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## CU's Hagan says Buffs will surprise

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The current edition of The [Sporting News](#) <sup>[1]</sup> ranks all 120 NCAA FBS teams and has Colorado at No. 74.

Players or coaches from various schools are quoted for their reaction, among them CU running backs coach [Darrian Hagan](#) <sup>[2]</sup>. Hagan believes Colorado is underrated.

“Seventy-four will prove to be too low,” Hagan said. “I think when people see what we do this fall, they’re going to be surprised.”

“The coaches won’t be — we know what we’ve got — but those who have written us off before the season even starts I firmly believe will wind up being surprised.”

[Air Force](#) <sup>[3]</sup>, at No. 42, is tops among area schools in The [Sporting News](#) <sup>[1]</sup>, preseason rankings. Colorado State is No. 80. [Wyoming](#) <sup>[4]</sup> No. 88. The magazine’s rankings do not include FCS teams such as Northern Colorado.

The [Sporting News](#) <sup>[1]</sup>, top 10 has 1 [Alabama](#) <sup>[5]</sup>, 2 [Ohio](#) <sup>[6]</sup> State, 3 Boise State, 4 [Miami](#) <sup>[7]</sup>, 5 [Florida](#) <sup>[8]</sup>, 6 TCU, 7 [Nebraska](#) <sup>[9]</sup>, 8 Wisconsin, 9 Texas and 10 Oklahoma.

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