games</b>	<b>All-Time Record</b>	<b>1989-09 Record</b>	<b>Dan Hawkins Record</b>	<b>Coach With The Most Wins</b>
versus Top 5.....	12-49-2	8-17-1	1-1	5 / Bill McCartney
versus Top 10.....	25-85-3	14-30-2	1-3	8 / Eddie Crowder & Bill McCartney
versus Top 15.....	37-106-3	20-39-2	1-7	10 / Bill McCartney
versus Top 25.....	68-137-3	42-56-2	2-11	20 / Bill McCartney

CU and Nebraska have been the saving grace for the Big 12: the 12-year old league owns a **35-74** record against ranked non-conference opponents (including bowls) since its inception in 1996, and the Buffs own nine of those wins. CU is **9-11** against ranked non-Big 12 foes; Nebraska is 8-6, Texas 6-6, Oklahoma 3-3, Kansas State 2-5, Missouri 2-5, Kansas 1-3, Baylor 1-5, Oklahoma State 1-5, Iowa State 1-8, Texas Tech 1-8 and Texas A&M 0-9. CU has played 20 of the 110 games, with Nebraska next with 14 followed by Texas (12).

Against all-non league foes (non-conference opponents and bowl games), the records are: Nebraska 45-8, Kansas State 42-9, Texas 42-10, Oklahoma State 37-10, Missouri 37-11, Oklahoma 38-13, Kansas 34-12, Texas Tech 39-14, Texas A&M 35-16, Iowa State 31-17, Baylor 26-18 and **Colorado 28-24** (remember traditionally CU plays one of the Big 12's, and the nation's, more challenging schedules and has avoided scheduling automatic wins for non-league games).

**BUFFALO ROUNDUP BECOMING TRADITION**

The 2007 Colorado Buffaloes started two new traditions that caught on. First was upon the team's arrival at Folsom Field prior to home games, instead of the busses just pulling up and unloading the team at the Dal Ward Center, the team is dropped off at Libby Hall off of Colorado Avenue (approximately 2 hours and 20 minutes prior to kickoff). At that point, the **Buffalo Roundup** commences; the team walks over to the stadium through the plaza area between Folsom and the MCDB (biology) building, touching the bronze buffalo along the way and accompanied by the pep band. They then enter the stadium at Gate 1 and proceed to the lockerrooms to get dressed for the game. The initial Buffalo Round was prior to the Florida State game, and that same night the fans were asked to wear black for the national TV audience and it gave the stadium a unique look. It was so popular the **West Virginia** was selected to be 2008's blackout game.

**THE VERTICAL GAME**

Dan Hawkins noted that one thing missing from CU's offense his first season in 2006 that was prevalent of his past offenses at Boise State was the vertical passing game. "By the end of the season, we'd always be up in the 70s or 80s in the number of pass plays over 20 yards," he said. He was definitely on mark with his assessment. In 2006, CU had just **35** total, **18** rushing and **17** passing, the Buffs' fewest overall 20-yard plays since 2000 (38) as well as pass plays of 20 yards or more since 2002 (23, also the last time CU had a quarterback quit the team after the season began). Colorado did have 18 rushing plays of 20 yards or more, and while not an overly large number, it was its most since 2002 and higher than nine of the totals in the 13 season snapshot below. In 2007, CU had 58 plays of 20 yards or longer (66 percent more than in 2006, more than doubling the pass play count). But in **2008**, the Buffs went the other direction, with just 34 plays of 20 yards or more through 11 games, reflective of the troubles CU has had on offense when it comes to consistency. Here's a look at CU's 20-plus plays in recent memory, going back to 1994, when CU had a high of 76 plays over 20-yards, almost equal in nature (37 rush, 39 pass):

<b>Season</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Rush</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>Season</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Rush</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>Season</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Rush</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>Season</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Rush</b>	<b>Pass</b>
1994	76	37	39	1998	40	11	29	2002	58	35	23	2006	35	18	17
1995	61	11	50	1999	57	12	45	2003	47	5	42	2007	58	18	40
1996	64	12	52	2000	38	8	30	2004	48	13	35	2008	40	8	32
1997	46	9	37	2001	58	21	37	2005	54	16	38	2009	2	0	2

**ZIMMER HONORED WITH CHRIS SCHENKEL AWARD**

The longtime voice of the Buffaloes, **Larry Zimmer**, was honored during CU's season opener as this year's recipient of the Chris Schenkel Award. The Schenkel Award is named in honor of its first recipient, the long-time play-by-play man for ABC Sports, who's life-long commitment to excellence in broadcasting and longstanding association with The National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame reflect the achievements and spirit the award embodies. It seeks to recognize a sports broadcaster who enjoyed a long and distinguished career broadcasting college football at a single institution, and to recognize broadcasters with direct ties to college and universities rather than strictly national broadcasters. Zimmer is the 15th recipient of the award, begun in 1996 when the inaugural one was presented to its namesake. "It is certainly the highlight of my career because it recognizes two of the things that I love the most, and that's broadcasting college football and my association with the University of Colorado through the years and all the people I've met," Zimmer said. The NFF's president and CEO **Steve Hatchell**, CU AD **Mike Bohn**, former Big 8 commissioner **Chuck Neinas** and Colorado governor Bill Ritter presented him with the honor at the first quarter break of the CSU game. The official national presentation will be at the NFF's annual dinner in December.

**FOLSOM HAS GONE "GREEN"**

The University of Colorado at Boulder established a goal to move toward zero-waste at Folsom Field during the 2008 football season and invest in local carbon-reduction projects. They anticipated recycling or composting at least 90% of the waste generated at Folsom Field and met those goals.

According to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency information and other sources, Folsom Field was the first major sports stadium in the nation, professional or collegiate, to collect all materials in recycling or compost containers, eliminate trash cans and transform its materials collections systems into a zero-waste process.

A major contributor to this initiative is Eco-Products, who supplies compostable food service items to the stadium. Made from plant starch materials, the cups, plates and cutlery turns back into soil in as little as 45-90 days in CU's composting facility. The Eco-Products' educational team is stationed at the trash, recycling and composting bins during CU games to bring awareness to the effort and help attendees properly dispose of their waste. Eco-Products is the nation's largest supplier of compostable items made from renewable resources.

For more information, visit Ralphie's Green Stampede at [http://www.cubuffs.com/ViewArticle.dbml?&DB\\_OEM\\_ID=600&ATCLID=1549954](http://www.cubuffs.com/ViewArticle.dbml?&DB_OEM_ID=600&ATCLID=1549954).

**HISTORICALLY**

Colorado is in its second century of intercollegiate football, as the Buffaloes will begin their 120th season of competition having played **1,126** games with an all-time record of **663-427-36**. CU currently stands 17th on the all-time win list and is 23rd in all-time winning percentage (.605; 21st for those schools with at least 50 seasons in Division I-A). Only Texas, Oklahoma and Nebraska from the Big 12 rank ahead of CU on each list, and only 12 Division I schools have played more seasons of intercollegiate football than Colorado. In Boulder, the Buffs are **289-142-10** in their 86th season on the "hilltop" (Folsom Field). Against Big 12 opposition, CU is **251-222-13** against the other 11 members of the conference, formed in 1996.

**MONTHLY TAB**

CU is **48-25** in its last 73 September games, a pretty decent record considering the quality of non-conference schedule CU annually plays, and is **4-2-1** in August games in its history. Dating back to 1989, the Buffs are **49-29-2** in their last 80 October games, when conference play annually comes into full bloom. The Buffs are **51-25-1** in its last 77 November games (**45-15** in November against all-comers aside from Nebraska, going 6-10-1 against NU in turkey month). CU is **5-7** in December games since 1993, including bowls.

**OVERTIME**

Colorado is **5-4** all-time in overtime games; the Buffs became the 84th team in Division I-A to play an overtime game when it played its first ever extra session affair against Missouri in 1999. Here's a chart summarizing the Buffs in overtime (\*—denotes in Denver):

Date	Opponent	Score	Regulation	Coin Toss	Choice	----Total Yards----		Notes
						Offense	Defense	
10-09-99	MISSOURI	W 46-39	39-39	Missouri	Defense	25	13	Ends with Kelly INT
11-26-99	NEBRASKA	L 30-33	27-27	Nebraska	Defense	9	25	CU trailed 27-3 early in 4th
11-09-02	at Missouri	W 42-35	35-35	Missouri	Defense	25	18	Ends with Mossioni FR
12-28-02	Wisconsin	L 28-31	28-28	Wisconsin	Defense	-2	5	Alamo Bowl
10-11-03	KANSAS	W 50-47	44-44	Colorado	Defense	25	7	Calhoun 3-25 rushing in OT
10-23-04	at Texas A & M	L 26-29	26-26	Colorado	Defense	14	33	First CU turnover in OT ends it
10-07-06	BAYLOR	L 31-34 (3 OT)	17-17	Colorado	Defense	42	72	Ends in 3OT on Baylor INT
9-01-07	*Colorado State	W 31-28	28-28	Colorado	Defense	7	16	Eberhart kicks GWFG after Wheatley INT
9-18-08	WEST VIRGINIA	W 17-14 (OT)	14-14	Colorado	Defense	18	19	Goodman kicks GWFG after WVU miss

**All-Time Overtime Wins:** Missouri 9-3, Northwestern 8-2, N.C. State 8-4, Arkansas 7-1; Tennessee 7-1, UCLA 7-1, Oregon 7-4, Texas A&M 7-4, USF 6-0, Buffalo 6-2, Hawai'i 6-2, Cincinnati 6-4, LSU 6-5, Mississippi 6-5, Pittsburgh 6-6. T16. **Colorado 5-4.**

**RANKED "UNDEFEATEDS" FALL AT FOLSOM**

Ten ranked, undefeated teams have lost their "0" in the loss column at Folsom Field since 1989. The last was Oklahoma this season, as the Sooners rolled in ranked No. 3 and left with a 27-24 setback to the Buffs. That was the first time since 2002, when Kansas State came to Boulder ranked No. 13 at 4-0 and lost, 35-31. Two bit the dust in 2001: Nebraska (11-0, No. 1 in the BCS and No. 2 in the polls) dropped a 62-36 game to the Buffs, as did Texas A & M (5-0, No. 20), 31-21. In 1998, No. 22 Texas Tech (6-0) fell to CU 19-17; in 1995, No. 3 Texas A&M (2-0) lost, 29-21; in 1994, No. 10 Wisconsin (2-0) was crushed, 55-17; and in 1990, No. 12 Washington (3-0) left a 20-14 loser. In 1989, No. 10 Illinois (2-0) lost 38-7 and No. 3 Nebraska (8-0) fell, 27-21.

**STREAKING**

Colorado has active multiple win streaks going against 12 Division I-A schools. The list: **5**—Air Force; **4**—San Jose State; **3**—Minnesota, Utah State; **2**—California, Iowa, Louisiana-Monroe, Notre Dame, Oregon State, Texas Tech, UCLA and Wyoming. CU's longest current losing streak is to Southern Cal (5), followed by LSU, Oklahoma and Texas (all 4) and Florida State, Kansas, Michigan State and Missouri (3 each).

**THE BUFFS & COLLEGE FOOTBALL HARDWARE**

Colorado is in an elite group when it comes to claiming college football's prestigious trophies dating back to the 1990 season. A proliferation of awards has emerged since the late 1980s, and the Buffs are near the top of the list when it comes to collecting these statues. CU has had seven different players win nine trophies over the last 19 seasons, which is the 11th most nationally when it comes to trophies. But when it comes to different players who have been honored, only Ohio State (12), Oklahoma (10), Miami, Fla. (9), and Florida State, Nebraska and Texas (8) top the Buffs' seven. The postseason "hardware" includes the Heisman Trophy and the Lombardi, Maxwell, Walter Camp, Butkus, Thorpe, O'Brien, Unitas, Groza, Biletnikoff, Doak Walker, Nagurski, Bednarik, Mackey, Tatupu (defunct), Ray Guy, Rimington, Lott and Hendricks (on-field player awards only—for example, if the Draddy was included, CU would have one more on each list; so players only, no coaches, and no Disney Spirit, Orange Bowl Courage and ARA Sportsmanship awards). The list of schools that have had winners between 1990 and 2008 (players only; LSU and Michigan players split the 2004 Rimington Award and thus were both compensated for in the trophy count):

School	Players	Trophies	School	Players	Trophies	School	Players	Trophies	School	Players	Trophies	School	Players	Trophies
Ohio State	12	21	Arizona	5	6	Tennessee	2	4	Texas A&M	2	2	Kentucky	1	1
Oklahoma	10	17	Georgia	3	6	Northwestern	1	4	TCU	2	2	Louisiana Tech	1	1
Miami, Fla.	9	17	Louisiana State	3	6	Georgia Tech	3	3	Virginia	2	2	Marshall	1	1
Florida State	8	16	Alabama	5	5	Kansas State	3	3	Wake Forest	2	2	Michigan State	1	1
Texas	8	16	Texas Tech	5	5	Purdue	3	3	Baylor	1	2	N.C. State	1	1
Michigan	7	14	Notre Dame	4	5	Pittsburgh	2	3	Maryland	1	2	Oklahoma State	1	1
Penn State	7	13	Brigham Young	2	5	Virginia Tech	2	3	North Carolina	1	2	Rutgers	1	1
Florida	5	12	UCLA	4	4	Washington	2	3	Auburn	1	1	Stanford	1	1
USC	6	11	Louisville	3	4	California	2	2	Boston College	1	1	Tulane	1	1
Nebraska	8	10	Minnesota	3	4	Illinois	2	2	Cincinnati	1	1	Washington State	1	1
<b>Colorado</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	Mississippi	3	4	Memphis	2	2	Colorado State	1	1	West Virginia	1	1
Wisconsin	4	7	Arizona State	2	4	Missouri	2	2	Fresno State	1	1	Wyoming	1	1
Iowa	6	6	Arkansas	2	4	Oregon State	2	2	Hawai'i	1	1			

**INSIDE-THE-POLL NUMBERS**

Colorado has been ranked 12 times in the last 21 seasons in the *Associated Press* preseason football poll (just missing three of those occasions, No. 27 in 2001 and No. 32 in both 2003 and 2005). CU had appeared in every AP preseason ballot between 1989 and 1997, ranked in the top 15 each year, before not gaining mention in the '98 poll following a 5-6 season. The Buffs reappeared in the '99 poll at No. 15, and rose to No. 14 prior to the season-opening loss to CSU. Only CU, Florida, Florida State, Michigan and Nebraska have been ranked 15th or higher at least 11 times in these 15 years, and CU is one of only 17 teams to be ranked in as many as 12 of the last 21 preseason polls. **Number of times ranked in the *Associated Press* Preseason Poll, 1989-2009:** Ohio State 21, Florida State 20, Michigan 19, Tennessee 19, Florida 18, Miami, Fla. 17, Nebraska 17, Oklahoma 17, Penn State 17, Texas 17, Notre Dame 15, Alabama 14, Auburn 14, Georgia 13, LSU 13, Virginia Tech 13, **Colorado 12.**

**COLORADO'S TOP PRESEASON RANKINGS (AP & Coaches polls, only)****ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Season	Rank	Record	Finish
1972	No. 2	8-4-0	No. 16
1990	No. 5	11-1-1	No. 1
1996	No. 5	10-2-0	No. 8
2002	No. 7	9-5-0	No. 20
1994	No. 8	11-1-0	No. 3
1997	No. 8	5-6-0	NR
1967	No. 10	9-2-0	No. 14

**COACHES (UPI, USA Today/CNN, ESPN)**

Season	Rank	Record	Finish
1972	No. 2	8-4-0	No. 14
1990	No. 5	11-1-1	No. 2
1996	No. 5	10-2-0	No. 8
2002	No. 6	9-5-0	No. 21
1994	No. 7	11-1-0	No. 3
1997	No. 7	5-6-0	NR
1991	No. 10	8-3-1	No. 20

**Associated Press Poll**

**MOST TOP 5 FINISHES (1989-2008):** Florida St. 12, Miami 8, USC 7, Ohio St. 6, Nebraska 5, Oklahoma 5, Texas 5, **COLORADO 4**, Florida 4, Tennessee 4, Alabama 3, Notre Dame 3

**MOST TOP 10 FINISHES (1989-2008):** Florida 12, Florida St. 12, Miami 9, Michigan 9, Nebraska 8, Ohio State 8, Tennessee 8, USC 8, Alabama 7, Oklahoma 7, Texas 7, **COLORADO 6**

**LONG STAY**

Colorado was one of only two teams to be ranked in every poll (both the *Associated Press* and Coaches, be it UPI or USA Today/CNN-ESPN) from the 1989 preseason through Oct. 4, 1997 (143 AP polls, 138 coaches). Only Nebraska could also make that claim (CU was second only to the Huskers, as Nebraska had been ranked in 265 straight polls when CU hit the 143 mark). The 143 consecutive polls still ranks as the seventh longest all-time in college football history. In this span, NU held the top spot 16 times and CU seven, with NU winning two national titles and Colorado one.

**Associated Press Poll / All-Time Appearances (1936-2008)**

1. Michigan 754; 2. Ohio State 753; 3. Notre Dame 707; 4. Oklahoma 678; 5. USC 674; 6. Texas 656; 7. Nebraska 644; 8. Alabama 629; 9. Tennessee 564; 10. Penn State 562; 11. Florida 501; 12. Auburn 479; 13. UCLA 478; 14. Georgia 475; 15. LSU 468; 16. Florida State 450; 17. Miami, Fla. 426; 18. Washington 388; 19. Arkansas 375; 20. Texas A&M 366; 21. Clemson 306; 22. Michigan State 303; **23. Colorado 293**; 24. Pittsburgh 282; 25. Iowa 271; 26. Georgia Tech 270; 27. Wisconsin 260; 28. Arizona State 247.

**...AND THE RETURN**

CU was out of the polls for an 11-week period once departing after 143 weeks ('97-'98), but came back with a vengeance. When Colorado reappeared in both the AP and USAT/ESPN polls at No. 16 on Sept. 6, 1998 it marked the third highest debut in a poll since the AP ballot expanded to 25 teams in 1989. CU went from receiving votes to No. 16, the second highest CU has ever debuted after not being ranked in the preseason; back in 1971, the Buffs went into Baton Rouge and defeated No. 9 LSU, 31-21. CU appeared at No. 8 in the UPI-Coaches poll and at No. 12 on the AP ballot.

**17 OUT OF 21**

Colorado defeated at least one top 25 team for 12 consecutive seasons between 1988 and 1999, behind only Florida State for the latter half of the span. Colorado didn't go down easy when the streak ended in 2000, losing to five ranked teams by a combined 45 points (3, 3, 23, 14 and 2). The Buffs started a new streak in 2001, doing so with purpose as they tied the school record for most ranked teams defeated in a single season with five. CU then defeated two ranked teams in both 2002 and 2003 to make it 15 out of 16 years with at least one win over a ranked opponent, but the smaller run ended as the Buffs went 0-4 in both 2004 and 2005 and 0-5 in 2006. CU snapped that streak with a 27-24 win over No. 3 Oklahoma in 2007, and with the 17-14 overtime win over No. 21 West Virginia in 2008, it's now 17 out of 21 years defeating at least one ranked program. CU defeated at least three ranked teams in six of those 12 years, including five twice (1990, 1995). The Buffs have defeated at least two in nine of the last 15 years (and three ranked foes five of those seasons).

**TV LAND**

Colorado has had **159** of its last **234** games dating back to 1990 broadcast nationally or regionally (68 percent), including this year's season opener and 10 games in 2008. Since 1996, when the Big 12 began, and not including pay-per-view, **122** of CU's **161** games have been either nationally or regionally televised, which is an impressive 76 percent (the second most in the Big 12 Conference in this time frame). In addition, CU has had **28** of its last **34** non-conference games televised on a national or regional basis. **ANNUAL TV APPEARANCES SINCE INCEPTION OF THE BIG 12 (122):** 1996 (10), 1997 (10), 1998 (9), 1999 (9), 2000 (7), 2001 (10), 2002 (12), 2003 (7), 2004 (9), 2005 (10), 2006 (7), 2007 (11), 2008 (10), 2009 (1).

**CARRYING THE TV TORCH**

Colorado and Texas started carrying the torch in the 1990s when it came to scheduling regular season games against traditionally ranked opponents, games most likely to be selected for TV and making the two hits of league revenue that come with it. It's starting to get a bit better, but CU and UT still blaze the trail. Here are the counts (and records) since 1990 when it comes to playing ranked non-league teams (*not including bowls*): **Colorado 28** (14-13-1), Texas 23 (8-13-2), Nebraska 14 (8-6), Oklahoma 14 (7-7), Texas A&M 12 (4-8), Texas Tech 12 (0-12), Baylor 11 (2-9), Missouri 10 (2-8), Iowa State 9 (1-8), Oklahoma State 7 (1-6), Kansas 7 (0-7) and Kansas State 4 (1-3).

**BUFF BLEMISHES**

Colorado has a history of inflicting blemishes on some of the teams who have traditionally fared well at home. The top five home records last decade (1990-99) belonged to Florida State (55-1-1), Nebraska (62-3), Florida (57-4), Texas A & M (55-4-1) and Kansas State (57-5-1). That's a combined 287-17-3; but of those 20 losses or ties, CU was responsible for five of them. CU won at Nebraska in 1990, at Texas A & M in 1996, and was 2-2-1 at Kansas State in the 90s. The Buffs also snapped the Aggies 22-game home winning streak—started late in 1996, after losses to CU then Texas Tech. In 2001, CU won at Kansas State, snapping a 58-game home winning streak by the Wildcats against unranked teams, and was only the second KSU home loss in a 29-game span. CU almost added Georgia to this list in 2006, but fell 14-13 after leading 13-0 entering the fourth quarter.

**18 OF 24**

The Buffs have 18 winning (regular) seasons in the last 24 years (1985-2008), matched only by a handful of schools across the nation (6-6 records do not count). The exceptions came in 1997, 2000, 2003 and 2007; in 1986, CU was 6-5 in the regular season but finished 6-6 after losing to Baylor in the Bluebonnet Bowl. CU has been invited to bowls in 18 of these 24 seasons, staying home in only 1987, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2006 and 2008.

**OFFENSE & DEFENSE**

Will **Anthony Wright** be next? Next, as in who will play on both offense and defense in the same game. Last year, Eugene Goree was on-call to do so, as the redshirt frosh was both a DT and an OG during the second half of the season; he did appear on both sides of the ball but not in the same game. Through the years, there have been a few players who wind up playing on both sides of the ball in the same game: **DT John Guydon** was the latest to do so, seeing action on defense (13 snaps at tackle) and offense (3 snaps at guard) at Texas on October 15, 2005; it was the first time it happened for a complete series with no gimmicks or special situations since **WR Michael Westbrook** played a series at safety against Baylor in 1993. **DE James Garee** also trotted in on offense in 2005, catching a pass as an end at Miami. **DT Sam Wilder** had been the last before 2005, as he caught a 9-yard pass against Kansas State in 2002. **DT Justin Bannan**, did the same, catching a 12-yard TD pass on his only play at Missouri in 2000. **CB Ben Kelly** tried tailback in 1999 at Texas Tech; he finished with three yards on one carry (a nice 5-yard run was wiped out by a penalty). Between 1994 and 2005, several Buffs played on both sides of the ball, as offensive linemen often played on the goal line or short yardage defense units—**OG Heath Irwin**, **OG Clint Moore**, **OG Chris Naeole**, **OT Melvin Thomas** and **OG Brad Bedell** all did it at one time or another between 1993 and 1998. In 1990, **OLBs Alfred Williams** and **Kanavis McGhee** played some tight end in a 64-3 win over Kansas State (Williams caught a pass for 17 yards, McGhee didn't catch the one thrown his way). The last offensive skill player to swing over and try some defense was Westbrook (four snaps at strong safety) against Baylor in 1993.

**WHY CU AND NOT UC?**

A question often asked of many former Big Eight schools: Why is it the University of Colorado, but the moniker is CU and not UC? (The same applies at Kansas—KU, Missouri—MU, Nebraska—NU and Oklahoma—OU). "Midwestern casualness," said CU historian, the late Fred Casotti. It has always been this way at Colorado, for whatever reason, and at the other four—but seemingly nowhere else in the USA (except for Tulsa, but its midwest, too). In the 1950s, there was a concerted effort to eliminate the use of "CU" on the Boulder campus, both as a symbol and in speech, but Casotti said that no one would buy into it. "Nobody would change," he said. "It's easier to say than U of C, UC sounds like slang or something (as in 'you see'), and it was traditional. By trying to eliminate it, they reinforced it."

**HISTORY OF THE "COLORADO"**

As in the south end zone, that is. In 1967, the stadium was lowered when the track was removed, and that area remained basically a dirt hill. Former long-time senior associate A.D. **Jon Burianek** said that we tried to grow grass and bushes there, but none took. The first artificial field was installed during the summer of 1971, and that area was then covered with asphalt and the large, block COLORADO was painted on it, then in all-white block lettering. Trim was later added, and at one time, when blue was one of the school colors, the end zone as well was painted blue instead of the familiar black.

**SPRING GAME ATTENDANCE**

Former CU head coach **Bill McCartney** has challenged the 1,500-plus in attendance at CU's last two annual recruiting luncheons in Denver to help fill Folsom Field for the spring game. While filling Folsom didn't happen, the 17,800 in attendance in 2008 did set a spring record, with the third most attending in 2009. CU has now had five occasions where 10,000 or more fans attend its final spring scrimmage/game. The previous mark stood for 19 years, a crowd of 13,642 in 1989 when many came out to honor **Sal Aunese**, the CU quarterback stricken with stomach cancer the previous month. The next two games drew 11,336 and 10,382 respectively. The national average worked to **12,996** in 2008 and 14,407 in 2009. Below are the top CU spring game crowds in the school's history (#—first team Varsity and Alumni were on the same team and wore black jerseys):

Year	Score	Attendance	Notes
2008	Black 28, Gold 17	17,800	A record crowd come out in answer to coaches Hawk and Mac's challenge to fill Folsom
1989	#White 38, Black 35	13,642	A then-record crowd for the spring game showed up to honor Sal Aunese, who fighting stomach cancer
2009	Black 17, Gold 10	11,700	Third largest spring crowd despite going up against a Nuggets playoff game and the NFL Draft
1990	#White 27, Black 25	11,336	Coming of an 11-1 season, CU was in everyone's top five entering 1990
1991	#Black 21, White 17	10,382	Fans braved 49 degree weather with 17 mph winds and saw the late John Zisch ('48) score on a 53 yard run
1992	#Black 44, White 7	9,617	Perfect weather (61 degrees, sunny) come out after CU signs its top recruiting class in history

In Hawk's first two years, the spring game attracted **6,400** (2006, cloudy skies, temperature in the low 50s, very windy) and **5,800** last year (perfect weather, 60 degrees, clear skies, just a bit windy at times).



**2009 OPPONENT SCHEDULES & RESULTS**

Here's a look at the 2009 schedules and results for the teams on CU's regular season schedule:

**COLORADO STATE (1-0)**

23	at Colorado	17
S 12	WEBER STATE	
S 19	NEVADA	
S 26	✚ at Brigham Young	
O 3	at Idaho	
O 10	✚ UTAH	
O 17	✚ at TCU	
O 24	✚ SAN DIEGO STATE	
O 31	✚ AIR FORCE	
N 7	✚ at Nevada-Las Vegas	
N 21	✚ at New Mexico	
N 27	✚ WYOMING	

**TOLEDO (0-1)**

31	at Purdue	52
S 11	COLORADO	
S 19	Ohio State (in Cleveland)	
S 26	at Florida International	
O 3	✚ at Ball State	
O 10	✚ WESTERN MICHIGAN	
O 17	✚ NORTHERN ILLINOIS	
O 24	✚ TEMPLE	
O 31	✚ at Miami-Ohio	
N 11	✚ at Central Michigan	
N 20	✚ EASTERN MICHIGAN	
N 27	✚ at Bowling Green	

**WYOMING (1-0)**

29	WEBER STATE	22
S 12	TEXAS	
S 19	at Colorado	
S 26	✚ NEVADA-LAS VEGAS	
O 3	at Florida Atlantic	
O 10	✚ NEW MEXICO	
O 17	✚ at Air Force	
O 31	✚ at Utah	
N 7	✚ BRIGHAM YOUNG	
N 14	✚ at San Diego State	
N 21	✚ TCU	
N 27	✚ at Colorado State	

**WEST VIRGINIA (1-0)**

33	LIBERTY	20
S 12	EAST CAROLINA	
S 19	at Auburn	
O 1	COLORADO	
O 10	► at Syracuse	
O 17	MARSHALL	
O 24	► CONNECTICUT	
O 30	► at South Florida	
N 7	► LOUISVILLE	
N 13	► at Cincinnati	
N 27	► PITTSBURGH	
D 5	► at Rutgers	

**TEXAS (1-0)**

59	LOUISIANA-MONROE	20
S 12	at Wyoming	
S 19	◆ TEXAS TECH	
S 26	TEXAS-EL PASO	
O 10	◆ COLORADO	
O 17	◆ Oklahoma (at Dallas)	
O 24	◆ at Missouri	
O 31	◆ at Oklahoma State	
N 7	CENTRAL FLORIDA	
N 14	◆ at Baylor	
N 21	◆ KANSAS	
N 26	◆ at Texas A&M	

**KANSAS (1-0)**

49	NORTHERN COLORADO	3
S 12	at Texas-El Paso	
S 19	DUKE	
S 26	SOUTHERN MISS	
O 10	◆ IOWA STATE	
O 17	◆ at Colorado	
O 24	◆ OKLAHOMA	
O 31	◆ at Texas Tech	
N 7	◆ at Kansas State	
N 14	◆ NEBRASKA	
N 21	◆ at Texas	
N 28	◆ Missouri (in Kansas City)	

**KANSAS STATE (1-0)**

21	MASSACHUSETTS	17
S 12	at UL-Lafayette	
S 19	at UCLA	
S 26	TENNESSEE TECH	
O 3	◆ Iowa State (in Kansas City)	
O 10	◆ at Texas Tech	
O 17	◆ TEXAS A & M	
O 24	◆ COLORADO	
O 31	◆ at Oklahoma	
N 7	◆ KANSAS	
N 14	◆ MISSOURI	
N 21	◆ at Nebraska	

**MISSOURI (1-0)**

37	Illinois (at St. Louis)	9
S 12	BOWLING GREEN	
S 19	FURMAN	
S 25	at Nevada	
O 8	◆ NEBRASKA	
O 17	◆ at Oklahoma State	
O 24	◆ TEXAS	
O 31	◆ at Colorado	
N 7	◆ BAYLOR	
N 14	◆ at Kansas State	
N 21	◆ IOWA STATE	
N 28	◆ Kansas (in Kansas City)	

**TEXAS A & M (1-0)**

41	NEW MEXICO	6
S 19	UTAH STATE	
S 26	ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM	
O 3	Arkansas (at Arlington)	
O 10	◆ OKLAHOMA STATE	
O 17	◆ at Kansas State	
O 24	◆ at Texas Tech	
O 31	◆ IOWA STATE	
N 7	◆ at Colorado	
N 14	◆ at Oklahoma	
N 21	◆ BAYLOR	
N 26	◆ TEXAS	

**IOWA STATE (1-0)**

34	NORTH DAKOTA STATE	17
S 12	IOWA	
S 19	at Kent State	
S 26	ARMY	
O 3	◆ Kansas State (in Kansas City)	
O 10	◆ at Kansas	
O 17	◆ BAYLOR	
O 24	◆ at Nebraska	
O 31	◆ at Texas A & M	
N 7	◆ OKLAHOMA STATE	
N 14	◆ COLORADO	
N 21	◆ at Missouri	

**OKLAHOMA STATE (1-0)**

24	GEORGIA	10
S 12	HOUSTON	
S 19	RICE	
S 26	GRAMBLING STATE	
O 10	◆ at Texas A & M	
O 17	◆ MISSOURI	
O 24	◆ at Baylor	
O 31	◆ TEXAS	
N 7	◆ at Iowa State	
N 14	◆ TEXAS TECH	
N 19	◆ COLORADO	
N 28	◆ at Oklahoma	

**NEBRASKA (1-0)**

49	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	3
S 12	ARKANSAS STATE	
S 19	at Virginia Tech	
S 26	LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE	
O 8	◆ at Missouri	
O 17	◆ TEXAS TECH	
O 24	◆ IOWA STATE	
O 31	◆ at Baylor	
N 7	◆ OKLAHOMA	
N 14	◆ at Kansas	
N 21	◆ KANSAS STATE	
N 27	◆ at Colorado	

**KEY:** ◆—Big 12 Conference game; ►—Big East Conference game; ✚—Mid-American Conference game; ✚—Mountain West Conference game.

**OPPONENTS IN 2009**

Colorado's 2009 opponents combined for an **82-70** record in 2008 (53.9%), with two teams winning double figure games and three others all going 9-4. Two others were above .500 to give CU seven teams with winning records on its' 2009 slate. All seven of those schools went to bowl games, and they collectively posted a 6-1 record. CU will play four teams with new head coaches (Toledo, Wyoming, Kansas State, Iowa State). The Buffaloes will play two non-league games away from home (Toledo, West Virginia) for the first time since 1994 (Michigan, Texas), and will be playing two regular season games in the eastern time zone for the first time in their history.

**OPPONENTS CORRALLED**

Colorado allowed just **five** plays from scrimmage of 40 yards or longer in 2006 (three pass, two rush); those were the fewest since the 1987 season, when the Buffs surrendered just four (two rush, two pass). In 2007, CU was doing as well, but with Missouri having three of that length and Iowa State one, CU wound up allowing 11. Over the past 20 years, CU has limited the foe to six three times (1991, 1994, 1995) and to seven seven times (last: 2005). The 12 allowed over the 2005 and 2006 tied the second fewest over a two-year span (11 over the 1987-88 seasons; 12 previously in the '94 and '95 campaigns). The seven allowed in '05 were reduced from 14 in 2003 and 15 in 2004, as opponents had piled up 70 plays of 40 yards or longer from 1999-2004 after allowing just 83 between 1987 and 1998. The three-year total from 2005-07 was thus just 23, the lowest for any three-year span since this stat can be tracked.

➤ **2008:** CU allowed 11 plays over 40 yards, seven rushes but just four passes.

## Composite Big 12 Schedule

<b>September 3</b>	IOWA STATE 34, North Dakota State 17	
<b>September 5</b>	Baylor 24, WAKE FOREST 21	
	Brigham Young 14, Oklahoma 13 ( <i>at Arlington</i> )	
	KANSAS 49, Northern Colorado 3	
	KANSAS STATE 21, Massachusetts 17	
	Missouri 37, Illinois 9 ( <i>at St. Louis</i> )	
	NEBRASKA 49, Florida Atlantic 3	
	OKLAHOMA STATE 24, Georgia 10	
	TEXAS 59, Louisiana-Monroe 20	
	TEXAS A&M 41, New Mexico 6	
	TEXAS TECH 38, North Dakota 13	
<b>September 6</b>	Colorado State 23, <b>COLORADO 17</b>	
<b>September 11</b>	<b>Colorado</b> at Toledo (ESPN)	7:00 p.m.
<b>September 12</b>	Iowa at Iowa State (FSN)	10:00 a.m.
	Arkansas State at Nebraska	12:00 p.m.
	Houston at Oklahoma State (FSN)	1:30 p.m.
	Texas at Wyoming (Versus)	1:30 p.m.
	Kansas State at Louisiana-Lafayette	5:00 p.m.
	Rice at Texas Tech	5:00 p.m.
	Bowling Green at Missouri	5:00 p.m.
	Idaho State at Oklahoma	5:00 p.m.
	Kansas at Texas-El Paso (CBSCS)	5:30 p.m.
<b>September 19</b>	Wyoming at <b>Colorado</b>	1:30 p.m.
	Duke at Kansas (Versus)	10:00 a.m.
	Furman at Missouri	12:00 p.m.
	Nebraska at Virginia Tech (ABC)	1:30 p.m.
	Tulsa at Oklahoma (FSN)	1:30 p.m.
	Connecticut at Baylor	3:00 p.m.
	Iowa State at Kent State	5:00 p.m.
	Rice at Oklahoma State	5:00 p.m.
	Utah State at Texas A&M	5:00 p.m.
	Texas Tech at Texas (ABC)	6:00 p.m.
	Kansas State at UCLA (FSN)	8:15 p.m.
<b>September 25</b>	Missouri at Nevada (ESPN)	7:00 p.m.
<b>September 26</b>	Southern Miss at Kansas (FSN)	10:30 a.m.
	Tennessee Tech at Kansas State	12:00 p.m.
	UTEP at Texas (FSN)	1:30 p.m.
	Alabama-Birmingham at Texas A&M	5:00 p.m.
	Northwestern State at Baylor	5:00 p.m.
	Texas Tech at Houston (ESPN2)	7:15 p.m.
	Army at Iowa State	5:00 p.m.
	Grambling State at Oklahoma State	5:00 p.m.
	Louisiana-Lafayette at Nebraska	5:00 p.m.
<b>October 1</b>	<b>Colorado</b> at West Virginia (ESPN)	5:30 p.m.
<b>October 3</b>	*Iowa State vs. Kansas State ( <i>at Kansas City</i> )	TBA
	Arkansas vs. Texas A&M ( <i>at Arlington</i> )	TBA
	Kent State at Baylor	TBA
	Oklahoma at Miami, Fla.	TBA
	New Mexico at Texas Tech	TBA

<b>October 8</b>	*Nebraska at Missouri (ESPN)	7:00 p.m.
<b>October 10</b>	* <b>Colorado</b> at Texas	TBA
	*Baylor at Oklahoma	TBA
	*Iowa State at Kansas	TBA
	*Kansas State at Texas Tech	TBA
	*Oklahoma State at Texas A&M	TBA
<b>October 17</b>	*Kansas at <b>Colorado</b>	TBA
	*Oklahoma vs. Texas ( <i>at Dallas</i> ; ABC)	10:00 a.m.
	*Baylor at Iowa State	TBA
	*Missouri at Oklahoma State	TBA
	*Texas A&M at Kansas State	TBA
	*Texas Tech at Nebraska	TBA
<b>October 24</b>	* <b>Colorado</b> at Kansas State	TBA
	*Iowa State at Nebraska	TBA
	*Oklahoma at Kansas	TBA
	*Oklahoma State at Baylor	TBA
	*Texas at Missouri	TBA
	*Texas A&M at Texas Tech	TBA
<b>October 31</b>	*Missouri at <b>Colorado</b>	TBA
	*Iowa State at Texas A&M	TBA
	*Kansas at Texas Tech	TBA
	*Kansas State at Oklahoma	TBA
	*Nebraska at Baylor	TBA
	*Texas at Oklahoma State	TBA
<b>November 7</b>	*Texas A&M at <b>Colorado</b>	TBA
	*Baylor at Missouri	TBA
	*Kansas at Kansas State	TBA
	*Oklahoma at Nebraska	TBA
	*Oklahoma State at Iowa State	TBA
	Central Florida at Texas	TBA
<b>November 14</b>	* <b>Colorado</b> at Iowa State	TBA
	*Missouri at Kansas State	TBA
	*Nebraska at Kansas	TBA
	*Texas at Baylor	TBA
	*Texas A&M at Oklahoma	TBA
	*Texas Tech at Oklahoma State	TBA
<b>November 19</b>	* <b>Colorado</b> at Oklahoma State (ESPN)	5:30 p.m.
<b>November 21</b>	*Baylor at Texas A&M	TBA
	*Iowa State at Missouri	TBA
	*Kansas at Texas	TBA
	*Kansas State at Nebraska	TBA
	*Oklahoma at Texas Tech	TBA
<b>November 26</b>	*Texas at Texas A&M (ESPN)	6:00 p.m.
<b>November 27</b>	*Nebraska at <b>Colorado</b> (ABC)	1:30 p.m.
<b>November 28</b>	*Kansas vs. Missouri ( <i>at Kansas City</i> )	TBA
	*Oklahoma State at Oklahoma	TBA
	*Texas Tech at Baylor	TBA
<b>December 5</b>	Big 12 Championship ( <i>at Arlington</i> ; ABC)	6:00 p.m.

Home team in CAPS. All times listed are MDT/MST. \*—denotes Big 12 Conference game. Television selections Oct. 3 and beyond are made on 12 days notice by the Big 12 television partners (ABC/ESPN, Fox Sports Network, *Versus*); ABC also has an option of utilizing a 6-day selection process three times annually. ABC's standard afternoon regional telecast window is at 1:30 p.m. MT in addition to a number of prime-time windows (6 p.m. MT; those games will be selected from the Big 12, ACC, Big East, Big 10 or Pac 10). FSN provides national coverage via its lineup of 11 regional cable systems in both the morning (10 or 10:30 a.m. MT) and prime time (4:30 or 5 p.m. MT) windows, and on occasion may move a game into the afternoon window (1:30 p.m. MT) should ABC opt to pass on a telecast in that time slot. In all, FSN will televise between 22-24 games during the 2009 season with projected afternoon windows on Sept. 12-19-26, Oct. 3-10-24-31 and Nov. 7-14-21-28. FSN is scheduled to carry games in prime time on Oct. 17-31 and Nov. 14-28 (the 28th is tentative). ESPN has sublicensed six games from FSN on Sept. 5, Oct. 8-10-17 and Nov. 19-21 with telecasts generally slated between 4:30 and 7 p.m., MT. VERSUS has sublicensed an additional five games in 2009 from FSN and will telecast on Sept. 19, Oct. 24-31 and Nov. 7-14, primarily at 10:30 a.m., MT. In addition, the Big 12 has entered into an agreement to allow institutions to authorize telecast of games on Fox College Sports (FCS) and pay-per-view in available windows.

## ACTIVE COLORADO CAREER STATISTICAL CHARTS

## RUSHING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Net
1	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90) .....	699	3,940	5.63	41	
2	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94) .....	486	3,057	6.29	33	
3	Bobby Purify (2000-04) .....	595	3,016	5.07	20	
4	Charlie Davis (1971-73) .....	538	2,958	5.50	24	
5	Chris Brown (2001-02) .....	465	2,690	5.78	34	
6	Hugh Charles (2004-07) .....	517	2,659	5.14	15	
7	James Mayberry (1975-78) .....	546	2,544	4.66	25	
8	Herchell Troutman (1994-97) .....	568	2,487	4.38	21	
9	Bob Anderson (1967-69) .....	568	2,367	4.17	34	
10	Lee Rouson (1981-84) .....	581	2,296	3.95	10	
11	Lamont Warren (1991-93) .....	488	2,242	4.59	22	
12	Cortlen Johnson (1998-2001) .....	445	2,199	4.94	20	
13	Kayo Lam (1933-35) .....	313	2,140	6.84	18	
14	Mervin Hodel (1949-51) .....	502	2,102	4.19	24	
15	J.J. Flannigan (1987-89) .....	328	2,096	6.39	27	
68	<b>Rodney Stewart (2008-09) .....</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>4.78</b>	<b>2</b>	
73	Steve Engel (1967-69) .....	141	610	4.33	3	
74	<b>Demetrius Sumler (2007-09) .....</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>3.54</b>	<b>8</b>	
75	Dan Kelly (1965-67) .....	168	590	3.51	7	

## PASSING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	TD	Rating
1	Joel Klatt (2002-05) .....	1095-666-33	60.8	7,375	44	124.63
2	Kordell Stewart (1991-94) .....	785-456-19	58.1	6,481	33	136.47
3	Koy Detmer (1992-96) .....	594-350-25	58.9	5,390	40	148.95
4	<b>Cody Hawkins (2007-09) .....</b>	<b>784-446-26</b>	<b>56.9</b>	<b>4,807</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>117.33</b>
5	Mike Moschetti (1998-99) .....	607-366-19	60.3	4,797	33	138.36
6	John Hessler (1994-97) .....	627-347-26	55.3	4,788	34	129.09
7	Steve Vogel (1981-84) .....	688-309-33	44.9	3,912	27	96.03
8	Darian Hagan (1988-91) .....	424-213-19	50.2	3,801	27	137.59
9	Craig Ochs (2000-02) .....	453-265-15	58.5	3,325	16	125.19
10	Gale Weidner (1959-61) .....	480-218-32	45.4	3,033	18	97.76
11	Randy Essington (1980-82) .....	496-247-26	49.8	2,773	10	92.95
12	David Williams (1973-75) .....	366-198-19	54.1	2,449	13	111.64
13	Bernie McCall (1964-66) .....	361-177-28	49.0	2,332	4	91.44
14	Zack Jordan (1950-52) .....	311-159-22	51.1	2,287	13	113.93
15	Bobby Anderson (1967-69) .....	375-188-21	50.1	2,198	9	96.09
16	Ken Johnson (1971-73) .....	348-148-19	42.5	2,175	13	96.44
17	Bill Solomon (1977-79) .....	343-168-22	49.0	2,115	13	100.47
18	Jeff Knappe (1976-77) .....	316-139-23	44.0	2,107	7	92.75

## RECEIVING (Receptions)

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Michael Westbrook (1991-94) .....	167	2,548	15.3	19
2	Phil Savoy (1994-97) .....	152	2,176	14.3	14
3	Javon Green (1997-2000) .....	136	2,031	14.9	17
4	Rae Carruth (1992-96) .....	135	2,540	18.8	20
5	Derek McCoy (2000-03) .....	134	2,038	15.2	20
6	Charles E. Johnson (1990-93) .....	127	2,447	19.3	15
7	Monte Huber (1967-69) .....	111	1,436	12.9	5
8	Daniel Graham (1998-2001) .....	106	1,543	14.6	11
9	Patrick Williams (2005-08) .....	104	1,070	10.3	3
10	Dusty Sprague (2004-07) .....	103	1,261	12.2	4
11	Christian Fauria (1991-94) .....	98	1,058	10.8	11
12	Darrin Chiaverini (1995-98) .....	97	1,199	12.4	6
13	D.J. Hackett (2002-03) .....	93	1,194	12.8	9
13	<b>Scotty McKnight (2007-09) .....</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>1,043</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>10</b>
15	Dave Hestera (1981-83) .....	91	1,057	11.6	2
16	Lee Rouson (1981-84) .....	86	699	8.1	4
17	Marcus Stiggers (1996-99) .....	80	1,223	15.3	10
17	Jon Embree (1983-86) .....	80	1,166	14.6	5
17	Joe Klopfenstein (2002-05) .....	80	937	11.7	12
20	John Minardi (1998-2001) .....	79	971	12.3	6
21	Loy Alexander (1983-85) .....	78	1,107	14.2	8
26	J.V. Cain (1971-73) .....	61	873	14.3	3
26	Chris Anderson (1994-97) .....	61	858	14.1	4
28	Herchell Troutman (1994-97) .....	60	725	12.1	5
28	Hugh Charles (2004-07) .....	60	552	9.2	2
30	James Kidd (1993-96) .....	58	944	16.3	9
30	Ron Monteilh (2002-04) .....	58	562	9.7	1
33	<b>Riar Geer (2006-09) .....</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>7</b>
34	Cody Crawford (2005-08) .....	53	564	10.6	2
35	Josh Smith (2007-08) .....	52	838	16.1	3

## RECEIVING (Yards)

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Michael Westbrook (1991-94) .....	167	2,548	15.3	19
2	Rae Carruth (1992-96) .....	135	2,540	18.8	20
3	Charles E. Johnson (1990-93) .....	127	2,447	19.3	15
4	Phil Savoy (1994-97) .....	152	2,176	14.3	14
5	Derek McCoy (2000-03) .....	134	2,038	15.2	20
6	Javon Green (1997-2000) .....	136	2,031	14.9	17
7	Daniel Graham (1998-2001) .....	106	1,543	14.6	11
8	Monte Huber (1967-69) .....	111	1,436	12.9	5
9	Dusty Sprague (2004-07) .....	103	1,261	12.2	4
10	Mike Pritchard (1987-90) .....	47	1,241	26.4	10
11	Marcus Stiggers (1996-99) .....	80	1,223	15.1	10
12	Ron Brown (1981-85) .....	57	1,217	21.4	8
13	Darrin Chiaverini (1995-98) .....	97	1,199	12.4	6
14	D.J. Hackett (2002-03) .....	93	1,194	12.8	9
15	Jon Embree (1983-86) .....	80	1,166	14.6	5
16	Loy Alexander (1983-85) .....	78	1,107	14.2	8
17	Dave Logan (1972-75) .....	68	1,078	15.9	4
18	Patrick Williams (2005-08) .....	104	1,070	10.3	3
19	Christian Fauria (1991-94) .....	98	1,058	10.8	11
20	Dave Hestera (1981-83) .....	91	1,057	11.6	2
21	<b>Scotty McKnight (2007-09) .....</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>1,043</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>10</b>
22	John Minardi (1998-2001) .....	79	971	12.3	6
23	James Kidd (1993-96) .....	58	944	16.3	9
24	Joe Klopfenstein (2002-05) .....	80	937	11.7	12
25	Evan Judge (2002-05) .....	69	903	13.1	5
26	J.V. Cain (1971-73) .....	61	873	14.3	3
27	Chris Anderson (1994-97) .....	61	858	14.1	4
28	Josh Smith (2007-08) .....	52	838	16.1	3
29	Jeff Campbell (1986-89) .....	28	802	28.6	1
40	Chuck Mosher (1949-51) .....	36	663	18.4	5
41	Don Holmes (1979-82) .....	44	661	15.0	4
42	Brody Heffner Liddiard (1996-99) .....	45	656	14.6	2
43	<b>Riar Geer (2006-09) .....</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>7</b>
44	Larry Plantz (1965-67) .....	39	630	16.2	3
45	Boyd Dowler (1956-58) .....	41	628	15.3	6
46	Don Hasselbeck (1973-76) .....	51	612	12.0	3
47	Gary Knafele (1951-53) .....	31	607	19.6	11
48	Rickey Ward (1980-81) .....	27	601	22.3	1
49	Ken Blair (1960-62) .....	47	591	12.6	3
50	Woody Shelton (1950-52) .....	28	586	20.9	3
51	Cody Crawford (2005-08) .....	53	564	10.6	2

## TOTAL OFFENSE

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Pass	Total	TDR
1	Kordell Stewart (1991-94) .....	1,289	6,481	7,770	48
2	Joel Klatt (2002-05) .....	-130	7,375	7,245	47
3	Darian Hagan (1988-91) .....	2,007	3,801	5,808	54
4	Koy Detmer (1992-96) .....	-31	5,390	5,359	43
5	John Hessler (1994-97) .....	276	4,788	5,064	44
6	Mike Moschetti (1998-99) .....	70	4,797	4,867	40
7	<b>Cody Hawkins (2007-09) .....</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>4,807</b>	<b>4,735</b>	<b>43</b>
8	Bobby Anderson (1967-69) .....	2,367	2,198	4,565	43
9	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90) .....	3,940	63	4,003	42
10	Craig Ochs (2000-02) .....	205	3,325	3,530	20
11	Steve Vogel (1981-84) .....	-411	3,912	3,501	27
12	David Williams (1973-75) .....	959	2,449	3,408	25

## ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Rec	KOR	PR	Total
1	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90) .....	3,940	380	31	0	4,351
2	Hugh Charles (2004-07) .....	2,659	552	411	0	3,622
3	Byron White (1935-37) .....	1,864	234	506	973	3,577
4	Herchell Troutman (1994-97) .....	2,487	725	240	91	3,543
5	Bobby Purify (2000-04) .....	3,016	508	0	0	3,524
10	Charles E. Johnson (1990-93) .....	82	2,447	217	261	3,007
15	Cortlen Johnson (1998-2001) .....	2,199	691	0	0	2,890
20	Bobby Anderson (1967-69) .....	2,367	68	209	56	2,700
25	Bill Symons (1962-64) .....	734	537	1,051	153	2,475
26	Josh Smith (2007-08) .....	66	838	1,276	292	2,472
27	Bill Harris (1961-63) .....	1,486	235	556	134	2,411
28	Howard Cook (1956-58) .....	1,463	99	373	459	2,394
29	Darian Hagan (1988-91) .....	2,007	53	0	287	2,347
30	Eddie Dove (1956-58) .....	1,612	270	250	146	2,278

## ACTIVE COLORADO CAREER STATISTICAL CHARTS

## KICKOFF RETURNS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Ben Kelly (1997-99) .....	64	1,798	28.1	3
2	Terrence Wheatley (2003-07) .....	56	1,350	24.1	0
3	Josh Smith (2007-08) .....	50	1,276	25.5	1
4	M.J. Nelson (1986-89) .....	51	1,198	23.5	0
5	Walter Stanley (1980-81) .....	49	1,172	23.9	1
6	Bill Symons (1962-64) .....	43	1,051	24.4	1
7	Roman Hollowell (1998-2001) .....	44	914	20.8	0
8	Stephone Robinson (2004-07) .....	49	867	17.7	0
9	Carroll Hardy (1951-54) .....	31	853	27.5	0
10	Billy Waddy (1973-76) .....	32	849	26.5	2
11	Howard Ballage (1976-78) .....	30	764	25.5	2
12	Cliff Branch (1970-71) .....	30	755	25.2	2
13	Mike Pritchard (1987-90) .....	30	693	23.1	0
14	Jeremy Bloom (2002-03) .....	25	627	25.1	1
15	Melvin Johnson (1973-77) .....	27	609	22.6	1

## PUNT RETURNS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Charlie Greer (1966-68) .....	65	975	15.0	1
2	Byron White (1935-37) .....	82	973	11.9	3
3	Jeff Campbell (1986-89) .....	84	904	10.8	0
4	Roman Hollowell (1998-2001) .....	49	752	15.3	3
4	Jo Jo Collins (1984-88) .....	83	752	9.1	0

## TACKLES

Rk	Player (Position, Seasons)	UT	AT	—	TOT
1	Barry Remington (LB, 1982-86) .....	245	248	—	493
2	Matt Russell (LB, 1993-96) .....	282	164	—	446
3	Greg Biekert (LB, 1989-92) .....	280	161	—	441
4	Jordon Dizon (LB, 2004-07) .....	293	147	—	440
5	Ted Johnson (LB, 1991-94) .....	253	156	—	409
6	Laval Short (DL, 1976-79) .....	141	231	—	372
7	Chad Brown (LB, 1989-92) .....	242	127	—	369
8	Michael Jones (LB, 1986-89) .....	218	131	—	349
9	Thaddeaus Washington (LB, 2003-06) .....	202	136	—	338
10	Michael Lewis (DB, 1998-2001) .....	225	111	—	336
16	Brian Cabral (LB, 1974-77) .....	120	177	—	297
33	Brad Jones (LB, 2005-08) .....	150	92	—	242
37	Jeff Donaldson (1980-83) .....	131	108	—	239
43	Troy Archer (DL, 1974-75) .....	122	103	—	225
45	Ryan Walters (DB, 2005-08) .....	147	76	—	223
51	Terry Irvin (LB, 1980-83) .....	118	96	—	214
52	Pete Perry (DL, 1980-81) .....	94	118	—	212
53	Ellis Wood (DB, 1979-82) .....	125	85	—	210
54	<b>Jeff Smart (LB, 2007-09) .....</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>78</b>	—	<b>207</b>
61	Sean Tufts (LB, 2000-03) .....	113	83	—	196
86	<b>Cha'pelle Brown (DB, 2006-09) .....</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>50</b>	—	<b>168</b>

## QUARTERBACK SACKS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards
1	Alfred Williams (1987-90) .....	35	242
2	Ron Woolfork (1990-93) .....	33	241
3	Greg Jones (1992-96) .....	25	158
4	Laval Short (1976-79) .....	24½	192
5	Abraham Wright (2004-06) .....	21	151
6	Herb Orvis (1969-71) .....	20	182
6	Dan McMillen (1982-85) .....	20	135

## QUARTERBACK SACKS, continued

8	Bill Brundige (1967-69) .....	19	151
8	Curt Koch (1984-87) .....	19	119
8	Leonard Renfro (1989-92) .....	19	97
16	Garry Howe (1989-90) .....	13½	90
17	Art Walker (1986-89) .....	12½	119
17	George Hypolite (2005-08) .....	12½	87
17	Three others .....	12½	...

## TACKLES-FOR-LOSS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No-Yds.
1	Alfred Williams (1987-90) .....	59-303
2	Ron Woolfork (1990-93) .....	53-303
3	Greg Jones (1992-96) .....	45-205
4	Matt Russell (1993-96) .....	44-144
5	Leonard Renfro (1989-92) .....	43-142
6	Curt Koch (1984-87) .....	39-212
7	Chad Brown (1989-92) .....	38-169
7	Kanavis McGhee (1987-90) .....	38-163
9	Laval Short (1976-79) .....	37-239
9	Bill Brundige (1967-69) .....	37-176
11	Jordon Dizon (2004-07) .....	35-137
12	Arthur Walker (1986-89) .....	34-165
13	Jashon Sykes (1998-2001) .....	33- 97
14	Greg Biekert (1989-92) .....	33- 73
15	Herb Orvis (1969-71) .....	32-214
15	George Hypolite (2005-08) .....	32-127

## INTERCEPTIONS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	John Stearns (1970-72) .....	16	339	21.2	0
2	Chris Hudson (1991-94) .....	15	204	13.6	2
3	Dick Anderson (1965-67) .....	14	151	10.8	0
3	Terrence Wheatley (2003-07) .....	14	154	11.0	2
5	Tim James (1987-90) .....	13	120	9.2	0
6	Deon Figures (1988-92) .....	12	96	8.0	0
7	Steve Rosga (1992-96) .....	11	174	15.8	1
7	Ben Kelly (1997-99) .....	11	97	8.8	0
9	Victor Scott (1980-83) .....	10	203	20.3	3
9	Roy Shepherd (1950-52) .....	10	157	15.7	2
9	Cullen Bryant (1970-72) .....	10	139	13.9	1
9	Boyd Dowler (1956-58) .....	10	75	7.5	0

## PASS DEFLECTIONS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.
1	Marcus Washington (1995-97) .....	42
2	Damen Wheeler (1996-99) .....	39
3	Ben Kelly (1997-99) .....	34
4	Donald Strickland (1999-2002) .....	33
4	Lorenzo Sims (2003-06) .....	33
6	Mickey Pruitt (1984-87) .....	32
7	Phil Jackson (2000-03) .....	29
7	Terrence Wheatley (2003-07) .....	29
9	Dalton Simmons (1992-96) .....	28
10	Deon Figures (1988-92) .....	27
11	Alfred Williams (1987-90) .....	25
12	<b>Cha'pelle Brown (2006-08) .....</b>	<b>24</b>
15	Ryan Walters (2005-08) .....	20

## USUALLY IN 'EM

Colorado's usually been in those games it's lost over the last 20 seasons, as of the 89 losses, 42 have been by eight points or less. Nebraska and Texas (six times), Missouri (five), Kansas State and Oklahoma (four) and Kansas, Florida State and Oklahoma State (twice) are the only ones who have handled the Buffs by nine or more points more than twice since 1989. CU has really been dominated from the start only eight times in this stretch (1992 at Nebraska, 1997 at Michigan, 1999 vs. CSU, 2002 vs. USC, 2004 in the Big 12 title game with Oklahoma, twice in 2005, both against Texas, and Missouri this year. K-State ('00), Texas ('01 & '04), WSU ('03), Florida State ('03), Oklahoma State ('04), Miami and Nebraska ('05) put the game out of reach in the third quarter.

## CLOSE CALLS USUALLY GOING CU'S WAY

Colorado was 3-2 in 2008 and is 17-11 dating back to the start of the 2003 season when the final margin has been seven or fewer points. These "close calls" include a 6-9 record in the Dan Hawkins Era. Starting with a 22-19 come-from-behind win at Oklahoma State in 2001, which helped propel Colorado to the Big 12 title, the Buffaloes area 21-13 in seven-point or less decisions.



**GAME #1—COLORADO STATE 23, COLORADO 17****SEPTEMBER 6 (FOLSOM FIELD, BOULDER)**

**BOULDER**—Colorado State stunned Colorado for 20 first-half points and held on to defeat the Buffaloes 23-17 in just the second-ever Sunday night game at Folsom Field before a near-sellout crowd of 53,168 and a national television audience on FSN.

The Rams got things going from the opening gun, marching 80 yards to take a 7-0 lead on the game's first drive. CSU's Grant Stucker hit John Mosure on a 57-yard pass play to set up Mosure's one-yard run just over three minutes into the contest.

The Buffs had some glimpses of life in the first half but hit a wall when center Mike Itlis limped off the field. Cody Hawkins was then intercepted by Elijah-Blu Smith on a pass that caromed off of Scotty McKnight.

CSU converted the turnover into a 14-0 lead when Stucker found Mosure again, this time with a 14-yard scoring pass. The Rams converted on a pair of key third down plays on the drive, the second of which was the touchdown. CSU's big play mentality hit again when Stucker hooked up with Ryan Gardner for a 43-yard completion to the CU 4-yard line, setting up a Ben DeLine field goal to push the lead to 17-0 early in the second quarter.

The Buffs got on the scoreboard by getting a career-long 54-yard field goal from Aric Goodman to pull within 17-3. Ben Burney set up the score with an interception. CSU answered just before intermission by positioning DeLine for a 45-yard field with five seconds left that restored the Rams' 17-point lead at 20-3 at the break.

Hawkins opened the second half by completing a 44-yard bomb to Andre Simmons – his first CU catch – that set up the Buffs at the nine-yard line. From there, Brian Lockridge took a pitch right and went into the end zone untouched to cut the deficit to 20-10 less than two minutes into the second half.

Hawkins again found his passing touch on the next drive, moving the Buffs to the Rams' 18-yard line where McKnight caught a pass before an apparent helmet-to-helmet hit. Initially called down by contact, the play was overturned and ruled a fumble.

CU's defense kept the Buffs in the game. After a pair of three-and-outs, Jeff Smart came up with a critical interception but the Buffs weren't able to take advantage before CSU got a 45-yard pass from Stucker to Rashaun Greer down to the Buffs 4-yard line. The CU defense held at that point and CSU got its final points of the game, leading 23-10 with 8:58 to play.

The Buffs got the ball back with less than four minutes remaining. McKnight, suffering from a concussion, came back in the game to draw a big pass interference penalty before catching a 3-yard touchdown pass from Hawkins two plays later, pulling CU to within 23-17 with 1:57 left to play.

But the Buffs had burned all three timeouts and when CSU's Dion Morton recovered the on-sides kick at midfield, the Rams were able to run out the clock.

This was the final game on either school's campus for a decade, as the schools announced earlier in the week a 10-year contract to move the game back to Denver's Invesco Field beginning in 2010.

Playing from behind, the Buffs managed just 68 yards from their four-horsed running back stable. Hawkins finished 24-of-40 for 222 yards and one touchdown with his favorite target being Riar Geer, who had six receptions for 65 yards. The Buffs were just 3-of-14 on third down and were out-gained by CSU 376-to-251 in total offense. Stewart led the Buffs ground game, picking up 38 yards on six carries.

Colorado State .....	14	6	0	3	—	23
COLORADO .....	0	3	7	7	—	17

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Colorado State — Mosure 1 run (DeLine kick)	0-7	11:47	1Q
Colorado State — Mosure 13 pass from Stucker (DeLine kick)	0-14	1:09	1Q
Colorado State — DeLine 29 FG	0-17	11:43	2Q
COLORADO — Goodman 54 FG	3-17	2:50	2Q
Colorado State — DeLine 45 FG	3-20	0:05	2Q
COLORADO — Lockridge 9 run (Goodman kick)	10-20	13:20	3Q
Colorado State — DeLine 18 FG	10-23	8:58	3Q
COLORADO — McKnight 2 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	17-23	1:57	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	COLORADO ST.
First Downs.....	13	14
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	3-14 (2-3)	3-14 (1-1)
Rushes—Net Yards .....	21-29	45-168
Passing Yards .....	222	208
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	40-24-1	17-10-2
Total Offense.....	251	376
Return Yards .....	20	50
Punts: No-Average.....	6-43.3	5-44.2
Fumbles: No-Lost.....	1-1	1-0
Penalties/Yards .....	5/60	6/71
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	2-8	4-38
Time of Possession .....	27:04	32:56
Drives/Average Field Position .....	13/C33	13/CS31
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points).....	2-2 (14)	4-4 (20)

**Attendance:** 53,168    **Time:** 3:23

**Weather:** 79 degrees, partly cloudy skies, 3 mph winds from the east

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing**—Colorado: Stewart 6-38, Sumler 8-20, Lockridge 1-9, Scott 1-1, C.Hawkins 4-minus 38, Team 1-minus 1. **Colorado State:** Mason 23-107, Mosure 11-44, Morton 2-27, Greer 1-3, Stucker 5-minus 4, Team 3-minus 9.

**Passing**—Colorado: Hawkins 40-24-1, 222, 1 td. **Colorado State:** Stucker 17-10-2, 208, 1 td.

**Receiving**—Colorado: Greer 6-65, McKnight 4-36, Deehan 3-20, Sumler 3-15, Espinoza 2-9, Devenny 2-7, Simmons 1-44, Scott 1-14, Stewart 1-7, Lockridge 1-5. **Colorado State:** Mosure 3-38, Mason 3-20, Greer 2-50, Morton 1-57, Gardner 1-43.

**Punting**—Colorado: DiLallo 6-43.3 (52 long, 2 In20). **Colorado State:** Kontodiakos 5-44.2 (51 long, 1In20).

**Punt Returns**—Colorado: Espinoza 4-10. **Colorado State:** Thomas 4-39. **Kickoff Returns**—Colorado: Scott 5-138, Stengel 1-5. **Colorado State:** Morton 2-42.

**Interceptions**—Colorado: Smart 1-10, Burney 1-0. **Colorado State:** E.Smith 1-11.

**Tackle Leaders**—Colorado: J.Smith 9,3—12; Smart 6,3—9; Burton 3,5—8; C.Brown 6,1—7; Perkins 5,2—7; Polk 2,4—6; Mohler 4,0—4; Cunningham 2,2—4; Herrod 2,1—3; Stengel 2,1—3. **Colorado State:** Sisson 5,4—9; Wilkinson 7,1—8; Oppeneer 4,3—7; Kubiak 3,3—6; Williams 5,0—5; Thomas 4,0—4; Whittier 3,1—4; Miller 3,1—4.

**Quarterback Sacks**—Colorado: Smart 1-7, C.Brown 1-1. **Colorado State:** Miller 1-10, Whittier 1-10, Morehead 1-9, Sisson 1-9.

**Passes Broken Up**—Colorado: J.Brown, West. **Colorado State:** Kawulok, Sisson, Thomas, Wilkinson, Williams.

**GAME NOTES**

**TB Darrell Scott** rushed for 1 yard on CU's first play of the year, the 48th time in the last 60 years that the Buffaloes called a rushing play to open the season ... **C Mike Itlis**, seeing his first career action, left the game midway through the first quarter with an ankle injury; his replacement, **Keenan Stevens**, had not played since 2007, when he saw the only snaps of his career (10) vs. Miami-Ohio ... **WR Scotty McKnight** extended his streak to 25 straight regular season games with at least one reception; the record is 27 by Charles E. Johnson (1991-93; does not include bowls). He also had his 10th career TD reception, the 13th player in CU history to catch at least 10 ... **TB Brian Lockridge's** 9-yard TD run in the third quarter was his second career score; it was his first trip to the end zone since a 43-yard run against Miami-Ohio on Sept. 22, 2007 ... CSU outgained CU by 265-63 in the first half, but the Buffs came out and reversed the trend in the third quarter (111-26); CU outscored the Rams 7-0 in the period—last year, opponents jumped the Buffs for a 103-55 edge in the quarter ... CSU was 3-of-4 on third down in the first quarter, then went 0-of-10 the rest of the game (though it snuck in a fourth down conversion along the way) ... Colorado is 0-of-9 on onside kicks after trying one after its last score, last recovering one versus Nebraska on Nov. 26, 1999 ... This was CSU's first win in Boulder since dealing CU a 23-7 setback on the exact same date in the '86 opener ... The 12-yard pass from Cody Hawkins to Scotty McKnight on 4th-and-5 in the second quarter was CU's 12th consecutive conversion on fourth down dating back to the last five games of 2008; CU made its final 11 tries last year in finishing 18-of-25 for the season (the streak ended in the third quarter when Demetrius Sumler was stopped for no gain on a 4th-and-1).

**CHART-MANIA**

The below charts offer a look at what Colorado has accomplished over the 24 football seasons between 1985 through 2008 (*includes bowls; list includes only those schools who have been members of Division I-A all 24 seasons*):

**TOP COLLEGE FOOTBALL RECORDS (1985-2008)**

Rk	School	W	L	T	PCT.
1	Miami, Fla.	230	61	0	.790
2	Florida State	235	62	2	.789
3	Nebraska	232	67	1	.775
4	Florida	224	73	2	.753
5	Ohio State	219	72	5	.748
6	Michigan	217	73	5	.744
7	Tennessee	216	75	6	.737
8	Oklahoma	212	80	3	.724
9	Penn State	207	84	1	.711
10	Auburn	199	85	5	.697
11	Georgia	201	88	3	.693
12	Texas	200	90	2	.688
13	Southern California	201	90	5	.688
14	Alabama	202	94	2	.681
15	Texas A & M	195	96	2	.669
16	Brigham Young	203	100	2	.669
17	Virginia Tech	192	96	3	.665
18	Notre Dame	190	98	2	.659
19	LSU	184	102	3	.642
20	Fresno State	187	104	3	.641
21	Clemson	183	103	3	.638
22	West Virginia	178	104	4	.629
<b>23</b>	<b>Colorado</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.627</b>
24	Oregon	176	108	0	.620
25	Air Force	178	114	1	.609
26	Utah	172	111	0	.608
27	Virginia	174	114	1	.604
28	UCLA	169	113	3	.598
29	Southern Miss	166	113	1	.595
30	Iowa	161	114	5	.584
31	Syracuse	165	117	4	.584
32	Washington	162	120	3	.574
33	Arizona State	160	119	3	.573
34	Kansas State	156	128	2	.549
35	North Carolina State	156	128	4	.549

**TOP COLLEGE FOOTBALL RECORDS (1989-2008)**

Rk	School	W	L	T	PCT.
1	Florida State	197	53	1	.787
2	Florida	196	56	1	.777
3	Ohio State	190	56	3	.769
4	Nebraska	191	58	1	.766
5	Miami, Fla.	186	57	0	.765
6	Tennessee	185	61	3	.749
7	Michigan	178	64	3	.733
8	Texas	176	68	2	.720
9	Virginia Tech	172	72	2	.704
10	Penn State	171	73	1	.700
11	Southern California	170	73	4	.696
12	Oklahoma	170	74	3	.694
13	Georgia	168	74	1	.693
14	Auburn	162	76	3	.678
15	Alabama	166	81	1	.671
16	Brigham Young	166	83	2	.665
17	Notre Dame	160	82	2	.660
18	Texas A & M	159	84	2	.653
19	Oregon	154	87	0	.639
20	Kansas State	153	88	1	.634
<b>21</b>	<b>Colorado</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.633</b>
22	West Virginia	150	87	3	.631
23	Toledo	146	85	3	.630
24	Clemson	149	91	1	.620
25	Virginia	150	93	1	.617
26	LSU	148	92	1	.616
27	Fresno State	151	95	2	.613
28	Wisconsin	148	93	4	.612
29	Air Force	146	97	1	.600
30	Georgia Tech	143	98	1	.593
31	TCU	137	96	1	.588
32	Southern Miss	138	97	1	.587
33	Colorado State	137	104	1	.568
34	Washington	134	103	1	.565
35	UCLA	132	104	1	.559
36	Miami, Ohio	126	99	6	.558

**TOP CONFERENCE GAME RECORDS (1989-2008)**

Rk	School	W	L	T	PCT.
1	Florida (SEC)	126	31	0	.803
2	Ohio State (Big Ten)	121	36	3	.766
3	Michigan (Big Ten)	121	37	2	.763
4	BYU (WAC/MWC)	116	37	1	.756
5	Texas (SWC/Big 12)	116	40	0	.744
6	Nebraska (Big 8/12)	113	39	1	.742
7	Tennessee (SEC)	115	41	1	.736
8	Southern Cal (Pac-10)	110	49	3	.688
9	Oklahoma (Big 8/12)	103	48	2	.680
10	Toledo (MAC)	105	50	0	.677
<b>11</b>	<b>Colorado (Big 8/12)</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>.644</b>
12	Texas A & M (SWC/Big 12)	99	55	2	.641
13	Alabama (SEC)	100	57	0	.637
14	Miami, Ohio (MAC)	98	58	4	.625
15	Auburn (SEC)	95	59	3	.615
16	Georgia (SEC)	95	61	1	.608

Note: The above includes records for only those schools that have been members of conferences (or Div. I-A) since **1989** and does not include league championship games.

**COLORADO/ALL-BLACK UNIFORMS (21-17-1)**

Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result
<b>1987</b>	Nebraska	L 7-24	<b>2003</b>	Oklahoma	L 20-34
<b>1988</b>	Oklahoma	L 14-17		Nebraska	L 22-31
<b>1990</b>	Iowa State	W 28-12	<b>2004</b>	Colorado State	W 27-24
<b>1991</b>	Missouri	W 55- 7		Texas	L 7-31
<b>1992</b>	Oklahoma	T 24-24		Kansas State	W 38-31
<b>1993</b>	Nebraska	L 17-21	<b>2005</b>	Nebraska	L 3-30
<b>1994</b>	Oklahoma State	W 17- 3	<b>2006</b>	Texas Tech	W 30- 6
<b>1995</b>	Missouri	W 21- 0		Kansas State	L 21-34
	a—Oregon	W 38- 6		Iowa State	W 33-16
<b>1996</b>	Texas	W 28-24	<b>2007</b>	c—Colorado St. (OT)	W 31-28
	Kansas State	W 12- 0		Florida State	L 6-16
<b>1997</b>	Kansas	W 42- 6		Nebraska	W 65-51
	Missouri	L 31-41	<b>2008</b>	c—Colorado State	W 38-17
<b>1998</b>	Kansas State	L 9-16		West Virginia (OT)	W 17-14
<b>1999</b>	Nebraska (OT)	L 30-33		Texas	L 14-38
<b>2000</b>	Iowa State	L 27-35		Oklahoma State	L 17-30
<b>2001</b>	Nebraska	W 62-36	<b>2009</b>	Colorado State	L 17-23
<b>2002</b>	Kansas State	W 35-31			
	Baylor	W 34- 0			
	Texas Tech	W 37-13			
	Iowa State	W 41-27			
	b—Oklahoma	L 7-29			

a—Cotton Bowl; b—Big 12 Championship at Houston; c—in Denver.

**THE LAST TIME****INDIVIDUAL**

<b>Kickoff Return For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Josh Smith vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 31, 2008 (93 yards). <b>Opponent:</b> Michael Garvin, Florida State at Jacksonville, Sept. 27, 2008 (94 yards; opponents 2 in 2008).
<b>Punt Return For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Stephone Robinson vs. Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 22, 2005 (81 yards). <b>Opponent:</b> Wes Welker, Texas Tech at Lubbock, Nov. 1, 2003 (41 yards).
<b>Interception Return For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Cha'pelle Brown vs. Eastern Washington in Boulder, Sept. 6, 2008 (27 yards). <b>Opponent:</b> Ndamukong Suh, Nebraska in Lincoln, Nov. 28, 2008 (30 yards).
<b>Fumble Return/Recovery For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Jimmy Smith vs. Nebraska in Lincoln, Nov. 28, 2008 (58 yards). <b>Opponent:</b> Steve Paris, Iowa State at Ames, Nov. 12, 2005 (66 yards).
<b>Blocked Punt Return For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Lawrence Vickers vs. Washington State at Seattle, Sept. 11, 2004 (0 yards). <b>Opponent:</b> Courtney Herndon, Kansas State at Manhattan, Oct. 13, 2007 (6 yards).
<b>Blocked Field Goal Return For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Has not occurred. <b>Opponent:</b> Has not occurred.
<b>Blocked Punt</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Alonzo Barrett vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007. <b>Opponent:</b> Dekoda Watson, Florida State at Jacksonville, Sept. 27, 2008 ( <i>blocked for a safety</i> ).
<b>Blocked PAT Kick</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> James Garee vs. Clemson in Orlando, Dec. 27, 2005 ( <i>Champs Sports Bowl</i> ). <b>Opponent:</b> Nate Frere, Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 8, 2008.
<b>Blocked Field Goal</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> James Garee vs. New Mexico State in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2005. <b>Opponent:</b> Ian Campbell, Kansas State in Boulder, Oct. 18, 2008.
<b>Offensive Lineman To Score A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Heath Irwin vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Oct. 28, 1995 (recovered fumble in end zone). <b>Opponent:</b> Has not occurred.
<b>Defensive Two-Point Conversion</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Greg Biekert vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 2, 1991. <b>Opponent:</b> Has not occurred.
<b>300 Yards Total Offense</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 314, Cody Hawkins vs. Alabama at Shreveport, Dec. 30, 2007 ( <i>Independence Bowl</i> ; 322 pass, -8 rush). <b>Opponent:</b> 336, Chase Daniel, Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008 (302 pass, 34 rush).
<b>400 Yards Total Offense</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 424, Joel Klatt vs. Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 11, 2003. <b>Opponent:</b> 521, Joe Ganz, Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007 (484 pass, 37 rush).
<b>100 Yards Rushing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 141, Rodney Stewart vs. Kansas State in Boulder, Oct. 18, 2008 (29 carries). <b>Opponent:</b> 107, Leonard Mason, Colorado State in Boulder, Sept. 6, 2009 (23 carries).
<b>200 Yards Rushing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 211, Chris Brown vs. Missouri at Columbia, Nov. 9, 2002. <b>Opponent:</b> 247, Jamario Thomas, North Texas in Boulder, Sept. 18, 2004.
<b>300 Yards Rushing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 309, Chris Brown vs. Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 12, 2002. <b>Opponent:</b> Has not occurred (record is 268).
<b>Three Touchdowns Rushing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 3, Hugh Charles vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007. <b>Opponent:</b> 3, Jake Sharp, Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 11, 2008.
<b>Four Touchdowns Rushing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4, Lawrence Vickers vs. Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 5, 2005. <b>Opponent:</b> 4, Ricky Williams, Texas at Austin, Oct. 25, 1997.
<b>Two 100-Yard Rushers</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Chris Brown (25-127) and Bobby Purify (20-174) vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 16, 2002. <b>Opponent:</b> Pat White (19-148) and Noel Devine (26-133), West Virginia in Boulder, Sept. 18, 2008.
<b>Three 100-Yard Rushers</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Jon Keyworth (18-124), Paul Arendt (23-116) and Ward Walsh (15-101), vs. Air Force at USAFA, Nov. 21, 1970. <b>Opponent:</b> David Overstreet (18-258), Darrell Shepard (3-151) and George Rhymes (9-110), Oklahoma in Boulder, Oct. 4, 1980.
<b>300 Yards Passing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 322, Cody Hawkins vs. Alabama at Shreveport, Dec. 30, 2007 ( <i>Independence Bowl</i> ). <b>Opponent:</b> 302, Chase Daniel, Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008.
<b>400 Yards Passing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 419, Joel Klatt vs. Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 11, 2003. <b>Opponent:</b> 484, Joe Ganz, Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
<b>Three Touchdowns Passing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4, Cody Hawkins vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 8, 2008. <b>Opponent:</b> 5, Chase Daniel, Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008.
<b>Four Touchdowns Passing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4, Cody Hawkins vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 8, 2008. <b>Opponent:</b> 5, Chase Daniel, Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008.
<b>Five Touchdowns Passing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 5, Koy Detmer vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 9, 1996. <b>Opponent:</b> 5, Chase Daniel, Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008.
<b>Three Interceptions Thrown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 3, Cody Hawkins vs. Nebraska in Lincoln, Nov. 28, 2008. <b>Opponent:</b> 3, Joe Ganz, Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
<b>Four Interceptions Thrown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4, John Hessler vs. Michigan at Ann Arbor, Sept. 13, 1997. <b>Opponent:</b> 4, Graham Harrell, Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
<b>10 Receptions</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 11, Derek McCoy vs. Washington State in Boulder, Sept. 13, 2003. <b>Opponent:</b> 11, Jeremy Maclin, Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008.
<b>100 Yards Receiving</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 103, Josh Smith vs. Baylor at Waco, Oct. 6, 2007. <b>Opponent:</b> 134, Jeremy Maclin, Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008.
<b>200 Yards Receiving</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 222, Rae Carruth vs. Missouri at Columbia, Nov. 2, 1996. <b>Opponent:</b> 208, Albert Connell, Texas A&M at College Station, Sept. 28, 1996.
<b>Two Touchdowns Receiving</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 2, Scotty McKnight vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 8, 2008. <b>Opponent:</b> 2, Jeff Fuller, Texas A&M at College Station, Nov. 1, 2008.
<b>Three Touchdowns Receiving</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 3, Rae Carruth vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 9, 1996. <b>Opponent:</b> 3, Maurice Purify, Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
<b>Two 100-Yard Receivers</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Derek McCoy (6-171) and D.J. Hackett (4-143) vs. Baylor at Waco, Oct. 4, 2003. <b>Opponent:</b> Maurice Purify (11-136) and Marlon Lucky (8-115), Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
<b>100-Yard Rusher &amp; Receiver</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Hugh Charles (19-109 rushing) & Josh Smith (2-103 receiving) vs. Baylor at Waco, Oct. 6, 2007. <b>Opponent:</b> Alexander Robinson (29-127) & Todd Blythe (4-124 receiving), Iowa State at Ames, Nov. 10, 2007.
<b>100-Yard Rusher &amp; Receiver (same player)</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Cortlen Johnson (27-172 rushing; 6-105 receiving), vs. Iowa State at Ames, Nov. 10, 2001. <b>Opponent:</b> Has not occurred.

**The Last Time, continued...**

<b>Four Touchdowns In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	4, Lawrence Vickers vs. Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 5, 2005 (4 rush).
	<b>Opponent:</b>	4, Ricky Williams, Texas at Austin, Oct. 25, 1997 (4 rush).
<b>Four Field Goals In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	5, Kevin Eberhart vs. Baylor at Waco, Oct. 6, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	4, Alex Henery, Nebraska in Lincoln, Nov. 28, 2008.
<b>50-Yard Field Goal</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	54, Aric Goodman vs. Colorado State in Boulder, Sept. 6, 2009.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	57, Alex Henery, Nebraska in Lincoln, Nov. 28, 2008.
<b>Two Interceptions In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	3, Terrence Wheatley vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	2, Trent Hunter, Texas A&M at College Station, Nov. 1, 2008.
<b>Three Interceptions In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	3, Terrence Wheatley vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	3, Steve Smith, Oregon at Tempe (Fiesta Bowl), Jan. 1, 2002.
<b>Four Interceptions In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	Has not occurred.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	4, Frank Nelson, Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 2, 1946.
<b>Three Quarterback Sacks In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	3 (for 26), Abraham Wright vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 9, 2006.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	3 (for 20), Adell Duckett, Texas Tech at Lubbock, Nov. 1, 2003.
<b>Four Quarterback Sacks In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	4½ (for 46), Ron Woolfork vs. Iowa in Boulder, Sept. 26, 1992.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	4 (for 24), Kelly Quinn, Michigan State in Boulder, Sept. 8, 1984.

**TEAM**

<b>Shut Out (Defensive)</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	<b>Game:</b> 42-0, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007. <b>Through 3rd Qtr:</b> 35-0, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007. <b>At Half:</b> 21-0, vs. Iowa State at Ames, Nov. 10, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	<b>Game:</b> 0-58, by Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008. <b>Through 3rd Qtr:</b> 0-58, by Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008. <b>At Half:</b> 0-10, by Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 8, 2008.
<b>Safety</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	vs. Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 22, 2005 (ball thrown out of end zone after bad snap on punt try).
	<b>Opponent:</b>	by Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 11, 2008 (Cody Hawkins sacked in end zone).
<b>Held To No Offensive Touchdowns</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	by Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 21, 2006.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
<b>30 First Downs In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	33, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	32, by Texas Tech at Lubbock, Nov. 1, 2003.
<b>Held Under 10 First Downs</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	7, by Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 3, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	6 vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
<b>500 Yards Total Offense In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	634, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	610, by Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
<b>600 Yards Total Offense In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	634, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	610, by Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
<b>Held Under 200 Yards Total Offense In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	199, vs. Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008 (41 rush, 158 pass).
	<b>Opponent:</b>	139, by Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007 (44 rush, 95 pass).
<b>Held Under 100 Yards Total Offense In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	46, vs. Oklahoma at Kansas City, Dec. 4, 2004 ( <i>Big 12 Championship</i> ).
	<b>Opponent:</b>	74, by Baylor at Waco, Nov. 13, 1999.
<b>300 Yards Rushing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	359, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	311, by West Virginia in Boulder, Sept. 18, 2008.
<b>400 Yards Rushing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	427, vs. Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 12, 2002.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	419, by Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 28, 1987.
<b>500 Yards Rushing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	502, vs. Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 11, 2000.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	516, by Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 6, 1984.
<b>Held Under 100 Yards Rushing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	29, vs. Colorado State in Boulder, Sept. 6, 2009.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	94, by Texas A&M in College Station, Sept. 1, 2008.
<b>400 Yards Passing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	401, vs. Texas A&M in Boulder, Oct. 8, 2005.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	484, by Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
<b>500 Yards Passing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	533, vs. NE Louisiana in Boulder, Sept. 16, 1995.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	523, by Fresno State at Honolulu, Dec. 25, 1993 ( <i>Aloha Bowl</i> ).
<b>Held Under 100 Yards Passing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	39, vs. Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 21, 2006.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	43, by West Virginia in Boulder, Sept. 18, 2008.
<b>Averaged Over Eight Yards Per Play</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	8.14, vs. North Texas in Boulder, Sept. 18, 2004 (72-586).
	<b>Opponent:</b>	8.62, by Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 11, 2003 (68-586).
<b>Held Under Three Yards Per Play</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	2.88, by Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008 (69-199).
	<b>Opponent:</b>	2.84, by Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007 (49-139).
<b>Four Interception Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	4, vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	4, by Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 4, 1999.
<b>Five Interception Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	5, vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Nov. 1, 2003.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	5, by Oklahoma in Boulder, Oct. 17, 1992.
<b>Forced Five Lost Opponent Fumbles</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	5, vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 26, 1999.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	5, by Oklahoma State at Stillwater, Nov. 8, 1980.
<b>Forced Six Lost Opponent Fumbles</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	6, vs. Kansas State in Boulder, Oct. 22, 1983.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	6, by Nebraska at Lincoln, Oct. 25, 1975.
<b>Forty-Minute Time of Possession Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	40:24, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	42:20, by Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 1, 1997.
<b>Turnover-Free Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	by Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 8, 2008.
<b>Did Not Punt</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 19, 1994.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	by Nebraska at Lincoln, Nov. 22, 1983.
<b>Recovered Own Onside Kick</b>	<b>Colorado:</b>	vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 26, 1999 (Damen Wheeler); 0-of-last 9.
	<b>Opponent:</b>	by Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 1, 2007 (Jermaine Walters); 0-of-last-4.



**CAREER SINGLE GAME BESTS**

Here are the single-game career bests for those current players who have regularly appeared in games:

**B.J. BEATTY, OLB**

**Total Tackles**—4, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08  
**Solo Tackles**—2, vs. Kansas State, 10/18/08  
**QB Sacks**—1, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08  
**Third Down Stops**—1, five times (last: at Nebraska, 11/28/08)

**JAKE BEHRENS, FB**

**Rushing Attempts**—3, at Kansas State, 10/13/07  
**Rushing Yards**—29, at Kansas State, 10/13/07  
**Long Run**—23, at Kansas State, 10/13/07  
**Rushing TDs**—N/A  
**Receptions**—4, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08  
**Receiving Yards**—32, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08  
**Long Reception**—13, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08  
**Receiving TDs**—1, three times (last: vs. Texas, 10/04/08)

**NATE BONSU, DT**

**Total Tackles**—1, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Solo Tackles**—1, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**QB Sacks**—N/A  
**Third Down Stops**—N/A

**CHA'PELLE BROWN, CB**

**Total Tackles**—15, vs. West Virginia, 9/18/08  
**Solo Tackles**—11, vs. Missouri, 11/04/07  
**Interceptions**—1, thrice (last: vs. Texas, 10/04/08)  
**Pass Deflections**—4, at Baylor, 10/06/07

**JALIL BROWN, FS**

**Total Tackles**—10, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08  
**Solo Tackles**—10, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08  
**Assisted Tackles**—4, at Kansas, 10/11/08  
**Interceptions**—1, vs. Texas, 10/04/08  
**Pass Deflections**—2, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08

**BENJAMIN BURNLEY, S**

**Total Tackles**—8, at Arizona State, 9/08/07  
**Solo Tackles**—6, at Kansas State, 10/13/07  
**Interceptions**—1, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Pass Deflections**—2, vs. Nebraska, 11/23/07

**MARCUS BURTON, ILB**

**Total Tackles**—8, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Solo Tackles**—4, at Oklahoma State, 10/1/05  
**Tackles For Loss**—2, at Texas, 10/15/05  
**QB Sacks**—1, at Oklahoma State, 10/1/05  
**Third Down Stops**—1, five times (last: 1, vs. CSU, 9/06/09)  
**Interceptions**—1, twice (last: vs. Kansas, 10/22/05)

**CURTIS CUNNINGHAM, DT**

**Total Tackles**—4, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Solo Tackles**—2, thrice (last: vs. CSU, 9/06/09)  
**Interceptions**—1, vs. Florida State, 9/27/08  
**Passes Broken Up**—1, twice (last: vs. Kansas, 10/11/08)

**RYAN DEEHAN, TE**

**Receptions**—3, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Receiving Yards**—31, vs. Texas, 10/04/08  
**Long Reception**—25, vs. Texas, 10/04/08  
**Receiving TDs**—1, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08

**PATRICK DEVENNY, TE**

**Receptions**—4, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/08  
**Receiving Yards**—27, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/08  
**Long Reception**—14, vs. Florida State, 9/27/08 (TD)  
**Receiving TDs**—1, thrice (last: vs. Florida State, 9/27/08)

**MATT DILALLO, P**

**Punts**—11, vs. Missouri, 11/03/07  
**Average (*min. 5 punts*)**—51.8, vs. Baylor, 10/07/06  
**Long Punt**—73, vs. Colorado State, 9/09/06  
**50-Plus**—4, vs. West Virginia, 9/18/08  
**Inside-the-20**—4, at Arizona State, 9/08/07

**JASON ESPINOZA, WR**

**Receptions**—2, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Receiving Yards**—9, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Receiving TDs**—N/A  
**Long Reception**—6, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Punt Return Yards**—9, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Kickoff Return Yards**—N/A

**RIAR GEER, TE**

**Receptions**—7, at Georgia, 9/23/06  
**Receiving Yards**—86, at Nebraska, 11/28/08  
**Long Reception**—68, at Nebraska, 11/28/08  
**Receiving TDs**—1, seven times (last: at Nebraska, 11/28/08)

**ARIC GOODMAN, PK (*at Colorado*)**

**Field Goals Attempted**—3, vs. Texas, 10/04/08  
**Field Goals Made**—1, six times (last: vs. Colorado St, 9/06/08)  
**Long Field Goal**—54, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/08  
**Long Field Goal Attempt**—54, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/08  
**PAT Attempts**—5, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/08  
**PAT Made**—5, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/08  
*At Wyoming:*  
**Long Field Goal**—52, vs. San Diego State, 11/04/06 (home)

**CODY HAWKINS, QB**

**Pass Attempts**—53, vs. Florida State, 9/15/07  
**Pass Completions**—34, vs. Florida State, 9/15/07  
**Passing Yards**—306, vs. Florida State, 9/15/07  
**Long Pass**—65, at Baylor, 10/06/07  
**TD Passes**—4, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08  
**Interceptions**—3, twice (last: at Nebraska, 11/28/08)  
**Rating**—180.0, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08  
**Rushing Attempts**—11, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08  
**Rushing Yards**—26, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08  
**Long Rush**—19, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08

**TYLER HANSEN, QB**

**Pass Attempts**—23, at Texas A&M, 11/01/08  
**Pass Completions**—12, at Missouri, 10/25/08  
**Passing Yards**—89, at Texas A&M, 11/01/08  
**TD Passes**—1, vs. Kansas State, 10/18/08  
**Interceptions**—2, at Texas A&M, 11/01/08  
**Rating**—101.9, vs. Kansas State, 10/18/08  
**Rushing Attempts**—19, vs. Kansas State, 10/18/08  
**Rushing Yards**—86, twice (last: at Texas A&M, 11/01/08)  
**Long Rush**—24, vs. Kansas State, 10/18/08

**MARQUEZ HERROD, DE**

**Total Tackles**—4, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Solo Tackles**—3, twice (last: vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09)  
**QB Sacks**—2, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/08  
**Third Down Stops**—1, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09

**WILL JEFFERSON, WR**

**Receptions**—0.  
**Receiving Yards**—0.  
**Receiving TDs**—0.  
**Long Reception**—0.

**BRIAN LOCKRIDGE, TB**

**Rushing Attempts**—14, vs. Miami-Ohio, 9/22/07  
**Rushing Yards**—90, vs. Miami-Ohio, 9/22/07  
**Long Run**—47, at Iowa State, 11/10/07  
**Rushing TDs**—1, twice (last: vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09)

**PATRICK MAHNKE, S**

**Total Tackles**—9, at Nebraska, 11/28/08  
**Solo Tackles**—4, at Nebraska, 11/28/08  
**QB Sacks**—1, at Nebraska, 11/28/08  
**Third Down Stops**—1, twice (last: at Nebraska, 11/28/08)  
**Interceptions**—N/A  
**Pass Deflections**—2, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08

**RYAN MAXWELL, WR**

**Receptions**—N/A  
**Receiving Yards**—N/A  
**Receiving TDs**—N/A  
**Long Reception**—N/A

**SCOTTY MCKNIGHT, WR**

**Receptions**—8, vs. Colorado State, 9/01/07  
**Receiving Yards**—106, vs. Colorado State, 9/01/07  
**Long Reception**—40, at Kansas State, 10/13/07  
**Receiving TDs**—2, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08

**SHAUN MOHLER, ILB**

**Total Tackles**—14, at Kansas, 10/11/08  
**Solo Tackles**—11, at Kansas, 10/11/08  
**Third Down Stops**—2, twice (last: vs. Kansas State, 10/18/08)  
**Interceptions**—1, twice (last: vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08)  
**QB Hurries**—1, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08

**KEVIN MOYD, TB**

**Rushing Attempts**—3, vs. Texas, 10/04/08  
**Rushing Yards**—25, vs. Texas, 10/04/08  
**Long Run**—21, vs. Texas, 10/04/08  
**Rushing TDs**—N/A

**WILL PERICAK, DT**

**Total Tackles**—2, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Solo Tackles**—2, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**QB Sacks**—N/A  
**Third Down Stops**—1, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09

**CONRAD OBI, DE**

**Total Tackles**—1, at Kansas, 10/11/08  
**Solo Tackles**—1, at Kansas, 10/11/08  
**QB Sacks**—N/A

**ANTHONY PERKINS, S**

**Total Tackles**—11, vs. West Virginia, 10/01/08  
**Solo Tackles**—5, three times (last: at Nebraska, 11/28/08)  
**Interceptions**—N/A  
**Pass Deflections**—N/A

**DOUGLAS RIPPY, OLB**

**Total Tackles**—N/A  
**Solo Tackles**—N/A.  
**QB Sacks**—N/A  
**Third Down Stops**—N/A

**DARRELL SCOTT, TB**

**Rushing Attempts**—19, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08  
**Rushing Yards**—87, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08  
**Long Run**—42, at Texas A&M, 11/01/08  
**Rushing TDs**—1, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/08  
**Receptions**—3, twice (last: at Missouri, 10/25/08)  
**Receiving Yards**—45, vs. Texas, 10/04/08  
**Long Reception**—38, vs. Texas, 10/04/08  
**Receiving TDs**—N/A

**MICHAEL SIPILI, ILB**

**Total Tackles**—7, at Nebraska, 11/24/06  
**Solo Tackles**—6, at Nebraska, 11/24/06  
**Pass Deflections**—1, twice  
**QB Sacks**—N/A  
**QB Hurries**—2, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08

**JEFF SMART, ILB**

**Total Tackles**—15, at Nebraska, 11/28/08  
**Solo Tackles**—11, twice (last: at Nebraska, 11/28/08)  
**Third Down Stops**—2, twice (last: vs. West Virginia, 9/18/08)  
**QB Sacks**—1, at Missouri, 10/25/08  
**Interceptions**—1, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Passes Broken Up**—1, four times (last: at Nebraska, 11/28/08)

**ANDRE SIMMONS, WR**

**Receptions**—1, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Receiving Yards**—44, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Receiving TDs**—N/A  
**Long Reception**—44, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09

**JIMMY SMITH, CB**

**Total Tackles**—12, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09  
**Solo Tackles**—10, at Nebraska, 11/28/08  
**Third Down Stops**—2, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08  
**Interceptions**—1, vs. Nebraska, 11/23/07  
**Pass Deflections**—4, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08

**RODNEY STEWART, TB**

**Rushing Attempts**—29, vs. Kansas State, 10/18/08  
**Rushing Yards**—166, vs. West Virginia, 9/18/08  
**Long Run**—22, vs. Kansas State, 10/18/08  
**Rushing TDs**—1, twice (last: at Texas A&M, 11/01/08)  
**Receptions**—3, vs. West Virginia, 9/18/08  
**Receiving Yards**—19, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08  
**Long Reception**—10, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08  
**Receiving TDs**—N/A

**DEMETRIUS SUMLER, TB**

**Rushing Attempts**—22, vs. Oklahoma State 11/15/08  
**Rushing Yards**—90, vs. Miami-Ohio, 9/22/07  
**Long Run**—36, at Nebraska, 11/28/08 (TD)  
**Rushing TDs**—2, twice (last: at Nebraska, 11/28/08)  
**Receptions**—5, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08  
**Receiving Yards**—40, twice (last: vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08)  
**Long Reception**—40, at Texas A&M, 11/01/08  
**Receiving TDs**—1, at Baylor, 10/06/07

**ANTHONY WRIGHT, WR**

**Receptions**—N/A  
**Receiving Yards**—N/A  
**Receiving TDs**—N/A  
**Long Reception**—N/A

**DEPTH CHART**

A note about CU's depth: in-season, depth charts reflect change and generally do not announce it unless there are long-term injuries; also, the coaches often use "groupings" at certain positions (i.e. receiver-tight end-tailback-fullback), and often a group enters the game to run a play that does not match the depth.

**OFFENSE**

(Multiple)

**Note:** Only 10 positions listed on offense; at the WR position, players switch back-and-forth between the traditional X and Z positions, thus all are grouped together. List the top two in "starting" positions if need be.

**WIDE RECEIVER GROUPING** (x, z)

- 21 Scotty McKnight, 5-11, 185, Jr.\*\*
- 15 Jason Espinoza, 5-8, 175, Soph.\*
- 1 Andre Simmons, 6-3, 210, Jr.
- 80 Will Jefferson, 5-11, 190, Fr.
- 12 Ryan Maxwell, 5-8, 180, Soph.
- 16 Anthony Wright, 6-0, 190, Soph.\*
- 25 Kevin Moyd, 5-7, 195, Sr.-5\*\*\* (also TB)
- (6 Markques Simas, 6-2, 215, Soph.-SUSP.)

**LEFT TACKLE**

- 78 Nate Solder, 6-9, 305, Jr.\*\*
- 53 Ryan Dannewitz, 6-6, 300, Fr.-RS

**LEFT GUARD**

- 63 Ethan Adkins, 6-4, 305, Soph.
- 68 Shawn Daniels, 6-3, 285, Soph.\*
- 60 David Clark, 6-4, 310, Soph.

**CENTER**

- 64 Mike Iltis, 6-3, 280, Soph.
- 56 Keenan Stevens, 6-2, 290, Jr.
- 68 Shawn Daniels, 6-3, 285, Soph.\*

**RIGHT GUARD**

- 73 Ryan Miller, 6-8, 320, Soph.\*\*
- 66 Blake Behrens, 6-3, 285, Soph.\*

**RIGHT TACKLE**

- 77 Bryce Givens, 6-6, 275, Fr.-RS
- 71 Matthew Bahr, 6-4, 295, Soph.\*
- 68 Shawn Daniels, 6-3, 285, Soph.\*

**TIGHT END GROUPING**

- 87 Riar Geer, 6-4, 250, Sr.-5\*\*\*
- 33 Patrick Devenny, 6-3, 240, Sr.-5\*
- 34 Ryan Deehan, 6-5, 245, Soph.\*
- 88 Devin Shanahan, 6-5, 250, Sr.-5\* AND
- 81 Luke Walters, 6-3, 240, Sr.-5

**QUARTERBACK**

- 7 Cody Hawkins, 5-11, 190, Jr.\*\*
- 4 Clark Evans, 6-4, 225, Fr. OR
- 10 Seth Lobato, 6-5, 205, Fr.
- (9 #Tyler Hansen, 6-1, 200, Soph.\*)

**TAILBACK GROUPING**

- 8 Demetrius Sumler, 5-10, 215, Jr. \*\* AND
- 20 Brian Lockridge, 5-7, 180, Soph.\* AND
- 2 Darrell Scott, 6-1, 225, Soph.\* AND
- 5 Rodney Stewart, 5-6, 175, Soph.\*
- 36 Corey Nabors, 5-9, 190, Jr.\*\*

**FULLBACK (also may line up at TE on occasion)**

- 41 Jake Behrens, 6-0, 240, Sr.-5\*\*
- 34 Ryan Deehan, 6-5, 245, Soph.\*
- 44 Trace Adams, 6-0, 220, Sr.-5

**DEFENSE**

(4-3 Base/Multiple)

**LEFT DEFENSIVE END**

- 90 Marquez Herrod, 6-2, 280, Jr.\*\*
- 93 Conrad Obi, 6-3, 275, Soph.\*

**DEFENSIVE TACKLE**

- 50 Curtis Cunningham, 6-1, 275, Soph.\*
- 97 Taj Kaynor, 6-5, 275, Sr.-5\*\*
- 94 Nate Bonsu, 6-1, 295, Fr.

**NOSE TACKLE**

- 83 Will Pericak, 6-4, 280, Fr.-RS
- 98 Eugene Goree, 6-1, 300, Soph.\*
- 69 Eric Lawson, 6-3, 270, Jr.\*

**RIGHT DEFENSIVE END**

- 96 Lagrone Shields, 6-3, 275, Soph.\*
- 92 Forrest West, 6-1, 245, Fr.

**MIKE (INSIDE) LINEBACKER**

- 54 Marcus Burton, 6-0, 265, Sr.-5\*\*\*
- 10 Michael Sipili, 6-1, 240, Jr.\* AND
- 52 Bryan Stengel, 6-2, 220, Sr.-5\*

**WILL (INSIDE) LINEBACKER**

- 45 Jeff Smart, 6-0, 225, Sr.-5\*\*\*
- 47 Shaun Mohler, 6-3, 225, Sr.\*
- 31 Jon Major, 6-1, 220, Fr.-RS
- 55 Josh Hartigan, 6-1, 230, Soph.\*

**SAM (OUTSIDE) LINEBACKER**

- 59 B.J. Beatty, 6-2, 220, Jr.\*
- 51 Douglas Rippy, 6-1, 240, Fr.-RS
- 58 Tyler Ahles, 6-2, 240, Soph.\*
- 43 Brandon Gouin, 6-1, 220, Soph.

**LEFT CORNERBACK**

- 29 Cha'pelle Brown, 5-7, 175, Sr.\*\*\* (N)
- 23 Jalil Brown, 6-1, 205, Jr.\*\*
- 22 Arthur Jaffee, 5-11, 205, Soph.

**FREE SAFETY**

- 46 Anthony Perkins, 5-10, 195, Soph.\*
- 19 Travis Sandersfeld, 6-0, 205, Soph.\*

**STRONG SAFETY**

- 26 Ray Polk, 6-1, 210, Fr.-RS
- (12 Patrick Mahnke, 6-1, 205, Soph.\*-injured)

**RIGHT CORNERBACK**

- 3 Jimmy Smith, 6-2, 205, Jr.\*\*
- 42 Benjamin Burney, 5-11, 195, Sr.-5\*\*\*
- 16 Anthony Wright, 6-0, 190, Soph.\*

**SPECIALISTS****PUNTER**

- 14 Matt DiLallo, 6-1, 205, Sr.-5\*\*\* (I)
- 2 Darrell Scott, 6-1, 225, Soph.\* (I)
- 15 Zach Grossnickle, 6-2, 180, Fr.\*

**PLACEKICKER**

- 13 Aric Goodman, 5-10, 190, Jr.\* (KO #1)
- 22 Ryan Aweida, 5-11, 175, Jr.

**KICKOFF RETURN**

- 8 Demetrius Sumler, 5-10, 215, Jr. \*\*
- 2 Darrell Scott, 6-1, 225, Soph.\*
- 20 Brian Lockridge, 5-7, 180, Soph.\*
- 15 Jason Espinoza, 5-8, 175, Soph.\*

**PUNT RETURN**

- 15 Jason Espinoza, 5-8, 175, Soph.\*
- 21 Scotty McKnight, 5-11, 185, Jr.\*\*
- 5 Rodney Stewart, 5-6, 175, Soph.\*

**HOLDER (PINNER)**

- 21 Scotty McKnight, 5-11, 185, Jr.\*\*
- 7 Cody Hawkins, 5-11, 190, Jr.\*\*

**SHORT SNAPPER**

- 70 Justin Drescher, 6-1, 230, Sr.\*\*\*
- 65 Austin Bisnow, 6-0, 210, Jr.
- 68 Joe Silipo, 6-2, 265, Jr.

**LONG SNAPPER**

- 70 Justin Drescher, 6-1, 230, Sr.\*\*\*
- 65 Austin Bisnow, 6-0, 210, Jr.

**OUT FOR EXTENDED TIME**

**OG** Max Tuioti-Mariner, 6-3, 285, Fr.-RS\* (*knee*)  
\*—denotes out for the season.

(L)—throws or kicks left-handed/footed.

**Seniors (17):** Listing with a (-5) indicates fifth-year senior (14); all others are fourth-year seniors (3).

**GROUPING** — indicates all listed could play and order of listing is not that significant.

**AND**—indicates those listed all play/rotate (basically co-first or second team status);

**OR**—indicates first-team status at that spot up for grabs.

(N—denotes nickel back)

(#—plan is to redshirt, but could play if injuries dictate otherwise)

\*—denotes number of letters earned through 2008; *Injured players listed in italics (status questionable or doubtful—not out for extended time; probables listed as normal).*

**CAPTAINS:** 54 Marcus Burton, ILB;  
87 Riar Geer, TE; 45 Jeff Smart, ILB.

**ALPHABETICAL ROSTER**

The Colorado alphabetical roster, including up-to-date heights and weights through fall camp (*as of September 8 a.m.*):

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
44	ADAMS, Trace	FB	6- 0	220	Sr.	VR	Steamboat Springs, Colo. (Steamboat Springs)	WO 1/1
63	ADKINS, Ethan	OL	6- 4	305	So.	VR	Castle Rock, Colo. (Douglas County)	S 3/3
58	AHLES, Tyler	OLB	6- 2	240	So.	1L	San Bernardino, Calif. (Cajon)	S 3/3
22	AWEIDA, Ryan	PK	5-11	175	Jr.	TR	Broomfield, Colo. (Broomfield/Denver)	WO 3/2
71	BAHR, Matthew	OL	6- 4	295	So.	1L	Dove Canyon, Calif. (Mission Viejo)	S 3/3
59	BAKHTIARI, David	OL	6- 4	260	Fr.	HS	Burlingame, Calif. (Junipero Serra)	S 5/4
59	BEATTY, B.J.	OLB	6- 2	220	Jr.	1L	Kaaawa, Hawai'i (Kahuku)	S 2/2
66	BEHRENS, Blake	OL	6- 3	285	So.	1L	Phoenix, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	S 3/3
41	BEHRENS, Jake	FB	6- 0	240	Sr.	2L	Omaha, Neb. (Millard North)	S 1/1
65	BISNOW, Austin	SN	6- 0	210	Jr.	VR	Washington, D.C. (Landon School)	WO 2/2
94	BONSU, Nate	DT	6- 1	295	Fr.	HS	Allen, Texas (Allen)	S 5/4
29	BROWN, Cha'pelle	CB	5- 7	175	Sr.	3L	La Puente, Calif. (Los Altos)	S 2/1
23	BROWN, Jalil	CB	6- 1	205	Jr.	2L	Phoenix, Ariz. (South Mountain)	S 2/2
42	BURNEY, Benjamin	CB	5-11	195	Sr.	3L	Lone Tree, Colo. (Mullen)	S 1/1
54	BURTON, Marcus	ILB	6- 0	265	Sr.	3L	Channelview, Texas (Channelview)	S 1/1
60	CLARK, David	OL	6- 4	310	So.	VR	Aspen, Colo. (Aspen)	WO 3/3
89	CONTE, Mario	WR	5-10	170	Fr.	HS	Lakewood, Colo. (Mullen)	WO 5/4
53	COONEY, Kevin	DE	6- 6	230	So.	VR	Arvada, Colo. (Faith Christian)	WO 3/3
50	CUNNINGHAM, Curtis	DT	6- 1	275	So.	1L	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)	S 4/3
68	DANIELS, Shawn	OL	6- 3	285	So.	1L	Evergreen, Colo. (Denver Mullen)	S 3/3
53	DANNEWITZ, Ryan	OL	6- 6	300	Fr.	RS	San Jacinto, Calif. (San Jacinto)	S 4/4
82	DARDEN, Jarrod	WR	6- 4	210	Fr.	HS	Keller, Texas (Central)	S 5/4
34	DEEHAN, Ryan	TE	6- 5	245	So.	1L	Poway, Calif. (Poway)	S 4/3
33	DEVENNY, Patrick	TE	6- 3	240	Sr.	1L	Roseville, Calif. (Granite Bay)	S 1/1
14	DiLALLO, Matthew	P	6- 1	205	Sr.	3L	Wellington, Fla. (Wellington)	S 1/1
70	DRESCHER, Justin	SN	6- 1	230	Sr.	3L	Southlake, Texas (Carroll)	S 2/1
83	EBNER, Dustin	WR	6- 1	180	Fr.	RS	Arvada, Colo. (Pomona)	WO 4/4
15	ESPINOZA, Jason	WR	5- 8	175	So.	1L	Alamosa, Colo. (Alamosa)	WO 3/3
4	EVANS, Clark	QB	6- 4	225	Fr.	HS	Los Alamitos, Calif. (Los Alamitos)	S 5/4
27	EWING, Vince	S	6- 0	205	Fr.	RS	Carlsbad, Calif. (Carlsbad)	S 4/4
61	FERNANDEZ, Scott	OL	6- 3	260	Fr.	HS	Broomfield, Colo. (Legacy)	WO 5/4
87	GEER, Riar	TE	6- 4	250	Sr.	3L	Grand Junction, Colo. (Fruita-Monument)	S 1/1
77	GIVENS, Bryce	OL	6- 6	275	Fr.	RS	Castle Rock, Colo. (Denver Mullen)	S 4/4
62	GOLDBERG, David	DE	6- 1	250	So.	VR	Aspen, Colo. (Aspen/Penn State)	WO 3/3
13	GOODMAN, Aric	PK	5-10	190	Jr.	1L	Cherry Hills Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek/Wyoming)	S 2/2
98	GOREE, Eugene	DT	6- 1	300	So.	1L	Murfreesboro, Tenn. (Riverdale)	S 3/3
43	GOUIN, Brandon	OLB	6- 1	220	So.	TR	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder/Air Force)	WO 3/3
15	GROSSNICKLE, Zach	PK/P	6- 2	180	Fr.	HS	Denver, Colo. (East)	S 5/4
86	HAM, Cameron	WR	6- 1	200	Jr.	1L	Haxtun, Colo. (Haxtun)	WO 2/2
76	HANDLER, Gus	OL	6- 3	280	Fr.	HS	Barrington, Ill. (Barrington)	S 5/4
9	HANSEN, Tyler	QB	6- 1	200	So.	1L	Murrieta, Calif. (Chaparral)	S 4/3
75	HARRIS, Jack	OL	6- 5	280	Fr.	HS	Parker, Colo. (Chaparral)	S 5/4
55	HARTIGAN, Josh	ILB	6- 1	230	So.	1L	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Northeast)	S 3/3
7	HAWKINS, Cody	QB	5-11	190	Jr.	2L	Boise, Idaho (Bishop Kelly)	S 2/2
18	HAWKINS, Jonathan	CB	5-11	190	So.	1L	Perris, Calif. (Rancho Verde)	S 3/3
90	HEROD, Marquez	DE	6- 2	280	Jr.	2L	Escondido, Calif. (San Pasqual)	S 2/2
17	HICKS, Steven	DB	5-10	180	Fr.	RS	Tyler, Texas (Whitehouse)	S 4/4
28	HILDRETH, Quentin	TB	5- 8	190	Fr.	HS	Aurora, Colo. (Denver East)	WO 5/4
64	ILTIS, Mike	OL	6- 3	280	So.	VR	Sarasota, Fla. (Riverview)	S 3/3
22	JAFFEE, Arthur	CB	5-11	205	So.	VR	Boulder, Colo. (Fairview)	WO 3/3
80	JEFFERSON, Will	WR	5-11	190	Fr.	HS	Moreno Valley, Calif. (Vista del Lago)	S 5/4
44	KASA, Nick	DE	6- 7	270	Fr.	HS	Thornton, Colo. (Legacy)	S 5/4
97	KAYNOR, Taj	DT	6- 5	275	Sr.	2L	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	S 1/1
38	KIRKWOOD, Marcus	PK	6- 6	210	So.	TR	Arvada, Colo. (Faith Christian/Concordia)	WO 3/3
49	LaBARGE, Trevor	TB	5-11	210	Fr.	HS	St. Louis, Mo. (Chaminade Prep)	WO 5/4
69	LAWSON, Eric	DT	6- 3	270	Jr.	1L	Sedalia, Colo. (Douglas County)	S 2/2
10	LOBATO, Seth	QB	6- 5	205	Fr.	HS	Eaton, Colo. (Eaton)	WO 5/4
20	LOCKRIDGE, Brian	TB	5- 7	180	So.	1L	Trabuco Canyon, Calif. (Mission Viejo)	S 3/3
12	MAHNKE, Patrick	S	6- 1	205	So.	1L	Parker, Colo. (Mountain Vista)	S 4/3
31	MAJOR, Jon	ILB	6- 1	220	Fr.	RS	Parker, Colo. (Ponderosa)	S 4/4
39	MANARINO, Erik	S	5- 9	185	So.	TR	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Santa Margarita/Saddleback College)	WO 3/3
12	MAXWELL, Ryan	WR	5- 8	180	So.	TR	Dana Point, Calif. (Santa Margarita/UC-Davis)	WO 3/3
37	McANINCH, Cody	DB	6- 1	200	Fr.	HS	Broomfield, Colo. (Broomfield)	WO 5/4
21	McKNIGHT, Scotty	WR	5-11	185	Jr.	2L	Coto de Caza, Calif. (Tesoro)	S 2/2
20	MEYER, Matt	S	5- 9	190	So.	VR	Laguna Niguel, Calif. (Santa Margarita)	WO 3/3

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No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
30	MIHALCIN, Justin	PK	6- 0	190	Fr.	TR	Golden, Colo. (Ralston Valley/CU-Denver)	WO 4/4
73	MILLER, Ryan	OL	6- 8	320	So.	2L	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)	S 3/3
47	MOHLER, Shaun	ILB	6- 3	225	Sr.	1L	Newport Beach, Calif. (Corona del Mar/Orange Coast College)	S 2/1
25	MOYD, Kevin	TB/WR	5- 7	195	Sr.	3L	Miramar, Fla. (Northwestern)	S 1/1
36	NABORS, Corey	TB	5- 9	190	Jr.	2L	Aurora, Colo. (Rangeview)	S 2/2
48	NOBRIGA, Liloa	LB	6- 2	240	Fr.	HS	Summerlin, Nev. (Palo Verde)	S 5/4
93	OBI, Conrad	DE	6- 3	275	So.	1L	Grayson, Ga. (Grayson)	S 3/3
25	OLATOYE, Deji	CB	6- 1	185	Fr.	HS	Dublin, Ohio (Dublin Scioto)	S 5/4
30	ORMS, Parker	S	5-11	180	Fr.	HS	Wheat Ridge, Colo. (Wheat Ridge)	S 5/4
83	PERICAK, Will	DT	6- 4	280	Fr.	RS	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder)	S 4/4
46	PERKINS, Anthony	S	5-10	195	So.	1L	Northglenn, Colo. (Northglenn)	S 3/3
26	POLK, Ray	S	6- 1	210	Fr.	RS	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	S 4/4
95	POREMB, Tony	DE	6- 1	240	So.	VR	Greenwood Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	WO 3/3
51	RIPPY, Douglas	OLB	6- 1	270	Fr.	RS	Trotwood, Ohio (Trotwood-Madison)	S 4/4
99	SALE, Tyler	DT	6- 3	275	Sr.	VR	Littleton, Colo. (Arapahoe)	WO 1/1
19	SANDERSFELD, Travis	S	6- 0	205	So.	1L	Limon, Colo. (Limon)	S 3/3
2	SCOTT, Darrell	TB	6- 1	215	So.	1L	Ventura, Calif. (St. Bonaventure)	S 4/3
57	SERGEANT, Guy	OLB	6- 1	220	Fr.	RS	Fountain, Colo. (Fountain-Ft. Carson)	WO 4/4
88	SHANAHAN, Devin	TE	6- 5	250	Sr.	1L	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Highlands Ranch)	S 1/1
96	SHIELDS, Lagrone	DE	6- 3	275	So.	1L	Memphis, Tenn. (Ridgeway)	S 3/3
68	SILIPO, Joe	DT/SN	6- 2	265	Jr.	TR	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek/Northern Colorado)	WO 2/2
6	SIMAS, Markques	WR	6- 2	215	So.	VR	San Diego, Calif. (Mira Mesa)	S 3/3
1	SIMMONS, Andre	WR	6- 3	210	Jr.	JC	Blackville, S.C. (Blackville-Hilda/Independence CC)	S 3/2
10	SIPILI, Michael	ILB	6- 1	240	Jr.	2L	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Damien Memorial)	S 2/2
35	SISSOM, Geoff	LB	6- 1	220	Fr.	HS	Greenwood, Ind. (Center Grove)	WO 5/4
13	SLOTA, Jerry	QB	6- 2	220	Fr.	HS	Golden, Colo. (Chaparral)	WO 5/4
45	SMART, Jeff	ILB	6- 0	225	Sr.	3L	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder)	S 1/1
28	SMITH, Bret	S	5-11	190	Jr.	1L	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Regis)	WO 2/2
3	SMITH, Jimmy	CB	6- 2	205	Jr.	2L	Colton, Calif. (Colton)	S 2/2
78	SOLDER, Nate	OT	6- 9	305	Jr.	2L	Buena Vista, Colo. (Buena Vista)	S 2/2
52	STENGEL, Bryan	ILB	6- 2	220	Sr.	1L	Durango, Colo. (Durango)	S 1/1
56	STEVENSON, Keenan	C	6- 2	290	Jr.	VR	Monument, Colo. (Lewis-Palmer)	WO 2/2
5	STEWART, Rodney	TB	5- 6	175	So.	1L	Westerville, Ohio (Brookhaven)	S 4/3
8	SUMLER, Demetrius	TB	5-10	215	Jr.	2L	San Diego, Calif. (Cathedral Catholic)	S 2/2
85	THORNTON, DaVaughn	TE	6- 4	230	Fr.	HS	Denver, Colo. (East)	S 5/4
55	TUIOTI-MARINER, Maxwell	OG	6- 3	285	Fr.	1L	Corona, Calif. (Corona)	S 4/4
18	USSERY, Terdema	WR	6- 3	205	Fr.	HS	Dallas, Texas (St. Mark's School of Texas)	S 5/4
32	VIGO, Paul	CB	6- 1	190	Fr.	HS	New Brunswick, N.J. (New Brunswick)	S 5/4
81	WALTERS, Luke	TE	6- 3	240	Sr.	TR	Lakewood, Colo. (ThunderRidge/New Mexico)	WO 1/1
56	WEBB, Derrick	LB	6- 0	230	Fr.	HS	Memphis, Tenn. (Whitehaven)	S 5/4
92	WEST, Forrest	DE	6- 1	245	Fr.	HS	Canton, Conn. (Salisbury School)	S 5/4
84	WOOD, Alex	TE	6- 2	240	Fr.	HS	Steamboat Springs, Colo. (Steamboat Springs)	WO 5/4
16	WRIGHT, Anthony	WR	6- 0	190	So.	1L	Compton, Calif. (Compton)	S 3/3

Heights and weights recorded as of Aug. 17, 2009. **EXPERIENCE KEY:** #L—indicates number of letters earned through 2008; HS—high school; JC—junior college transfer; RS—freshman redshirt in 2008; TR—transfer; VR—varsity reserve performer. **STATUS KEY:** S—scholarship, WO—walk-on; #/#—clock as of end of 2008 season, i.e., 2/1: two years available to play one in eligibility.

### Inactive Roster Players (Injured/Ineligible)

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Reason	Status
35	CEFALO, Kyle	WR	5-10	165	So.	TR	Boise, Idaho (Bishop Kelly/Oregon St./Wenatchee CC)	Transfer	WO 3/3
...	CELESTINE, Kendrick	WR	5-11	180	Jr.	1L	Mamou, La. (Mamou)	Ineligible	WO 3/2
17	CLEMONS, Toney	WR	6- 2	205	Jr.	TR	New Kensington, Pa. (Valley/Michigan)	Transfer	S 3/2
38	DAVIS, Jameson	PK/P	5-10	195	So.	1L	Eagle, Idaho (Eagle/Boise State)	Injured (Retired)	S 3/3
40	FARLEY, Zackary	OLB	6- 1	215	So.	TR	Thornton, Colo. (Horizon/Mesa State)	Transfer	WO 4/4
79	TAU, Sione	OL	6- 5	325	So.	VR	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Damien Memorial)	Excused	S 3/3