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# #7 Eastern Plays at Second FBS Opponent

**After 49-24 loss at Texas Tech, Colorado concludes back-to-back openers against NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision opponents for Eagles**

It's never easy, but for the second-straight week, the schedule is downright difficult for the Eastern Washington University football team.

After opening the season with a 49-24 loss at 12th-ranked Texas Tech, Eastern plays its second-straight NCAA Football Bowl Division foe and member of the Big 12 Conference when the Eagles play at Colorado this Saturday (Sept. 6). Kickoff is 12:30 p.m. Pacific time at Folsom Field in Boulder, Colo.

Eastern, a member of the Big Sky Conference, entered last week's game with a preseason ranking of seventh in the NCAA Football Subdivision rankings. This week, Eastern remained at seventh while Colorado, despite its win, did not receive any votes in the Associated Press FBS poll (Texas Tech remained 12th). A year ago, Eastern finished eighth in the national rankings after a 9-4 finish.

After falling behind 21-0 to TTU, the Eagles won the second quarter 17-7 and stayed within striking distance of the Red Raiders for most of the second half. It was a promising performance that will keep Eastern's confidence level high headed into this week's game versus the powerful Buffaloes, who recorded a convincing, 38-17 season-opening victory over Colorado State.

"We're going to build on it," said first-year Eastern head coach **Beau Baldwin** of his team's opener. "We went into the Texas Tech game believing, and our mindset was to go down there to win. Going into this next week our mindset is to beat Colorado."

Colorado returns its starting quarterback, Cody Hawkins, who happens to be the son of third-year head coach Dan Hawkins. He completed 56 percent of his passes as a redshirt freshman in 2007 for 2,693 yards and 19 touchdowns. In the win over CSU, he was 20-of-29 for 214 yards and a touchdown.

Colorado is coming off a 6-7 record a year ago that included a third-place finish in the Big 12 North with a 4-4 mark. The Buffaloes went on to close the season with a 30-24 loss to Alabama



### Game Facts

**Eastern Washington Univ. "Eagles"**  
at  
**University of Colorado "Buffaloes"**

Saturday, Sept. 6 • 12:30 p.m. Pacific  
Folsom Field (53,750) • Boulder, Colo.

**EWU Coach:** Beau Baldwin (Central Washington '96)

**School Record:** 0-1/0-0 Big Sky (1st Season)

**Career Record:** 10-4 (2nd Season)

**2008:** 0-1/0-0 in Big Sky Conference

**2007:** 9-4/6-2 Big Sky Conference (2nd)

**Last Games:** Texas Tech 49, Eastern Washington 24 (Aug. 30 in Lubbock, Texas)

**Radio:** KGA 1510-AM in Spokane (see page 3 for other stations and information)

**TV:** None

## COLORADO "BUFFALOES"



Dan Hawkins



FS Ryan Walters



**Coach:** Dan Hawkins (UC Davis '84)

**School/Career Record:** 8-17 (2)/61-28 (7)

**2008:** 1-0

**Last Week:** Colorado 38, Colorado State 17 (Aug. 31 in Denver, Colo.)

**2007:** 6-7/4-4 Big 12 North (3rd)

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### 2008 Schedule

Aug. 31	Colorado State	W, 38-17
Sept. 6	Eastern Washington	
Sept. 18	West Virginia	
Sept. 27	vs. Florida State (in Jacksonville)	
Oct. 4	Texas	
Oct. 11	at Kansas	
Oct. 18	Kansas State	
Oct. 25	at Missouri	
Nov. 1	at Texas A&M	
Nov. 8	Iowa State	
Nov. 15	Oklahoma State	
Nov. 28	at Nebraska	

**Series History** - First Meeting

in the Independence Bowl. Earlier in the season, Colorado defeated Texas Tech 31-26 on Oct. 27.

The Eagles will be just the second NCAA Championship Subdivision (FCS) opponent for the Buffaloes, who were upset by Montana State 19-10 on Sept. 2, 2006, in the CU coaching debut for Hawkins. Colorado finished 2-10 in 2006 in its first season under Hawkins, who was coach at Boise State from 2001-2005 and Willamette from 1993-97.

"We know it's not easy -- it's tough to play up a level," Baldwin said. "And we're not only playing up a level, but we're playing against quality, quality FBS teams. We'll practice hard all week, put in a great game plan and let the players let'er rip again on Saturday and go out there to get a victory."

Eastern finished with 364 yards of total offense against the Red Raiders, including 341 through the air as Eastern tied a school record with 38 pass completions. Eastern out-gained Texas Tech in the second quarter 134-107. After falling behind by three touchdowns, Eastern was only outscored 28-24 the rest of the game.

## EWU 2008 Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time/Res.	EWU vs./Last Meeting
A 30	at Texas Tech	Lubbock, Tex.	L, 24-49	First Meeting
S 6	at Colorado	Boulder, Colo.	12:30 p.m.	First Meeting
S 13	Open			
S 20	&Western Wash.	Cheney, Wash.	12:37 p.m.	37-25 ... 1998 - W, 48-10
S 27	*%Idaho State	Cheney, Wash.	6:05 p.m.	20-9 ... 2007 - W, 34-7
O 4	at *Portland State	Portland, Ore.	1:05 p.m.	12-17-1 ... 2007 - L, 21-28
O 11	*~Montana	Cheney, Wash.	2:05 p.m.	10-23-1 ... 2007 - L, 23-24
O 18	at *Montana State	Bozeman, Mont.	12:05 p.m.	23-8 ... 2007 - W, 35-13
O 25	Open			
N 1	*#Sacramento State	Cheney, Wash.	2:05 p.m.	13-3 ... 2007 - W, 38-30
N 8	at *Northern Colorado	Greeley, Colo.	11:05 a.m.	4-1 ... 2007 - W, 17-7
N 15	*Northern Arizona	Cheney, Wash.	2:05 p.m.	15-10 ... 2007 - W, 52-24
N 22	at *Weber State	Ogden, Utah	11:05 a.m.	13-13 ... 2007 - W, 38-16

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 \*Big Sky Conference Game. &Welcome Back Weekend. %Eastern Athletics Hall of Fame  
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"I'm so proud of our players," said Baldwin. "We grinded and battled against a great team. We had to go against a team with great size on their offensive line and some great football players. But we have great football players and a ton of heart on this team. I'm proud of the leadership and the work ethic of the players on this Eastern football team."

However, Eastern had three turnovers, including an interception on the first offensive play of the game

after the ball went through an Eastern receiver's hands. That helped the Red Raiders open their early 21-0 lead.

Interestingly, Colorado took advantage of early Colorado State sloppiness to take leads of 14-0 and 21-7, and never trailed. A Ram miscue on a mis-handled snap on a punt led to a Colorado score and, later, the Buffaloes returned a kickoff for a touchdown. Colorado went on to out-gain the Rams in total offense 367-258.

"We need to clean-up a little bit of the sloppiness," said Baldwin. "One of our goals is to have one or fewer turnovers then we'll feel solid about it, and we had a few turn-

### 2008 Big Sky Conference Football Standings

Team	Big Sky Conference					All Games				
	W	L	PCT	PF	PA	W	L	PCT	PF	PA
Montana State.....	0	0	--	--	--	1	0	1.000	59	3
Weber State.....	0	0	--	--	--	1	0	1.000	62	6
Portland State.....	0	0	--	--	--	1	0	1.000	31	14
Sacramento State.....	0	0	--	--	--	1	0	1.000	45	13
Montana.....	0	0	--	--	--	0	0	--	--	--
Northern Colorado.....	0	0	--	--	--	0	0	--	--	--
Eastern Washington.....	0	0	--	--	--	0	1	.000	24	49
Northern Arizona.....	0	0	--	--	--	0	1	.000	13	30
Idaho State.....	0	0	--	--	--	0	1	.000	7	49

#### Other 2008 EWU Opponents . . .

Texas Tech (Big 12 South).....	0	0	--	--	--	1	0	1.000	49	24
Colorado (Big 12 North).....	0	0	--	--	--	1	0	1.000	38	17
Western Washington (Great NW).....	0	0	--	--	--	0	0	--	--	--

**This Week (times Pacific):** Northern Colorado at Purdue, 10 a.m.; Eastern Washington at Colorado, 12:35 p.m.; Sacramento State at Colorado State, 12:35 p.m.; Idaho State at Idaho, 2:05 p.m.; New Mexico Highlands at Northern Arizona, 3:05 p.m.; Montana State at Kansas State, 4:05 p.m.; Montana at Cal Poly, 6:05 p.m.; Weber State at Hawai'i, 8:05 p.m.; Texas Tech at Nevada; Western Oregon at Western Washington.

**Last Week:** Texas Tech 49, Eastern Washington 24; Boise State 49, Idaho State 7; Montana State 59, Adams State 3; Arizona State 30, Northern Arizona 13; Portland State 31, Western Oregon 14; Sacramento State 45, Humboldt State 13; Weber State 62, Montana-Western 6; Colorado 38, Colorado State 17.

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**Location:** Cheney, Wash.  
**Founded:** 1882  
**Enrollment:** 9,841 (8,322 undergraduates)  
**Switchboard:** 509.359.6200  
**President:** Dr. Rodolfo Arévalo  
**Nickname/Colors:** Eagles/Red and White  
**Affiliation:** NCAA Championship Subdivision  
**Conference:** Big Sky Conference  
**Cheney Stadium:** Woodward Field  
**Capacity/Surface:** 8,600/Grass  
**Ath. Phone:** 509.359-2463/1.800.648.7697  
**Athletic Director:** Bill Chaves  
**Senior Woman Admin.:** Pamela Parks  
**Faculty Representative:** Ron Dalla  
**Head Athletic Trainer:** Brian Norton  
**Facilities Manager:** Kerry Pease  
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**Ticket Manager:** Troy Kirby  
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**Head Football Coach:** Beau Baldwin  
**Alma Mater:** Central Washington '96  
**Record at Eastern:** First Season  
**Career Record:** 11-3, Second Season  
**Big Sky Record:** First Season  
**Best Time to Contact:** Weekday Mornings  
**At This Number:** 509.359.2456  
**2007 EWU Record:** 9-4  
**Big Sky Record:** 6-2 (2nd)  
**All-Time Homecoming Record:** 47-31-3  
**Letterwinners Returning:** 43 (21 offense/19 defense/3 kicker-punter-snapper)  
**Letterwinners Lost:** 20 (9 off/10 def/0 kick-punt)  
**Starters Returning:** 15 (6 off/7 def/2 kick-punt)  
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overs against Texas Tech. Sometimes those are created by great plays by the defense -- it's not always a bad play by the offense. We just need to clean-up some of the sloppiness and keep getting better each day at every position. That's all we can do right now. We need to flush the Texas Tech game and go down to Boulder with the mindset we're going to win."

Defensively, Eastern surrendered 639 yards to TTU, including 536 through the air against a program that led FBS in passing offense and ranked second in total offense in 2007.

But best of all, Eastern came out of the Texas Tech game fairly healthy. The only player to leave the game with an injury was **Alexis Alexander**, who tweaked his knee on his touchdown run in the second quarter.

"I know some guys are tired and beat-up because they played so hard," said Baldwin. "A lot of our players played the whole game because it was close and we were going down there to win. Hopefully all the injuries we did have were minor, and everybody will be back next week -- I think Lex will as well."

-- **Ahead For the Eagles** -- Following Saturday's game, Eastern has a week off before concluding its non-conference schedule with a Sept. 20 game versus NCAA Division II opponent Western Washington. The following week, Eastern opens Big Sky Conference play at home versus Idaho State. The Bengals are coached by John Zamberlin, who Baldwin served as an assistant coach under for six seasons (1997-2002) at Central Washington University.

Western Washington was 2-10 last year and 1-7 in the North Central Conference. The Vikings opened the 2007 season on Sept. 1 with a 28-21 win at UC Davis, a team Eastern defeated 41-31 two weeks later. Western lost eight of its final nine games, including a 63-42 loss at home to FCS powerhouse North Dakota.

Running back Craig Garner returns after rushing for 989 yards and eight touchdowns in nine games for the Vikings. He ranked 25th in NCAA Division II in rushing (109.9 per game) and was 20th in all-purpose yards (157.0). Western opens its 2008 season on Sept. 6 at home versus Western Oregon.

Besides Idaho State, Eastern plays league home games in 2008 versus Montana (Oct. 6), Sacramento State (Nov. 1) and Northern Arizona (Nov. 15). Eastern's four Big Sky opponents at home had a collective 23-22 record overall and 18-14 league mark in 2007, led by Montana's 11-1 record overall and perfect 8-0 record in the BSC. Eastern's 2008 road opponents were 15-30 overall and 12-20 in the conference.

# 2008 RANKINGS

## EWU in the Sports Network Poll

- Sept. 1: 7th (Appalachian State #1; Montana #5); Preseason: 7th (Appalachian State #1; Montana #8); 2007 Final: 8th (Appalachian State #1; Montana #10)

## Current Sports Network Poll (Sept. 1, 2008)

Team (First-place votes)	Record	Points	Previous Rank
1. Appalachian State Mountaineers (62)	0-1	2,625	1
2. North Dakota State Bison (42)	1-0	2,555	2
3. Richmond Spiders (4)	1-0	2,406	4
4. Massachusetts Minutemen	1-0	2,226	5
5. Montana Grizzlies (1)	0-0	1,919	8
6. Delaware Blue Hens	0-1	1,856	9
7. Eastern Washington Eagles	0-1	1,870	7
8. James Madison Dukes	0-1	1,821	6
9. Northern Iowa Panthers	0-1	1,781	3
10. McNeese State Cowboys	0-1	1,761	10
11. Cal Poly Mustangs	1-0	1,664	14
12. Southern Illinois Salukis	0-0	1,451	11
13. Wofford Terriers	1-0	1,407	13
14. Youngstown State Penguins	0-1	1,148	14
15. New Hampshire Wildcats	0-0	918	16
16. Georgia Southern Eagles	0-1	868	17
17. Elon Phoenix	0-1	747	15
18. Western Illinois Leathernecks	0-1	659	25
19. Eastern Illinois Panthers	0-1	600	18
20. The Citadel Bulldogs	1-0	521	23
21. South Dakota State Jackrabbits	0-1	515	19
22. Central Arkansas Bears	1-0	507	22
23. Villanova Wildcats	0-1	491	21
24. Eastern Kentucky Colonels	0-1	378	20
25. Harvard Crimson	0-0	259	24

Others receiving votes: Furman 149, Sam Houston State 128, UC Davis 125, 29. Montana State 113, Liberty 103, 31. Northern Arizona 91, Delaware State 87, Fordham 76, Hampton 66, Yale 57, Norfolk State 48, Jacksonville State 47, Holy Cross 40, 39. Weber State 38, Northwestern State 32, South Carolina State 30, Southern 28, Tennessee State 24, Colgate 20, North Dakota 19, Brown 15, Grambling 14, Lafayette 14, Florida A&M 13, San Diego 10, Coastal Carolina 7, Prairie View 7, Stony Brook 4, Tennessee-Martin 3, Tennessee Tech 3, Dayton 3, Albany 2, Morehead State 2, Alabama State 1, Hofstra 1, Jackson State 1.

FCS Coaches (Sept. 1): 1. North Dakota State; 6. Montana; 10. Eastern Washington; 25. Northern Arizona; 27. Montana State; 42. Weber State; 44. Sacramento State.

SME Network Top 25 (Sept. 1): 1. Appalachian State; 7. Montana; 8. Eastern Washington; 27. Montana State; 30. Northern Arizona; 33. Portland State.

Sagarin Computer Ratings Among FCS Schools (Sept. 1): 1. Appalachian State (60th overall); 4. Montana (89th overall); 12. Eastern Washington (104th overall); 20. Northern Arizona; 28. Portland State; 29. Montana State; 47. Weber State; 52. Idaho State; 63. Sacramento State; 84. Northern Colorado. Also (overall), 29. Texas Tech; 43. Colorado.

## 2008 Preseason Rankings

The Sports Network (preseason): 1. Appalachian State; 7. Eastern Washington; 8. Montana; 11. McNeese State; 45. Northern Arizona.

FCS Coaches (preseason): 1. Appalachian State; 7. Montana; 9. Eastern Washington; 10. McNeese State; 26. Northern Arizona; 46. Montana State.

AGS/anygivensaturday.com (preseason): 1. Appalachian State; 6. Montana; 8. McNeese State; 9. Eastern Washington.

SME Network Top 25 (preseason): 1. Appalachian State; 6. Eastern Washington; 6. Montana; 10. McNeese State; 27. Montana State; 30. Northern Arizona; 36. Portland State; 47. Weber State.

Lindy's Football Preview (preseason): 1. Appalachian State; 5. Montana; 6. Eastern Washington; 8. McNeese State; 13. Montana State.

Phil Steele's Football (preseason): 1. James Madison; 6. Eastern Washington; 12. Montana; 14. McNeese State; 24. Weber State.

The Sporting News (preseason): 1. Appalachian State; 4. Eastern Washington; 6. Montana; 13. McNeese State; 18. Montana State.

## 2007 Final Rankings

The Sports Network: 1. Appalachian State; 8. Eastern Washington; 10. Montana; 10. McNeese State; 26. Northern Arizona; 32. Montana State; 47. Weber State.

FCS Coaches: 1. Appalachian State; 8. Eastern Washington; 11. McNeese State; 12. Montana; 34. Montana State.

AGS/anygivensaturday.com: 1. Appalachian State; 8. Eastern Washington; 11. Montana; 12. McNeese State.

Football Gazette Top 40 Rankings (updated on 12/9): 1. North Dakota State; 2. Appalachian State; 5. Eastern Washington; 11. Montana; 15. McNeese State; 29. Northern Arizona.

SME Network Top 25: 1. Appalachian State; 9. Eastern Washington; 10. Montana; 11. McNeese State; 32. Montana State.

Sagarin Computer Ratings Among FCS Schools (Final): 1. Appalachian State (44th overall); 15. McNeese State (100th overall); 17. Montana (104th overall); 21. Eastern Washington (110th overall); 34. UC Davis; 42. Northern Arizona; 57. Montana State; 64. Weber State; 71. Sacramento State; 72. Portland State; 88. Idaho State; 101. Northern Colorado. Also (overall), 17. Brigham Young; 24. Texas Tech; 56. Colorado.



-- Like 2006, Eagles Open Versus Pair of FBS Teams --

Like 2006, Eastern opens the 2008 season with a pair of games versus NCAA Football Bowl Division teams -- Aug. 30 at Texas Tech and Sept. 6 at Colorado. In 2006, Eastern opened the season with a 56-17 loss at Oregon State and a 52-3 setback at nationally-ranked West Virginia.

"There were so many freshmen and sophomores on the field in '06, it was going to be hard," said Baldwin of his recollections of 2006 when he was EWU's offensive coordinator. "It didn't matter if we were playing Big Sky opponents or Pac 10 opponents that season. But now we have a veteran group that has played in a lot of big games against larger schools and in a couple of big playoff games last year. They've been in those situations. Not only are we a more talented team than '06, but more than anything, we're more mature and understand the situation because we've already been down that road."

After a 49-24 loss to Texas Tech, Eastern is now 7-16 all-time versus FBS opponents, but hasn't won its last six meetings since beating Idaho 8-5 in 2003. Eastern also lost in 2007 to Brigham Young 42-7. Several current Eagles played in those FBS games in 2006 and 2007, including Nichols, who made his starting debut against West Virginia.

"They understand what it's all about," said Baldwin. "We've talked about those games and situations we were in during the past two seasons. But this is a different bunch -- they're older and they've been down that road. The biggest thing for them is to not wait a quarter to figure out that their 11 guys put on their pads and cleats like we do. That sometimes can happen to younger players, but our veterans are doing a great job of leading. I have no doubt in my mind they'll come out swinging from play one."

-- **Nichols Has Seventh 300-Yard Passing Game** -- Junior quarterback **Matt Nichols** had the seventh 300-yard passing game in his 25-game career when he completed 36-of-61 passes for 335 yards and a touchdown against Texas Tech on Aug. 30. Currently on the 2008 Walter Payton Award Watch List, his completions and attempts in that game both ranked as the second-most in school history.

On EWU's career passing lists, Nichols ranks in the top five in all categories, including third in passing yards (5,828), average yards per game (233.1) and total offense (6,322). He is also fifth in efficiency rating (135.8), fifth in touchdown passes (43), third in completions (459) and fifth in attempts (760).

Nichols finished his 2007 season ranked in the top eight in three statistical categories in the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision. He was eighth in FCS in passing efficiency rating (156.5), fifth in passing offense (288.0) and fifth in total offense (318.2) to lead the Big Sky in all three categories.

Nichols passed for 3,744 yards, 34 touchdowns and nine interceptions in 2007 after having 17 interceptions (equaling a school record) and eight touchdowns as a redshirt freshman.

## 2008 HONORS

### The Sports Network Walter Payton Award Watch List (2008 preseason/16 players)

- 16 - **Matt Nichols** - Quarterback - So. - Cottonwood, Calif. (West Valley HS '05)

### The Sports Network Buck Buchanan Award Watch List (2008 preseason/16 players)

- 94 - **Greg Peach** - Defensive End - Sr. - Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)

### Lindy's Preview Magazine FCS Offensive Player of the Year (2008 Preseason)

- 16 - **Matt Nichols** - Quarterback - So. - Cottonwood, Calif. (West Valley HS '05)

### The Sports Network All-America Second Team (2008 Preseason)

- 9 - **Aaron Boyce** - Wide Receiver - Jr. - Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)

### College Sporting News All-America Second Team (2008 Preseason)

- 9 - **Aaron Boyce** - Wide Receiver - Jr. - Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
- 94 - **Greg Peach** - Defensive End - Sr. - Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)

### Phil Steele's College Football All-America Second Team (2008 Preseason)

- 9 - **Aaron Boyce** - Wide Receiver - Jr. - Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)

### Lindy's Preview Magazine All-America Second Team (2008 Preseason)

- 94 - **Greg Peach** - Defensive End - Sr. - Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)

### The Sports Network All-America Third Team (2008 Preseason)

- 94 - **Greg Peach** - Defensive End - Sr. - Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)
- 55 - **Lance Witherspoon** - Defensive Tackle - Sr. - Federal Way, Wash. (Decatur HS '04)
- 44 - **Alexis Alexander** - Fullback - Sr. - Medical Lake, Wash. (Medical Lake HS '01 & Wash. St. U.)

### College Sporting News All-America Second Team (2008 Preseason)

- 55 - **Lance Witherspoon** - Defensive Tackle - Sr. - Federal Way, Wash. (Decatur HS '04)

### All-Big Sky Conference (2008 Preseason)

- 16 - **Matt Nichols** - Quarterback - So. - Cottonwood, Calif. (West Valley HS '05)
- 9 - **Aaron Boyce** - Wide Receiver - Jr. - Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
- 94 - **Greg Peach** - Defensive End - Sr. - Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)
- 55 - **Lance Witherspoon** - Defensive Tackle - Sr. - Federal Way, Wash. (Decatur HS '04)

Among the five school records he set in 2007, he broke the school record of 31 touchdown passes set by Erik Meyer in 2004.

Nichols also broke the school's single season rushing record for quarterbacks as he finished with 392 to break the record of 275 set by Mark Laitala in 1978. Meyer holds the career record with 681, and Nichols already has 507 in his career.

The other records he broke were the school's single season completions record (280) and single game marks for touchdown passes (six versus Montana Western) and completions (37 at Montana).

Nichols' passing yardage total is the second-most in school history -- easily the most-ever for an EWU sophomore (Meyer had 2,301 as a sophomore in 2003). His average of 288.0 yards per game was fourth and his 4,136 yards of total offense were second. He ranked just behind the quarterback he replaced -- Meyer, the 2005 winner of the Walter Payton Award -- who set school records in 2005 with 4,003 passing yards, a 333.6 average per game and 4,224 total yards.

Nichols had just nine interceptions in 440 attempts in 2007 after throwing a school-record 17 interceptions a year earlier. His ratio as a sophomore was an interception every 15.2 attempts and in 2007 it was one for every 48.9 attempts. His passing efficiency of 156.5 was much-improved from his 109.0 rating as a freshman.

Nichols had a school-record 37 completions on 59 attempts for 451 yards -- third best in school history -- in Eastern's disappointing 24-23 loss to Montana on Oct. 6. He came close to that with 34 completions in 44 attempts for 434 yards -- sixth-best all-time at EWU -- in a playoff win over McNeese State on Nov. 24. He completed 19-of-30 passes against Portland State, and his 363 yards in that game now ranks as the 25th best in school history. His previous career high was 329 as a freshman against Sacramento State.

Below is a complete list of his 300-yard outings:

### 300-Yard Passing Games for Nichols

451 - 37x59, 2td - Montana - 10/6/07 (#3 in school history)  
 434 - 34x44, 2td - McNeese State - 11/24/07 (#6 in school history)  
 363 - 19x30, 2td - Portland State - 9/29/07 (#25 in school history)  
 335 - 36x61, 1td - Texas Tech - 8/30/08 (#38 in school history)  
 329 - 21x42, 1td - Sacramento State - 9/30/06  
 328 - 20x29, 3td - Sacramento State - 10/27/07  
 316 - 17x22, 5td - Northern Arizona - 11/10/07

### 300-Yard Total Offense Games for Nichols

478 - 451 passing, 27 rushing - Montana - 10/6/07  
 459 - 434 passing, 25 rushing - McNeese State - 11/24/07  
 370 - 363 passing, 7 rushing - Portland State - 9/29/07  
 359 - 256 passing, 103 rushing - Weber State - 11/17/07  
 359 - 329 passing, 30 rushing - Sacramento State - 9/30/06  
 364 - 316 passing, 48 rushing - Northern Arizona - 11/10/07  
 355 - 328 passing, 27 rushing - Sacramento State - 10/27/07  
 322 - 335 passing, -13 rushing - Texas Tech - 8/30/08

## 2007 HONORS

### By Players on 2008 Roster

- **College Sporting News "Fabulous Fifty" FCS All-America team**
- 9 - **Aaron Boyce** - Wide Receiver - So. - Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
- **The Sports Network All-America First Team**
- 9 - **Aaron Boyce** - Wide Receiver - So. - Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
- **The Sports Network All-America Honorable Mention**
- 94 - **Greg Peach** - Defensive End - Jr. - Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)
- 97 - **Lance Witherspoon** - Defensive Tackle - Jr. - Federal Way, Wash. (Decatur HS '04)
- **Associated Press All-America Second Team**
- 9 - **Aaron Boyce** - Wide Receiver - So. - Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
- 94 - **Greg Peach** - Defensive End - Jr. - Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)
- **CollegeSportsReport.com All-America Second Team**
- 9 - **Aaron Boyce** - Wide Receiver - So. - Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
- **Big Sky Conference Offensive MVP**
- 16 - **Matt Nichols** - Quarterback - So. - Cottonwood, Calif. (West Valley HS '05)
- **First Team All-Big Sky Conference**
- 16 - **Matt Nichols** - Quarterback - So. - Cottonwood, Calif. (West Valley HS '05)
- 9 - **Aaron Boyce** - Wide Receiver - So. - Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
- 94 - **Greg Peach** - Defensive End - Jr. - Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)
- ^Also honorable mention All-Big Sky in 2006.
- **Second Team All-Big Sky Conference**
- 97 - **Lance Witherspoon** - Defensive Tackle - Jr. - Federal Way, Wash. (Decatur HS '04)
- **Honorable Mention All-Big Sky Conference**
- 83 - **Brynsen Brown** - Wide Receiver - So. - Puyallup, Wash. (Emerald Ridge HS '05)
- 22 - **Dale Morris** - Running Back - Jr. - Eugene, Ore. (Marist HS '04)
- 42 - **Shawn Powell** - Defensive Tackle - Jr. - Spokane, Wash. (Shadle Park HS '04)
- 55 - **Jason Belford** - Defensive End - Jr. - Tacoma, Wash. (Lincoln HS '04)
- 27 - **Makai Borden** - Inside Linebacker - So. - Puyallup, Wash. (Puyallup HS '05)
- 35 - **Adam Macomber** - Special Teams - Jr. - Port Angeles, Wash. (Port Angeles HS '05)
- **Big Sky Conference Player of the Week**
- Quarterback - **Matt Nichols** (vs. Montana-Western - Win, 52-13 - School-record six touchdown passes)
- Punter - **Fritz Brayton** (vs. Idaho State - Win, 34-7 - 47.7 average in six punts with long of 53, two downed inside ISU 9)
- Defensive Tackle - **Lance Witherspoon** (vs. Montana State - Win, 35-13 - 10 tackles, one sack)
- Quarterback - **Matt Nichols** (vs. Northern Arizona - Win, 52-24 - 17-of-22, five touchdowns, 316 yards)
- Defensive End - **Jason Belford** (vs. Northern Arizona - Win 52-24 - Eight tackles, interception for a touchdown)
- Quarterback - **Matt Nichols** (vs. Weber State - Win, 38-16 - 359 yards of total offense/256 passing, 103 rushing)
- **Sports Network National FCS Offensive Player of the Week**
- Wide Receiver - **Aaron Boyce** (vs. Montana - Loss, 23-24 - School-record 17 catches for 232 yards and one touchdown)
- **Football Gazette National FCS Player of the Week**
- Quarterback - **Matt Nichols** (vs. Northern Arizona - Win, 52-24 - 17-of-22, five touchdowns, 316 yards)
- Quarterback - **Matt Nichols** (vs. Montana - Loss, 23-24 - 37-of-59, two touchdowns, 451 yards)
- Punter - **Fritz Brayton** (vs. Idaho State - Win, 34-7 - 47.7 average in six punts with long of 53, two downed inside ISU 9)
- **ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District VIII First Team**
- Defensive Line - **Jacob Kragt** - Biology - Sophomore - Ritzville, Wash.
- **ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District VIII Second Team**
- Wide Receiver - **Tony Davis** - Interdisciplinary Studies - Sophomore - Olympia, Wash.
- Defensive Back - **Brett Iginoba** - Biology - Sophomore - Cheney, Wash.
- **Big Sky Conference All-Academic Team**
- **Alexis Alexander** - Medical Lake, Wash. (ML HS '01 & WSU) - Jr. - Electrical Engineering
- **Tony Davis** - Olympia, Wash. (Capital HS '05) - So. - Interdisciplinary Studies
- **Jacob Kragt** - Ritzville, Wash. (Lind-Ritzville HS '05) - So. - Biology
- **Mark Lathim** - Connell, Wash. (Connell HS '04) - Jr. - Professional Accounting
- **Brice Leahy** - Gig Harbor, Wash. (Gig Harbor HS '06) - Fr. - Undecided
- **Lorenzo Lomack** - San Diego, Calif. (Bonita Vista HS '06) - Fr. - General Management
- **Matt Martin** - La Crosse, Wash. (La Crosse-Washtucna HS '06) - Fr. - Communications
- **John Rice** - Buckley, Wash. (White River HS '05) - So. - Interdisciplinary Studies/History
- **J.C. Sherritt** - Pullman, Wash. (Pullman HS '06) - Fr. - Health and Fitness
- **Alex Smart** - North Bend, Wash. (Mount St HS '04) - Jr. - Interdisciplinary Studies
- **Bryan Smith** - Enumclaw, Wash. (Enumclaw HS '04) - Jr. - Government
- **Chris Thomas** - Sumner, Wash. (Sumner HS '05) - So. - Biology/Pre-Medicine
- **Marcus Walker** - Pullman, Wash. (Pullman HS '04) - Jr. - Interdisciplinary Studies

-- **Davis Has Second-Best Receiving Performance in School History** -- Junior **Tony Davis**, who missed four games last season with a shoulder injury, led the Eagles with 13 catches for 114 yards and a touchdown in Eastern's 49-24 loss to Texas Tech on Aug. 30. His catch total equaled the second most in school history, ranking only behind the 17 teammate Aaron Boyce had in 2007 against Montana. Davis, a 2005 graduate of Capital High School in Olympia, Wash., now has four 100-yard receiving performances in his Eastern career. In 21 total games, he has 96 receptions for 1,153 yards and seven touchdowns.

#### 100-Yard Receiving Games for Davis

- 150 (6 catches, 0 TD) - Tony Davis - Idaho State - 9/22/07
- 131 (8 catches, 1 TD) - Tony Davis - McNeese State - 11/24/07
- 114 (13 catches, 1 TD) - Tony Davis - Texas Tech - 8/30/08
- 112 (6 catches, 0 TD) - Tony Davis - Central Washington - 9/16/06

-- **Twin Stat Line for Johnson Twins** -- The stat lines were nearly the same for twin brothers **Matt Johnson** and **Zach Johnson** as both had impressive collegiate debuts in Eastern's 49-24 loss at Texas Tech on Aug. 30. Both 2006 graduates of Tumwater, Wash., High School, Matt started at strong safety and Zach started at strong-side inside linebacker.

The Johnson brothers finished with a combined 18 tackles, including eight tackles and three passes broken up by Zach. Matt had a team-high 10 tackles and a game-changing interception in the second quarter. The Eagles trailed 21-0 when Matt intercepted a pass and returned it 47 yards to the TTU 7-yard line. Two plays later, **Alexis Alexander** scored from one yard out to give EWU its first score.

"They are great players and have bought right in," said Baldwin of the twins. "They're coachable, they can run, they can tackle -- they have all the tools to be great defensive players in this league. They left it on the field and went hard. There was no question that a lot of young players stepped up against Texas Tech."

-- **Macias Kicks 55-Yarder to Rank Third in School History** -- Senior kicker **Felipe Macias** booted a 55-yard field goal against Texas Tech on Aug. 30 to pull Eastern to within 28-17 at halftime. It was the third-longest in school history behind boots of 57 and 56 yards. Brett Bergstrom kicked a 56-yarder in 2006 while the school record is a 57-yarder that Eric Stein had in 1987. However, both of those kicks came at much higher altitudes and thinner air. Bergstrom's was in Greeley, Colo. (elevation 4,711), and Stein's was in Bozeman, Mont. (4,872). Macias kicked his in high humidity in Lubbock, Texas (elevation 3,222), but did have the wind at his back.

-- **Wide Receiver Trio Ahead of Previous Quartet** -- Eastern's receiving corp in 2008 includes three juniors -- **Tony Davis**, **Brynsen Brown** and **Aaron Boyce** -- who have started since they were freshmen in 2006. In their careers, that trio

## EAGLE EXCELLENCE

- **Six NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (formerly I-AA) Playoff Berths (1985, 1992, 1997, 2004, 2005, 2007)**
- **Four Big Sky Championships (1992, 1997, 2004, 2005), including back-to-back titles in 2004 and 2005**
- **Two FCS Total Offense Championships (1997, 2001)**

### Eagle Pride . . .

- Quarterback **Erik Meyer** won the 2005 Walter Payton Award presented by The Sports Network to the top player in the NCAA Championship Subdivision. He and wide receiver **Eric Kimble** were Eastern's first-ever back-to-back All-America selections at their positions.
- Eastern players have been selected as the Big Sky Conference Offensive MVP in five of the last seven seasons. The last four have been quarterbacks, including **Matt Nichols** (2007), **Erik Meyer** (2005 and 2004) and **Josh Blankenship** (2002), as well as running back **Jesse Chatman** (2001).
- A total of 55 Eagles have been drafted or signed free agent contracts with NFL or CFL teams since 1989.
- Eagle All-America offensive tackle **Michael Roos** became the highest draft choice in school history when Tennessee selected him in the second round of the 2005 NFL draft. He was the 41st selection overall, the third offensive tackle selected and the first NCAA Championship Subdivision player taken. In addition, he was the first Big Sky Conference player selected and the highest since 1989. He has started 96-straight games (through the 2007 season) -- 35 at EWU and 61 for the Titans.
- Six Eagles have been selected to participate in the NFL Scouting Combine in the past five years (2003-2007), with four selected to play in eight different college all-star games.
- The Eagles have won 43 first team All-America honors in the past 11 seasons (1997-2007)
- Eagles have earned eight *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-America honors since 1989, including four first team selections.
- Eastern players have been honored 46 times from 1989-2007 on the *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District VIII football team. The squad includes NCAA Championship Subdivision and NCAA Bowl Subdivision football players from schools in Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Utah, Arizona, Nevada, Alaska, Hawaii and British Columbia. Six players have gone on to win eight Academic All-America honors.
- Seven Eagles have been selected to the NCAA Championship Subdivision Athletic Directors Association Academic All-Star team since the award began in 1998 (through 2007).
- 187 Eagles have been selected to the Big Sky All-Academic team in the past 11 years (1997-2007) -- an average of exactly 17 per year. From 2001-2007, Eastern had the most in the Big Sky with 134 while the next-best school had 96.
- Eleven Eastern football players have been honored as EWU's recipient of the Big Sky Conference Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award. The latest player honored was perfect 4.0 student Tom McAndrews in the 2007-08 school year. The 11 honors have come in the past 21 years since EWU became a member of the league in fall 1987.

### Eagle Tradition . . .

- The Eagles have had 16 offensive linemen earn All-America accolades in the last 15 years (1993-2007) while winning 18 first team All-Big Sky Conference honors.
- A total of 56 players have earned first team All-Big Sky Conference honors since 1997 (through 2007).
- The Eagles have won 62 Big Sky Player of the Week honors in the past nine seasons (1997-2007).
- In nine of the last 13 seasons (1995-2007), Eastern has had a 1,000-yard rusher, including six different players. Dale Morris came close with 930 in 2007.

### Eagle Consistency . . .

- In the past 11 years (1997-2007), the Eagles have won 60 percent (77-52) of their games overall and 61 percent (51-32) in Big Sky Conference play. Included are three Big Sky titles and three runner-up finishes, as well as nine winning seasons and four NCAA Championship Subdivision Playoff berths.
- Eastern has averaged 32.1 points on offense and allowed 25.2 points on defense in the past 11 seasons (1997-2007).



has already combined for 314 catches for 4,308 yards and 27 touchdowns in 71 games worth of experience (58 starts). They combined for 118 catches for 1,539 yards and eight touchdowns as redshirt freshmen in 2006, then combined for 172 catches for 2,561 yards and 18 scores in 2007.

That trio is a reminder of a recent quartet of players that began playing with quarterback Erik Meyer in 2002. Eric Kimble, Raul Vijil, Richmond Sanders and Craig McIntyre had career totals of 503 catches for 7,858 yards and 74 touchdowns in 156 games worth of experience (74 starts). But after their first two seasons as Eagles, that quartet had just 121 catches, for 1,774 yards and 17 touchdowns -- less than half of the production that Davis, Brown and Boyce had in their first two years.

In 2005, Meyer and his teammates won their second-straight Big Sky Conference title and appeared in the playoffs for the second-straight season. Meyer would go on to win the Walter Payton Award in 2005 as the top player in the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision.

-- **Baldwin Likes Team's Character and Leadership** -- With 15 starters and 43 total letter winners returning from last year's squad, Eastern is hoping to continue the momentum from the 2007 season when the Eagles returned to the top of the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision scene with a 9-4 finish after a dismal 3-8 record the year before. Eastern advanced to the FCS Playoffs for the third time in the last four seasons and closed the year ranked eighth in the final Sports Network poll of the year.

"I like the makeup of our team a lot," said Baldwin. "Not only do we have great talent, but we have great character and leadership. Those are things your team has to have if they don't want to be just good but strive to be great. We are nowhere near that at this moment, but in my opinion we have the right makeup to be consistent throughout the year."

-- **Eagles Versus Football Bowl Subdivision Members** -- Since 1982 when it became a member of the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision, Eastern is now 7-16 all-time versus Football Bowl Subdivision teams. A 35-17 win over Connecticut on Sept. 8, 2001, snapped a five-game losing streak versus FBS foes. Here is Eastern's complete list of games versus FBS members since 1983.

#### Year - Opponent - Result

1983 - Cal State-Long Beach - W, 20-17  
 1985 - at Cal State-Long Beach - W, 30-23  
 1986 - at Cal State-Long Beach - L, 34-35  
 1990 - at #10 Houston - L, 21-84  
 1994 - at Utah State - W, 49-31  
 1996 - at Boise State - W, 27-21  
 1996 - at Idaho - L, 27-37  
 1997 - Idaho - W, 24-21  
 1998 - at Idaho - L, 14-31

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### Eagle Football Live Television Broadcasts

Saturday, Sept. 27 - 12:30 p.m. - Altitude Sports & Entertainment (DirecTV 681/682; Dish Network 410) - vs. Idaho State  
 Saturday, Oct. 11 - 2 p.m. - KSKN Channel 22 (Spokane) - vs. Montana

### Eagle Football Live Radio Broadcasts

Eagle Radio Broadcasts in 2008 may be heard live throughout the Inland Northwest on the Eagle Radio Network as Larry Weir returns for his 18th season calling the play-by-play. Paul Sorensen will handle analysis and color on the broadcasts, and Paul Seebeck will serve as the host of the pre-game show. Broadcasts begin one hour prior to kickoff and the post-game show continues for about a half-hour after games conclude. Stations on the network include:

#### KGA 1510-AM - Spokane

-- Note: Due to programming conflicts, some games will be carried on alternate stations in Spokane. They include Sept. 20 vs. Western Washington (1050-AM) and possibly others.

#### KITZ 1400-AM - Port Orchard/Seattle

#### KGTK 920-AM - Olympia/Tacoma

### FREE Internet Streaming of Radio Broadcasts

Eagle Football Radio Broadcasts on the road in 2008 (as well as men's basketball road contests in 2008-09) may be heard live, FREE of charge, via the internet. For football, men's basketball and women's basketball home games, internet access for radio broadcasts may be obtained via Big Sky TV.Org (information below).

Internet Broadcast: <http://www.teamline.cc>

### FREE Big Sky TV.Org/Comcast on Demand

All Big Sky Conference football, men's basketball, women's volleyball and women's basketball games, as well as non-league games hosted by Big Sky schools, will be video streamed live on the internet. Eastern home football and men's basketball games will include play-by-play by radio broadcaster Larry Weir. In 2008-09, games will be provided FREE to viewers with enhanced services available for a fee. All Eastern home football games will also be made available the following week in Spokane via Comcast on Demand.

Big Sky TV.Org Web Site: <http://WWW.BIGSKYTV.ORG>

Comcast Website: <http://www.comcast.com/>

### Weekly Radio Shows

Beau Baldwin will be a regular guest weekly on Spokane Sports with Sean Widmer (KGA 1510-AM) and on the Dennis Patchin show (ESPN Radio 700-AM).

Monday - 3:25 p.m. - ESPN Radio 700-AM

Monday - 4:15 p.m. - KGA 1510-AM

### 2008 Football Season Preview

This half-hour preview show features highlights from 2007 and previews the 2008 season.

Hosted by Paul Seebeck and produced by Davin Perry, the show includes interviews with head coach Beau Baldwin, offensive coordinator Joe Wade, defensive coordinator John Graham and players Matt Nichols and Greg Peach.

Various Showings from 7-8 p.m. - Comcast TV Channel 16 and 79 (Spokane)

Various Showings from 7-10 p.m. - Cheney-Medical Lake Cable Channel 12

### Eagle Coaches Luncheons

Eagle Coaches Luncheons, featuring head football coach Beau Baldwin and special guests, will take place Tuesdays at noon. The first luncheon takes place on Sept. 16 and include video from the previous week's football game. They will feature information on football and other current sports through Nov. 25, then switch to basketball and other sports on a monthly basis (Dec. 2, Jan. 6, Feb. 3, March 3, April 7 and May 5). All luncheons will take place at the Holiday Inn near the Spokane Airport, except for Oct. 28 and Dec. 2 which will take place at a location to be determined. Cost for the buffet lunch is \$15. The Holiday Inn Spokane Airport is located off the Sunset Highway at 1616 S. Windsor Drive. From Interstate 90, take exit 277 (Highway 2, Sunset Highway) to the West Spokane exit. Turn right (east) to Windsor Drive and turn right at the hotel.

Tuesdays - Noon - Holiday Inn Spokane Airport - \$15 per person

Note: Luncheons on Oct. 28 and Dec. 2 will not take place at the Holiday Inn Spokane Airport, but will take place at location to be determined.

### Alumni Functions/Homecoming

The Eastern Washington University Alumni office hosts several pre-game functions during the season. For more information on the EWU Alumni Office, go to: <http://www.ewu.edu/x365.xml>

1999 - Idaho - L, 21-48  
 1999 - at Boise State - L, 7-41  
 2000 - at Oregon State - L, 19-21  
 2000 - at Boise State - L, 23-41  
 2001 - at Connecticut - W, 35-17  
 2002 - at Arizona State - L, 2-38  
 2003 - at San Diego State - L, 9-19  
 2003 - at Idaho - W, 8-5  
 2004 - at Air Force - L, 20-42  
 2005 - at San Jose State - L, 21-35  
 2006 - at Oregon State - L, 17-56  
 2006 - at #6 West Virginia - L, 3-52  
 2007 - at Brigham Young - L, 7-42  
 2008 - at Texas Tech - L, 24-49  
 2008 - at Colorado

**-- EWU Plays in Front of Largest Crowds in School History in 2006-2008** -- Three of the five largest crowds Eastern has ever played in front of have come in the last three seasons. The 49,887 on hand in Lubbock, Texas, for EWU's 2007 game versus Texas Tech was third in history.

Eastern's 2007 game at BYU in sold-out LaVell Edwards Stadium broke the year-old record for the largest crowd the Eagles have ever played in front of. Strong winds, rain, snow and temperatures ranging from 37-45 degrees didn't keep many fans at home as the announced crowd of 64,522 was even larger than the stadium's listed capacity of 64,045.

Eastern's 2006 game versus West Virginia at sold-out Milan Puskar Stadium was attended by 59,504 fans -- the largest crowd by nearly 20,000 fans the Eagles have ever played against. The previous record was 39,581 set at Arizona State in 2002. Eastern's game at Oregon State in 2006 is now the fifth-largest at 38,071. Below is a list of the 15 crowds in excess of 20,000 the Eagles have ever played against.

**Attendance - Opponent - Date - Result**

64,522 - at Brigham Young - Oct. 20, 2007 - L, 7-42  
 59,504 - at West Virginia - Sept. 9, 2006 - L, 3-52  
 49,887 - at Texas Tech - Aug. 30, 2008  
 39,581 - at Arizona State - Aug. 31, 2002 - L, 2-38  
 38,071 - at Oregon State - Aug. 31, 2006 - L, 17-56  
 34,389 - at Air Force - Sept. 11, 2004 - L, 20-42  
 30,782 - at Oregon State - Sept. 2, 2000 - L, 19-21  
 27,323 - at U.S. International - Oct. 28, 1967 - W, 44-19  
 25,493 - at Boise State - Oct. 14, 2000 - L, 23-41  
 23,739 - at Montana - Oct. 15, 2005 - W, 34-20  
 23,329 - at Montana - Nov. 15, 2003 - L, 10-41  
 23,226 - at Montana - Oct. 6, 2007 - L, 23-24  
 21,981 - at Boise State - Oct. 9, 1999 - L, 7-41  
 21,487 - at Boise State - Sept. 21, 1991 - L, 17-31  
 21,145 - at San Diego State - Aug. 30, 2003 - L, 9-19

**-- Five Players Make Starting Debuts** -- Five players, including three on defense and two on offense, made their starting debuts at Texas Tech.

The defensive debuts were made by weak-side outside linebacker **J.C. Sherritt**, strong-side inside linebacker **Zach**

**Johnson** and strong safety **Matt Johnson**. Sherritt is a sophomore from Pullman, Wash. (Pullman HS '06) and the Johnson twins are redshirt freshmen from Tumwater, Wash. (Tumwater HS '07). The Johnson twins were playing in their first collegiate football game.

On offense, both new starters were offensive guards. **Ryan Forney**, a junior from Silverdale, Wash. (Central Kitsap '05) started at left guard and **Bryan Smith**, a senior from Enumclaw, Wash. (Enumclaw HS '04) started on the right.

**-- Starting Experience Leads to Wins** -- Returning starts -- and the experience that goes along with them -- can sometimes be a good gauge of how many wins can be expected on the field. In the last six years, EWU's top three win-loss records (collective 25-13) were recorded by teams that returned at least 245 starts. The worst three records (collective 15-18) were by teams with 225 returning starts or fewer.

The Eagles entered the 2008 season with 26 players returning with starting experience totaling 272 starts. Broken down, Eastern returns 136 starts on both defense and offense (13 players each) for a total of 272 starts returning.

By contrast, Eastern entered the 2007 season with 31 players returning with starting experience and a total of 245 starts. Of the total, just 80 were on the defensive side and 165 were by offensive players. The Eagles opened the 2006 season with 25 players with starting experience, amounting to 225 starts between them.

The Eagles entered the 2005 season with 23 players with starting experience (280 total starts). Just five players made their starting debuts for the Eagles in the season opener, but 13 made starting debuts after that because of a large amount of injuries the Eagles suffered.

The Eagles opened the 2004 season with 29 players with starting experience (271 starts), and in 2003 they had 28 players with starting experience (168 starts). However, Eastern had just 17 players with a combined 108 starts between them entering the 2002 season.

In both the 2003 and 2004 season openers, the Eagles had six new starters in the lineup. In 2002, 13 players made starting debuts in Eastern's 38-2 loss at Arizona State.

Below is a breakdown by year of the returning starters Eastern has had and the record the Eagles ended up with.

**Year - Players With Starting Exp. - Total Starts - New Starters in Opener - Record**

2008 - 26 - 272 - 5 - ?  
 2007 - 31 - 245 - 6 - 9-4 (total of 11 new starters used during the year)  
 2006 - 25 - 225 - 5 - 3-8 (total of 21 new starters used during the year)  
 2005 - 23 - 280 - 5 - 7-5 (total of 18 new starters used during the year)  
 2004 - 29 - 271 - 6 - 9-4  
 2003 - 28 - 168 - 6 - 6-5  
 2002 - 17 - 108 - 13 - 6-5



Here are the current number of career starts by Eastern players on the 2008 roster:

Defense (147 starts by 16 players) -- **Greg Peach** 30, **Jason Belford** 26, **Lance Witherspoon** 19, **Makai Borden** 14, **Kevin Hatch** 14, **Shawn Powell** 12, **Lonnie Hosley** 9, **Ryan Kelley** 6, **Marcus Walker** 5, **Josh Jacobson** 5, **Tyler Jolley** 2, **Adam Macomber** 1, **Jacob Kragt** 1, **Matt Johnson** 1, **Zach Johnson** 1, **J.C. Sherritt** 1.

Offense (147 starts by 15 players) -- **Aaron Boyce** 24, **Matt Nichols** 24, **Charlie Wulff** 21, **Brynsen Brown** 21, **Tony Davis** 13, **Dale Morris** 13, **Alexis Alexander** 9, **Chris Thomas** 8, **Nathan Overbay** 3, **Toke Kefu** 3, **A.J. Jimer-son** 2, **Matt Martin** 2, **Brice Leahy** 2, **Bryan Smith** 1, **Ryan Forney** 1.

-- **Injury Report** -- Senior starting nose tackle **Shawn Powell** suffered a knee injury before practices even began and is out for the season. Another starter out for about a month with a broken fibula is freshman redshirt cornerback **Taiwan Jones**.

## Beau Baldwin Quotes

-- **On Battling Back Versus Texas Tech** -- "You go down 21-0 to any team -- let alone Texas Tech -- and it's going to be hard to try to fight back from that. But our guys did. They fought back and made a few plays. We kept believing and that was the key thing. I'm not into moral victories, but I was very proud of the way our guys left it on the field."

-- **On Second Half Versus TTU** -- "We had basically won the second quarter 17-7, and there was no reason why we couldn't win the third quarter 17-7 or something along those lines. We wanted to keep building momentum -- we had it in the second quarter and I told our team to do everything they could to keep that momentum. We knew Texas Tech was too well-coached and had too many good football players not to come out angry after halftime. It was going to be a tough fight, no question. But we kept fighting in that third quarter, and because of a few plays here and there it just slipped away from us in the end."

-- **On Red Raider Defense** -- "Texas Tech has a really good scheme with really good players. Their secondary is extremely athletic and it's tough to get open against them. We saw that on film from last year -- it was tough for all teams in the Big 12 to run routes and get open against their defensive backs. So that's going to be a challenge for any receiver."

-- **Baldwin on Texas Tech and Colorado** -- "Not only are they FBS teams, but they are good ones at that. It's going to be a challenge, but our guys are excited about that. We went through a situation where we played two FBS teams at the start of 2006, but the only similarity between '06 and '08 is the schedule. We have a veteran group this season whereas we were very young in '06. Our goal in every game on our schedule is to win. We are going to believe we can win and prepare to win. But it is going to be tough on the road. You have play perfect football to be in the right situation at the end."

-- **Baldwin on Preseason National Polls** -- "There is some merit

to be near the top because that can help you when it comes to the playoffs. That can sometimes make it a little easier to stay in the top 16 rather than to have to climb all the way into it."

-- **Baldwin on Improvement by Nichols in 2007** -- "I wouldn't say it totally surprised me by any stretch. That's especially true when you understand how hard he works in the off-season and how hard he works the week before games. Once the games got going last season, he was just having fun. He put in a lot of time understanding what he had to do to be successful."

-- **Baldwin on Nichols** -- "You never expect a freshman that struggles a little bit to come back and be Player of the Year in the Big Sky. But if you would have asked me going into last year if he had the talent to do that, I would have said yes. And he obviously proved that."

-- **Baldwin on Nichols Wanting Big Sky Title** -- "I think he would trade 100 Big Sky MVP trophies for one Big Sky championship. That's just his mindset."

-- **Baldwin on Future Improvement of Nichols** -- "He can just keep getting better and better. There were times last year when there were things he could have done to spread the ball out even more, and that's something I want to see him do better this season. Sometimes you get comfortable with a certain player, and he and Boyce, obviously, had a special connection. I think Matt will be that much better if he can use his other receivers even more."

-- **Baldwin on Nichols to Boyce Passing Combo** -- "It's pretty special -- they've developed an incredible rapport and had a great year. But I've talked to both guys about the fact we'll be even more successful in some ways if there are less pass completions between Matt Nichols and Aaron Boyce. The more we can spread it out and involve seven, eight or nine players catching balls in the passing game, we will be that much better. Both Aaron and Matt might have better years even if their stats aren't as good. I think we can become better as an offense because of that."

-- **Baldwin on Boyce and Receiving Corp** -- "I'm excited to coach Aaron again, and the rest of the receiving corp. It's a good group and has a lot of relatively young players."

-- **Baldwin on Nichols and Boyce** -- "You not only are talking about talented players, but you're talking about two mature student-athletes. They are great people and that is part of the reason for their success. They have great character off the field as well, and that will help keep those two grounded and keep them progressing. You don't want them to get their heads in the clouds thinking they have it all figured out, and then all of the sudden an off year slaps you right in the face. I don't see that happening to those two guys."

-- **Baldwin on Future of Talented Junior Class** -- "Each year is different, and a lot of things happen between your sophomore year and junior year, and your junior year and senior year. You can never predict the future. But I'm very fortunate to be in this situation. We have a ton of great weapons on offense."

-- **Baldwin on Defensive Line** -- "There are seniors up there who have all played significant roles since as far back as 2005. They are a veteran group. No matter how young you are at linebacker and in the secondary, if you are good on the defensive line you give those back seven guys a great chance to be successful. And vice versa -- if you're not good on the defensive line, even All-America corners can't cover for eight seconds. It's huge for us from a defensive standpoint to have an experienced defensive line. All the great defenses are always going to start with the guys up front."

-- **Baldwin on Offensive Changes** -- "To an outsider looking at our team, you're probably not going to see a lot of changes. There are some subtle changes we are making that are things I believe in and want to do. But it's not going to be an overhaul. I don't think you come into a program with a lot of success and make 180-degree changes. If you do, I think you're letting your ego get in the way a little bit. I want to keep a lot of things familiar for those guys."

-- **Baldwin on Defensive Changes** -- "We have a new defensive coordinator, so it will be a little different. In the past we've started with a one-high safety philosophy and now we'll use two high safeties as our base. We'll still have the ability to roll down to an eight-man front. Our defense will probably have more changes than our offense from a scheme standpoint."

-- **Baldwin on Winning Big Sky** -- "The Big Sky is such a great league and such a fun league to compete in. No matter what you do in your non-league schedule, you still have a new opportunity when the league schedule starts. It's always an exciting time for us as coaches and players."

-- **Baldwin on Big Sky Opener Against His Former Mentor John Zamberlin** -- "It's against Idaho State and a person I have a lot of respect for. That will be a fun game. He came to Central in 1997 and retained three of us that were on staff. That was good of him to do that and that he had faith in us and trusted us. We were fortunate to have a coach come in from all the way across the country and keep us."

## Previous Game

-- **#12 Texas Tech 49, #7 Eastern Washington 24** -- What didn't go well in the first quarter went much better in the second quarter for the Eastern Washington University football team.

But Texas Tech took advantage of an early turnover, an early 116-0 advantage in offense and an early 21-0 lead, and went on defeat the Eagles 49-24 in a non-conference college football game Aug. 30 at Jones AT&T Stadium in Lubbock, Texas.

The game was a match-up between Eastern, ranked seventh in the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision and Texas Tech, ranked 12th in the NCAA Bowl Subdivision. It was the first of two-straight foes from the Big 12 Conference for the Eagles, who play at Colorado on Sept. 6.

"We battled all game long," said **Beau Baldwin**, who was making his EWU head coaching debut. "You never want to start a game that way, but our team never got down."

After falling behind 21-0, Eastern out-scored the Red Raiders (17-7), out-gained them (134-107) and had more first downs (9-5) in the second quarter to pull within 28-17 at halftime. But the Red Raiders were too much to stop on offense as they finished with 639 yards of total offense behind the 43-of-58 passing for 536 yards by Graham Harrell.

"After being down 21-0, we won the second quarter 17-7 to put ourselves in a good position at halftime," added Baldwin, whose team was out-scored just 28-24 after the first quarter. "We kept believing and kept fighting."

"I'm really proud of this team," he added. "I'm not into moral victories, but I'm proud of our fight and how we left it all out on the field."

After completing just one of his first six attempts, Eastern's **Matt Nichols** rebounded to complete 36-of-61 passes in the game for 335 yards and a touchdown. However, he was victimized by dropped passes by EWU receivers, and one of the three interceptions he threw came on an EWU drop.

**Tony Davis**, who missed four games last season with a shoulder injury, led the Eagles with 13 catches for 114 yards and a touchdown. His catch total was the second most in school history, ranking only behind the 17 teammate Aaron Boyce had in 2007 against Montana.

**Brynsen Brown** added eight grabs for 82 yards and **Nathan Overbay** had five for 61. In all, Eastern finished the game with 364 yards of total offense.

**Eric Morris** led Texas Tech receivers with nine receptions for 164 yards and Detron Lewis had eight for 163 yards. Reigning Biletnikoff Award winner Michael Crabtree had nine grabs for 73 yards and a touchdown.

The Eagles trailed 21-0 when the defense ignited the Eagles. Freshman redshirt **Matt Johnson**, who along with his twin brother **Zach Johnson** were starting and playing in their first collegiate game, intercepted a pass and returned it 47 yards to the TTU 7-yard line. Two plays later, **Alexis Alexander** scored from one yard out to give EWU its first score.

"We just weren't in rhythm yet," explained Baldwin of his team's slow offensive start. "But we finally found it. Matt Johnson's pick was a huge play in the game. It was something that helped give us a little bit of rhythm."

The Johnson brothers finished with a combined 18 tackles, including eight tackles and three passes broken up by Zach. Matt had a team-high 10 tackles and his game-changing interception.

"They are great players and have bought right in," said Baldwin of the twins from Tumwater, Wash. "They're coachable, they can run, they can tackle -- they have all the tools to be great defensive players in this league. They left it on the field and went hard. There was no question that a lot of young players stepped up today."

Late in the first half, Nichols directed EWU on a seven-play, 54-yard drive as his 1-yard plunge cut the lead to 28-14. Then, after a Texas Tech failed fourth-down conversion attempt, Eastern drove deep enough to try a 55-yard field goal to end the half. **Felipe Macias** made the kick -- the third-longest in school history behind boots of 57 and 56 yards.

Eastern had a chance to cut into the lead even more in the third quarter, but a field goal attempt by Macias was blocked. That led to a Red Raider touchdown that gave them some breathing room at 34-17 with 4:51 left in the third quarter.

The Eagles, however, showed its poise again to go on a 11-play,

77-yard drive, capped by a 30-yard touchdown pass to Davis. However, Texas Tech put yet another score on the board to take a 42-24 advantage early in the fourth quarter. The Red Raiders closed the scoring with a touchdown with 2:08 to play.

The first offensive play of the game was a bobbled reception attempt that was intercepted by the Red Raiders. That led to an early score, and in the first 6 1/2 minutes of the game TTU had a 116-0 advantage in total offense on an 18-4 advantage in plays.

The Red Raiders took its 28-7 lead in the second quarter, one play after a fumble into the end zone that EWU recovered was reversed by the game's replay official.

Eastern is now 8-15 all-time versus FBS opponents, but hasn't won it its last six meetings since beating Idaho 8-5 in 2003. Eastern lost last season to Brigham Young 42-7, and in 2006 opened the season with losses to Oregon State (56-17) and sixth-ranked West Virginia (52-3). Several current Eagles played in those games, including Nichols, who made his starting debut against the Mountaineers.

## 2008 Season Outlook

There is more than meets the eye.

Keeping its "eye on the prize" is important, but not the most important element of preparation for the Eastern Washington University football program as the highly-anticipated 2008 season approaches.

With a large group of players returning, Eastern is hoping to continue the momentum from the 2007 season when the Eagles returned to the top of the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision scene with a 9-4 finish after a dismal 3-8 record the year before. Eastern advanced to the FCS Playoffs for the third time in the last four seasons and closed the year ranked eighth in the final Sports Network poll of the year.

An impressive 44-15 first-round victory over previously unbeaten McNeese State in the FCS Playoffs cost EWU its head coach as Paul Wulff departed to become head coach at Washington State University. But the Eagles have plenty to look forward to – and work ahead of them – under new head coach **Beau Baldwin**.

"I think you want to keep your eye on the prize and the ultimate prize is to win a national championship. But it's still a process," said Baldwin, who spent the 2003-2006 seasons as EWU's offensive coordinator before becoming head coach at Central Washington for one season.

"I'm very confident that our players are going to come back hungry," he continued. "They aren't settling for what they already accomplished – we won't let that happen. We're looking to come back and work even harder. We want to do even more and get over another hump."

The Eagles return 43 letter winners from last year's team, including 21 on offense and 19 on defense as well as three specialists. A total of 15 starters are back, featuring six on offense, seven on defense and the team's kicker and punter.

"It definitely excites me – I don't want to mess them up," said Baldwin when he was named head coach on Jan. 4, 2008. "They are great athletes and a great team. They are players with great character and I know that. I saw that in '06 – it was a struggle but it's not like you couldn't see the character that was there. I saw the makeup of that group of players."

In all, Baldwin has 26 players returning with starting experience and a total of 272 starts between them. That list is led by senior All-America defensive end Greg Peach (29 career starts), with the offensive leaders including junior quarterback Matt Nichols and junior All-America wide receiver Aaron Boyce (23 career starts each). Nichols was last year's Big Sky Conference Offensive MVP after throwing for a school-record 34 touchdowns in 2007, a year after throwing

for a school-record 17 interceptions in 2006.

"I didn't get to be a part of their off-season, but there is no doubt that those games they won last year were won between January and August," Baldwin said of last year's turnaround. "That's the same approach I've always believed in. It doesn't matter if you are successful or not, you are going to get better or worse each day. I know how hard those players worked. The fun part is the season, but you win or lose those games in the off-season."

Besides Nichols, Boyce and Peach – all first team All-Big Sky Conference selections – seven other Eagles return after earning all-league honors in 2007. Senior defensive tackle **Lance Witherspoon** earned second team All-Big Sky honors and also earned All-America accolades as an honorable mention selection.

Returning All-Big Sky honorable mention selections included junior wide receiver **Brynsen Brown**, senior running back **Dale Morris**, senior defensive tackle **Shawn Powell**, senior defensive end **Jason Belford**, junior linebacker **Makai Borden** and senior special teams standout **Adam Macomber**.

Among the 20 letter winners lost were 12 seniors who combined for 246 starts in their careers. Six of those 12 players were four-year letter winners, including offensive linemen Matt Alfred, Rocky Hanni, Zach Wasielewski and Chris Carlsen. That quartet combined for 146 starts in their careers, with individual totals of 46, 45, 35 and 20, respectively.

The other two four-year letter winners were cornerback Ira Jarmon (24 career starts) and tight end Tom McAndrews (11 career starts). The senior class also included the team's top four tacklers from 2007 – linebacker Jared Kuhl (96), safety Bryan Jarrett (91), Jarmon (77) and rover Anthony Dotson (76).

### OFFENSE

Eastern's offense has limited starting experience along the offensive line, but the Eagles are stocked at the skill positions.

Nichols leads the way after finishing the 2007 season ranked in the top eight in three statistical categories in the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision. He was eighth in FCS in passing efficiency rating (156.5), fifth in passing offense (288.0) and fifth in total offense (318.2) to lead the Big Sky in all three categories.

Nichols completed 64 percent of his passes for 3,744 yards, a school-record 34 touchdowns and had just nine interceptions in 2007 after having 17 interceptions (equaling a school record) and eight touchdowns as a redshirt freshman. The 6-foot-2, 220-pound Nichols also broke the school's single season rushing record for quarterbacks as he finished with 392 yards.

Nichols' passing yardage total is the second-most in school history – easily the most-ever for an EWU sophomore (Erik Meyer had 2,301 as a sophomore in 2003). He ranked just behind the quarterback he replaced – Meyer, the 2005 winner of the Walter Payton Award – who set school records in 2005 with 4,003 passing yards, a 333.6 average per game and 4,224 total yards.

Nichols will be backed up by senior **Alex Smart**, who completed 7-of-13 passes for 98 yards and two touchdowns in 2007.

Boyce is among the three returning starters at wide receiver, with three other returning letter winners back. He had 85 catches for 1,308 yards and 10 touchdown receptions to rank 14th in FCS in receptions (6.5 per game) and sixth in receiving yards (100.6).

His catch total ranked second all-time at EWU and his yardage total was fourth. Boyce had a record-breaking performance at Montana on Oct. 6 and was selected by The Sports Network as the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision Offensive Player of the Week. Boyce, a 2005 graduate of Kentwood High School in Kent, Wash., had the fourth-most catches in Big Sky history with a school-record 17.

Brown also returns after catching 52 passes for 755 yards and four touchdowns as a sophomore. **Tony Davis**, despite missing four games because of a shoulder injury suffered on a touchdown catch, finished with 35 catches for 498 yards and four scores. He also rushed 16 times for 88 yards.

At the halfway point of their careers, the trio of Boyce, Brown and Davis has already combined for 290 catches for 4,100 yards and 26 touchdowns in



68 games worth of experience (55 starts).

Other returning letter winners at wide receiver include **Ashton Gant** and **Nicholas Ramos**. Gant had one catch last season as a redshirt freshman and Ramos had three and a touchdown as a sophomore.

Morris is one of four returning seniors at running back, and all four have starting experience. Morris, whose brother Maurice plays for the Seattle Seahawks, rushed for 930 yards and 12 touchdowns as a junior in 2007. He had 512 yards and eight touchdowns in Eastern's last six games, and also finished the season with 11 catches for 77 yards and a score.

Also back is **Alexis Alexander**, who saw action at tailback a year ago after starting as EWU's fullback. He had 267 rushing yards and five touchdowns, and also caught five passes for 61 more yards and a score. He has started a total of nine games in his career.

**A.J. Jimerson** added 260 yards and a touchdown while getting two starts at fullback and also seeing action at tailback. He received much of his playing time after **Toke Kefu** suffered a season-ending hand injury and redshirted. Kefu had 55 yards rushing before his injury and enters 2008 with 835 yards and seven touchdowns on the ground in his career.

At tight end, returning letter winners include **Nathan Overbay** and **Matt Martin**. Overbay caught 12 passes for 215 yards and three touchdowns as a sophomore, while Martin added seven catches for 43 yards and two scores as a redshirt freshman.

Along the offensive line, senior **Charlie Wulff** – the nephew of former EWU head coach Paul Wulff – is the lone returning starter. He has 20 career starts, but Eastern does return two other players with starting experience.

Junior **Chris Thomas** started seven games at tackle and sophomore **Brice Leahy** started one.

Other returning letter winners on the offensive line include **Ryan Forney**, **John Rice**, **Sean Rock** and **Bryan Smith**.

## **DEFENSE**

Four senior starters return to Eastern's defensive line, which helped the Eagles rank 38th in FCS in rushing defense (144.1). All four earned All-Big Sky Conference honors.

Peach finished with 63 tackles, including 11 sacks to rank as the fifth-best performance in school history and 11th in FCS (0.85 per game). He will enter his senior season with 17 1/2 sacks that rank ninth in school history.

Witherspoon ended the 2007 season with 44 tackles, a sack and 12 total tackles for loss. Belford had 53 tackles with seven sacks and a total of 13 1/2 tackles for loss. Powell added 44 tackles, one sack and 4 1/2 tackles for loss. However, Powell was lost for the 2008 season with a knee injury before preseason practices even began.

Also back on the defensive line are junior **Josh Jacobson**, sophomore **Tyler Jolley**, junior **Jacob Kragt** and sophomore **Lorenzo Lomack**. All but Lomack have started before, and as a group, the defensive line has 79 total starts and 18 total letters worth of experience.

Kragt finished the 2007 season with 24 tackles and 1 1/2 sacks, Jacobson had 15 tackles and a sack, Jolley had 11 tackles and 1 1/2 sacks, and Lomack had seven tackles.

At linebacker, Borden missed Eastern's quarterfinal FCS playoff game with a stress fracture in his foot, but finished the season with 52 tackles. He also had 5 1/2 total tackles for loss, two interceptions, three passes broken up, two fumble recoveries and two forced fumbles. Besides the playoff game, Borden missed two other starts because of a toe injury – both losses – as Eastern was 9-1 in the 10 games he started.

Three other letter winners return at linebacker, including **Marcus Walker** and **J.C. Sherritt**. Walker started three games and finished with 47 tackles, a sack and a pass broken up. Sherritt added 32 tackles with an interception and pass broken up.

Eastern has nine returning letter winners in the secondary, including **Jesse Hoffman**, who moved to the secondary after seeing significant action as a running back in 2006 as a true freshman.

But Hoffman was injured in 2007 and **Kevin Hatch** started all 13 Eastern games at free safety. He finished with 75 tackles, four interceptions, six passes broken up and three fumble recoveries.

**Ryan Kelley**, a junior college transfer in 2007, ended up starting the last five games of the season at cornerback. He finished with 36 tackles, a pair of interceptions and five passes broken up. Junior **Lonnie Hosley**, the player Kelley replaced in the lineup, started eight games and finished with 26 tackles, three interceptions and six passes broken up.

Other returning letter winners in the secondary include **Dante Calcote**, **Will Edge**, **Brett Igbinoba**, **Kyle Wilkins** and **Macomber**. Edge led that group with 18 tackles in 2007, followed by Macomber with 17, Wilkins with eight, Igbinoba with nine and Calcote with four.

## **SPECIAL TEAMS**

Senior punter **Fritz Brayton** is back after ranking 47th in FCS (39.8 per punt). Senior kicker **Felipe Macias** also returns after ranking 64th nationally in scoring (6.9) and 58th in field goals (0.85, total of 11). Helping both players considerably is returning senior long-snapper **Mark Lathim**.

Eastern's return units also appear to be strong with the return of Ramos (27.8 per kickoff return in 2007), Brown (16.9 per kickoff return in 2007) and Davis (21.3 per kickoff return and 9.0 per punt return in his career).

## **More Notes**

-- **Eagles Picked to Finish as Big Sky Runner-up** -- Preseason predictions aside, there is no doubt the Eastern Washington University football team believes it can win the Big Sky Conference title in the 2008 season.

The Eagles have been picked to finish second behind 10-time defending champion Montana by both the media and the league's head coaches in polls released July 22 at the Big Sky's Summer Kickoff in Park City, Utah.

"Our expectations are extremely high," said Eastern fullback/running back **Alexis Alexander**, who was Eastern's player representative in Park City. "We discovered how good of a team we were last year and our confidence levels are up there. We plan on winning the Big Sky Conference -- we talk about that every day.

"When we're in the weight room and running, we talk about what we are putting in all the hard work for," said the 2001 graduate of Medical Lake, Wash., High School. "We know we have the personnel to win the conference if we can stay healthy and go out and execute."

Montana earned 23 first-place votes and 361 total points by the media, with Eastern close behind with 19 first-place votes and 350 points overall. In the coaches' poll, Montana received seven of the nine first-place votes and had 63 points. Eastern had one first-place vote and 52 points overall.

"It's flattering and humbling in a lot of ways," said first-year head coach Beau Baldwin. "And it's a compliment to our players for what they accomplished last year and what they are capable of this season. But the goal is to be up there at the end of the year in the middle of November. That's obviously what really matters."

With a large group of players returning, Eastern is hoping to continue the momentum from the 2007 season when the Eagles returned to the top of the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision scene with a 9-4 finish after a dismal 3-8 record the year before. Eastern advanced to the FCS Playoffs for the third time in the last four seasons and closed the year ranked eighth in the final Sports Network poll of the year. The Eagles won their last five conference games of the year to finish the league season 6-2.

"Honestly, a let down is not an option," said the confident Alexander, who played three years of minor league baseball before returning to football. "This is my senior year and we have a number of other seniors on this team, and we sit down and talk all the time. We know we can do it, and it's all about staying healthy and executing our assignments. If we do all the things we're supposed

to do, I don't think anybody can beat us."

Last year, Montana finished the regular season 11-0 and 8-0 in the Big Sky before losing in the first round of the NCAA Football Championships Subdivision Playoffs. The Grizzlies have won 16-straight league games, including last season's 24-23 victory over EWU in Missoula in which the Eagles out-gained the Grizzlies 565-289. Eastern kicked a go-ahead field goal with 2:20 to play before top-ranked Montana kicked the game-winner with 26 seconds to play after converting a fourth-and-10 play.

While Eastern has 15 starters returning to its team this year, Montana has just 10.

"They've earned that right," added Baldwin of Montana's No. 1 ranking. "I don't care if they lose every player at every position, they've proven they are the team to beat year after year."

In 2008, the Grizzlies and Eagles meet at Woodward Field in Cheney, Wash., on Oct. 11 in an early showdown between Big Sky rivals. Eastern was the last team besides Montana to win the outright Big Sky title, with that coming in 1997. Since then, the Grizzlies have won or shared the league title the past 10 seasons, including 2004 and 2005 when Eastern also won a piece of the title. The Grizzlies have advanced to the FCS Playoffs 15-straight seasons.

Last season, Eastern was picked to finish fifth in the league. In 2005, Eastern was picked to win the title in both polls, but had only one-point advantage in the media poll and received five more votes from the coaches. Both teams finished as league co-champions.

-- **Nichols and Peach on Watch Lists** -- The Sports Network has released its Payton Award and Buchanan Award "Watch Lists" for the 2008 season, and Eagles have been selected to each list of the top 16 defensive players and top 16 offensive players in the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision.

Junior quarterback **Matt Nichols** has been named to the watch list for the Walter Payton Award, an honor given to the top player in FCS. That award was won in 2005 by the EWU quarterback Nichols replaced, Erik Meyer. Senior defensive end **Greg Peach** was picked for the Buck Buchanan Award, which is presented to the top defensive player in FCS.

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The Payton and Buchanan awards will undergo two revisions, one in October and one in November, before ballots are sent out to a panel of sports information directors, broadcasters, writers and other dignitaries on Nov. 24. The Sports Network awards banquet will be held Dec. 18 in Chattanooga, Tenn., on the eve of the FCS national championship game.

The Eddie Robinson Award, which goes to the FCS national coach of the year will also be awarded that night. The Robinson Award ballot will be announced in November.

The Sports Network established the Payton and Robinson awards in 1987, and began sponsoring the Buchanan Award in 1995. Georgia Southern quarterback Jayson Foster was the 2007 Payton Award winner, while Montana defensive end Kroy Biermann took home the Buchanan Award.

#### Walter Payton Award Watch List

Ramses Barden, WR, Cal Poly, 6-5, 230, Senior  
Nathan Brown, QB, Central Arkansas, 6-2, 209, Senior  
Liam Coen, QB, Massachusetts, 6-2, 220, Senior  
Herb Donaldson, RB, Western Illinois, 5-11, 225, Senior

Armanti Edwards, QB, Appalachian State, 6-0, 185, Junior  
Terrell Hudgins, WR, Elon, 6-3, 235, Junior  
Rashad Jennings, RB, Liberty, 6-1, 230, Senior  
Rodney Landers, QB, James Madison, 6-1, 220, Senior  
Corey Lewis, RB, Northern Iowa, 6-0, 197, Senior  
Mike McLeod, RB, Yale, 5-11, 200, Senior  
Matt Nichols, QB, Eastern Washington, 6-2, 220, Junior  
Dominic Randolph, QB, Holy Cross, 6-3, 223, Senior  
Andre Roberts, WR, The Citadel, 5-11, 175  
Tyler Roehl, RB, North Dakota State, 5-10, 232, Senior  
Jordan Scott, RB, Colgate, 5-11, 205, Senior  
Javarris Williams, RB, Tennessee State, 5-11, 215, Senior

#### Buck Buchanan Award Watch List

Bobby Abare, LB, Yale, 6-2, 210, Senior  
Colt Anderson, SS, Montana, 5-11, 185, Senior  
Pierre Banks, LB, Appalachian State, 6-0, 210, Senior  
Jovan Belcher, DE, Maine, 6-2, 228, Senior  
Mario Brown, LB, Gardner-Webb, 6-2, 230, Senior  
Bobby Daly, LB, Montana State, 6-1, 226, Senior  
Zach East, LB, Prairie View, 6-2, 230, Senior  
John Faltoese, DT, UC Davis, 6-3, 290, Senior  
Cyrus Mulitalo, LB, Sacramento State, 6-1, 245, Senior  
Greg Peach, DE, Eastern Washington, 6-3, 255, Senior  
Andy Romans, LB, Lafayette, 5-11, 215, Senior  
Andy Schantz, LB, Portland State, 6-1, 235, Senior  
Pierre Walters, DE, Eastern Illinois, 6-5, 261, Senior  
Lardarius Webb, FS, Nicholls State, 5-11, 180, Senior  
Jason Williams, LB, Western Illinois, 6-3, 235, Junior  
Terrell Whitehead, Norfolk State, 6-2, 200, Junior

-- **Four Eagles on Preseason All-America Team** -- Like all preseason predictions, it's how you're regarded at the end of the season that counts most.

However, a quartet of Eastern Washington University football players -- equalling the most from any one school among the 125 NCAA Football Championship Subdivision teams -- have been selected to The Sports Network's preseason All-America team released Aug. 22.

Senior defensive end **Greg Peach** was honored on the second team while junior wide receiver **Aaron Boyce**, senior defensive tackle **Lance Witherspoon** and senior fullback **Alexis Alexander** were on the third team. All four played high school football in the State of Washington.

Peach and Boyce were also second team selections on the College Sporting News Preseason All-America team. In addition, Eastern Witherspoon was on the third team.

In addition, quarterback **Matt Nichols** was selected as the FCS Offensive Player of the Year by Lindy's Football Preview and was ranked as the fourth-best FCS quarterback by The Sports Network. Boyce received second-team preseason All-America honors from Phil Steele's College Football and Peach earned the same honor from Lindy's.

Also, Nichols, Boyce, Peach and Witherspoon were selected to the preseason All-Big Sky Conference squad.

Boyce (Kent, Wash. - Kentwood HS '05), Peach (Vancouver, Wash. - Evergreen HS '05) and Witherspoon (Federal Way, Wash. - Decatur HS '04) earned season-ending All-America honors a year ago. Alexander (Medical Lake, Wash. - Medical Lake HS '01) was a second-team All-Big Sky fullback in 2006 before being slowed by a sports hernia in 2007.

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Alexander, a transfer in 2006 from Washington State University, played three years of minor league baseball before returning to football. Alexander, who will turn 26 in November, nearly signed a letter of intent out of high school to play football for Big Sky rival Montana.

The Big Sky Conference dominated the All-America Team with 18 picks, including four each by Eastern and fellow league member Northern Arizona.

-- **Eagles Seventh in The Sports Network Preseason Poll** -- The Eagles were ranked seventh in The Sports Network preseason NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) poll announced on Aug. 19. The Eagles were one notch ahead of Big Sky Conference rival Montana, which was ranked eighth.

Eastern opens the season on Aug. 30 against a Texas Tech team that was ranked 12th in last week's Associated Press preseason poll for the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS).

"There is some merit to be near the top because that can help you when it comes to the playoffs," said first-year EWU head coach Beau Baldwin. "That can sometimes make it a little easier to stay in the top 16 rather than to have to climb all the way into it."

Eastern Washington was picked to finish second behind Montana by the coaches and the media in the Big Sky Conference preseason polls, but those positions were reversed nationally. The Eagles received 1,951 total points from The Sports Network in the poll of media and sports information directors, while Montana received 1,848 points.

Eastern finished the 2007 season 9-4 and ranked eighth in the final poll of the year. The Eagles lost in the FCS Playoff quarterfinals by three points to eventual national champion Appalachian State. The Mountaineers are the three-time defending national champion and began the 2008 season ranked No. 1. The Mountaineers earned 97 of the 101 first-place votes, and 2,546 total points. North Dakota State was ranked second, followed by Northern Iowa, Richmond and Massachusetts.

James Madison was sixth, followed by EWU and Montana. Rounding out the top 10 were Delaware and McNeese State, which was unbeaten in 2007 until EWU beat them 44-15 in the first round of the FCS Playoffs.

Montana is gunning for its 11th straight Big Sky Conference title. Montana went 11-1 in 2007, losing in the first round of the FCS playoffs to Wofford. The Grizzlies, who play at EWU on Oct. 11, ended 2007 ranked 10th in the nation.

Three other Big Sky teams also received votes in the poll as Northern Arizona just missed out on cracking the top 25. The Lumberjacks earned 249 total points, most among teams not in the top 25. Montana State received 146 points (32nd), while Weber State received 17 (47th).

In addition, Eastern was ranked eighth in the FCS Coaches Poll. Earlier in the summer, EWU was listed at No. 6 in the consolidation of rankings distributed by College Sporting News. Eastern's highest preseason ranking came from The Sporting News, which has Eastern fifth. Three organizations -- Lindy's Preview, Phil Steele's College Football and Sports Media Entertainment Network -- all rank the Eagles sixth. Anygivensunday.com rated Eastern as the ninth-best team in FCS and the SME Network (<http://www.smebroadcasting.com>) picked Eastern as the favorite to unseat Montana as Big Sky champions.

-- **Coaching Staff Mostly New** -- There are lots of familiar faces in the Eagle program, but the coaching staff is a different matter. Five new coaches will don the red and white of Eastern after coming from nearby Central Washington where they wore red and black. Included is new Eastern head coach **Beau**

**Baldwin**, who directed the Wildcats to a 10-3 record and its own quarterfinal appearance in the NCAA Division II Playoffs.

Baldwin is no stranger to EWU's program, and particularly the offense, which welcomes back six starters from one of the top-producing offensive units in the country. Baldwin spent four years as Eastern offensive coordinator before departing for CWU, and his past tutelage of quarterback **Matt Nichols** -- the 2007 Big Sky Conference Offensive MVP -- is a major reason why he returned. Baldwin takes the reins from former Eagle head coach Paul Wulff, who left to become head coach at Washington State University.

Baldwin, who was named as EWU's head coach on Jan. 4, has four coaching carryovers from EWU's staff from last year -- **Joe Wade, Chris Hansen, Jeff Schmedding and Chris Peterson** -- while **Aaron Best** returns after one year away. The new additions from CWU include **John Graham, Ryan Sawyer, Torey Hunter and Nat Conley**.

Wade will take over as offensive coordinator and will also coach quarterbacks. Hansen, a cornerbacks coach last year, will coach tight ends and handle administrative duties such as recruiting and helping with coordination of summer camps. Schmedding will move from safeties to linebackers and Peterson will move from running backs to wide receivers. Schmedding and Peterson will co-coordinate special teams.

Best, a former EWU All-America center who spent the 2007 season as an assistant coach with the Toronto Argonauts in the Canadian Football League, will return for his eighth season as an EWU offensive line coach.

Graham will be the team's defensive coordinator after spending the last 13 seasons at Central. Sawyer will coach the defensive line, Hunter will direct EWU defensive backs and Conley will coach running backs.

Besides Hansen taking over coordination of recruiting, other administrative duties will be handled by Best (academics), Peterson (camps), Hunter (travel), Schmedding (video) and Wade (pro football liaison).

-- **Boyce in Top 14 Nationally in Receptions and Yards in 2007** -- With one of the most productive receiving seasons in school history, receiver **Aaron Boyce** had 85 catches for 1,308 yards and 10 scores in 2007. In Football Championship Subdivision statistics, Boyce was 14th in receptions (6.5 per game) and sixth in receiving yards (100.6).

His catch total ranked second all-time at EWU and his yardage total was fourth. His catch total ranks only behind the 87 catches Eric Kimble had in 12 games in 2005. Boyce's yardage total ranks behind the 1,453 yards Kimble had in 13 games in 2004, the 1,419 Kimble had in 2005 and the 1,376 Jeff Ogden had in 14 games in 1997.

Boyce had a record-breaking performance at Montana on Oct. 6 and was selected by The Sports Network as the NCAA Football Championships Subdivision Offensive Player of the Week. Boyce, a 2005 graduate of Kentwood High School in Kent, Wash., had the fourth-most catches in Big Sky history with a school-record 17. He finished the 24-23 loss to top-ranked Montana with 232 receiving yards to rank second in school history.

Boyce played just one year of high school football, but was a standout on the basketball court. As a junior, he teamed with former Eastern standout and current Detroit Pistons guard Rodney Stuckey to lead Kentwood to the 2004 State 4A Championship.

Boyce, whose top yardage performance as a freshman in 2006 was 96 yards, had six 100-yard receiving performances in 2007. His teammates added five more 100-yard performances (plus one of 99) to give EWU a total of 11 in the 2007 season. Here is a complete list:

**100-Yard Receiving Games for Aaron Boyce**

232 (17 catches, 1 TD) - Montana - 10/6/07 (#2 in school history)  
186 (9 catches, 2 TD) - Sacramento State - 10/27/07 (#10 in school history)  
135 (9 catches, 1 TD) - Brigham Young - 10/20/07  
126 (5 catches, 0 TD) - Montana State - 10/13/07  
119 (6 catches, 1 TD) - Portland State - 9/29/07  
107 (9 catches, 0 TD) - UC Davis - 9/15/07



**Other 100-Yard Receiving Games for Returning EWU Players**

150 (6 catches, 0 TD) - Tony Davis - Idaho State - 9/22/07  
139 (5 catches, 0 TD) - Brynson Brown - Portland State - 9/29/07  
138 (9 catches, 2 TD) - Brynson Brown - Northern Arizona - 10/28/06  
131 (8 catches, 1 TD) - Tony Davis - McNeese State - 11/24/07  
112 (6 catches, 0 TD) - Tony Davis - Central Washington - 9/16/06  
104 (7 catches, 0 TD) - Brynson Brown - McNeese State - 11/24/07  
104 (5 catches, 0 TD) - Brynson Brown - Sacramento State - 9/3/06  
99 (6 catches, 1 TD) - Brynson Brown - Weber State - 11/17/07

-- **Other EWU Statistical Leaders in 2007** -- Eastern Washington averaged a league-leading 462.3 yards of offense after 13 games, good for fifth in the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision. Eastern was also 18th in scoring offense (33.6), eighth in passing offense (295.4) and 50th in rushing offense (166.8). Eastern was also 10th in passing efficiency (155.6) with a school-record 36 touchdowns and just 11 interceptions. The Eagles, behind a veteran offensive line that included four senior starters, allowed 25 quarterback sacks to rank 62nd nationally (1.9 sacks per game), down from third after the Idaho State game when EWU had allowed just one in its first three games.

Defensively, Eastern was 80th in total defense (390.7), 30th in scoring defense (22.2), 38th in rushing defense (144.1), 104th in passing defense (246.6) and 24th in passing efficiency defense (112.3).

Through its first four games of the season, the Eagles had a plus 2.5 margin per game to rank first in turnover margin among the 116 teams in the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision. Eastern finished 20th with 21 turnovers (11 interceptions and 10 fumbles) while opponents had 33 (22 interceptions and 11 fumbles). Eastern ranked third in interceptions (total of 22), with 12 different players picking off passes. In 2006, the Eagles forced 26 turnovers and had 24 themselves.

Junior **Dale Morris**, who had 512 yards rushing and eight touchdowns in Eastern's last six games, was 71st in rushing (71.5 per game). He finished just 70 yards from the 1,000-yard mark for the season. Punter **Fritz Brayton** ranked 47th nationally (39.8 per punt) and kicker **Felipe Macias** was 64th in scoring (6.9) and 58th in field goals (0.85, total of 11). Junior defensive end **Greg Peach** was 11th in sacks (0.85 per game, total of 11).

-- **Morris Puts Injury Woes Behind Him** -- The injury woes of running back **Dale Morris** went in a different direction in 2007. The brother of Seattle Seahawks running back Maurice Morris, he missed 12 of a possible 23 games in his first two seasons as an Eagle with a knee injury as well as a painful Lisfranc foot sprain. However, he was at full strength again in 2007 after bio-mechanics rehabilitation to help the foot become flexible again and distribute weight evenly to the metatarsals. He finished the season with 930 yards rushing, including 512 yards and eight touchdowns in Eastern's last six games. He also had 11 catches for 77 yards and a score.

-- **Kefu Takes Advantage of New Rule** -- Thanks to a revised NCAA rule, running back **Toke Kefu** is able to return for the 2008 season. Kefu was injured in Eastern's fourth game of the 2007 season versus Portland State, and in any other year previous to that he would have played one too many games to be eligible for an automatic injury hardship. However, NCAA rules were revised in 2007 and enabled football players to play in as many as four games and be able to get the year back.

-- **A Former Minor League Baseball Player, Alexander Sees Action at Running Back** -- A 2001 graduate of Medical Lake, Wash., High School who will turn 26 during the season, **Alexis Alexander** nearly signed a letter of intent out of high school to play football for Big Sky rival Montana. Now, seven years later, the 25-year-old Alexander found himself the butt of good-natured ribbing from other Big Sky players during the Big Sky Conference Summer Kickoff he attended as EWU's player representative.

"All the other players were making fun of me, saying, 'Oh my god, are you really that old?'" laughed Alexander, whose nicknames at EWU are grandpa and pops. "They saw me eating fruit and told me I needed to eat that way to

stay healthy and asked if I wanted some calcium to keep my bones healthy. They were all over me but I told them that I'm used to it by now.

"Go ahead and give it to me -- I'm old, I'm old," he continued. "I'll be 26 in November playing against 18-year-olds. They call me old until I hit them."

As a fullback new to the EWU program in 2006, Alexander earned second team All-Big Sky Conference honors and was honored as the team's Offensive Player of the Year. He also saw action at running back in the 2007 season, and had 122 yards and a touchdown against UC Davis on Sept. 15, 2007. However, he missed EWU's last five games after suffering an abdominal injury that was later diagnosed as a hernia.

He started six games in 2006 at fullback, including the last five games of the season. He made his Eagle debut against Oregon State (8/31/06) when he played in his first football game in six years dating back to his senior season in high school in 2000.

He originally came to Eastern as a linebacker after transferring from Washington State University. He was a defensive scout team player in 2004 for the Cougars after going from receiver to defensive back to linebacker. He was an 18th-round draft choice by the Kansas City Royals in the 2001 Major League Baseball draft. He hit .225 in 355 career at bats, with five home runs and 22 stolen bases. He spent the 2002 season with the Spokane Indians of the Class A Northwest League.

-- **Noteworthy Relatives** -- A quartet of Eagles have some noteworthy coaching relatives. Center **Charlie Wulff** is the nephew of former Eagle head coach Paul Wulff, who is now at Washington State. The father of linebacker **Marcus Walker** is former Washington State University assistant coach Mike Walker. The elder Walker, whose children Marcus, Taylor (daughter), Payton (daughter) and were named after NFL standouts Marcus Walker, Lawrence Taylor and Walter Payton, respectively, is now on the coaching staff for the Toronto Argonauts in the Canadian Football League.

Also, tight end **Nathan Overbay** is the nephew of Major League Baseball player Lyle Overbay of the Toronto Blue Jays. And punter **Fritz Brayton**, a transfer from WSU, has three notable relatives. His father, Fritz Sr., was a wide receiver at WSU from 1971-73. The junior Brayton is the grandson of WSU baseball legend Bobo Brayton and his cousin Tyler Brayton plays in the NFL for the Carolina Panthers after previously playing for the Oakland Raiders and in college at Colorado.

-- **Eagles Looking for 1,000** -- Always proud of its running game with outstanding running backs and offensive linemen, Eastern has had a 1,000-yard rusher for nine of the last 13 seasons from 1995-2007, including six different players. Eastern had eight-straight seasons with a 1,000-yard rusher from 1995-2002.

The last time it happened came in 2004 when Darius Washington finished with 1,127 yards in 12 games. Because of a shoulder injury, he had just 16 yards in his last two regular season games, but had 257 yards in a pair of playoff games. The Eagles came up short in 2003 as Reggie Witherspoon finished with 766 after Washington's season came to a premature end with a knee injury in Eastern's second game of the season.

Joe Sewell started the string of 1,000-yard rushers with 1,025 in 1995, then had 1,094 in 1996. In 1997, Rex Prescott rushed for what was then a school-record 1,793 and Mike MacKenzie accumulated 1,058 in 1997 and 1,396 in 1998. Jovan Griffith finished with 1,275 in 1999, and Jesse Chatman had 1,188 in 2000 and a remarkable 2,096 in the 2001 season that surpassed Prescott's single season school record. The eighth-straight performance was by Griffith with 1,130 yards as he went over the 1,000-yard mark with a 199-yard performance in Eastern's season-ending 30-21 victory over No. 1 ranked Montana on Nov. 16, 2002. In Eastern's first 86 years of football, only three 1,000-yard performances have been recorded -- 1,238 by Mel Stanton in 1965, 1,049 by Meriel Michelson in 1950 and 1,114 by Jamie Townsend in 1985.

-- **Eagles 6-4 in Overtime Games** -- After defeating Montana State 51-44 in overtime on Nov. 13, 2004, Eastern Washington is now 6-4 in overtime

games. The Eagles are 4-1 in single overtime games, 1-3 in double overtime, and 1-0 in triple overtime contests. Here is the complete list of EWU overtime games:

2004 - at Montana State - W, 51-44 (one overtime)  
2003 - at Idaho State - L, 52-55 (two overtimes)  
2001 - at Sacramento State - W, 42-35 (one overtime)  
2001 - at Montana - L, 26-29 (two overtimes)  
2000 - at Weber State - W, 27-24 (one overtime)  
1998 - Portland State - L, 27-30 (one overtime)  
1994 - Montana State - W, 34-31 (three overtimes)  
1991 - at Idaho - W, 34-31 (two overtimes)  
1990 - Montana State - L, 25-28 (two overtimes)  
1990 - at Idaho State - W, 33-26 (one overtime)

-- **Watch Out for Eagles in 2017** -- Eastern has had three of its best seasons in school history in years that end in "7," so the Eagles can expect big things from their football program 10 years from now in 2017.

Eastern's 9-4 record in 2007 included a quarterfinal appearance in the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision Playoffs. Ten years ago in 1997, Eastern was 12-2 and advanced to the semifinals. Thirty years prior to that, Eastern advanced to the NAIA Championship game and finished 11-1.

The 1987 (4-7) and 1977 (5-4) teams didn't fare as well. But Eastern also had some pretty good teams in 1957 (5-2-1), 1947 (6-1-1) and 1937 (6-1).

-- **Eagles in the Playoffs** -- Eastern's 2007 appearance in the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision Playoffs was the school's sixth berth in school history. It was also the third in the last four years as EWU's appearances in 2004 and 2005 were the first time the Eagles had ever made back-to-back appearances.

Eastern has now advanced past the first round four times (1985, 1997, 2004, 2007) and has a 5-6 record in six playoff appearances.

In 2007, the Eagles handed second-seeded and No. 3 ranked McNeese State its first loss of the year in a 44-15 first-round victory. Eastern then lost in the quarterfinals at two-time defending champion Appalachian State. In 2004, Eastern defeated No. 1 ranked and top-seeded Southern Illinois 35-31 in the first round and then lost 35-34 to Sam Houston State in the quarterfinal round in EWU's first-ever playoff game at Woodward Field in Cheney, Wash. In both 2004 and 2007, Eastern entered the playoffs ranked 14th nationally.

Until 2004, Eastern hadn't appeared in the FCS playoffs since 1997 when the Eagles advanced to the semifinals where it lost to Youngstown State 25-14 at Albi Stadium in Spokane, Wash. Eastern played two early-round games at Albi, defeating Northwestern State 40-10 and Western Kentucky 38-21.

Eastern also participated in the playoffs in 1985 (won at Idaho 42-38 and lost at Northern Iowa 17-14) and 1992 (lost at Northern Iowa 17-14). The school's only other post-season experience came in 1967 when Eastern advanced to the NAIA Championship game where it lost to Fairmont State 28-21.

Here is a complete list of EWU's playoff games:

2007 - at Appalachian State - L, 35-38 (Quarterfinals)  
2007 - at McNeese State - W, 44-15 (First Round)  
2005 - at Northern Iowa - L, 38-41 (First Round)  
2004 - Sam Houston State - L, 34-35 (Quarterfinals/Cheney)  
2004 - at Southern Illinois - W, 35-31 (First Round)  
1997 - Youngstown State - L, 14-25 (Semifinals/Spokane)  
1997 - Western Kentucky - W, 38-21 (Quarterfinals/Spokane)  
1997 - Northwestern State - W, 40-10 (First Round/Spokane)  
1992 - at Northern Iowa - L, 14-17 (First Round)  
1985 - at Northern Iowa - L, 14-17 (Quarterfinals)  
1985 - at Idaho - W, 42-38 (First Round)

-- **EWU Playoff Tidbits** -- The 2007 playoff appearance was EWU's sixth playoff appearance and third in the last four seasons under former EWU head coach Paul Wulff. Only 10 teams out of the 116 schools in FCS in 2007 played in three of the last four tournaments.

The 2007 season was Eastern's fourth time advancing to the second round, but only once has Eastern won a quarterfinal game. In 1997, Eastern

beat Western Kentucky 38-21 before bowing out of the playoffs with a loss to eventual champion Youngstown State in the semifinals.

Eastern earned one of eight at-large playoff berths in 2007 after winning its last four games overall and last five league games. The only loss for the Eagles in their last six outings of the regular season was a 42-7 setback on Oct. 20 at Brigham Young, which ranked 14th in the final Associated Press NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision poll of the season. The Cougars finished the regular season 10-2 and advanced to the Las Vegas Bowl.

A regular season-ending 38-16 win over Weber State was EWU's fifth-straight Big Sky victory in 2007, matching Eastern's winning streak in 1997 when the Eagles won their last five league games en route to a 12-2 finish and semifinal appearance in the FCS Playoffs. Even in EWU's playoff years in 1992, 2004 and 2005, Eastern was not able to win four-straight league games.

-- **Eastern Repeats History** -- In the process of beating McNeese State 44-15 in the first round of the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision Playoffs in 2007, Eastern repeated a bit of history.

In 2004, in the first of what is now three playoff berths in the last four seasons for the Eagles, Eastern drew No. 1 ranked and top-seeded Southern Illinois. The Eagles went on to defeat the Salukis 35-31 before falling at home in the quarterfinals to Sam Houston State.

In both upset victories, Eastern entered the game ranked just 14th nationally.

Eastern also avoided a bit of history in the win over the Cowboys. Eastern held a 22-point lead early in the fourth quarter, but based on the last two EWU playoff games, that wasn't necessarily a good omen.

In the loss to Sam Houston State, Eastern led 34-14 with 14:54 left before falling 35-34. The next year, in a first round game at Northern Iowa, the Eagles led 38-24 with 11:03 remaining but lost 41-38.

This time, Eastern held McNeese State scoreless the final 24:12 of the game and the Eagles scored their final touchdown in the fourth quarter on an 80-yard drive that took more than six minutes off the clock. That clinching score followed an interception by senior Bryan Jarrett, who redshirted at EWU in 2004 and played in the disappointing loss the following season at Northern Iowa.

Eastern's 626 yards of total offense against McNeese State was the most for the Eagles in 10 years against a FCS opponent, and the most in five years overall. At one point, Eastern scored on five-straight offensive possessions behind an offensive line that featured four senior starters. The defense, with four senior starters, forced three turnovers as EWU won the turnover battle 3-2 against a team that ranked fourth nationally with a plus 1.64 margin per game (plus 18 overall). Eastern's defense was right behind at 10th nationally entering the game (1.27 per game, plus 14 overall). Eastern held McNeese State to just 312 yards of offense.

-- **Bracketology** -- Apparently, Eastern's upset over McNeese State was too much for the NCAA to believe. For a short time after EWU's 44-15 win, a bracket on the NCAA's web site mistakenly listed the Cowboys as the winner.

-- **EWU East of the Mississippi** -- Eastern had never played a team from the Southern Conference until its quarterfinal round game of the playoffs against Appalachian State on Dec. 1, 2007. In fact, it was just the fifth time Eastern has played a game East of the Mississippi.

The most recent came on Sept. 9, 2006, when Eastern lost 52-3 at West Virginia, which was ranked sixth at the time in the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision. That game marked the starting debut for current Eastern quarterback **Matt Nichols**.

The others were at Eastern Illinois in 1991 (a 30-12 loss) and at Connecticut to open the 2001 season (a 35-17 victory). The game against UConn came during the second year the Huskies were members of FBS, and the meeting came four seasons before they joined the Big East Conference in 2005.

Eastern also played in Morgantown, W.Va., at Mountaineer Stadium in the NAIA Championship Game in 1967, where it lost 28-21 to Fairmont State.





**2008 EASTERN ATHLETICS  
"100 FOR 100" ALL-TIME TEAM  
RECOGNITION & HALL OF FAME  
INDUCTION CLASS  
Sept. 27, 2008**

The "100 for 100" All-Time Football Team will be honored with the top player at each position announced on Sept. 27. Public on-line voting continues through Sept. 10 at: [HTTP://WWW.GOEAGS.COM](http://www.goeags.com)

- Jack Benson (Athlete & Coach/Gym. & Contrib.)
- Maxine Davis (Coach/Gymnastics & Contributor)
- Gary Lindeblad (Athlete/Golf & Contributor)
- Kevin Sargent (Athlete/Football)
- Chuck Randall will be honored as the recipient of the Hall of Fame Service and Contribution Award

To commemorate the 100th year of football at Eastern Washington University, the athletic department has named 100 of the top players in school history to the "100 for 100" All-Time Football Team. Players on the squad will be honored on Eastern Athletics Hall of Fame Day on Sept. 27, 2008, in conjunction with EWU's Big Sky Conference football game with Idaho State.

With more than 1,300 letter winners in recorded history – and more than 200 of them honored in one way or another – limiting the list to 100 was no easy task. Most of the athletes on the team were named to the squad by being first or second team All-America selections both at the NCAA or NAIA level. All-West Coast selections from the 1940s and 1950s also received automatic qualification because of the lack of small college All-America teams in that era. Players who earned third team All-America honors at the highest level of football Eastern has played (NCAA Football Championship Subdivision, formerly called I-AA) were also included.

Another large group of athletes selected came from a pair of all-star teams selected by former head coaches and Eastern Athletics Hall of Fame members **Red Reese** and **Dick Zornes**. Reese coached Eastern for 13 seasons (1930-41, 1946), but Zornes had the longest and most successful tenure at EWU. First as a player under the late Hall of Fame head coach **Dave Holmes**, then as a graduate assistant and finally as head coach and athletic director, Zornes was a part of Eastern teams that won 158 games in his 26-year tenure at Eastern (1963-67, 1971, 1979-98).

The remainder of the "100 for 100" team was selected via a vote by the 15-member Hall of Fame selection committee. That group voted Zornes, a first team All-Evergreen Conference defensive back in 1965, onto the "100 for 100" team.

It's a group that is representative of the school's 449 victories in 99 previous seasons that have included seven national playoff berths and 24 league titles. Perhaps most

importantly, the list is representative of a collegiate football program rooted in the state of Washington with nearly 90 percent of its annual roster consisting of graduates of in-state high schools. The "100 for 100" list, in fact, is made up of 90 percent Washingtonians.

**#Member of Eastern Athletics Hall of Fame**

**Offensive Linemen (26)**

Tom Ackerman – Nooksack, Wash. (Nooksack Valley HS '91) – 1992-93-94-95  
T.J. Ackerman – Nooksack, Wash. (Nooksack Valley HS '94) – 1995-96-97-98  
Matt Alfred – Gig Harbor, Wash. (Gig Harbor HS '03) – 2004-05-06-07  
Jim Buzzard – Centralia, Wash. (Centralia HS '93) – 1995-96-97  
Harold Fox – Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS) – 1991-92-93-94  
Greg Gavin – Tonasket, Wash. (Tonasket HS) – 1966-67-68-69  
Luke Fritz – Osoyoos, B.C. (Oroville '96) – 1997-98-99-00  
Rocky Hanni – Sumner, Wash. (Sumner HS '03) – 2004-05-06-07  
Dick Huston – Wapato, Wash. (Wapato HS) – 1954-55-56-57  
Claude Jones – Harrington, Wash. (Harrington HS) – 1929-30-31-32  
Lance Knaevelsrud – Bellevue, Wash. (Sammamish HS '95) – 1966-97-98-99  
Mick Landmark – Kamiah, Idaho (Kamiah HS '61 & Boise JC) – 1964-65-66  
Ron Mensinger – Kennewick, Wash. (Kennewick HS '53) – 1956-57  
Jeff Mickel – Edmonds, Wash. (Woodway HS '85) – 1985-86-87-88  
Kevin Peterson – Port Orchard, Wash. (South Kitsap HS '93) – 1994-95-96-97  
Chris Polinder – Lynden, Wash. (Lynden HS '97) – 1998-99-00-01  
Jerry Stannard – Spokane, Wash. – 1929-30-31  
Cece West – Chelan, Wash. (Chelan HS '33) – 1936-37-38-39  
Peder Thorntenson – Seattle, Wash. (Shorewood HS '88) – 1988-89-90-91  
Barry Randall – Dorothy, Alberta – 1965-66  
Trent Pollard – Seattle, Wash. (Rainer Beach HS '90) – 1990-91-92-93  
Michael Roos – Vancouver, Wash. (Mountain View HS '00) – 2001-02-03-04  
Kevin Sargent – Bremerton, Wash. (Bremerton HS '87) – 1988-89-90-91  
Ray Satterlee – Longview, Wash. – 1939-40-41  
#Ed Simmons – Seattle, Wash. (Nathan Hale HS '83) – 1983-84-85-86  
John Tighe – Lake Stevens, Wash. (CBC) – 1979-80-81

**Quarterbacks (8)**

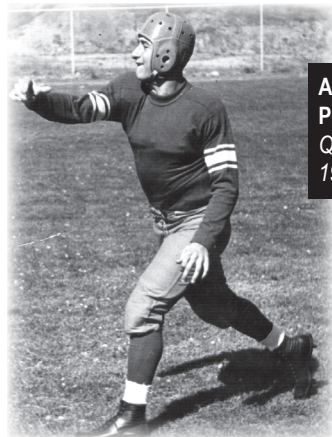
Josh Blankenship – Tulsa, Okla. (Union HS '99 & Univ. of Tulsa) – 2002  
#Bill Diedrick – Spokane, Wash. (North Central HS) – 1965-66-67-69  
Harry Leons – Olympia, Wash. (Olympia HS '93) – 1995-96-97  
Erik Meyer – La Mirada, Calif. (La Mirada HS '01) – 2002-03-04-05  
Matt Nichols – Cottonwood, Calif. (West Valley HS '05) – 2006-07  
Abe Poffenroth – Spokane, Wash. (Rogers HS) – 1936-37-38-39  
Mark Tenneson – Sedro Woolley, Wash. (S. Woolley HS '88) – 1989-90-91-92  
Rick Worman – Saratoga, Calif. (Sara. HS '81 & Fresno St.) – 1984-85

**Running Backs (12)**

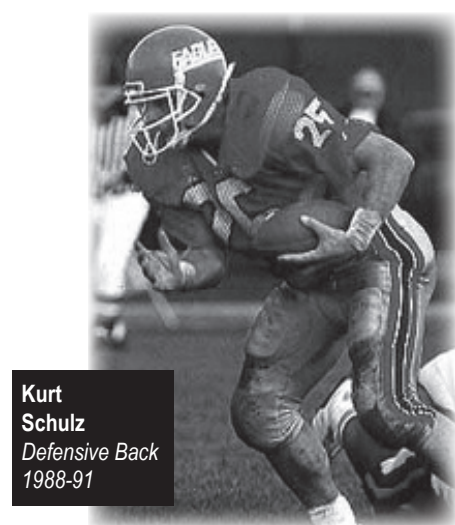
Jack Barnes – Spokane, Wash. – 1933-34-35-36  
Jesse Chatman – Seattle, Wash. (Franklin HS '98) – 1999-00-01  
Mel Collins – Chowchilla, Calif. (Walla Walla CC) – 1969-70-71  
Joe Kniffen – Sumner, Wash. (Sumner HS '82) – 1982-83-84-85  
Dick Maurstad – Arlington, Wash. – 1936-37-38-39  
#Meriel Michelson – Pasco, Wash. (Pasco HS) – 1947-48-49-50  
Ralph Peterson – Cashmere, Wash. (Cashmere HS) – 1931-32-33-34  
Rex Prescott – Seattle, Wash. (Kennedy HS '93) – 1994-95-96-97  
#Mel Stanton – Spokane, Wash. (Lewis & Clark HS) – 1963-64-65  
Don Strate – Davenport, Wash. (Davenport HS '63) – 1964-65-66  
Jamie Townsend – Pasco, Wash. (Pasco HS '84) – 1984-85-86-88  
Darius Washington – Mukilteo, Wash. (Mariner HS '99) – 2001-02-04

**Wide Receivers/Tight Ends (13)**

Wally Bannon – Colville, Wash. (Colville HS) – 1933-34-35-36  
Tom Bassett – Sunnyside, Wash. (Sunnyside HS '74) – 1974-75-76-77



**Abe  
Poffenroth  
Quarterback  
1936-39**



**Kurt  
Schulz  
Defensive Back  
1988-91**

Aaron Boyce – Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05) – 2006-07  
Tony Brooks – Tacoma, Wash. (Mount Tahoma HS) – 1990-91-92-93  
Scott Garske – Spokane, Wash. (North Central HS) – 1971-72-73  
Jesse Hardt – Odessa, Wash. (Odessa HS '91) – 1992-93-94-95  
Tony Lenseigne – Moxee, Wash. (East Valley HS '87) – 1988-89-90-91  
Jeff Ogden – Snohomish, Wash. (Snohomish HS '93) – 1995-96-97  
#Bob Picard – Omak, Wash. (Omak HS '68) – 1968-69-71-72  
Eric Riley – North Bend, Wash. (Mount Si HS '83) – 1983-84-85-86  
#Dave Svendsen – Sumner, Wash. (Sumner HS) – 1966-67-68  
Bob Tosch – Cashmere, Wash. (Cashmere HS) – 1939-40  
Raul Vijil – Pasco, Wash. (Pasco HS '01) – 2002-03-04-05

**Defensive Linemen (11)**

Jeff Allen – Spokane, Wash. (Central Valley HS '96) – 1997-98-99-00  
Vern Garland – Concrete, Wash. (Concrete HS) – 1964-65-66-67  
Paul Horak – Odessa, Wash. (Odessa HS) – 1965-66-67-68  
Dan Moriarty – Seattle, Wash. (O'Dea HS '82) – 1983-84-85-86  
Greg Peach – Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05) – 2005-06-07  
Dario Romero – Spokane, Wash. (Lewis & Clark HS '96) – 1997-98-99-00  
Chris Scott – Wenatchee, Wash. (Wenatchee HS '93) – 1994-95-96-97  
Ray Sheahan – Rosalia, Wash. (Rosalia HS) – 1948-49-50  
Frank Staudenraus – Ocean Park, Wash. (Ilwaco HS '81) – 1982-83-84-85  
Craig Steinmetzer – Maple Valley, Wash. (Tahoma HS '91) – 1991-92-93-94  
Tommy Williams – Chicago, Ill. (Hyde Park HS '89 Moraine Val. CC) – 1991-92

**Linebackers (11)**

Dion Alexander – Federal Way, Wash. (Federal Way HS '92) – 1992-93-94-95  
Bill Altana – Yakima, Wash. (West Valley HS '83) – 1983-84-85-86  
Greg Belzer – Chewelah, Wash. (Jenkins HS '96) – 1997-98-99-00  
Joey Cwik – Spokane, Wash. (Mead HS '02) – 2002-03-04-05  
Jason Marsh – Auburn, Wash. (Auburn HS '89) – 1991-92-93  
Eric McIntyre – Spokane, Wash. (Rogers HS & Cal-Berk) – 1980-81  
Jeff Metter – San Mateo, Calif. (Hillsdale HS '78 & USC) – 1982-83  
Herm Pein – Addy, Wash. (Chewelah HS '46) – 1946-47-48-49  
Joe Peterson – Kirkland, Wash. (Juanita HS '88) – 1989-90-91-92  
Derek Strey – Port Orchard, Wash. (South Kitsap HS '93) – 1993-95-96-97  
Bill "Bink" Wall – Tekoa, Wash. (Tekoa HS '64) – 1965-66-67

**Defensive Backs (13)**

Dean Adams – Manson, Wash. (Manson HS '62 & Wen. Val. CC) – 1964-65  
Ed Fisher – Spokane, Wash. (Shadle Park HS) – 1967-68-69-70  
Rob Friese – Lebam, Wash. (Willapa Valley HS '81) – 1982-83-84-85  
Jerry Kaiser – Seattle, Wash. (Chief Sealth HS '78) – 1982-83  
Jackie Kellogg – Tacoma, Wash. (Clover Park HS '89) – 1990-91-92-93  
Greg Kramer – Snohomish, Wash. (Sno. HS '78 & CBC) – 1981-82  
Jim Northcott – Spokane, Wash. (Gonzaga Prep HS) – 1966-67-68  
Maurice Perigo – Oak Harbor, Wash. (O. Harbor HS '94) – 1994-95-96-97  
Mark Puyear – Granger, Wash. (Granger HS '80) – 1980-81-82-83  
Mike Richter – Newport, Wash. (Newport HS) – 1971-73-74-75  
#Kurt Schulz – Yakima, Wash. (Eisenhower HS '87) – 1988-89-90-91  
Isaiah Trufant – Tacoma, Wash. (Wilson HS '01) – 2002-03-04-05  
#Dick Zornes – Vancouver, Wash. (Hudson's Bay HS '62) – 1963-64-65-66

**All-Purpose/Specialists (6)**

Lamont Brightful – Everett, Wash. (Mariner HS '97) – 1998-99-00-01  
Troy Griggs – University Place, Wash. (Curtis HS '98) – 1999-00-01  
Eric Kimble – Tacoma, Wash. (Franklin Pierce HS '01) – 2002-03-04-05  
Bashir Livingston – Seaside, Calif. (Seaside HS '95 & Utah St.) – 1998  
Craig Richardson – Seattle, Wash. (O'Dea HS '83) – 1983-84-85-86  
Eric Stein – Yakima, Wash. (West Valley HS '84) – 1984-85-86-87



# 2008 Depth Chart

%Injured. &Injured and out for the 2008 season. #2007 Starter.\*Has used redshirt year.

## DEFENSE

### Left End

4	#Jason Belford	6-1	240	Sr.	3L*	Tacoma, Wash. (Lincoln HS '04)
88	David Miles	6-4	245	Fr.	HS*	Maplewood, Minn. (Roseville HS '07)
95	Charles Moetului	6-3	220	Fr.	HS*	North Bend, Wash. (Mount Si HS '07)

### Nose Tackle

49	Tyler Jolley	6-3	275	So.	1L*	Nine Mile Falls, Wash. (East Valley HS '06)
98	Renard Williams	6-2	300	Fr.	HS*	Port Orchard, Wash. (South Kitsap HS '07)
69	Jim Haman	6-1	265	Fr.	HS*	Milwaukie, Ore. (Milwaukie HS '07)
42	&#Shawn Powell	6-1	250	Sr.	3L*	Spokane, Wash. (Shadle Park HS '04)

### Tackle

55	#Lance Witherspoon	6-2	275	Sr.	3L*	Federal Way, Wash. (Decatur HS '04)
90	Josh Jacobson	6-1	250	Jr.	2L*	Puyallup, Wash. (Rogers HS '05)
66	Evan Cook	6-3	270	Fr.	HS	Federal Way, Wash. (Todd Beamer HS '08)

### Right End

94	#Greg Peach	6-3	255	Sr.	3L	Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)
99	Jacob Kragt	6-3	230	Jr.	2L*	Ritzville, Wash. (Lind-Ritzville HS '05)
56	Lorenzo Lomack	6-0	240	So.	1L*	San Diego, Calif (Bonita Vista HS '06)

### Weak-Side Outside Linebacker

32	J.C. Sherritt	5-10	210	So.	1L*	Pullman, Wash. (Pullman HS '06)
19	Kyle Wilkins	5-9	200	Jr.	2L*	Monroe, Wash. (Archbishop Murphy HS '05)
18	Jason Harris	6-1	215	So.	SQ*	Sammamish, Wash. (Skyline HS '06)

### Strong-Side Inside Linebacker

41	Zach Johnson	6-1	205	Fr.	HS*	Tumwater, Wash. (Tumwater HS '07)
34	Ethen Robinson	5-10	200	So.	SQ*	Spokane, Wash. (Lewis & Clark HS '06)

### Middle Linebacker

27	#Makai Borden	5-11	215	Jr.	2L*	Puyallup, Wash. (Puyallup HS '05)
8	Marcus Walker	5-11	210	Sr.	3L*	Pullman, Wash. (Pullman HS '04)
47	Bobby Gentry	5-11	200	Fr.	HS*	Seattle, Wash. (Kennedy HS '07)

### Boundary Cornerback

35	Adam Macomber	5-6	170	Sr.	3L	Port Angeles, Wash. (Port Angeles HS '05)
29	Jeremy Chaten	6-1	160	Fr.	HS*	Seattle, Wash. (Franklin HS '07)
6	%Taiwan Jones	6-1	185	Fr.	HS*	Antioch, Calif. (Deer Valley HS '07)

### Field Cornerback

1	Lonnie Hosley	5-8	160	Jr.	2L*	Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)
3	#Ryan Kelley	5-10	190	Sr.	1L*	Los Angeles, Ca. (Serra HS '03, College of San Mateo JC & Montana St.)
28	Dante Calcote	5-8	150	So.	1L*	Seattle, Wash. (Renton HS '06)

### Free Safety

15	#Kevin Hatch	5-9	180	Jr.	2L*	Spokane, Wash. (Freeman HS '05)
17	Jesse Hoffman	6-2	210	So.	1L*	Seattle, Wash. (Shorecrest HS '06)

### Strong Safety

40	Matt Johnson	6-1	215	Fr.	HS*	Tumwater, Wash. (Tumwater HS '07)
36	Will Edge	6-0	180	So.	1L*	Tacoma, Wash. (Mount Tahoma HS '06)
11	John Roberts	5-10	195	Fr.	HS*	Colville, Wash. (Colville HS '07)

## OFFENSE

### Left Tackle

79	Brice Leahy	6-7	295	So.	1L*	Gig Harbor, Wash. (Gig Harbor HS '06)
60	Gabriel Jackson	6-4	275	Fr.	HS*	Tacoma, Wash. (Mount Tahoma HS '06)

### Left Guard

70	Ryan Forney	6-3	280	Jr.	1L*	Silverdale, Wash. (Central Kitsap HS '05)
72	Nikolai Myers	6-4	275	So.	SQ*	Seattle, Wash. (Ingraham HS '06)
95	Charles Moetului	6-3	220	Fr.	HS*	North Bend, Wash. (Mount Si HS '07)

### Center

61	#Charlie Wulff	6-0	270	Sr.	3L*	Woodland, Calif. (Woodland HS '04)
58	Clint Moquist	6-3	245	So.	SQ*	Spokane, Wash. (University HS '06)
78	Chris Powers	6-2	265	Fr.	HS*	Black Diamond, Wash. (Tahoma HS '07)

## Pronunciations

Antonson
an-tone-son
Darriell Beaumonte
dare-ee-el bo-mont
Burgett
bur-get
Calcote
cal-coat
Jeremy Chaten
chay-tin
Falelaulii
fah-la-louie
Ikaika Gleason
ee-kie-kuh
Haehl
hale
Haman
hay-mun
Hosley
hose-lee
Igbinoba
i-bee-nuh-bah
Jimenez
hee-men-ez
Karwacki
car-wauce-key
Toke Kefu
toe-kay keh-fooh
Kragt
crawt
Leahy
lay-hee
Felipe Macias
feh-leap-eh
Macomber
may-come-ber
Makai (Borden)
muh-kie
Moetului
moy-to-louie
Nikolai Myers
nick-oh-lie
Ramos
ray-muss
Rohner
row-nur
Stephen Tucker
steff-uhn

**Right Guard**

67	Bryan Smith	6-3	280	Sr.	3L*	Enumclaw, Wash. (Enumclaw HS '04)
65	Sean Rock	6-4	290	Jr.	1L*	Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
59	Paul Samra	6-4	270	So.	SQ*	Surrey, B.C. (Centennial Sec. School '06)
75	Ray Falelaulii	6-2	245	Fr.	HS*	University Place, Wash. (Curtis HS '07)

**Right Tackle**

71	Chris Thomas	6-5	300	Jr.	2L*	Sumner, Wash. (Sumner HS '05)
73	John Rice	6-7	295	Jr.	1L*	Buckley, Wash. (White River HS '05)

**Quarterback**

16	#Matt Nichols	6-2	220	Jr.	2L*	Cottonwood, Calif. (West Valley HS '05)
12	Alex Smart	6-3	220	Sr.	3L*	North Bend, Wash. (Mount Si HS '04)
13	Scott Burgett	6-2	210	Fr.	HS	Peoria, Ariz. (Centennial HS '08)

**Tailback**

22	#Dale Morris	5-9	205	Sr.	3L*	Chester, S.C. (Marist HS '04)
10	A.J. Jimerson	6-1	215	Sr.	2L*	Seattle, Wash. (Garfield HS '04)
33	Tyler Hart	5-10	205	Fr.	HS*	Friday Harbor, Wash. (Friday Harbor HS '07)

**Fullback**

44	Alexis Alexander	5-10	230	Sr.	2L*	Medical Lake, Wash. (Medical Lake HS '01 & Washington State Univ.)
5	Toke Kefu	5-10	240	Sr.	3L*	San Mateo, Calif. (San Mateo HS '04)
45	Darriell Beaumonte	5-11	205	Fr.	HS*	Lakewood, Wash. (Clover Park HS '07)

**Tight End**

81	Nathan Overbay	6-5	270	Jr.	2L*	Chehalis, Wash. (W.F. West HS '05)
82	Matt Martin	6-2	240	So.	1L*	La Crosse, Wash. (La Crosse-Washtucna HS '06)

**Slot Receiver**

20	#Tony Davis	5-9	185	Jr.	2L*	Olympia, Wash. (Capital HS '05)
21	Nicholas Ramos	5-8	165	Jr.	2L*	Winters, Calif. (Winters HS '05)
26	Brett Igbinoba	6-0	200	Jr.	2L*	Cheney, Wash. (Cheney HS '05)

**"X" Wide Receiver**

83	#Brynsen Brown	6-1	210	Jr.	2L*	Puyallup, Wash. (Emerald Ridge HS '05)
2	Ashton Gant	5-10	180	So.	1L*	Pullman, Wash. (Pullman HS '06)
87	J.T. Leggin	6-2	190	Jr.	JC	Tacoma, Wash. (Stadium HS '05 & Sacramento City College)

**"Z" Wide Receiver**

9	#Aaron Boyce	6-3	210	Jr.	2L*	Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
23	Shane Hoffman	6-0	190	Sr.	SQ*	Seattle, Wash. (Shorecrest HS '04 & Orange Coast CC)
39	Aaron Cartwright	5-11	185	Jr.	SQ*	Everett, Wash. (Mariner HS '05)
86	Eric Clark	5-10	170	So.	HS*	Tacoma, Wash. (Clover Park HS '05)

**SPECIAL TEAMS**

**Kicker**

96	#Felipe Macias	5-9	220	Sr.	1L	Oxnard, Calif. (Channel Island HS '05 & Moorpark College)
92	Mike Jarrett	5-9	165	Fr.	HS*	Puyallup, Wash. (Puyallup HS '07)

**Punter**

46	#Fritz Brayton	6-3	190	Sr.	1L*	Portland, Ore. (Westview HS '04 & Washington State Univ.)
96	Felipe Macias	5-9	220	Sr.	1L	Oxnard, Calif. (Channel Island HS '05 & Moorpark College)

**Snapper**

62	Mark Lathim	6-0	225	Sr.	3L*	Connell, Wash. (Connell HS '04)
49	Tyler Jolley	6-3	275	So.	1L*	Nine Mile Falls, Wash. (East Valley HS '06)

**Holder**

46	Fritz Brayton	6-3	190	Sr.	1L*	Portland, Ore. (Westview HS '04 & Washington State Univ.)
12	Alex Smart	6-3	220	Sr.	3L*	North Bend, Wash. (Mount Si HS '04)

**Kickoff Returns**

21	Nicholas Ramos	5-8	165	Jr.	2L*	Winters, Calif. (Winters HS '05)
33	Tyler Hart	5-10	205	Fr.	HS*	Friday Harbor, Wash. (Friday Harbor HS '07)
10	A.J. Jimerson	6-1	215	Sr.	2L*	Seattle, Wash. (Garfield HS '04)
83	Brynsen Brown	6-1	210	Jr.	2L*	Puyallup, Wash. (Emerald Ridge HS '05)
17	Jesse Hoffman	6-2	210	So.	1L*	Seattle, Wash. (Shorecrest HS '06)
6	%Taiwan Jones	6-1	185	Fr.	HS*	Antioch, Calif. (Deer Valley HS '07)

**Punt Returns**

33	Tyler Hart	5-10	205	Fr.	HS*	Friday Harbor, Wash. (Friday Harbor HS '07)
20	Tony Davis	5-9	185	Jr.	2L*	Olympia, Wash. (Capital HS '05)
1	Lonnie Hosley	5-8	160	Jr.	2L*	Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)
23	Shane Hoffman	6-0	190	Sr.	SQ*	Seattle, Wash. (Shorecrest HS '04 & Orange Coast CC)
6	%Taiwan Jones	6-1	185	Fr.	HS*	Antioch, Calif. (Deer Valley HS '07)

**Coaching Staff**

*Head Coach - Beau*

**Baldwin** (Central Washington '96; 1st Season as Head Coach & 5th Overall at EWU)

*Offensive Coordinator/*

*Quarterbacks/Pro Football Liaison - Joe Wade* (Linfield '91; 9th Season)

*Defensive Coordinator -*

**John Graham** (Central Washington '92; 1st Season)

*Tight Ends/Recruiting*

*Coordinator - Chris Hansen* (Eastern Washington '91; 10th Season)

*Offensive Line/Academic*

*Coordinator - Aaron Best* (Eastern Washington '01; 8th Season)

*Linebackers/Co-Special*

*Teams Coordinator/Video Coordinator - Jeff Schmedding* (Eastern Washington '02; 4th Season)

*Wide Receivers/*

*Co-Special Teams Coordinator/Camps Coordinator - Chris Peterson* (Cal Poly '04; 2nd Season)

*Defensive Line - Ryan*

**Sawyer** (Central Washington '03; 1st Season)

*Defensive Backs/Travel*

*Coordinator - Torey Hunter* (Washington State '03; 1st Season)

*Running Backs - Nat*

**Conley** (Central Washington '03; 1st Season)

# 2008 EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL STATISTICS

0-1 Overall (0-0 Home/0-1 Away), 0-0 Big Sky Conference (0-0 Home/0-0 Away)

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
Aug 30, 2008	at Texas Tech	L	24-49	49887
Sep 6, 2008	at Colorado		12:30 pm	
Sep 20, 2008	WESTERN WASHINGTON		6:05 pm	
*Sep 27, 2008	IDAHO STATE		12:37 pm	
*Oct 4, 2008	at Portland State		1:05 pm	
*Oct 11, 2008	MONTANA		2:05 pm	
*Oct 18, 2008	at Montana State		12:05 pm	
*Nov 1, 2008	SACRAMENTO STATE		2:05 pm	
*Nov 8, 2008	at Northern Colorado		11:05 am	
*Nov 15, 2008	NORTHERN ARIZONA		2:05 pm	
*Nov 22, 2008	at Weber State		11:05 am	
*Big Sky Conference Game. All Times Pacific.				

RUSHING	GP-GS	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Dale Morris	1-1	9	19	2	17	1.9	0	6	17.0
Tyler Hart	1-0	3	14	1	13	4.3	0	9	13.0
Toke Kefu	1-0	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	3.0
A. Alexander	1-0	2	3	0	3	1.5	1	2	3.0
Matt Nichols	1-1	7	13	26	-13	-1.9	1	6	-13.0
Total.....	1	22	52	29	23	1.0	2	9	23.0
Opponents.....	1	25	104	1	103	4.1	5	26	103.0

PASSING	GP-GS	Effic	Cmp	Att	Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
Matt Nichols	1-1	100.72	36	61	3	59.0	335	1	30	335.0
Alex Smart	1-0	125.20	2	2	0	100.0	6	0	7	6.0
Total.....	1	101.50	38	63	3	60.3	341	1	30	341.0
Opponents.....	1	159.70	43	58	1	74.1	536	2	76	536.0

RECEIVING	GP-GS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Tony Davis	1-1	13	114	8.8	1	30	114.0
Brynsen Brown	1-1	8	82	10.2	0	20	82.0
Nathan Overbay	1-1	5	61	12.2	0	27	61.0
Dale Morris	1-1	5	57	11.4	0	18	57.0
Aaron Boyce	1-1	3	12	4.0	0	9	12.0
Matt Martin	1-0	2	9	4.5	0	6	9.0
Ashton Gant	1-0	1	7	7.0	0	7	7.0
J.T. Leggin	1-0	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-1.0
Total.....	1	38	341	9.0	1	30	341.0
Opponents.....	1	43	536	12.5	2	76	536.0

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Btk
Felipe Macias	1-2	50.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1-1	55	1

SCORING	TD	FGs	Kick	PATs	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Points
Tony Davis	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
A. Alexander	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
Felipe Macias	0	1-2	3-3	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
Matt Nichols	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
Total.....	3	1-2	3-3	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	24
Opponents.....	7	0-2	5-6	0-0	1	1-1	0	0	0	49

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Eastern Washington..	0	17	7	0	24
Opponents.....	21	7	7	14	49

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
Matt Nichols	1	68	-13	335	322	322.0
Dale Morris	1	9	17	0	17	17.0
Tyler Hart	1	3	13	0	13	13.0
Alex Smart	1	2	0	6	6	6.0
Toke Kefu	1	1	3	0	3	3.0
A. Alexander	1	2	3	0	3	3.0
Total.....	1	85	23	341	364	364.0
Opponents.....	1	83	103	536	639	639.0

TEAM STATISTICS	EWU	OPP
FIRST DOWNS.....	24	30
Rushing.....	4	8
Passing.....	17	19
Penalty.....	3	3
RUSHING YARDAGE.....	23	103
Yards gained rushing...	52	104
Yards lost rushing.....	29	1
Rushing Attempts.....	22	25
Average Per Rush.....	1.0	4.1
Average Per Game.....	23.0	103.0
TDs Rushing.....	2	5
PASSING YARDAGE.....	341	536
Att-Comp-Int.....	63-38-3	58-43-1
Average Per Pass.....	5.4	9.2
Average Per Catch.....	9.0	12.5
Average Per Game.....	341.0	536.0
TDs Passing.....	1	2
TOTAL OFFENSE.....	364	639
Total Plays.....	85	83
Average Per Play.....	4.3	7.7
Average Per Game.....	364.0	639.0
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS...	8-152	1-43
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS...	2-4	5-21
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS...	1-37	3-29
FUMBLES-LOST.....	0-0	1-1
PENALTIES-YARDS.....	9-54	18-169
PUNTS-AVG.....	5-40.6	2-43.5
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME..	30:34	29:26
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS.....	3/15	8/14
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS.....	1/3	0/2

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Matt Johnson	1	37	37.0	0	37
Total.....	1	37	37.0	0	37
Opponents.....	3	29	9.7	0	17

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Btkd
Fritz Brayton	5	203	40.6	52	0	0	1	0
Total.....	5	203	40.6	52	0	0	1	0
Opponents.....	2	87	43.5	53	0	0	1	0

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Tyler Hart	2	4	2.0	0	4
Total.....	2	4	2.0	0	4
Opponents.....	5	21	4.2	0	14

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
A.J. Jimerson	4	72	18.0	0	23
Nicholas Ramos	4	80	20.0	0	27
Total.....	8	152	19.0	0	27
Opponents.....	1	43	43.0	0	43

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
Tony Davis	1	0	114	0	0	0	114	114.0
Brynsen Brown	1	0	82	0	0	0	82	82.0
Nicholas Ramos	1	0	0	0	80	0	80	80.0
Dale Morris	1	17	57	0	0	0	74	74.0
A.J. Jimerson	1	0	0	0	72	0	72	72.0
Nathan Overbay	1	0	61	0	0	0	61	61.0
Matt Johnson	1	0	0	0	0	37	37	37.0
Tyler Hart	1	13	0	4	0	0	17	17.0
Aaron Boyce	1	0	12	0	0	0	12	12.0
Matt Martin	1	0	9	0	0	0	9	9.0
Ashton Gant	1	0	7	0	0	0	7	7.0
Toke Kefu	1	3	0	0	0	0	3	3.0
A. Alexander	1	3	0	0	0	0	3	3.0
J.T. Leggin	1	0	-1	0	0	0	-1	-1.0
Matt Nichols	1	-13	0	0	0	0	-13	-13.0
Total.....	1	23	341	4	152	37	557	557.0
Opponents.....	1	103	536	21	43	29	732	732.0



DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP-GS	Tackles			TFL/Yds	Sacks		Pass Def			Fumbles		Blkd		
		Solo	Ast	Total		No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	Rcv-Yds	FF	Kick	Saf		
40 Matt Johnson	1-1	7	3	10	.	.	1-37	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
41 Zach Johnson	1-1	6	2	8	1.0-4	.	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3 Ryan Kelley	1-1	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
15 Kevin Hatch	1-1	5	.	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8 Marcus Walker	1-0	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32 J.C. Sherritt	1-1	5	.	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27 Makai Borden	1-1	4	.	4	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1 Lonnie Hosley	1-1	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17 Jesse Hoffman	1-0	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
49 Tyler Jolley	1-1	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
94 Greg Peach	1-1	2	1	3	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19 Kyle Wilkins	1-0	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21 Nicholas Ramos	1-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.
35 Adam Macomber	1-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
16 Matt Nichols	1-1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
55 L. Witherspoon	1-1	1	.	1	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
28 Dante Calcote	1-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
88 David Miles	1-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9 Aaron Boyce	1-1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
81 Nathan Overbay	1-1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98 Renard Williams	1-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM Team	1-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
Total.....	1-0	57	12	69	2-5	0-0	1-37	5	.	1-0	.	2	.	.	.
Opponents.....	1-0	64	8	72	6-30	3-26	3-29	8	.	.	.	1	.	.	.

<b>STARTERS - OFF.</b>	<b>Left Tackle</b>	<b>Left Guard</b>	<b>Center</b>	<b>Right Guard</b>	<b>Right Tackle</b>	<b>Quarterback</b>	<b>Tailback</b>	<b>TE/WR</b>	<b>Wide Receiver</b>	<b>Wide Receiver</b>	<b>FB/TE/WR</b>
Texas Tech	Leahy	Forney	Wulff	Smith	Thomas	Nichols	Morris	Overbay	Boyce	Brown	Davis (wr)
Colorado											
Western Wash.											
Idaho State											
Portland State											
Montana											
Montana State											
Sacramento State											
Northern Colorado											
Northern Arizona											
Weber State											

<b>STARTERS - DEF.</b>	<b>Boundary CB</b>	<b>Field CB</b>	<b>Free Safety</b>	<b>Strong Safety</b>	<b>Weak Out. LB</b>	<b>Middle LB</b>	<b>Strong In. LB</b>	<b>Left End</b>	<b>Nose Tackle</b>	<b>Tackle</b>	<b>Right End</b>
Texas Tech	Kelley	Hosley	Hatch	M. Johnson	Sherritt	Borden	Z. Johnson	Belford	Jolley	Witherspoon	Peach
Colorado											
Western Wash.											
Idaho State											
Portland State											
Montana											
Montana State											
Sacramento State											
Northern Colorado											
Northern Arizona											
Weber State											

**WEEKLY TEAM AWARDS (announced on Monday afternoons following games)**

----- Captains -----			----- Players of the Week -----				----- Scout Team Players of the Week -----	
			Defense	Offense	Special Teams	Captain	Defense	Offense
2008 Season	Jason Belford (Def.)	Matt Nichols (Off.)						
Texas Tech	Toke Kefu	Nicholas Ramos	Matt Johnson	Tony Davis	Nicholas Ramos	TBA	TBA	TBA

Scoring Summary (Final)  
2008 Eastern Washington Univ. Football  
Eastern Washington vs Texas Tech (Aug 30, 2008 at Lubbock, Texas)

Eastern Washington (0-1) vs. Texas Tech (1-0)  
Date: Aug 30, 2008 Site: Lubbock, Texas Stadium: Jones AT&T Stadium  
Attendance: 49887

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Eastern Washington..	0	17	7	0	- 24
Texas Tech.....	21	7	7	14	- 49

Scoring Summary:

1st 12:43 TTU - Woods, Shannon 2 yd run (Carona, Donnie kick)  
8 plays, 30 yards, TOP 2:06, EWU 0 - TTU 7  
08:32 TTU - Harrell, Graham 1 yd run (Carona, Donnie kick blockd)  
10 plays, 78 yards, TOP 3:14, EWU 0 - TTU 13  
00:48 TTU - Crabtree, M. 4 yd pass from Harrell, Graham (Lewis, Detron pass from Harrell, Graham)  
10 plays, 90 yards, TOP 3:25, EWU 0 - TTU 21  
2nd 13:45 EWU - Alexis Alexander 1 yd run (Felipe Macias kick)  
3 plays, 7 yards, TOP 0:47, EWU 7 - TTU 21  
10:54 TTU - Woods, Shannon 1 yd run (Carona, Donnie kick)  
9 plays, 90 yards, TOP 2:51, EWU 7 - TTU 28  
02:44 EWU - Matt Nichols 1 yd run (Felipe Macias kick)  
7 plays, 54 yards, TOP 3:01, EWU 14 - TTU 28  
00:00 EWU - Felipe Macias 55 yd field goal  
6 plays, 24 yards, TOP 1:09, EWU 17 - TTU 28  
3rd 04:51 TTU - Britton, Edward 1 yd pass from Harrell, Graham (Carona, Donnie kick)  
8 plays, 61 yards, TOP 3:26, EWU 17 - TTU 35  
00:21 EWU - Tony Davis 30 yd pass from Matt Nichols (Felipe Macias kick)  
11 plays, 77 yards, TOP 4:30, EWU 24 - TTU 35  
4th 12:20 TTU - Crawford, Aaron 6 yd run (Carona, Donnie kick)  
8 plays, 72 yards, TOP 3:01, EWU 24 - TTU 42  
02:08 TTU - Batch, Baron 26 yd run (Carona, Donnie kick)  
3 plays, 54 yards, TOP 0:49, EWU 24 - TTU 49

Kickoff time: 6:00 pm End of Game: 9:40 pm Total elapsed time: 3:40  
Officials: Referee: Roger Gaskamp; Umpire: Hugh Douglas; Linesman: Tripp Sutter;  
Line judge: Kieth Garmond; Back judge: Terry Jones; Field judge: Dirk Ryals;  
Side judge: Joel Wetzel;  
Temperature: 78 Wind: South 8 Weather: Cloudy

Team Statistics (Final)

	EWU	TTU			
FIRST DOWNS.....	24	30	Inside 20.....	1	1
Rushing.....	4	8	50+ Yards.....	1	1
Passing.....	17	19	Touchbacks.....	0	0
Penalty.....	3	3	Fair catch.....	0	0
NET YARDS RUSHING.....	23	103	KICKOFFS-YARDS.....	4-225	8-543
Rushing Attempts.....	22	25	Average Yards Per Kickoff...	56.2	67.9
Average Per Rush.....	1.0	4.1	Net Yards Per Kickoff.....	40.5	48.9
Rushing Touchdowns.....	2	5	Touchbacks.....	1	0
Yards Gained Rushing.....	52	104	Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD.	2-4-0	5-21-0
Yards Lost Rushing.....	29	1	Average Per Return.....	2.0	4.2
NET YARDS PASSING.....	341	536	Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	8-152-0	1-43-0
Completions-Attempts-Int....	38-63-3	43-58-1	Average Per Return.....	19.0	43.0
Average Per Attempt.....	5.4	9.2	Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD..	1-37-0	3-29-0
Average Per Completion.....	9.0	12.5	Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD.	0-0-0	0-0-0
Passing Touchdowns.....	1	2	Miscellaneous Yards.....	4	9
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS.....	364	639	Possession Time.....	30:34	29:26
Total offense plays.....	85	83	1st Quarter.....	5:28	9:32
Average Gain Per Play.....	4.3	7.7	2nd Quarter.....	8:09	6:51
Fumbles: Number-Lost.....	0-0	1-1	3rd Quarter.....	8:02	6:58
Penalties: Number-Yards.....	9-54	18-169	4th Quarter.....	8:55	6:05
PUNTS-YARDS.....	5-203	2-87	Third-Down Conversions.....	3 of 15	8 of 14
Average Yards Per Punt.....	40.6	43.5	Fourth-Down Conversions.....	1 of 3	0 of 2
Net Yards Per Punt.....	36.4	41.5	Red-Zone Scores-Chances.....	2-4	6-7
			Sacks By: Number-Yards.....	0-0	3-26
			PAT Kicks.....	3-3	5-6
			Field Goals.....	1-2	0-2

Individual Statistics (Final)  
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Eastern Washington

Rushing	No	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Dale Morris	9	19	2	17	0	6	1.9
Tyler Hart	3	14	1	13	0	9	4.3
Toke Kefu	1	3	0	3	0	3	3.0
Alexis Alexander	2	3	0	3	1	2	1.5
Matt Nichols	7	13	26	-13	1	6	-1.9
Totals...	22	52	29	23	2	9	1.0

Passing	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Matt Nichols	61	36	3	335	1	30	3
Alex Smart	2	2	0	6	0	7	0
Totals...	63	38	3	341	1	30	3

Receiving	No.	Yds	TD	Long
Tony Davis	13	114	1	30
Brynsen Brown	8	82	0	20
Nathan Overbay	5	61	0	27
Dale Morris	5	57	0	18
Aaron Boyce	3	12	0	9
Matt Martin	2	9	0	6
Ashton Gant	1	7	0	7
J.T. Leggin	1	-1	0	0
Totals...	38	341	1	30

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Fritz Brayton	5	203	40.6	52	1	0
Totals...	5	203	40.6	52	1	0

All Returns	Punts No.	Yds.	Lg	Kickoffs No.	Yds.	Lg	Intercept No.	Yds.	Lg
Nicholas Ramos	0	0	0	4	80	27	0	0	0
Matt Johnson	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	37	37
Tyler Hart	2	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.J. Jimerson	0	0	0	4	72	23	0	0	0
Totals...	2	4	4	8	152	27	1	37	37

Field goal attempts

Felipe Macias	2nd 00:00	55 yds	- Good
Felipe Macias	3rd 08:17	47 yds	- Blocked

Kickoffs	No.	Yds	TB	OB	Avg
Felipe Macias	4	225	1	0	56.2

Texas Tech

Rushing	No	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Batch, Baron	5	41	1	40	1	26	8.0
Woods, Shannon	13	37	0	37	2	11	2.8
Crawford, Aaron	3	11	0	11	1	6	3.7
Britton, Edward	1	9	0	9	0	9	9.0
Morris, Eric	1	4	0	4	0	4	4.0
Harrell, Graham	2	2	0	2	1	1	1.0
Totals...	25	104	1	103	5	26	4.1

Passing	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Harrell, Graham	58	43	1	536	2	76	0
Totals...	58	43	1	536	2	76	0

Receiving	No.	Yds	TD	Long
Morris, Eric	9	164	0	38
Lewis, Detron	9	163	0	76
Crabtree, M.	9	73	1	24
Swindall, T.	5	45	0	20
Britton, Edward	4	24	1	13
Woods, Shannon	2	15	0	12
Crawford, Aaron	2	1	0	5
Leong, Lyle	1	32	0	32
Batch, Baron	1	10	0	10
James, Adam	1	9	0	9
Totals...	43	536	2	76

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
LaCour, J.	2	87	43.5	53	1	0
Totals...	2	87	43.5	53	1	0

All Returns	Punts No.	Yds.	Lg	Kickoffs No.	Yds.	Lg	Intercept No.	Yds.	Lg
Morris, Eric	5	21	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
Duncan, Brian	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Henley, Rajon	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	12	12
Wall, Jamar	0	0	0	1	43	43	0	0	0
Charbonnet, D.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	17
Totals...	5	21	14	1	43	43	3	29	17

Field goal attempts

Carona, Donnie	4th 11:16	44 yds	- Blocked
Carona, Donnie	4th 06:22	47 yds	- Missed

Kickoffs	No.	Yds	TB	OB	Avg
Carona, Donnie	8	543	0	0	67.9

FUMBLES: Eastern Washington-None. Texas Tech-Morris, Eric 1-1.



Defensive Statistics (Final)  
 2008 Eastern Washington Univ. Football  
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Eastern Washington

##	Player	Solo	Ast	Tot	TFL/Yds	FF	FR-Yd	Intc	BrUp	Blkd	Sack/Yds	QH
40	Matt Johnson	7	3	10	.	.	.	1-37	.	.	.	.
41	Zach Johnson	6	2	8	1.0/4	.	.	.	3	.	.	.
3	Ryan Kelley	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	J.C. Sherritt	5	.	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
15	Kevin Hatch	5	.	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8	Marcus Walker	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27	Makai Borden	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
17	Jesse Hoffman	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19	Kyle Wilkins	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1	Lonnie Hosley	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
94	Greg Peach	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
49	Tyler Jolley	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	Adam Macomber	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21	Nicholas Ramos	2	.	2	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.
81	Nathan Overbay	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
16	Matt Nichols	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	Renard Williams	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
55	Lance Witherspoon	1	.	1	1.0/1	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
28	Dante Calcote	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
88	David Miles	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	Aaron Boyce	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM	Team	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.

Texas Tech

##	Player	Solo	Ast	Tot	TFL/Yds	FF	FR-Yd	Intc	BrUp	Blkd	Sack/Yds	QH
3	Wall, Jamar	6	3	9	1.0/1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
39	Williams, M.	6	1	7	1.0/7	.	.	.	1	.	1.0/7	.
33	Nickerson, B.	6	.	6	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
57	Duncan, Brian	6	.	6	.	.	.	1-0	2	.	.	.
20	Bird, Bront	5	.	5	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
10	Charbonnet, D.	3	2	5	.	.	.	1-17	1	.	.	.
7	McBath, Darcel	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
38	Rowland, Jordy	4	.	4	1.0/1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	Collier, Blake	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
29	Charbonnet, T.	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
23	Hines, Anthony	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	Hunter, Victor	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
43	Dixon, McKinner	2	.	2	1.0/7	.	.	.	.	.	1.0/7	.
99	Jones, Richard	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
84	Williams, B.	1	.	1	1.0/12	.	.	.	.	.	1.0/12	.
98	Ratliff, Jake	1	.	1	1.0/2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	Richardson, P.	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
46	Riley, Sandy	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Fuller, Lance	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Mitchem, F.	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
13	Howard, Julius	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
91	Henley, Rajon	1	.	1	.	.	.	1-12	.	.	.	.
22	Sanders, DeShon	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
51	Byrnes, Shawn	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93	Whitlock, Colby	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.

Drive Chart (Final)  
2008 Eastern Washington Univ. Football  
Eastern Washington vs Texas Tech (Aug 30, 2008 at Lubbock, Texas)

Team	Drive Started				Drive Ended			Consumed		
	Qtr	Spot	Time	Obtained	Spot	Time	How Lost	Pl-Yds	TOP	
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EWU	1st	E27	15:00	Kickoff	E27	14:49	Interception	1-0	0:11	
EWU	1st	E22	12:43	Kickoff	E22	11:46	Punt	3-0	0:57	
EWU	1st	E23	08:32	Kickoff	E29	07:34	Punt	3-6	0:58	
EWU	1st	E17	06:47	Punt	E48	04:13	Punt	6-31	2:34	
EWU	1st	E19	00:48	Kickoff	E17	14:43	Punt	3--2	1:05	
EWU	2nd	T07	14:32	Interception	T00	13:45	*TOUCHDOWN	3-7	0:47	
EWU	2nd	E30	10:54	Kickoff	T22	07:59	Interception	9-48	2:55	
EWU	2nd	E46	05:45	Punt	T00	02:44	*TOUCHDOWN	7-54	3:01	
EWU	2nd	E38	01:09	Downs	T38	15:00	*FIELD GOAL	6-24	1:09	
EWU	3rd	E03	11:49	Downs	E22	10:11	Punt	6-19	1:38	
EWU	3rd	T35	10:11	Fumble	T30	08:17	Missed FG	6-5	1:54	
EWU	3rd	E23	04:51	Kickoff	T00	00:21	*TOUCHDOWN	11-77	4:30	
EWU	4th	E20	12:20	Kickoff	E24	11:41	Interception	2-4	0:39	
EWU	4th	E30	11:16	Missed FG	T14	08:33	Downs	8-56	2:43	
EWU	4th	E30	06:22	Missed FG	T45	02:57	Downs	8-25	3:25	
EWU	4th	E25	02:08	Kickoff	E44	00:00	End of half	5-19	2:08	
TTU	1st	E30	14:49	Interception	E00	12:43	*TOUCHDOWN	8-30	2:06	
TTU	1st	T22	11:46	Punt	E00	08:32	*TOUCHDOWN	10-78	3:14	
TTU	1st	T43	07:34	Punt	T34	06:47	Punt	3--9	0:47	
TTU	1st	T10	04:13	Punt	E00	00:48	*TOUCHDOWN	10-90	3:25	
TTU	2nd	T35	14:43	Punt	T35	14:32	Interception	1-0	0:11	
TTU	2nd	T10	13:45	Kickoff	E00	10:54	*TOUCHDOWN	9-90	2:51	
TTU	2nd	T33	07:59	Interception	T35	05:45	Punt	3-2	2:14	
TTU	2nd	T43	02:44	Kickoff	E38	01:09	Downs	5-19	1:35	
TTU	3rd	T27	15:00	Kickoff	E03	11:49	Downs	7-70	3:11	
TTU	3rd	T35	00:00	Punt	T35	10:11	Fumble	0-0	0:00	
TTU	3rd	T39	08:17	Missed FG	E00	04:51	*TOUCHDOWN	8-61	3:26	
TTU	3rd	T28	00:21	Kickoff	E00	12:20	*TOUCHDOWN	8-72	3:01	
TTU	4th	E26	11:41	Interception	E26	11:16	Missed FG	4-0	0:25	
TTU	4th	T14	08:33	Downs	E30	06:22	Missed FG	6-56	2:11	
TTU	4th	T46	02:57	Downs	E00	02:08	*TOUCHDOWN	3-54	0:49	
EWU				1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Half	2nd Half	Total
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Time of possession				05:28	08:09	08:02	08:55	13:37	16:57	30:34
3rd Down Conversions				0/3	1/4	2/5	0/3	1/7	2/8	3/15
Avg Field Position				E21	T49	E30	E26	E35	E28	E31
4th Down Conversions				0/0	0/0	1/1	0/2	0/0	1/3	1/3
TTU				1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Half	2nd Half	Total
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Time of possession				09:32	06:51	06:58	06:05	16:23	13:03	29:26
3rd Down Conversions				5/6	1/3	1/2	1/3	6/9	2/5	8/14
Avg Field Position				T36	T30	T31	T44	T33	T38	T35
4th Down Conversions				0/0	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/2

## 2008 EWU Football Roster

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Ex	Hometown (Previous School)
1	Lonnie Hosley	DB	5-8	160	Jr.	2L*	Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)
2	Ashton Gant	WR	5-10	180	So.	1L*	Pullman, Wash. (Pullman HS '06)
3	#Ryan Kelley	DB	5-10	190	Sr.	1L*	Los Angeles, Calif. (Serra HS '03, College of San Mateo JC & Montana State)
4	#Jason Belford	DL	6-1	240	Sr.	3L*	Tacoma, Wash. (Lincoln HS '04)
5	%Toke Kefu	RB	5-10	240	Sr.	3L*	San Mateo, Calif. (San Mateo HS '04)
6	Taiwan Jones	DB	6-1	185	Fr.	HS*	Antioch, Calif. (Deer Valley HS '07)
8	Marcus Walker	LB	5-11	210	Sr.	3L*	Pullman, Wash. (Pullman HS '04)
9	#Aaron Boyce	WR	6-3	210	Jr.	2L*	Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
10	A.J. Jimerson	RB	6-1	215	Sr.	2L*	Seattle, Wash. (Garfield HS '04)
11	John Roberts	DB	5-10	195	Fr.	HS*	Colville, Wash. (Colville HS '07)
12	Alex Smart	QB	6-3	220	Sr.	3L*	North Bend, Wash. (Mount Si HS '04)
13	Scott Burgett	QB	6-2	210	Fr.	HS	Peoria, Ariz. (Centennial HS '08)
15	#Kevin Hatch	DB	5-9	180	Jr.	2L*	Spokane, Wash. (Freeman HS '05)
16	#Matt Nichols	QB	6-2	220	Jr.	2L*	Cottonwood, Calif. (West Valley HS '05)
17	%Jesse Hoffman	DB	6-2	210	So.	1L*	Seattle, Wash. (Shorecrest HS '06)
18	Jason Harris	LB	6-1	215	So.	SQ*	Sammamish, Wash. (Skyline HS '06)
19	Kyle Wilkins	LB	5-9	200	Jr.	2L*	Monroe, Wash. (Archbishop Murphy HS '05)
20	#Tony Davis	WR	5-9	185	Jr.	2L*	Olympia, Wash. (Capital HS '05)
21	Nicholas Ramos	WR	5-8	165	Jr.	2L*	Winters, Calif. (Winters HS '05)
22	#Dale Morris	RB	5-9	205	Sr.	3L*	Chester, S.C. (Marist HS '04)
23	Shane Hoffman	WR	6-0	190	Sr.	SQ*	Seattle, Wash. (Shorecrest HS '04 & Orange Coast CC)
26	Brett Igbinoba	WR	6-0	200	Jr.	2L*	Cheney, Wash. (Cheney HS '05)
27	#Makai Borden	LB	5-11	215	Jr.	2L*	Puyallup, Wash. (Puyallup HS '05)
28	Dante Calcote	DB	5-8	150	So.	1L*	Seattle, Wash. (Renton HS '06)
29	Jeremy Chatten	DB	6-1	160	Fr.	HS*	Seattle, Wash. (Franklin HS '07)
32	J.C. Sherritt	LB	5-10	210	So.	1L*	Pullman, Wash. (Pullman HS '06)
33	Tyler Hart	RB	5-10	205	Fr.	HS*	Friday Harbor, Wash. (Friday Harbor HS '07)
34	Ethen Robinson	LB	5-10	200	So.	SQ*	Spokane, Wash. (Lewis & Clark HS '06)
35	Adam Macomber	DB	5-6	170	Sr.	3L	Port Angeles, Wash. (Port Angeles HS '05)
36	Will Edge	DB	6-0	180	So.	1L*	Tacoma, Wash. (Mount Tahoma HS '06)
39	Aaron Cartwright	WR	5-11	185	Jr.	SQ*	Everett, Wash. (Mariner HS '05)
40	Matt Johnson	DB	6-1	215	Fr.	HS*	Tumwater, Wash. (Tumwater HS '07)
41	Zach Johnson	LB	6-1	205	Fr.	HS*	Tumwater, Wash. (Tumwater HS '07)
42	&#Shawn Powell	DL	6-1	250	Sr.	3L*	Spokane, Wash. (Shadle Park HS '04)
44	Alexis Alexander	RB	5-10	230	Sr.	2L*	Medical Lake, Wash. (Medical Lake HS '01 & Washington State Univ.)
45	Darrell Beaumonte	RB	5-11	205	Fr.	HS*	Lakewood, Wash. (Clover Park HS '07)
46	#Fritz Brayton	P	6-3	190	Sr.	1L*	Portland, Ore. (Westview HS '04 & Washington State Univ.)
47	Bobby Gentry	LB	5-11	200	Fr.	HS*	Seattle, Wash. (Kennedy HS '07)
49	Tyler Jolley	DL	6-3	275	So.	1L*	Nine Mile Falls, Wash. (East Valley HS '06)
55	#Lance Witherspoon	DL	6-2	275	Sr.	3L*	Federal Way, Wash. (Decatur HS '04)
56	Lorenzo Lomack	DL	6-0	240	So.	1L*	San Diego, Calif. (Bonita Vista HS '06)
58	Clint Moquist	OL	6-3	245	So.	SQ*	Spokane, Wash. (University HS '06)
59	Paul Samra	OL	6-4	270	So.	SQ*	Surrey, B.C. (Centennial Sec. School '06)
60	Gabriel Jackson	OL	6-4	275	Fr.	HS*	Tacoma, Wash. (Mount Tahoma HS '06)
61	#Charlie Wulff	OL	6-0	270	Sr.	3L*	Woodland, Calif. (Woodland HS '04)
62	Mark Latham	LS	6-0	225	Sr.	3L*	Connell, Wash. (Connell HS '04)
65	Sean Rock	OL	6-4	290	Jr.	1L*	Kent, Wash. (Kentwood HS '05)
66	Evan Cook	DL	6-3	270	Fr.	HS	Federal Way, Wash. (Todd Beamer HS '08)
67	Bryan Smith	OL	6-3	280	Sr.	3L*	Enumclaw, Wash. (Enumclaw HS '04)
69	Jim Haman	DL	6-1	265	Fr.	HS*	Milwaukie, Ore. (Milwaukie HS '07)
70	Ryan Forney	OL	6-3	280	Jr.	1L*	Silverdale, Wash. (Central Kitsap HS '05)
71	Chris Thomas	OL	6-5	300	Jr.	2L*	Sumner, Wash. (Sumner HS '05)
72	Nikolai Myers	OL	6-4	275	So.	SQ*	Seattle, Wash. (Ingraham HS '06)
73	John Rice	OL	6-7	295	Jr.	1L*	Buckley, Wash. (White River HS '05)
74	Will Post	OL	6-6	285	Fr.	HS	Portland, Ore. (Southridge HS '08)
75	Ray Falelaulii	OL	6-2	245	Fr.	HS*	University Place, Wash. (Curtis HS '07)
78	Chris Powers	OL	6-2	265	Fr.	HS*	Black Diamond, Wash. (Tahoma HS '07)
79	Brice Leahy	OL	6-7	295	So.	1L*	Gig Harbor, Wash. (Gig Harbor HS '06)
81	Nathan Overbay	TE	6-5	270	Jr.	2L*	Chehalis, Wash. (W.F. West HS '05)
82	Matt Martin	TE	6-2	240	So.	1L*	La Crosse, Wash. (La Crosse-Washtucna HS '06)
83	#Brynsen Brown	WR	6-1	210	Jr.	2L*	Puyallup, Wash. (Emerald Ridge HS '05)
86	Eric Clark	WR	5-10	170	So.	HS*	Tacoma, Wash. (Clover Park HS '05)
87	J.T. Leggin	WR	6-2	190	Jr.	JC	Tacoma, Wash. (Stadium HS '05 & Sacramento City College)
88	David Miles	DL	6-4	245	Fr.	HS*	Maplewood, Minn. (Roseville HS '07)
90	Josh Jacobson	DL	6-1	250	Jr.	2L*	Puyallup, Wash. (Rogers HS '05)
92	Mike Jarrett	K	5-9	165	Fr.	HS*	Puyallup, Wash. (Puyallup HS '07)
94	#Greg Peach	DL	6-3	255	Sr.	3L	Vancouver, Wash. (Evergreen HS '05)
95	Charles Moetului	DL	6-3	220	Fr.	HS*	North Bend, Wash. (Mount Si HS '07)
96	#Felipe Macias	K/P	5-9	220	Sr.	1L	Oxnard, Calif. (Channel Island HS '05 & Moorpark College)
98	Renard Williams	DL	6-2	300	Fr.	HS*	Port Orchard, Wash. (South Kitsap HS '07)
99	Jacob Kragt	DL	6-3	230	Jr.	2L*	Ritzville, Wash. (Lind-Ritzville HS '05)

### OTHER TRUE FRESHMEN (Expected to Redshirt in 2008)

14	Jeff Minnerly	QB	6-1	185	Fr.	HS	Spokane, Wash. (Ferris HS '08)
25	Brandon Jimenez	DB	5-10	180	Fr.	HS	Tacoma, Wash. (Lakes HS '08)
30	Chase King	RB	6-0	200	Fr.	HS	Federal Way, Wash. (Decatur HS '08)
31	Ikaika Gleason	WR	5-9	175	Fr.	HS	Spanaway, Wash. (Bethel HS '08)
37	Stephen Tucker	RB	5-9	170	Fr.	HS	Port Orchard, Wash. (South Kitsap HS '08)
48	Grant Williams	LB	6-1	225	Fr.	HS	Puyallup, Wash. (Rogers HS '08)
50	Bryan Karwacki	LB	6-1	210	Fr.	HS	Spokane, Wash. (Gonzaga Prep HS '08)
51	Tyler Washburn	LB	6-0	215	Fr.	HS	Sammamish, Wash. (Skyline HS '08)
52	Nick Stewart	OL	6-5	275	Fr.	HS	Vancouver, Wash. (Columbia River HS '08)
53	Josh Antonson	DL	6-4	250	Fr.	HS	Kennewick, Wash. (Southridge HS '08)
54	Rusty Haehl	LB	5-11	205	Fr.	HS	Bellevue, Wash. (Bellevue HS '08)
57	Coddee Allen	LB	6-2	235	Fr.	HS	Spokane, Wash. (University HS '08)
80	Bryant Cameron	WR	6-5	210	Fr.	HS	Des Moines, Wash. (Thomas Jefferson '08)
85	Jake Potter	TE	6-2	200	Fr.	HS	Kennewick, Wash. (Kamiakin HS '08)
91	Sylas Rohner	TE	6-4	230	Fr.	HS	Colfax, Wash. (Colfax HS '08)

## Coaching Staff

### Head Coach - Beau

**Baldwin** (Central Washington '96; 1st Season as Head Coach & 5th Overall at EWU)

### Offensive Coordinator/

**Quarterbacks/Pro Football Liaison - Joe Wade** (Linfield '91; 9th Season)

### Defensive Coordinator -

**John Graham** (Central Washington '92; 1st Season)

### Tight Ends/Recruiting

**Coordinator - Chris Hansen** (Eastern Washington '91; 10th Season)

### Offensive Line/Academic

**Coordinator - Aaron Best** (Eastern Washington '01; 8th Season)

### Linebackers/Co-Special

**Teams Coordinator/Video Coordinator - Jeff Schmedding** (Eastern Washington '02; 4th Season)

### Wide Receivers/

**Co-Special Teams Coordinator/Camps Coordinator - Chris Peterson** (Cal Poly '04; 2nd Season)

### Defensive Line - Ryan

**Sawyer** (Central Washington '03; 1st Season)

### Defensive Backs/Travel

**Coordinator - Torey Hunter** (Washington State '03; 1st Season)

### Running Backs - Nat

**Conley** (Central Washington '03; 1st Season)