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MAC Standings

WEST DIVISION

	Conference						Overall					
	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A
Northern Illinois	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	3	0	1.000	W3	1-0	2-0
Central Michigan	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	2	1	.667	L1	1-1	1-0
Ball State	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	1	2	.333	L2	1-1	0-1
Eastern Michigan	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	1	2	.333	L2	1-0	0-2
Toledo	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	1	2	.333	L2	1-1	0-1
Western Michigan	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	1	1	.500	W1	0-0	1-1

EAST DIVISION

	Conference						Overall					
	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A
Bowling Green	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	2	1	.667	W2	2-0	0-1
Akron	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	1	1	.500	L1	1-0	0-1
Ohio	1	0	1.000	W1	0-0	1-0	1	2	.333	L2	0-0	1-2
Buffalo	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	1	2	.333	L2	1-1	0-1
UMass	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	0	3	.000	L3	0-2	0-1
Miami	0	0	.000	-	0-0	0-0	0	3	.000	L3	0-2	0-1
Kent State	0	1	.000	L1	0-1	0-0	0	3	.000	L3	0-2	0-1

BOWLING GREEN WINS FIRST EVER HOME GAME VS. BIG TEN

Bowling Green (2-1) scored a touchdown with nine seconds remaining for a thrilling 45-42 win over Indiana on Saturday afternoon. Falcons quarterback James Knapke hit receiver Roger Lewis with an inside slant for the winning score to give Bowling Green its first home win over a Big Ten opponent at Doyt Perry Stadium in program history. The win also was the first for Bowling Green over a Big Ten opponent since 2007 (at Minnesota), the program's first win over a 'Power Five Conference' team since 2008 (at Pittsburgh) and its first win at home over a 'Power Five Conference' team since 2002 (Missouri).

Knapke finished the game throwing for 395 yards and three touchdowns, while Lewis collected 16 receptions for 149 yards and the winning score. Knapke set a single-game school record with his 46 completions and 73 attempts. Also his 46 completions are tied for fourth in MAC single-game history, while the 73 attempts ranks third in the Conference record book.

This season the MAC is 3-5 vs. Big Ten opponents after the first three weeks of the 2014 season. The MAC has now won a game vs. Big Ten opponents in eight consecutive seasons, the longest streak in MAC history. The most wins in a single season by the MAC over Big Ten opponents is four games (2008), and the MAC has now registered three wins vs. Big Ten opponents for the fourth time in Conference history (2000, 2003, 2012 and 2014).

This Saturday, Sept. 20, the MAC will have three more regular season games vs. Big Ten opponents with Bowling Green at No. 19 Wisconsin at Noon ET (ESPN2); Eastern Michigan at No. 11 Michigan State at Noon ET (Big Ten Network); and UMass at Penn State at 4:00 pm ET (Big Ten Network).

NIU EXTENDS REGULAR SEASON ROAD WINNING STREAK TO 17

Northern Illinois (3-0) continued its regular season road winning streak to 17 games with a 48-34 win at UNLV on Saturday night, the longest current FBS streak in the nation. NIU quarterback Drew Hare accumulated 359 yards of total offense and threw for three touchdowns and ran for another in the road win.

The Huskies will travel to Arkansas this Saturday, Sept. 20 at 7 pm ET (ESPN). NIU will have a bye week on Sept. 27 before starting Conference play with a home contest vs. Kent State on Saturday, Oct. 4. In addition, the Huskies have won 26 consecutive regular season games dating back to a season-opening loss to Iowa at Soldier Field on Sept. 1, 2012. Earlier this season, NIU extended its own home winning streak at Huskie Stadium to 27 consecutive games with a 55-3 win over Presbyterian on Aug. 28.

MAC Storylines

- The MAC had wins over Big Ten, Mountain West and Sun Belt opponents last Saturday. Bowling Green defeated Indiana, 45-42, while Northern Illinois earned a 48-34 win at UNLV and Western Michigan topped Idaho on the road, 45-33.

- With 11 games in Week Four, the MAC will face opponents from six FBS conferences, including top-ranked No. 11 Michigan State and No. 19 Wisconsin. The MAC will play Big Ten (Michigan State, Penn State, Wisconsin); SEC (Arkansas); Big 12 (Kansas); American Athletic (Cincinnati); Conference USA (Marshall), Sun Belt (Idaho) and FCS (Murray State, Norfolk State) opponents.

- MAC play begins for two programs on Saturday in a key West Division contest as Ball State will travel to Toledo to face the Rockets in the Glass Bowl at 7 pm ET (ESPN3).

This Week's MAC Schedule

Saturday, September 20

Bowling Green at No. 19 Wisconsin, Noon ET (ESPN2)
Eastern Michigan at No. 11 Michigan St., Noon (Big Ten Network)
Marshall at Akron, 2:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
Central Michigan at Kansas, 3:30 pm ET (Fox Sports Net)
Norfolk State at Buffalo, 3:30 pm ET (ESPN3)
UMass at Penn State, 4:00 pm ET (Big Ten Network)
*Ball State at Toledo, 7:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
Idaho at Ohio, 7:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
Miami at Cincinnati, 7:00 pm ET (CBS Sports Network)
Murray State at Western Michigan, 7:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
NIU at Arkansas, 7:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
Bye: Kent State
* Conference game

Last Week's MAC Results

Cincinnati 58, Toledo 34
Baylor 63, Buffalo 21
Bowling Green 45, Indiana 42
Ohio State 66, Kent State 0
Marshall 44, Ohio 14
Syracuse 40, Central Michigan 3
Vanderbilt 34, UMass 31
Indiana State 27, Ball State 20
Michigan 34, Miami 10
Western Michigan 45, Idaho 33
Old Dominion 17, Eastern Michigan 3
NIU 48, UNLV 34
Bye: Akron



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MAC PART OF NEW COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF ERA

Beginning with the 2014-15 season, college football will enter a new four-team playoff era. Two College Football Playoff Semifinals will be played in bowl games this year (Sugar Bowl; Rose Bowl) and the College Football Playoff National Championship will be played in Arlington, Texas on Jan. 12.

The two Semifinals and four other premier bowl games (Orange Bowl; Cotton Bowl; Peach Bowl; Fiesta Bowl) will be played on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. The Semifinal games will rotate among these six different bowls. All MAC programs will join every FBS team in college football with equal access to the playoff based upon its performance. No team will qualify automatically.

The College Football Playoff Selection Committee will choose four teams for the playoffs based on body of work, strength of schedule, head-to-head results, comparison of results against common opponents, championships won and other factors. The highest ranked program by the Selection Committee from either the MAC, American Athletic, Conference USA, Mountain West or Sun Belt Conferences will play annually in one of the premier bowl games.

MAC AND ESPN ANNOUNCE HISTORIC 13-YEAR RIGHTS EXTENSION DEAL THROUGH 2016-27 SEASON

The MAC and ESPN announced on Aug. 19, 2014 a 13-year rights agreement that will be the largest and most extensive agreement in the 68-year history of the Conference. The extension, which adds provisions to the remaining three years of the original national rights agreement and adds an additional 10 years to the deal with ESPN, brings long-term security for the Conference through the 2026-27 academic year.

This agreement provides ESPN with exclusive television and digital distribution rights for all MAC sporting events, and guarantees coverage of every football game, and select men's and women's basketball and Olympic sporting events through the 2026-27 academic season.

The Marathon MAC Football Championship Game and the MAC football regular season is the foundation for the national deal with ESPN. The 2014 MAC football regular season will be highlighted by national coverage of 14 mid-week games during the month of November on ESPN2, ESPNU and ESPN3 as the Conference race unfolds in both the East and West divisions. The Marathon MAC Football Championship Game is Dec. 5 at 7 pm ET (ESPN2).

MAC STARTING QUARTERBACK IN 2014

The 2014 season will witness significant change for the MAC and starting quarterbacks across the Conference. Over the last several years the MAC has witnessed some of the greatest quarterback play in the 68-year history of the league as the likes of NIU's Jordan Lynch, Ball State's Keith Wenning, Toledo's Terrance Owens and Ohio's Tyler Tettleton were able to anchor themselves among MAC career leaders in many statistical categories.

With the everchanging landscape of college football, the MAC will be looking to a new crop of young quarterbacks to continue the rich legacy of MAC quarterbacks play. This season, the MAC will have only one senior quarterback starting under center with Miami fifth-year transfer senior Andrew Hendrix, who came to Miami from Notre Dame along with new Miami Head Coach Chuck Martin. The MAC will feature four juniors and eight sophomores starting at the quarterback position this season.

MAC East Division

Akron - junior QB Kyle Pohl (Farmersville, Ohio)
BGSU - sophomore QB James Knapke (Fort Wayne, Ind.)
Buffalo - junior QB Joe Licata (Williamsville, N.Y.)
Kent State - sophomore QB Colin Reardon (Poland, Ohio)
Miami - senior QB Andrew Hendrix (Cincinnati, Ohio)
Ohio - junior QB Derrius Vick (Lincoln, Neb.)
Umass - graduate student QB Blake Frohnafel (Stafford, Va.), a transfer from Marshall with two years of eligibility remaining. For this note, will be counted as a junior because of two years left of eligibility.

MAC West Division

Ball State - sophomore QB Ozzie Mann (Hartford City, Ind.)
CMU - sophomore QB Cooper Rush (Charlotte, Mich.)
EMU - sophomore QB Brogan Roback (Maumee, Ohio)
NIU - sophomore QB Drew Hare (O'Fallon, Mo.)
Toledo - sophomore QB Logan Woodside (Frankfort, Ky.)
WMU - sophomore QB Zach Terrell (Fort Wayne, Ind.)

MAC Players of the Week**East Division**

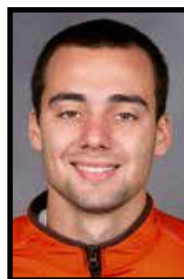
James Knapke, Offensive Player of the Week
Bowling Green, Sophomore, Quarterback

Bowling Green sophomore quarterback James Knapke (Fort Wayne, Ind.) went 46-for-73 for a career-high 395 yards and three touchdowns in a 45-42 win over Indiana. His 46 completions and 73 passing attempts were both single-game school records.



Quinten Rollins, Defensive Player of the Week;
Miami, Senior, Defensive Back

Miami senior defensive back Quinten Rollins (Wilmington, Ohio) had a career-high six tackles and an interception in a 34-10 loss at Michigan on Saturday. Rollins had four solo tackles, which was also a career-high.



Tyler Tate, Special Teams Player of Week;
Bowling Green, Junior, Kicker

Junior kicker Tyler Tate (Carroll, Ohio) set a career high with four made field goals in a 45-42 win over Indiana. Tate made all four field goals in the first half on kicks from 28, 38, 45 and 47 yards. His 15 points responsible for were the second most in his career, and fourth-most all-time in school history for a single game.

**West Division**

Logan Woodside, Co-Offensive Player of the Week; Toledo, Sophomore, Quarterback

Sophomore quarterback Logan Woodside (Frankfort, Ky.) completed 27-of-40 passes for 322 yards, three touchdowns in a 58-34 loss at Cincinnati.



Drew Hare, Co-Offensive Player of the Week;
Northern Illinois, Sophomore, Quarterback

Sophomore quarterback Drew Hare (O'Fallon, Mo.) led NIU to a 48-34 win at UNLV as he completed 18-of-28 passes for 285 yards and three touchdowns.



Cleveland Smith, Defensive Player of the Week
Western Michigan, Junior, Defensive Lineman

Junior defensive tackle Cleveland Smith (Miami, Fla.) finished with a career-high three sacks in a 45-33 win at Idaho. Smith collected three tackles, three sacks and three tackles for loss in the road win. The Broncos had not had a sack yet this season until Smith broke through to pick up one of his three on the night.



Tyler Wedel, Special Teams Player of Week;
Northern Illinois, Senior, Kicker/Punter

Senior kicker/punter Tyler Wedel (McFarland, Wis.) handled placekicking and punting chores in a 48-34 win at UNLV. Wedel hit a pair of important field goals in the second half and made all of his place kicks on the day, including six PATs and the field goals of 45 and 33 yards. Wedel also punted twice and averaged 36 yards per punt.

MAC Week Three Quick Recaps:

Bowling Green 45, Indiana 42 -- Falcons quarterback James Knapke drilled Roger Lewis with a two-yard inside slant pass for a touchdown with nine seconds left for a 45-42 win over Indiana. The win was Bowling Green's first ever home win vs. a Big Ten opponent.

Knapke set school records with 46 completions and 73 attempts, while throwing for 395 yards and three touchdowns. Lewis caught 16 passes for 149 yards and a score. Bowling Green's up-tempo offense dazzled a near-sellout crowd of 23,717 by racking up a school-record 113 plays.

Vanderbilt 34, UMass 31 -- Vanderbilt blocked a punt for a touchdown and scored again with 1:08 left in the game to rally back for a 34-31 win over UMass on Saturday. The Minutemen (0-3) led the entire way until giving up the second fourth quarter touchdown.

UMass had a chance to tie or take the lead, but Blake Frohnapfel's pass to Marken Michel was wide on second down from the Vanderbilt five-yard line and Blake Lucas missed a 22-yard field goal on third down as time expired.

The Minutemen jumped out to a 14-0 lead in the first half on a 13-yard touchdown pass from Frohnapfel to Rodney Mills followed by a 53-yard fake punt touchdown reception to Mills again.

Marshall 44, Ohio 14 -- Ohio fell to Marshall 44-14 Saturday afternoon at Joan C. Edwards Stadium. The Bobcats got on the board in the third quarter when redshirt junior Derrius Vick connected with Sebastian Smith on a seven-yard pass to make the game 41-7.

In the fourth quarter, redshirt sophomore JD Sprague connected with redshirt junior Ian Dixon on a seven-yard touchdown to make the score 41-14.

Offensively, Vick finished the game 18-for-29 with 200 yards, a touchdown and an interception. On the ground he had 51 yards on 11 carries. Sprague finished four-for-eight with 36 yards and a touchdown.

Syracuse 40, Central Michigan 3 -- A season that started with much promise took a step backwards Saturday at Kelly/Shorts Stadium. Syracuse quarterback Terrel Hunt finished with 267 yards and scored three touchdowns as the Orange handed CMU a 40-3 loss before 25,531.

It was the first loss for CMU (2-1), which dominated Purdue a week ago in posting a 38-17 road victory. The Chippewas played without their top two offensive threats, running back Thomas Rawls and wide receiver Titus Davis. Chippewa quarterback Cooper Rush was 18-for-34 passing for 183 yards. He was sacked five times and was under heavy pressure for much of the game.

Indiana State 27, Ball State 20 -- Ball State's nine-game home winning streak came to an end Saturday with a 27-20 loss to Indiana State at Scheumann Stadium. It was Ball State's first home loss since an Oct. 12, 2012 game against Northern Illinois.

The Cardinals were on the move in the final minute and had the ball inside the red zone, looking to tie the game. Quarterback Ozzie Mann scrambled and was tackled at the 2-yard line with 11 seconds to play, but time ran out before the ball could be spotted for one final play.

Ohio State 66, Kent State 0 -- Ohio State quarterback J.T. Barrett tossed six touchdown passes to lead Ohio State past Kent State 66-0 on Saturday in front of 104,404 at Ohio Stadium.

The loss dropped the Golden Flashes to 0-3 on the season with one game at Virginia (Sep. 27) before returning to Mid-American Conference play Oct. 4 at Northern Illinois.

MAC Week Three Quick Recaps:

Northern Illinois 48, UNLV 34 -- The Huskies fought off a third-quarter comeback by UNLV to claim a 48-34 victory over the Rebels and improve to 3-0 on the 2014 season Saturday night at Sam Boyd Stadium in Las Vegas.

After extending a 21-5 halftime lead to 28-5 on its first drive of the second quarter, the Huskies saw UNLV come all the way back to tie the game, 34-34 with 9:18 to play. But NIU's playmakers on offense and defense answered the challenge over the final minutes for the hard-fought win.

NIU quarterback Drew Hare made his first career start and threw for 285 yards and three touchdowns, while defensive back Marlon Moore made a key fourth quarter interception in the endzone to halt a potential Rebel scoring drive and secure the 48-34 win.

Western Michigan 45, Idaho 33 -- Zach Terrell passed for 242 yards and three touchdowns and freshman running back Jarvion Franklin rushed for a career-high 33 carries and 211 yards with three touchdowns as Western Michigan defeated Idaho 45-33 at the Kibbie Dome on Saturday evening.

All 10 of Terrell's completions went to either Corey Davis or Daniel Braverman. Davis finished with five receptions for a season-best 119 yards and a touchdown, while Braverman had his second-straight 100 yard receiving game with five catches for 123 yards and two touchdowns.

Defensively Grant DePalma and Devon Brant each had 10 tackles. Cleveland Smith finished with three sacks for 23 yards. Overall the Broncos out-gained the Vandals 484-404 and did not commit a turnover.

Michigan 34, Miami 10 -- Despite scoring 10 unanswered points in the second quarter to knot the game, Miami (0-3) was unable to get on the board again, falling to Michigan 34-10 Saturday afternoon at Michigan Stadium.

Miami quarterback Andrew Hendrix finished the game completing 12-of-26 attempts for 165 yards and one touchdown and one interception. Frazier finished with four receptions for 52 yards, while sophomore wide receiver Jared Murphy finished with three catches for 59 yards.

Old Dominion 17, Eastern Michigan 3 -- The Eagles defense allowed only 10 points as ODU scored on special teams with a 46-yard punt return in the fourth quarter in a 17-3 loss. The 10 points given up is the fewest allowed by Eastern Michigan since 2011.

Cincinnati 58, Toledo 34 -- Toledo staged a furious second-half comeback that erased much a 34-point deficit but it wasn't quite enough as the Rockets fell to Cincinnati, 58-34, Friday night at Paul Brown Stadium.

Cincinnati (1-0) scored touchdowns on its first six possessions, building leads of 34-0 and 41-7 in the first half. Toledo did not quit, though, cutting the lead to 41-34 early in the fourth quarter. But the Bearcats put the game away with a touchdown and a field goal midway through the fourth quarter. Both teams rolled up more than 500 yards of offense, with the Rockets totaling 563 yards and Cincinnati putting up 584.

No. 8 Baylor 63, Buffalo 21 -- Buffalo hosted No. 8-ranked Baylor in a primetime matchup on ESPN on Friday night. Baylor defeated the Bulls, 63-21, in front of 24,714 fans at UB Stadium.

The 21 points scored by Buffalo were against a Baylor defense that hadn't allowed a touchdown all season. The Bears were led by Heisman Trophy candidate Bryce Petty who threw for 416 yards and four touchdowns. Baylor had three different receivers over 100 yards, led by Jay Lee who had nine catches for 136 yards and two touchdowns.

MAC 2013 SEASON & BOWL NOTES

• Five MAC programs were invited to bowl games last season as Bowling Green (Little Caesars Pizza Bowl), Northern Illinois (San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl), Ball State (GoDaddy Bowl), Buffalo (Famous Idaho Potato Bowl) and Ohio (Beef 'O' Brady's St. Petersburg Bowl) represented the Conference during the 2013 bowl season.

• The five bowl invitations marks the sixth time in MAC history to have five or more teams receive a bowl invitation (2004, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013) in a single-season. The MAC record is seven bowl invitations, which was established in the 2012 bowl season.

• In the last three bowl seasons, the MAC has a record of 6-11 in 17 bowl games – 2013 (0-5); 2012 (2-5); 2011 (4-1) – as ten different programs have appeared in a bowl game in that span.

• In 2013, the MAC had three programs reach ten or more wins as MAC Champion Bowling Green (10-4, 7-1), Northern Illinois (12-2, 8-0) and Ball State (10-3, 7-1) all reached the ten win plateau. The MAC tied for third among FBS conferences with three teams with ten wins or more with the ACC, Big 12 and Conference USA, trailing only the SEC and Pac-12 with five teams with ten or more wins.

• Bowling Green won the 2013 Marathon MAC Football Championship with a 47-27 win over No. 14 ranked Northern Illinois on Dec. 6 at Ford Field. It marked the first championship for Bowling Green since the 1992 season. The Falcons had back-to-back MAC Championship seasons in 1991 and 1992.

• Northern Illinois (12-2) finished the 2013 season ranked No. 23 in the BCS Standings. The Huskies were ranked in all seven of the BCS regular season rankings starting on Oct. 20 and continuing each week during the season reaching their highest ranking of No. 14 prior to the Marathon MAC Football Championship Game against Bowling Green.

• The MAC had seven programs bowl eligible in 2013 -- Northern Illinois (12-2), Ball State (10-3), Bowling Green (10-4), Buffalo (8-5), Ohio (7-6), Toledo (7-5) and Central Michigan (6-6) -- to match the 2012 MAC record for most programs bowl eligible in a single season. Toledo and Central Michigan were not selected for a bowl game.

• Northern Illinois senior quarterback Jordan Lynch was one of six finalists invited to New York City for the Heisman Award Trophy presentation on Dec. 14. Lynch finished third in the Heisman Trophy voting, the highest ever for a MAC student-athlete. Lynch was just the third MAC student-athlete invited to the Heisman ceremony -- WR Randy Moss (Marshall, 1997) and QB Chad Pennington (Marshall, 1999).

• Northern Illinois has won four consecutive MAC West Division titles and appeared in the Marathon MAC Football Championship Game since 2010. From the East Division, there have been four different programs during this period -- Miami (2010); Ohio (2011); Kent State (2012) and Bowling Green (2013).

• Northern Illinois has witnessed the last four consecutive MAC Offensive Player of the Year -- as quarterback Jordan Lynch (2012; 2013), quarterback Chandler Harnish (2011) and running back Chad Spann (2010) have won the award.

MAC PROGRAMS IN BOWL GAMES

In the last three bowl seasons, ten different MAC programs have received a bowl invitation, as both Northern Illinois and Ohio lead the Conference with three invitations during this span. Ball State (2012, 2013), Bowling Green (2012, 2013) and Toledo (2011, 2012) each received two invitations in the last three years. Buffalo (2013), Central Michigan (2012), Kent State (2012), Western Michigan (2011) and former MAC-member Temple (2011) received one bowl invite during the last three bowl seasons.

MAC WITH FOUR NEW HEAD COACHES FOR 2014

The 2014 season will witness four new head football coaches. Bowling Green head football coach Dave Clawson was named the head coach at Wake Forest in December after five seasons at Bowling Green. Bowling Green named Dino Babers head coach on Dec. 18. Chuck Martin was introduced as Miami's head coach on Dec. 3, Eastern Michigan named Chris Creighton head coach on Dec. 11 and UMass named Mark Whipple as head coach on Jan. 14.

Bowling Green: Dino Babers

Babers comes to Bowling Green after serving as the head coach at Eastern Illinois for two seasons. He brings 30 years of coaching experience, including a 19-7 record as a head coach. This season, Babers led Eastern Illinois to a 12-2 record, a No. 2 national ranking, and a quarterfinal appearance in the FCS playoffs. Babers took a Panthers team which had finished in last place in the Ohio Valley Conference in 2011, and led them to a first-place finish in 2012 with a 6-1 league mark. Babers was named Ohio Valley Conference Coach of the Year in each of the past two years. During his two seasons at Eastern Illinois, Babers led the best offense in all of FCS. The Panthers led the nation in yards per game (589.5) and points per game (48.2) in 2013. Also, EIU averaged 372.4 yards per game passing and 217.1 yards per game rushing.

Miami: Chuck Martin

Martin spent the past four seasons at Notre Dame, serving as the offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach (2012-13) and defensive backs/recruiting coordinator (2010-11). Martin, who has more than 20 years of collegiate coaching experience, brings six years of head coaching experience to the RedHawk program. He has twice been named the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) National Coach of the Year, earning the honor in 2005 and 2006 at Grand Valley State, and has coached in seven national championship games in the past 13 seasons. In addition to his head coaching experience, Martin has served as a coordinator on both sides of the ball. Of those seven national championship game appearances, he has been a part of four national championship wins, with two titles under his direction as head coach/offensive coordinator and one as a defensive coordinator.

Eastern Michigan: Chris Creighton

Creighton joins Eastern Michigan after serving as head football coach at Drake for the past six years. Creighton built Drake into a consistent power in the Pioneer Football League, sharing the conference crown during the 2011 and 2012 campaigns. During his 17-year head coaching career, he has accumulated eight conference titles and an all-time record of 139-46 (.764). Creighton departs Drake with the highest winning percentage in school history (.667) after also posting 63 wins as the head coach at Wabash College and 32 at Ottawa University. In his time at Drake, Creighton boasted a 30-5 home record and a 21-2 home conference record going undefeated against five conference opponents. Drake had an 11-game home win streak during Creighton's tenure as well as winning 16-straight home conference games with him at the helm.

UMass: Mark Whipple

Mark Whipple was officially named the team's head coach on January 14, 2014. In his first stint from 1998-2003, Whipple led the Minutemen to new heights by winning the NCAA I-AA National Championship in his first season and making two other postseason appearances in the following five years. A 31-year coaching veteran of the collegiate and professional levels, Whipple is widely regarded for his prowess as an offensive coordinator and his ability to develop quarterbacks. He helped Ben Roethlisberger of the NFL's Pittsburgh Steelers win a Super Bowl in his second year, built the University of Miami's 2009 and 2010 offenses into two of its best all-time, and his teams set 40 offensive records while at UMass.

MAC 2013-14 BOWL RESULTS

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl: San Diego State 49, Buffalo 24
Beef 'O' Brady's Bowl: East Carolina 37, Ohio 20
Little Caesars Pizza Bowl: Pittsburgh 30, Bowling Green 27
San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl: Utah State 21, Northern Illinois 14
GoDaddy Bowl: Arkansas State 23, Ball State 20

OHIO'S SOLICH MOVING UP MAC CAREER WINS LIST

Ohio head coach Frank Solich has been the recent model for consistency in coaching in the MAC. Solich arrived in Athens, Ohio in 2005 and during his nine seasons running the Bobcats program has garnered a bowl appearance in six of his nine seasons. During his coaching career at Ohio, Solich has a record of 67-51 and his 67 wins ranks sixth most in MAC history.

Most MAC Head Coaching Wins, Career

1. 110, Herb Deromedi, Central Michigan, 1978-93
2. 108, Bill Hess, Ohio, 1958-77
3. 79, Bob Pruett, Marshall, 1997-03
4. 77, Doyt Perry, Bowling Green, 1955-64
5. 73, Gary Pinkel, Toledo, 1991-00
6. 67, Frank Solich, Ohio, 2005-present
7. 66, Trevor Rees, Kent State, 1951-63
8. 64, Bill Mallory, Miami, 1969-73; Northern Illinois, 1980-83
9. 62, Al Molde, Western Michigan, 1987-96
- 62, Joe Novak, Northern Illinois, 1997-2007

HUSKIES SET MAC CONSECUTIVE BOWL RECORD

Northern Illinois has set the MAC record for consecutive bowl appearances by a member of the Conference. The Huskies current six consecutive bowl appearances is the best-ever in the 67-year history of the MAC. Beyond appearing in six consecutive bowl games, the Huskies will have done so with four different head coaches-- Jerry Kill (2008, 2009), interim Tom Matukewicz (2010), Dave Doeren (2011) and current Head Coach Rod Carey (2012, 2013).

Right behind Northern Illinois is Ohio and head coach Frank Solich, who has led Ohio to five consecutive bowl appearances.

Six (6) Northern Illinois Consecutive Bowl Appearances:

- 2008: Independence Bowl: 17-10 loss to Louisiana Tech
- 2009: International Bowl: 27-3 loss to South Florida
- 2010: Humanitarian Bowl: 40-17 win over Fresno State
- 2011: GoDaddy.com Bowl: 38-20 win over Arkansas State
- 2012: Discover Orange Bowl: 31-10 loss to Florida State
- 2013: San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl: 21-14 loss to Utah State

Five (5) Ohio Consecutive Bowl Appearances:

- 2009: Little Caesars Pizza Bowl: 21-17 loss to Marshall
- 2010: R+L Carriers New Orleans Bowl: 48-21 loss to Troy
- 2011: Famous Idaho Potato Bowl: 24-23 win over Utah State
- 2012: Advocare V100 Independence Bowl: 45-14 win over Louisiana-Monroe
- 2013: Beef 'O' Brady's St. Petersburg Bowl: 37-20 loss to East Carolina

FALCONS WIN 2013 MARATHON MAC CHAMPIONSHIP

Bowling Green rolled up nearly 600 yards of total offense to win the Marathon MAC Championship and defeated No. 14 Northern Illinois, 47-27, to capture the school's first league crown in 21 years, since the 1992 season. Sophomore quarterback Matt Johnson threw for 393 yards and five touchdowns, setting career bests in both categories.

Senior tight end Alex Bayer caught seven passes for 124 yards and one touchdown, while receiver Ronnie Moore had 145 yards receiving on four catches and one score and running back Travis Greene rushed for 133 yards and capped the win with a fourth quarter rushing touchdown.

Each team scored on its opening drive of the night, but the Falcons then took a 17-7 lead and never trailed thereafter. The Falcons led by a 31-13 count at the half, and Northern Illinois could not draw closer than 11 points in the second period.

RAYCOM MEDIA CAMELLIA BOWL TO BEGIN IN 2014

Last fall the MAC announced the creation of the Raycom Media Camellia Bowl, a newly created bowl game to begin in 2014, which will be based in Montgomery, Alabama, owned and operated by ESPN. The Raycom Media Camellia Bowl will feature a MAC program to face a member of the Sun Belt Conference for the next six consecutive seasons (2014-2019).

MAC ANNOUNCES CREATION OF BOCA RATON, BAHAMAS AND MIAMI BEACH BOWLS; PRIMARY BOWL PARTNERS INCREASE TO FIVE BOWL GAMES IN 2014

The MAC announced the creation of newly created bowl games in Boca Raton, Fla., Nassau, Bahamas and Miami Beach, Fla. for a six-year period (2014-2019).

The MAC is a partner with the San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl as a primary partner in 2017 and 2019, and a secondary partner in 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2018 bowl seasons. The MAC will play the Mountain West in both the 2017 and 2019 bowl seasons, played at Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego.

The creation of the Boca Raton, Bahamas and Miami Beach Bowls is the centerpiece of a joint agreement between several FBS conferences and will be supported by several FBS conferences on a six-year rotating basis. Starting in the 2014 season, the MAC will have a minimum five guaranteed bowl opportunities.

MAC Primary Bowl Partners 2014-19:**2014 Bowl Season:**

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.; vs. Conference USA)
- Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. Conference USA)
- *Secondary in San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl

2015 Bowl Season:

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.; vs. American Athletic)
- Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. Conference USA)
- *Secondary in San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl

2016 Bowl Season:

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. American Athletic)
- Miami Beach Bowl (Miami, Fla.; vs. American Athletic)
- *Secondary in San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl

2017 Bowl Season:

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. Sun Belt)
- San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl (San Diego, Calif.; vs. Mountain West)

2018 Bowl Season:

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.; vs. Conference USA)
- Miami Beach Bowl (Miami, Fla.; vs. American Athletic)
- *Secondary in San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl

2019 Bowl Season:

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.; vs. American Athletic)
- San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl (San Diego, Calif.; vs. Mountain West)

MAC 2014 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

The 2014 football schedule will feature 14 midweek nationally televised games during the month of November on ESPN2, ESPNU or ESPN3 as the conference race unfolds in both the East and West divisions.

The regular season will conclude with the 17th Marathon MAC Football Championship game on Friday, Dec. 5 at Ford Field in Detroit on ESPN2. This will mark the 11th Marathon MAC Football Championship game at Ford Field.

For the seventh year in a row, league schools will face a formidable non-conference slate of opponents from the following Football Bowl Subdivision conferences – ACC, Big Ten, Big 12, Pac-12 and SEC. In addition, the conference will also face opponents from the American Athletic Conference, Conference USA, Mountain West Conference, Sun Belt Conference and Independent Army.

MAC programs will face six non-conference foes that finished in the final AP Top 25 poll: Michigan State (3), Missouri (5), Ohio State (12), Baylor (13), Wisconsin (22) and Vanderbilt (24). Two of these six games will be home games for MAC programs – Missouri at Toledo (Sept. 6) and Baylor at Buffalo (Sept. 12).

A total of 11 non-conference games will feature a Big Ten opponent (Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Michigan State, Northwestern, Ohio State, Penn State (2), Purdue (2) and Wisconsin). The MAC will face foes from the ACC (5—Boston College, Pittsburgh, Syracuse, Virginia, Virginia Tech), SEC (5—Arkansas, Florida, Kentucky, Missouri, Vanderbilt), Big 12 (3—Baylor, Iowa State, Kansas) and Pac-12 (1—Colorado).

The MAC will also face opponents from the American Athletic Conference (2—Cincinnati (2)), Mountain West (1—UNLV), Conference USA (4—Marshall (3), Western Kentucky) and Sun Belt Conference (3—Idaho (2), South Alabama), along with Independent Army (3).

MAC programs continue to increase the number of home or neutral site games against FBS Automatic Qualifying (AQ) Conference opponents. This season the MAC will host 11 games against FBS non-conference foes, including Baylor (Big-12), Boston College (ACC); Colorado (Pac-12), Indiana (Big Ten), Missouri (SEC) and Syracuse (ACC).

MAC Home Games vs. FBS Non-Conference opponents:

- Boston College (ACC) at UMass on Aug. 30 (30-7 loss);
- Marshall (Conference USA) at Miami on Aug. 30 (42-27 loss);
- Missouri (SEC) at Toledo on Sept. 6 (49-24 loss);
- Colorado (PAC-12) at UMass on Sept. 6 (41-38 loss);
- South Alabama (Sun Belt) at Kent State on Sept. 6 (23-13 loss);
- Baylor (Big-12) at Buffalo on Sept. 12 (63-21 loss);
- Syracuse (ACC) at Central Michigan on Sept. 13 (40-3 loss);
- Indiana (Big Ten) at Bowling Green on Sept. 13 (45-42 win);
- Idaho (Sun Belt) at Ohio on Sept. 20;
- Marshall (Conference USA) at Akron on Sept. 20;
- Army (Independent) at Kent State on Oct. 18.

FLECK YOUNGEST HEAD COACH IN THE NATION

For the second consecutive year, Western Michigan’s P.J. Fleck, 33, is the youngest head coach in NCAA Division I (FBS). Previously, Toledo’s Matt Campbell, 34, and in his third year at the helm of the Rockets program had the claim as the youngest head coach in FBS.

Coch	Age (Date of Birth)
P.J. Fleck, Western Michigan	33 (11-29-80)
Matt Campbell, Toledo	34 (11-29-79)
Kliff Klingsbury, Texas Tech	35 (8-9-79)
Bryan Harsin, Arkansas State	37 (11-1-76)
Justin Fuente, Memphis	37 (9-30-76)
Matt Rhule, Temple	39 (1-31-75)

WINS OVER NON-CONFERENCE FBS OPPONENTS

In 2013, the MAC had ten wins vs. FBS opponents. The MAC set the conference single season record with 16 wins over FBS non-conference opponents during the 2012 season. Dating back to the 2000 season, the previous mark for MAC’s number of wins vs. FBS opponents was 14 regular season wins in the 2008 season.

Regular Season Wins vs. non-conference FBS opponents:

Year: Wins; FBS Opponents Defeated:

- 2014: 5; Purdue; Northwestern; Indiana; Idaho; UNLV
- 2013: 10; Iowa; Purdue; Virginia; UConn; Tulsa; Marshall; Army; North Texas; Idaho; Navy
- 2012: 16; Penn State; Wyoming; Idaho; New Mexico St.; Army (4); UConn; Marshall; Indiana; Iowa; South Florida; Kansas; Cincinnati; Rutgers
- 2011: 10; Indiana; Army (4); UConn; Idaho; New Mexico State; Marshall; Maryland
- 2010: 7; Minnesota; Purdue; Marshall; Colorado State; UConn; Army; Louisiana-Lafayette
- 2009: 9; Michigan State; Purdue; Colorado; Florida International; Troy; UTEP; North Texas; Army; Navy
- 2008: 14; Navy; Indiana (2); Western Kentucky; Michigan; Idaho; Illinois; Syracuse; Army (3); Pittsburgh; Wyoming; UTEP
- 2007: 10; Navy; Army (2); Idaho; Iowa State (2); Iowa; Minnesota; Syracuse; La-Lafayette
- 2006: 11; Temple (5); Kansas; Virginia; North Carolina State; North Texas; FIU; Illinois
- 2005: 9; Army; Louisiana-Lafayette; Temple (4); Pittsburgh; Middle Tennessee State; Cincinnati
- 2004: 3; Temple (2); Kentucky
- 2003: 9; Kansas State; Northwestern; Colorado State; Cincinnati; Purdue; Maryland; Alabama; Iowa State; Pittsburgh
- 2002: 10; Rutgers; Troy; North Carolina; Cincinnati; UConn; Missouri; Kansas; Wyoming; Wake Forest; UNLV
- 2001: 11; UConn (2); Army; Cincinnati; Missouri; Temple (2); Minnesota; Northwestern; South Florida; Navy
- 2000: 9; Central Florida (2); Vanderbilt; Minnesota; UConn (2); Navy; Penn State; Iowa

MAC HEAD COACHES IN HIGH DEMAND

Football programs continue to take notice of MAC head coaches. Last December, Bowling Green head coach Dave Clawson led the Falcons to the 2013 Marathon MAC Football Championship and one week later Clawson was named the head coach at Wake Forest. Clawson replaces Jim Grobe as head coach at Wake Forest and ironically Grobe previously coached at Ohio University.

Clawson joined the lengthy list of former MAC head coaches currently at head coaching positions within FBS. In 2012, both coaches from the Marathon MAC Football Championship game received new opportunities. Former Northern Illinois head coach Dave Doeren was named head coach at North Carolina State and former Kent State head coach Darrell Hazell was named head coach at Purdue.

There are 13 former head coaches from the MAC in a current FBS head coaching position—including nearly half of the Big Ten (five total) and both coaches from the 2013 BCS Championship Game – Alabama’s Nick Saban (Toledo) and Notre Dame’s Brian Kelly (Central Michigan).

For the 2014 season, 26 of the 126 FBS coaches (21%) will be either current or former MAC head coaches.

- Big Ten – Urban Meyer-Ohio State (Bowling Green), Brady Hoke-Michigan (Ball State), Jerry Kill-Minnesota (Northern Illinois), Tim Beckman-Illinois (Toledo), Darrell Hazell-Purdue (Kent State)
- Ind. – Brian Kelly-Notre Dame (Central Michigan)
- SEC-Nick Saban-Alabama (Toledo), Gary Pinkel-Missouri (Toledo), Butch Jones-Tennessee (Central Michigan)
- ACC-Al Golden-Miami (Temple), Steve Addazio-Boston College (Temple), Dave Doeren-NC State (Northern Illinois), Dave Clawson-Wake Forest (Bowling Green).

MAC EAST DIVISION QUICK LOOK:**Akron:**

- Akron posted its highest win total since 2008 last season, going 5-7 overall and 4-4 in Conference, and ended the year by winning three-straight and four of its last five games.
- Senior Jawon Chisholm finished eighth in the MAC in rushing (72.4 ypg) last season and tied for eighth with eight touchdowns.
- Junior Jatavis Brown, the Zips' first First-Team All-MAC selection since 2011, led a much-improved Akron defense with 107 total tackles in addition to 6.5 tackles for a loss, two sacks, two forced fumbles and two pass breakups.

Bowling Green:

- Dino Babers, the 18th coach in school history, begins his first season as head football coach after two successful seasons as at Eastern Illinois. He brings 29 years of coaching experience, including a 19-7 record as a head coach.
- Junior quarterback Matt Johnson played in all 14 games last season, starting the final 13 games as he was inserted into the season opener's third drive against Tulsa. Johnson went on to finish 237-of-369 passing and threw for 3,467 yards and 25 touchdowns. His 3,467 yards were fourth most in a single season in school history and 25 touchdown passes tied for sixth all-time. He threw for a career-high 393 yards and five touchdowns in the MAC Championship, earning Championship game MVP honors.
- Junior running back Travis Greene rushed for a school-record 1,594 yards, and was named All-MAC second team at running back. Greene finished the year with 279 carries for 1,594 yards (5.7 ypc) with 11 rushing touchdowns and nine 100-yard games, most in school history for a single season.

Buffalo:

- Buffalo is coming off one of its best years in school history, including its second ever bowl appearance in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, with an 8-5 overall record and a school-record six MAC wins.
- Junior Joe Licata is coming off his first full season as the Bulls starter as he threw for 2,824 yards and 24 touchdowns while completing 58 percent of his passes. His 24 touchdown passes were one shy of the single season school record.

Kent State:

- Sophomore second-year quarterback Colin Reardon made quite an impression his freshman year as he started 11 games and threw for 1,957 yards on 186-of-317 passing for 12 touchdowns.
- Senior running back Trayon Durham will be asked to spearhead the rushing attack as he rushed for 766 yards and six touchdowns.

Miami

- New Head Coach Chuck Martin brings a 74-7 career head coaching record, as he led Grand Valley State to back-to-back National Championships in 2005 and 2006. Martin spent the last four seasons at Notre Dame.
- Junior defensive end Bryson Albright led the team last year with 5.0 sacks and 11.5 tackles for loss, along with 55 tackles.

Ohio:

- Ohio's 62 wins since 2006 are the second most victories by any school in the MAC during that period and the Bobcats have received five consecutive bowl invitations.
- Sophomore defensive end Tarell Basham was named to last year's Football Writers Association of America (FWAA) Freshman All-America Team. Basham was named to the team after he led the Bobcats with 7.5 sacks and 9.5 tackles for loss this past season. His 7.5 sacks are tied for fifth on the program's all-time single season sack list. He also recorded 32 tackles (16 solo) and tallied five quarterback hurries.

UMass:

- Mark Whipple was named the team's head coach on Jan. 14. In his first stint from 1998-2003, Whipple led the Minutemen by winning the NCAA I-AA National Championship in his first season and making two other postseason appearances.
- Senior linebacker Stanley Andre led the team last year with 111 tackles and six tackles for loss and one sack.

MAC WEST QUICK LOOK**Ball State:**

- Head Coach Pete Lembo owns a .658 winning percentage (25-13) as Ball State's head coach, which marks the best winning percentage in a coaching career for the Cardinals since 1967.
- Ball State is the only FBS school in the country to have upped its season win totals every year from 2010 to 2013. After tallying a 2-10 record in 2009, they improved to four wins in 2010, six victories in 2011, nine wins in 2012 and 10 in 2013.
- Lembo has guided the Cardinals to a 4-3 record over teams from FBS AQ conferences in his three seasons at Ball State with wins over Virginia, South Florida and Indiana (twice).
- Senior Jahwan Edwards set the Ball State record for total touchdowns in a career with 39 last year as a junior. Edwards holds the school record for rushing touchdowns in a career and has twelve 100-yard rushing games in his career.

Central Michigan:

- Head Coach Dan Enos enters his fifth season. The Chippewas have finished the last two years (5-3 in 2013; 4-4 in 2012) with a .500 or better MAC record in the competitive West Division.
- Senior wide receiver Titus Davis was named All-MAC First Team as he totaled 61 receptions for 1,109 yards and eight touchdowns. Davis notched six 100-yard receiving games and now has 11 total for his career.
- Senior linebacker Justin Cherocci will lead the defense as last year he led the MAC with 121 tackles and ranked 16th in the nation in tackles per game (10.1 tpg).

Eastern Michigan:

- Chris Creighton was named Eagles Head Coach after serving as the Head Coach at Drake the last six seasons. Creighton boasts a career record of 139-46, without having a winning percentage lower than .667 at any of his three previous institutions.
- Senior running back Bronson Hill surpassed the 1,000-yard mark for the first time in his career and the first Eagle since 2003. Last year Hill had 196 carries for 1,101 yards (5.6 avg.) with five touchdowns and now has nine career 100-yard rushing games.

Northern Illinois:

- Northern Illinois is the winningest program in the MAC over the last decade, with two MAC championships, four straight MAC West titles and a league record sixth straight bowl appearances.
- Huskies enter 2014 with a 26-game winning streak (currently 27) in their home stadium, the longest in the nation.
- Northern Illinois has 46 wins over the last four years and ranks second in the FBS behind only Oregon and ahead of Boise State (45), LSU (44) and Oklahoma (43).
- Last season, NIU became the first MAC team to defeat two Big Ten teams in the same season with wins over Iowa and Purdue.

Toledo:

- Toledo's offensive line features four returning starters, all seniors, including two All-MAC guards, Greg Mancz (second team) and Jeff Myers (third team).
- Rockets return five of the top six tacklers on defense. Senior linebacker Junior Sylvestre (118 tackles) and junior Chased Murdock (109 tackles) both finished in the top 25 in the nation in tackles per game.
- Senior placekicker Jeremiah Detmer was named 2013 MAC Special Teams Player of the Year. Detmer, who also made first-team All-MAC, connected on 19-of-20 field goals and 44-of-45 extra points. He made his final 13 field goals and was successful on 36 of his last 37 attempts over the past two seasons.

Western Michigan:

- Sophomore wide receiver Corey Davis became the seventh Bronco to earn MAC Freshman of the Year. Davis was named Freshman All-America by Football Writers Association of America (FWAA) and College Football News.
- Davis led all freshmen wide receivers in the FBS in receptions (67), receiving yards (941), touchdowns (6), receiving yards per game (85.5), and 100-yard receiving games (5) and set school freshman records in receiving yards and 100-yard games.

Bowling Green (2-1, 0-0 MAC) at Wisconsin (1-1, 0-0 Big Ten)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • Noon ET • Madison, Wis. • Camp Randall Stadium (80,321)

ESPN2

Series: Wisconsin leads 3-0



Head Coach: Dino Babers

Career: 21-8 (3rd year) at Bowling Green: 2-1 (1st year)

Football Contact: Scott Swegan, 419-372-7105, swegans@bgsu.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Travis Greene (60 att., 343 rushing yds., 4 TDs)

Pass: QB James Knapke (68-104 passing, 632 yards, 4 TD)

Rec.: WR Roger Lewis (30 rec., 367 yds., 2 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: DB Brian Sutton (29 tackles, 2.0 tfl)

Sacks: DL Bryan Thomas (6 tackles, 2.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)

INT: DB Ryland Ward (15 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Falcons defeated Indiana 45-42...Bowling Green's 113 plays from scrimmage were a school record...QB James Knapke had 46 completions and 73 attempts were both school records...WR Roger Lewis had 16 receptions for 149 yards were both career highs...The victory against Indiana was Bowling Green's first against a Power Five conference team since 2008 (at Pittsburgh).



Head Coach: Gary Anderson

Career: 40-36 (9th year) at Wisconsin: 10-5 (2nd year)

Football Contact: Brian Lucas, 608-263-5052, bml@athletics.wisc.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Melvin Gordon (33 att., 178 yards, 1 TD)

Pass: QB Tanner McEvoy (31-52 passing, 333 yds., 3 TDs)

Rec.: WR Alex Erickson (13 rec., 155 yards, 1 TD)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Marcus Trotter (18 tackles, 2.5 tfl, 0.5 sack)

Sacks: LB Joe Schobert (11 tackles, 3.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)

Int.: DB Michael Caputo (17 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Badgers had a bye week...Opened the year in a 28-24 loss to LSU and a 37-3 win over Western Illinois...Defense held Western Illinois without a touchdown as last year, the Badgers held five of 13 opponents without a touchdown, second-best in the country...QB Tanner McEvoy and QB Bart Houston combined to throw four touchdown passes, marking the first time since Nov. 12, 2011.

Eastern Michigan (1-2, 0-0 MAC) at Michigan State (1-1, 0-0 Big Ten)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • Noon ET • East Lansing, Mich. • Spartan Stadium (72,027)

Big Ten Network

Series: Michigan State leads 9-0



Head Coach: Chris Creighton

Career: 140-48 (18th year) at Eastern Michigan: 1-2 (1st year)

Football Contact: Greg Steiner, 734-487-0317, gsteiner2@emich.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Bronson Hill (42 att., 192 yds., 0 TDs)

Pass: QB Brogan Roback (21-41 passing, 125 yds., 0 TDs)

Rec.: TE Tyreese Russell (9 rec., 71 yds., 0 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Great Ibe (32 tackles, 3.5 tfl, 0.5 sack)

Sacks: DL Pat O'Connor (21 tackles, 6.0 tfl, 3.5 sacks)

Int.: DB Kevin Johnson (19 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Eagles lost at Old Dominion 17-3...Defense allowed just 10 points as ODU scored on special teams with a 46-yard punt return in the fourth quarter...The 10 points given up is the fewest allowed by an EMU defense since Oct. 22, 2011, in a 14-10 win vs. Western Michigan...The 17 points allowed were the fewest surrendered by the Eagles since a 30-17 win over Buffalo, Nov. 12, 2011.



Head Coach: Mark Dantonio

Career: 83-47 (11th year) at Michigan State: 65-30 (8th year)

Football Contact: John Lewandowski, 517-355-2271, lewski@ath.msu.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Jeremy Langford (37 att., 143 yds., 1 TD)

Pass: QB Connor Cook (41-60 passing, 628 yards, 5 TDs)

Rec.: WR Tony Lippett (15 rec., 300 yds., 3 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Marcus Rush (13 tackles, 3.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)

Sacks: LB Ed Davis (7 tackles, 2.5 tfl, 1.5 sacks)

Int.: DB Kurtis Drummond (7 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Michigan State had a bye last week...Began the year with 45-7 win over Jacksonville State and 46-27 loss at Oregon...In the loss to No. 3 Oregon, Michigan State had its 11-game winning streak snapped, which tied for the fourth longest in school history...QB Connor Cook recorded career highs in passing yards (343), completions (29) and pass attempts (47) against Oregon.

Marshall (3-0, 0-0 C-USA) at Akron (1-1, 0-0 MAC)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • 2:00 pm ET • Akron, Ohio • InfoCision Stadium (27,881)

ESPN3

Series: Marshall leads 8-4



Head Coach: John 'Doc' Holliday

Career: 30-24 (4th year) at Marshall: 30-24 (4th year)

Football Contact: Jason Corriher, 304-696-4660, corriher@marshall.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Devon Johnson (47 att., 379 rushing yds., 4 TDs)

Pass: QB Rakeem Cato (52-90 passing, 953 yards, 9 TDs)

Rec.: WR Davonte Allen (13 rec., 305 yds., 2 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: DB Darryl Roberts (22 tackles, 0.5 tfl)

Sacks: DL Arnold Blackmon (6 tackles, 2.5 tfl, 2.0 sacks)

INT: DB Taj Letman (10 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Marshall beat Ohio 44-14...QB Rakeem Cato's streak of consecutive games with a touchdown pass is now at 35, which leads active FBS quarterbacks...WR Tommy Shuler's 2nd-quarter touchdown catch moved him to 19 for his career into sole possession of No. 11 on all-time Herd list (No. 10 Jim Swierczek is at 22).



Head Coach: Terry Bowden

Career: 147-81-2 (21st year) at Akron: 7-19 (3rd year)

Football Contact: Cathy Bongiovi, 330-972-6106, cbongiovi@akron.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Jawon Chisholm (16 att., 51 rushing yds., 1 TD)

Pass: QB Kyle Pohl (47-82 passing, 516 yards, 4 TDs)

Rec.: WR Zach D'Orazio (9 rec., 98 yds., 0 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB C.J. Mizell (13 tackles, 1 rec. fumble)

Sacks: DL Cody Grice (7 tackles, 1.5 sacks, 1.5 tfl)

Int.: DB Bre' Ford (3 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Akron had a bye week...Zips opened with a 41-0 win over Howard and a 21-3 loss at Penn State...In the loss to Penn State, Zips forced three turnovers...Akron finished with 277 yards of total offense...QB Kyle Pohl was 24-of-46 passing for 208 yards...RB Jawon Chisholm had 30 yards rushing on seven carries and S Devonte Morgan led the Zips with seven tackles.

Central Michigan (2-1, 0-0 MAC) at Kansas (1-1, 0-0 Big-12)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • 3:30 pm ET • Lawrence, Kan. • Memorial Stadium (50,250)

Fox Sports Net

Series: Kansas leads 1-0



Head Coach: Dan Enos

Career: 21-31 (5th year) at Central Michigan: 21-31 (5th year)

Football Contact: Rob Wyman, 989-774-7614, wyman1rd@cmich.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Thomas Rawls (56 att., 276 yds., 3 TDs)

Pass: QB Cooper Rush (44-76 passing, 528 yards, 4 TDs)

Rec.: WR Jesse Kroll (9 rec., 152 yds., 1 TD)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Justin Cherocci (30 tackles, 0.5 tfl)

Sacks: DE Joe Ostman (17 tackles, 5.0 tfl, 2.0 sacks)

Int.: DB Tony Annese (18 tackles, 2 INT, 2 pbu)

Notes: Chippewas suffered a 40-3 loss to Syracuse...LB Justin Cherocci made 11 tackles to lead CMU's defense, while DB Tony Annese finished with nine tackles and S Kavon Frazier had eight tackles...WR Jesse Kroll set career marks with five catches for 86 yards...K Brian Eavey was pressed into placekicking duties and nailed a 26-yard field goal.



Head Coach: Charlie Weiss

Career: 36-28 (8th year) at Kansas: 5-21 (3rd year)

Football Contact: Katy Lonergan, 785-864-7314, katyl@ku.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB De'Andre Mann (27 att., 186 yards, 0 TDs)

Pass: QB Montell Cozart (23-51 passing, 285 yds., 3 TDs)

Rec.: WR Tony Pierson (6 rec., 112 yards, 1 TD)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Ben Heeney (26 tackles, 1.0 tfl)

Sacks: DL Ben Goodman (6 tackles, 2.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)

Int.: DB Dexter McDonald (5 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Kansas lost 41-3 at Duke...Kansas defense gave up 17 points in the first quarter which marked the most points given up by the Jayhawk defense in the opening period since spotting Baylor 21 points on Oct. 26, 2013...QB Montell Cozart threw the ball a career-high 27 times completing 11 on the day for 89 yards.

Norfolk State (0-3, 0-0 MEAC) at Buffalo (1-2, 0-0 MAC)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • 3:30 pm ET • Buffalo, N.Y. • UB Stadium (29,013)

ESPN3

Series: First Meeting



Head Coach: Pete Adrian

Career: 50-55 (10th year) at Norfolk State: 50-55 (10th year)

Football Contact: Matt Michalec, 757-823-2628, mmichalec@nsu.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Aaron Daniels (39 att., 197 rushing yds., 1 TD)

Pass: QB Terrance Ervin (28-44 passing, 237 yds., 0 TDs)

Rec.: WR Isaac White (16 rec., 134 yds., 0 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Marcell Coke (26 tackles, 3.0 tfl)

Sacks: LB Lynden Trail (20 tackles, 5.0 tfl, 2.5 sacks)

Int.: DB D'Metrius Williams (7 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Spartans opened with a 10-6 loss at Maine, a 17-0 loss at Liberty and a 29-14 loss at William & Mary...Spartans outgained William & Mary 322-234...QB Terrance Ervin completed 16-of-24 passes for 176 yards...RB Aaron Daniels racked up a career-high 106 yards on 21 carries...WR Isaac White made a career-best eight catches for 89 yards.



Head Coach: Jeff Quinn

Career: 19-35 (5th year) at Buffalo: 18-34 (5th year)

Football Contact: Jon Fuller, 716-645-6762, jfuller3@buffalo.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Anthonie Taylor (59 att., 241 yds., 3 TDs)

Pass: QB Joe Licata (74-111 passing, 870 yards, 9 TDs)

Rec.: WR Ron Willoughby (16 rec., 222 yds., 2 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Lee Skinner (24 tackles, 1.0 tfl)

Sacks: LB Adam Redden (19 tackles, 3.5 tfl, 2.0 sacks)

Notes: Buffalo suffered a 63-21 loss to No. 8 Baylor...QB Joe Licata finished 14-of-25 for 171 yards and a touchdown...RB Jordan Johnson was the Bulls' leading rusher with a career-best 97 yards on the ground...WR Devon Hughes was Buffalo's top receiver with six catches for 72 yards and a touchdown...The Bulls had 394 yards of total offense...LB Lee Skinner led the Bulls with nine tackles.

UMass (0-3, 0-0 MAC) at Penn State (3-0, 1-0 Big Ten)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • 4:00 pm ET • State College, Pa. • Beaver Stadium (107,282)

Big Ten Network

Series: First Meeting



Head Coach: Mark Whipple

Career: 121-62 (17th year) at UMass: 49-29 (7th year)

Football Contact: John Sinnett, 413-545-1744, jsinnett@admin.umass.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB J.T. Blyden (20 att., 72 yards, 0 TD)

Pass: QB Blake Frohnapfel (46-94 passing, 619 yards, 5 TDs)

Rec.: WR Tajae Sharpe (15 rec., 246 yds., 1 TD)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Jovan Santos-Knox (42 tackles, 3.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)

Sacks: LB Kassan Messiah (25 tackles, 1.5 tfl, 1.0 sack)

Int.: DB Randall Jette (18 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: UMass lost 34-31 at Vanderbilt...WR Tajae Sharpe let the team with eight receptions for 73 yards...LB Jovan Santos-Knox had a game high 15 tackles...QB Blake Frohnapfel was 17-for-34 passing for 205 yards and a touchdown...RB Lorenzo Woodley scored two rushing touchdowns, a single-game career-best on 22 carries for 41 yards.



Head Coach: James Franklin

Career: 26-15 (4th year) at Penn State: 3-0 (1st year)

Football Contact: Jeff Nelson, 814-865-1757, jtn4@psu.edu

Offense: (top returnees listed)

Rush: RB Bill Belton (34 att., 88 yards, 1 TD)

Pass: QB Christian Hackenberg (79-127 passing, 1,082 yards, 4 TDs)

Rec.: WR DaeSean Hamilton (26 rec., 337 yards, 0 TD)

Defense: (top returnees listed)

Tackles: LB Mike Hull (31 tackles, 1.5 tfl, 1.0 sack)

Sacks: DL Anthony Zettel (13 tackles, 7.0 tfl, 3.0 sacks)

Int.: DB Trevor Williams (7 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Penn State beat Rutgers 13-10...Penn State scored 13 unanswered points after Rutgers took a 10-0 lead late into the third quarter...This is the first 3-0 start for the Nittany Lions since 2009 and the 52nd time a Penn State team has started 3-0 in the 128 years of the program...James Franklin is the sixth Penn State first-year head coach to start 3-0; the first since Bob Higgins in 1930.

Ball State (1-2, 0-0 MAC) at Toledo (1-2, 0-0 MAC)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • 7:00 pm ET • Toledo, Ohio • Glass Bowl (26,244)

ESPN3

Series: Series tied 19-19-1



Head Coach: Pete Lembo

Career: 105-51 (14th year) at Ball State: 26-15 (4th year)

Football Contact: Joe Hernandez, 765-285-8242, jhernand@bsu.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Jahwan Edwards (63 att., 265 yards, 2 TDs)

Pass: QB Ozzie Mann (59-108 passing, 598 yards, 3 TDs)

Rec.: WR KeVonn Mabon (22 rec., 214 yds., 1 TD)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Ben Ingle (26 tackles, 1.0 tfl)

Sacks: DL Darnell Smith (12 tackles, 1.5 tfl, 1.0 sack)

Notes: Ball State lost to Indiana State 27-20...Cardinals suffered only their fourth loss in the past 21 regular season games...Ball State suffered consecutive losses for the first time in 23 games...The loss snapped Ball State's nine-game home winning streak as the Cardinals last home loss came Oct. 12, 2012 against Northern Illinois, tied for the third longest streak in program history...Cardinals limited Indiana State to only 44 rushing yards, the fewest since 2008.



Head Coach: Matt Campbell

Career: 18-11 (3rd year) at Toledo: 18-11 (3rd year)

Football Contact: Paul Helgren, 419-530-4918, paul.helgren@utoledo.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Kareem Hunt (47 att., 385 yards, 6 TDs)

Pass: QB Logan Woodside (33-50 passing, 374 yds., 3 TDs)

Rec.: WR Corey Jones (19 rec., 190 yards, 2 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Junior Sylvestre (22 tackles, 1.5 tfl)

Sacks: DL Orion Jones (3 tackles, 2.5 tfl, 2.0 sacks)

Int.: DB Jordan Hayden (14 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Rockets lost at Cincinnati 58-34...QB Logan Woodside made his second career start and completed 27-of-40 passes for 322 yards with three touchdowns and completed passes to eight different receivers...WR Alonzo Russell caught five passes for a team-high 114 yards and two scores for his third career multi-touchdown effort and topped the century mark for the sixth time in his career.

Idaho (0-2, 0-1 Sun Belt) at Ohio (1-2, 1-0 MAC)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • 7:00 pm ET • Athens, Ohio • Peden Stadium (24,000)

ESPN3

Series: Series tied 1-1



Head Coach: Paul Petrino

Career: 1-13 (2nd year) at Idaho: 1-13 (2nd year)

Football Contact: Becky Paull, 208-885-0245, bpaull@uidaho.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Jerrel Brown (35 att., 161 yds., 0 TDs)

Pass: QB Matt Linehan (53-88 passing, 686 yds., 6 TDs)

Rec.: WR Joshua McCain (15 rec., 221 yds., 3 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Marc Millan (20 tackles, 4.0 tfl)

Sacks: DL Quayshawne Buckley (10 tackles, 3.0 tfl, 2.0 sacks)

Int.: DB Chris Edwards (4 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Idaho lost 45-33 to Western Michigan on Saturday...QB Matt Linehan threw for 362 yards on 27-of-41 passing and three touchdowns...Linehan completed a pass to nine different receivers...Richard Montgomery had 153 all-purpose yards with 88 receiving, 12 rushing and 53 yards on kickoff returns.



Head Coach: Frank Solich

Career: 125-70 (16th year) at Ohio: 67-51 (10th year)

Football Contact: Tom Symonds, 740-593-1193, symondst@ohio.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Daz Patterson (41 att., 141 rushing yds., 0 TDs)

Pass: QB Derrius Vick (36-59 passing, 462 yds., 3 TDs)

Rec.: WR Landon Smith (11 rec., 97 yds., 2 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Jovon Johnson (26 tackles, 2.5 tfl)

Sacks: LB Quentin Poling (20 tackles, 3.5 tfl, 3.0 sacks)

Int.: DB Nate Carpenter (10 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Bobcats lost at Marshall 44-14...QB Derrius Vick finished 18-19 passing with 200 yards, one touchdown and one interception, along with 51 yards on 11 carries...QB JD Sprague finished 4-8 passing with 36 yards and a touchdown...DB Nathan Carpenter collected his fifth career interception and his first since Oct. 28, 2012 at Miami.

Miami (0-3, 0-0 MAC) at Cincinnati (1-0, 0-0 American Athletic)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • 7:00 pm ET • Cincinnati, Ohio • Paul Brown Stadium (65,515)

CBS Sports Network

Series: Miami leads 59-52-7



Head Coach: Chuck Martin

Career: 74-10 (7th year) at Miami: 0-3 (1st year)

Football Contact: Dave Meyer, 513-529-4329, meyerd@miamioh.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Spencer McGinnis (17 att., 66 yds., 0 TDs)

Pass: QB Andrew Hendrix (61-127 passing, 842 yds., 5 TDs)

Rec.: WR David Frazier (17 rec., 267 yds., 0 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Kent Kern (31 tackles, 4.0 tfl, 2.0 sacks)

Sacks: DL J'Terus Jones (15 tackles, 3.5 tfl, 2.0 sacks)

INT.: DB Quentin Rollins (10 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Miami lost 34-10 at Michigan...DB Jarrell Jones recorded a career-high in tackles with 12...DB Quinten Rollins had his second career interception and has a pick in two consecutive games...Rollins, who played basketball for Miami for the past four seasons, also had a career-high six tackles.



Head Coach: Tommy Tuberville

Career: 140-81 (19th year) at Cincinnati: 10-4 (2nd year)

Football Contact: Ryan Koslen, 513-556-5186, ryan.koslen@uc.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Hosey Williams (14 att., 103 yds., 0 TDs)

Pass: QB Gunner Kiel (25-37 passing, 418 yds., 6 TDs)

Rec.: WR Mekale McKay (9 rec., 175 yds., 1 TD)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Jeff Luc (12 tackles)

Sacks: DE Terrell Hartsfield (6 tackles, 1.5 tfl, 1.5 sacks)

Notes: Cincinnati opened with a 58-34 win over Toledo...QB Gunner Kiel completed 25 of 37 passes for 418 yards and six touchdowns...Kiel had the most passing touchdowns (six) for a quarterback in his NCAA FBS debut...Kiel tied a school record with six touchdown passes...WR Mekale McKay had a career-high nine receptions for a career-high 175 yards and one touchdown.

Murray State (1-1, 0-0 OVC) at Western Michigan (1-1, 0-0 MAC)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • 7:00 pm ET • Kalamazoo Mich. • Waldo Stadium (30,200)

ESPN3

Series: Western Michigan leads 2-1



Head Coach: Chris Hatcher
 Career: 119-49 (15th year) at Murray State: 25-22 (5th year)
 Football Contact: John Brush, 270-809-7044, jbrush@murraystate.edu

Offense: (top returnees listed)
 Rush: RB Nick Taylor (12 att., 87 yards, 1 TD)
 Pass: QB CJ Bennett (21-41 passing, 260 yds., 6 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Jeremy Harness (11 rec., 93 yds., 3 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Jonathan Jackson (14 tackles, 1.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)
 Sacks: LB Travis Taylor (14 tackles, 2.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)

Notes: Murray State opened with a 73-26 win over Union and a 66-21 loss at Louisville...Had a bye week last weekend...The Racers' 21 points at Louisville were the most against an FBS opponent since scoring 28 in a loss to Middle Tennessee in 2000...QB CJ Bennett was 8-19 passing for 93 yards with one touch-down and one interception.



Head Coach: P.J. Fleck
 Career: 2-12 (2nd year) at Western Michigan: 2-12 (2nd year)
 Football Contact: Adam Bodnar, 269-387-4122, adam.e.bodnar@wmich.edu

Offense: (top returnees listed)
 Rush: RB Jarvion Franklin (52 att., 374 yards, 6 TDs)
 Pass: QB Zach Terrell (33-56 passing, 484 yds., 5 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Daniel Braverman (15 rec., 252 yds., 2 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Grant DePalma (20 tackles, 2.0 tfl)
 Sacks: DT Cleveland Smith (4 tackles, 4.0 tfl, 3.0 sacks)
 Int.: DB Ronald Zamort (3 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Western Michigan won 45-33 at Idaho...QB Zach Terrell passed for 242 yards and three touchdowns and RB Jarvion Franklin rushed for a career-high 33 carries and 211 yards with three touchdowns...Broncos outgained Idaho 484-404 in total offense and did not commit a turnover...DT Cleveland Smith recorded three sacks at Idaho.

Northern Illinois (3-0, 0-0 MAC) at Arkansas (2-1, 0-1 SEC)

Saturday, September 20, 2014 • 7:00 pm ET • Fayetteville, Ark. • Razorback Stadium (73,656)

ESPNU

Series: Arkansas leads 1-0



Head Coach: Rod Carey
 Career: 15-3 (2nd year) at NIU: 15-3 (2nd year)
 Football Contact: Donna Turner, 815-753-9513, donnaturner@niu.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Akeem Daniels (32 att., 204 rushing yds., 0 TDs)
 Pass: QB Drew Hare (32-51 passing, 494 yards, 6 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Da'Ron Brown (19 rec., 357 yds., 4 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Michael Santacaterina (18 tackles, 2.0 tfl)
 Sacks: DE Jason Meehan (11 tackles, 5.0 tfl, 4.0 sacks)
 Int.: DB Paris Logan (16 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: NIU earned a 48-34 win at UNLV...QB Drew Hare made his first collegiate start and accumulated 359 yards by passing for 285 yards on 18-28 passing and three touchdowns and rushing for 74 yards and another score...K Tyler Wedel had six PATs and two field goals, including a career-long 45 yards field goal.



Head Coach: Brett Bielma
 Career: 73-34 (9th year) at Arkansas: 5-10 (2nd year)
 Football Contact: Zach Higbee, 479-575-5786, zhigbee@uark.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Alex Collins (50 att., 411 rushing yds., 5 TDs)
 Pass: QB Brandon Allen (28-48 passing, 353 yards, 6 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Demetrius Wilson (6 rec., 76 yds., 0 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Martrell Spaight (24 tackles, 1 INT)
 Sacks: DL Taiwan Johnson (9 tackle, 4.0 tfl, 3.5 sacks)
 INT.: DB D.J. Dean (4 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Arkansas beat Texas Tech 49-28...RB Jonathan Williams rushed for four touchdowns, the first time a Razorback has rushed for four scores since Darren McFadden did so in 2007 vs. Florida International...Arkansas had three scoring drives last at least 10 plays and six minutes.

MAC EAST VS. MAC WEST

Over the last six years (2008-2013), the MAC West has had the upper hand in cross-over regular season games against the MAC East, winning the head-to-head regular season series in five of the last six years.

However, both the East and West Divisions have each won three Marathon MAC Football Championship games during the same six year span. From the East Division, Bowling Green (2013), Miami (2010) and Buffalo (2008) won the Conference Championship, while the West Division has witnessed Central Michigan (2009) and Northern Illinois (2011, 2012) take the crown.

Over the last six seasons (2008-13), the West holds a 71-37 (.657%) regular season record in cross-over games over the East. Take a look at the last six years in divisional play between the MAC East vs. the MAC West Divisions.

Year, Regular Season East vs. West, MAC Champion

2013 West 12-6; Bowling Green (East) def. Northern Illinois (West), 47-27
 2012 West 12-6; Northern Illinois (West) def. Kent State (East) 44-37 in double overtime.

2011 West 14-4; Northern Illinois (West) def. Ohio (East), 23-20
 2010 West 12-6; Miami (East) def. Northern Illinois (West), 26-21
 2009 East 11-7; Central Michigan (West) def. Ohio (East), 20-10
 2008 West 14-4; Buffalo (East) def. Ball State (West), 42-24

2014 Marathon MAC Football Championship on Dec. 5th

In the last three years, 10 different MAC programs have received a bowl invitation. In the same three year span, four different programs have appeared in the Marathon MAC Football Championship game--Bowling Green (2013), Kent State (2012) and Ohio (2011) from the East Division and Northern Illinois (2011-13) from the West Division. The Marathon MAC Football Championship Game will be played at Ford Field in Detroit on Friday, Dec. 5th at 7 pm ET (ESPN2).



FORMER MAC PLAYERS IN THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE (NFL)

Arizona (1)			Indianapolis (5)			San Diego (3)		
P Dave Zastudil	13	Ohio	RB Ahmad Bradshaw	8	Marshall	DB Jahleel Addae	2	Central Michigan
Atlanta (2)			DB Josh Gordy	4	Central Michigan	TE Antonio Gates	12	Kent State
DB Sean Baker-PS	1	Ball State	DE Jonathan Newsome	R	Ball State	RB Branden Oliver	R	Buffalo
WR Bernard Reedy-PS	R	Toledo	OT Joe Reitz	4	Western Michigan	San Francisco (2)		
Baltimore (2)			RB Zurlon Tipton	R	Central Michigan	OT Joe Staley	8	Central Michigan
RB Bernard Pierce	3	Temple	Kansas City (2)			DB Jimmie Ward	R	Northern Illinois
QB Keith Wenning-PS	R	Ball State	OL Eric Fisher	2	Central Michigan	Seattle (2)		
Carolina (1)			LB Frank Zombo	4	Central Michigan	WR Phil Bates	3	Ohio
LB Chase Blackburn	10	Akron	Miami (1)			WR Taylor Price-IR	5	Ohio
Chicago (2)			DB Louis Delmas	6	Western Michigan	St. Louis (1)		
WR Brandon Marshall	9	Central Florida	Minnesota (3)			TE Alex Bayer	R	Bowling Green
DE Trevor Scott	6	Buffalo	WR Donte Foster-PS	R	Ohio	Tampa Bay (2)		
Cleveland (3)			WR Greg Jennings	9	Western Michigan	DL Steven Means	2	Buffalo
OL John Greco	7	Toledo	OL Zac Kerin-PS	R	Toledo	DB Rashan Melvin	2	Northern Illinois
WR Andrew Hawkins	4	Toledo	New England (3)			Tennessee (1)		
DL Ishmaa'ily Kitchen	3	Kent State	WR Julian Edelman	6	Kent State	P Brett Kern	7	Toledo
Dallas (3)			DL Chris Jones	2	Bowling Green	Washington (2)		
DT Ken Bishop	R	Northern Illinois	OL Josh Kline	2	Kent State	DB E.J. Biggers	6	Western Michigan
S Barry Church	5	Toledo	N.Y. Giants (2)			OL Kory Lichtensteiger	6	Bowling Green
OT Doug Free	8	Northern Illinois	RB Michael Cox-PS	2	UMass	PS - Practice Squad		
Denver (5)			DL Cullen Jenkins	12	Central Michigan	IR - Injured-Reserve List		
QB Zac Dysert-PS	2	Miami (Ohio)	N.Y. Jets (5)			(As of NFL Rosters on Sept. 4, 2014)		
DL Terrance Knighton	6	Temple	DE Jason Babin	11	Western Michigan	When the NFL opened its regular season on Sept. 4, 2014, a total of 74 former MAC student-athletes were on rosters across the National Football League. During the 2014 NFL Draft, the MAC had two former student-athletes selected in the first round for only the second time in MAC history.		
K Brandon McManus	1	Temple	LB Nick Bellore	4	Central Michigan			
WR Nathan Palmer	2	Northern Illinois	DB Jaiquawn Jarrett	3	Temple			
K Matt Prater	8	Central Florida	DT Muhammad Wilkerson	4	Temple			
Detroit (3)			OL Brian Winters	2	Kent State	Former Buffalo LB Khalil Mack was picked No. 5 overall by Oakland, while former Northern Illinois S Jimmie Ward was picked No. 30 overall by the San Francisco 49ers. The last time the MAC had two selected in the first round was 2004 when former Miami QB Ben Roethlisberger was picked No. 11 overall by Pittsburgh, and former Western Michigan DE Jason Babin was taken 27th overall by the Houston Texans.		
DE Jason Jones	7	Eastern Michigan	Oakland (4)					
TE Jordan Thompson-PS	1	Ohio	DB Travis Carrie	R	Ohio			
LB Tahir Whitehead	3	Temple	LB Khalil Mack	R	Buffalo			
Green Bay (5)			WR Rod Streater	3	Temple	Former Buffalo LB Khalil Mack was picked No. 5 overall by Oakland, while former Northern Illinois S Jimmie Ward was picked No. 30 overall by the San Francisco 49ers. The last time the MAC had two selected in the first round was 2004 when former Miami QB Ben Roethlisberger was picked No. 11 overall by Pittsburgh, and former Western Michigan DE Jason Babin was taken 27th overall by the Houston Texans.		
LB Jayrone Elliott	R	Toledo	DB Usama Young	8	Kent State			
OL T.J. Lang	6	Eastern Michigan	Pittsburgh (8)					
DL Andy Mulumba	2	Eastern Michigan	WR Dri Archer	R	Kent State			
OL Josh Sitton	7	Central Florida	TE Rob Blanchflower-PS	R	UMass			
RB James Starks	5	Buffalo	WR Antonio Brown	5	Central Michigan			
Houston (1)			QB Bruce Gradkowski	9	Toledo			
OL Brandon Brooks	2	Miami (Ohio)	FS Mike Mitchell	6	Ohio			
			WR Lance Moore	9	Toledo			
			QB Ben Roethlisberger	11	Miami (Ohio)			
			K Shaun Suisham	10	Bowling Green			

Weekly Coaches Teleconference

The Mid-American Conference football coaches will be available each Monday beginning Aug. 25 through Nov. 24 for a weekly media conference call. There will be an additional football championship teleconference Nov. 26 at 10 a.m. All times listed below are Eastern.

For call in number for the media please contact Ken Mather at 216-566-4622 or kmather@mac-sports.com. The conference call will also be available at www.mac-sports.com each Monday afternoon.

West Division

9:30-9:38 P.J. Fleck, Western Michigan
 9:38-9:46 Matt Campbell, Toledo
 9:46-9:54 Rod Carey, Northern Illinois
 9:54-10:02 Chris Creighton, Eastern Michigan
 10:02-10:10 Dan Enos, Central Michigan
 10:10-10:18 Pete Lembo, Ball State

East Division

10:18-10:26 Frank Solich, Ohio
 10:26-10:34 Chuck Martin, Miami
 10:34-10:42 Paul Haynes, Kent State
 10:42-10:50 Jeff Quinn, Buffalo
 10:50-10:58 Dino Babers, Bowling Green
 10:58-11:06 Terry Bowden, Akron
 11:06-11:14 Mark Whipple, UMass

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2014 Akron Zips (1-1; 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Thur., Aug. 28	Howard	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 41-0
Sat., Sept. 6	at Penn State	Noon ET	ABC	L, 3-21
Sat., Sept. 20	Marshall	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Marshall leads 8-4
Sat., Sept. 27	at Pittsburgh	1:30 pm ET	ESPN3	Pitt leads 2-0
Sat., Oct. 4	*Eastern Michigan	2:00 pm ET	TBA	Akron leads 17-12
Sat., Oct. 11	*Miami	TBA	TBA	Miami leads 16-6-1
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Ohio	TBA	TBA	Ohio leads 17-12-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Ball State	TBA	TBA	Series tied 10-10-1
Tue., Nov. 4	*Bowling Green	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	BGSU leads 13-7
Tue., Nov. 11	*at Buffalo	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	Akron leads 9-4
Tue., Nov. 18	*UMass	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	Series tied 1-1
Tue., Nov. 25	*at Kent State	7:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	Akron leads 31-23-2
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Ball State Cardinals (1-2; 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	Colgate	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 30-10
Sat., Sept. 6	at Iowa	3:30 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 13-17
Sat., Sept. 13	Indiana State	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 20-27
Sat., Sept. 20	*at Toledo	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Series tied 19-19-1
Sat., Oct. 4	at Army	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	BSU leads 3-2
Sat., Oct. 11	*Western Michigan	3:00 pm ET	TBA	WMU leads 21-19
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Central Michigan	TBA	TBA	BSU leads 24-21-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*Akron	TBA	TBA	Series tied 10-10-1
Wed., Nov. 5	*Northern Illinois	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	BSU leads 20-19-2
Wed., Nov. 12	*at UMass	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	Series tied 1-1
Sat., Nov. 22	*Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA	BSU leads 32-21-2
Fri., Nov. 28	*at Bowling Green	TBA	ESPN3/ESPN3	BGSU leads 20-8-1
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Bowling Green Falcons (2-1; 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Fri., Aug. 29	at Western Kentucky	8:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 31-59
Sat., Sept. 6	VMI	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 48-7
Sat., Sept. 13	Indiana	Noon ET	ESPN3	W, 45-42
Sat., Sept. 20	at Wisconsin	Noon ET	ESPN2	Wisconsin leads 3-0
Sat., Sept. 27	*at UMass	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	BGSU leads 2-0
Sat., Oct. 4	*Buffalo	TBA	TBA	BGSU leads 8-3
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Ohio	2:00 pm ET	TBA	BGSU leads 38-25-2
Sat., Oct. 18	*Western Michigan	TBA	TBA	BGSU leads 31-17-3
Tue., Nov. 4	*at Akron	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	BGSU leads 13-7
Wed., Nov. 12	*Kent State	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	BGSU leads 56-19-6
Wed., Nov. 19	*at Toledo	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	BGSU leads 39-35-4
Fri., Nov. 28	*Ball State	TBA	#ESPN3/ESPN3	BGSU leads 20-8-1
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Buffalo Bulls (1-2; 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	Duquesne	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 38-28
Sat., Sept. 6	at Army	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 39-47
Fri., Sept. 12	Baylor	8:00 pm ET	ESPN	L, 21-63
Sat., Sept. 20	Norfolk State	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	First meeting
Sat., Sept. 27	*Miami	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Miami leads 12-4
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Bowling Green	TBA	TBA	BGSU leads 8-3
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA	EMU leads 5-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*Central Michigan	TBA	TBA	CMU leads 5-1
Wed., Nov. 5	*at Ohio	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	Ohio leads 12-8
Tue., Nov. 11	*Akron	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	Akron leads 9-4
Wed., Nov. 19	*Kent State	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	Series tied 10-10
Fri., Nov. 28	*at UMass	TBA	#ESPN3/ESPN3	Buffalo leads 6-5
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Central Michigan Chippewas (2-1; 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Thur., Aug. 28	Tennessee-Chattanooga	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 20-16
Sat., Sept. 6	at Purdue	Noon ET	ESPN3	W, 38-17
Sat., Sept. 13	Syracuse	Noon ET	ESPN3	L, 3-40
Sat., Sept. 20	at Kansas	3:30 pm ET	FOX Sports Net	Kansas leads 1-0
Sat., Sept. 27	*at Toledo	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3/ESPN Game Plan	Toledo leads 21-18-3
Sat., Oct. 4	*Ohio	TBA	TBA	CMU leads 22-5-2
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Northern Illinois	5:00 pm ET	TBA	CMU leads 25-23-1
Sat., Oct. 18	*Ball State	TBA	TBA	BSU leads 22-23-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Buffalo	TBA	TBA	CMU leads 5-1
Sat., Nov. 1	*at Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA	CMU leads 57-28-6
Sat., Nov. 15	*Miami	TBA	TBA	Miami leads 13-11
Sat., Nov. 22	*Western Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 45-38-2
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Eastern Michigan Eagles (1-2; 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	Morgan State	6:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 31-28
Sat., Sept. 6	at Florida	4:00 pm ET	SEC Network	L, 0-65
Sat., Sept. 13	at Old Dominion	6:00 pm ET	Cox Sports	L, 3-17
Sat., Sept. 20	at Michigan State	Noon ET	Big Ten Network	Michigan State leads 9-0
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Akron	2:00 pm ET	TBA	Akron leads 17-12
Sat., Oct. 11	*Buffalo	TBA	TBA	EMU leads 5-1
Sat., Oct. 18	*at UMass	TBA	TBA	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 25	*Northern Illinois	TBA	TBA	NIU leads 28-14-2
Sat., Nov. 1	*Central Michigan	TBA	TBA	CMU leads 57-28-6
Sat., Nov. 15	*at Western Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 29-18-2
Sat., Nov. 22	*at Ball State	TBA	TBA	Ball State leads 32-21-2
Fri., Nov. 28	*Toledo	TBA	#ESPN3/ESPN3	Toledo leads 30-11
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Kent State Golden Flashes (0-3; 0-1)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	*Ohio	6:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 14-17
Sat., Sept. 6	South Alabama	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 13-23
Sat., Sept. 13	at Ohio State	Noon ET	ABC	L, 0-66
Sat., Sept. 27	at Virginia	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Northern Illinois	TBA	TBA	NIU leads 18-7
Sat., Oct. 11	*UMass	TBA	TBA	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 18	Army	3:30 pm ET	TBA	Army leads 2-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Miami	2:30 pm ET	TBA	Miami leads 46-15
Tue., Nov. 4	*Toledo	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Toledo leads 23-21
Wed., Nov. 12	*at Bowling Green	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	BGSU leads 56-19-6
Wed., Nov. 19	*at Buffalo	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Series tied 10-10
Tue., Nov. 25	*Akron	7:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Akron leads 31-23-2
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Massachusetts Minutemen (0-3; 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	Boston College	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 7-30
Sat., Sept. 6	Colorado	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 38-41
Sat., Sept. 13	at Vanderbilt	Noon ET	FOX Sports Net	L, 31-34
Sat., Sept. 20	at Penn State	4:00 pm ET	Big Ten Network	First meeting
Sat., Sept. 27	*Bowling Green	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	BGSU leads 2-0
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Miami	TBA	TBA	Series tied 1-1
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Kent State	TBA	TBA	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 18	*Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Toledo	2:00 pm ET	TBA	Toledo leads 2-1
Wed., Nov. 12	*Ball State	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	Series tied 1-1
Tue., Nov. 18	*at Akron	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	Series tied 1-1
Fri., Nov. 28	*Buffalo	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3	Buffalo leads 6-5
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Miami RedHawks (0-3; 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	Marshall	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 27-42
Sat., Sept. 6	Eastern Kentucky	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 10-17
Sat., Sept. 13	at Michigan	3:30 pm ET	Big Ten Network	L, 10-34
Sat., Sept. 20	at Cincinnati	7:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	Miami leads 59-52-7
Sat., Sept. 27	*at Buffalo	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	Miami leads 12-4
Sat., Oct. 4	*UMass	TBA	TBA	Series tied 1-1
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Akron	TBA	TBA	Miami leads 16-6-1
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Northern Illinois	TBA	TBA	Series tied 7-7
Sat., Oct. 25	*Kent State	2:30 pm ET	TBA	Miami leads 46-15
Sat., Nov. 1	*Western Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 37-19-1
Sat., Nov. 15	*at Central Michigan	TBA	TBA	Series tied 12-12-1
Tue., Nov. 25	*Ohio	7:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Miami leads 52-36-2
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Northern Illinois Huskies (3-0; 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Thur., Aug. 28	Presbyterian	7:00 pm ET/6:00 pm CT	ESPN3	W, 55-3
Sat., Sept. 6	at Northwestern	3:30 pm ET/2:30 pm CT	Big Ten Network	W, 23-15
Sat., Sept. 13	at UNLV	7:00 pm ET/6:00 pm CT	Mountain West Network	W, 48-34
Sat., Sept. 20	at Arkansas	7:00 pm ET/6:00 pm CT	ESPN3	Arkansas leads 1-0
Sat., Oct. 4	*Kent State	TBA	TBA	NIU leads 18-7
Sat., Oct. 11	*Central Michigan	5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm CT	TBA	CMU leads 25-23-1
Sat., Oct. 18	*Miami	TBA	TBA	Miami leads 8-7
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA	NIU leads 28-14-2
Wed., Nov. 5	*at Ball State	8:00 pm ET/7:00 pm CT	ESPN2/ESPNU	BSU leads 20-19-2
Tue., Nov. 11	*Toledo	8:00 pm ET/7:00 pm CT	ESPN2/ESPNU	Toledo leads 29-12
Tue., Nov. 18	*at Ohio	8:00 pm ET/7:00 pm CT	ESPNU/ESPN3	NIU leads 10-9
Fri., Nov. 28	*at Western Michigan	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3	WMU leads 23-16
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Ohio Bobcats (1-2; 1-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	*at Kent State	6:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 17-14
Sat., Sept. 6	at Kentucky	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 3-20
Sat., Sept. 13	at Marshall	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 14-44
Sat., Sept. 20	at Idaho	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Series tied 1-1
Sat., Sept. 27	Eastern Illinois	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Central Michigan	TBA	TBA	CMU leads 22-5-2
Sat., Oct. 11	*Bowling Green	2:00 pm ET	TBA	BGSU leads 38-25-2
Sat., Oct. 18	*Akron	TBA	TBA	Ohio leads 17-12-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Western Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 30-28-1
Wed., Nov. 5	*Buffalo	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	Ohio leads 12-8
Tue., Nov. 18	*Northern Illinois	8:00 pm ET	ESPNU/ESPN3	NIU leads 10-9
Tue., Nov. 25	*at Miami	7:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	Miami leads 53-35-2
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Toledo Rockets (1-2; 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	New Hampshire	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 54-20
Sat., Sept. 6	Missouri	Noon ET	ESPN	L, 24-49
Fri., Sept. 12	at Cincinnati	7:00 pm ET	ESPNU	L, 34-58
Sat., Sept. 20	*Ball State	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Series tied 19-19-1
Sat., Sept. 27	*Central Michigan	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3/ESPN Game Plan	UT leads 21-18-3
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Western Michigan	7:00 pm ET	TBA	Toledo leads 40-28
Sat., Oct. 11	at Iowa State	3:30 pm ET	Mediacom Cable	Series tied 1-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*UMass	2:00 pm ET	TBA	Toledo leads 3-1
Tue., Nov. 4	*at Kent State	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	Toledo leads 23-21
Tue., Nov. 11	*at Northern Illinois	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	Toledo leads 29-12
Wed., Nov. 19	*Bowling Green	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	BGSU leads 39-35-4
Fri., Nov. 28	*at Eastern Michigan	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3	Toledo leads 30-11
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Western Michigan Broncos (1-1; 0-0)					
Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results	
Sat., Aug. 30	at Purdue	Noon ET	ESPNU	L, 34-43	
Sat., Sept. 13	at Idaho	5:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 45-33	
Sat., Sept. 20	Murray State	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	First meeting	
Sat., Sept. 27	at Virginia Tech	12:30 pm ET	ACC Network	Virginia Tech leads 3-0	
Sat., Oct. 4	*Toledo	7:00 pm ET	TBA	Toledo leads 41-28	
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Ball State	3:00 pm ET	TBA	WMU leads 20-19	
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Bowling Green	TBA	TBA	BGSU leads 31-17-3	
Sat., Oct. 25	*Ohio	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 30-28-1	
Sat., Nov. 1	*at Miami	TBA	TBA	Miami leads 37-19-1	
Sat., Nov. 15	*Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 29-17-2	
Sat., Nov. 22	*at Central Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 45-37-2	
Fri., Nov. 28	*Northern Illinois	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3	WMU leads 23-16	

2014 Non-Conference Opponents

ACC (5): (0-2)
 Boston College (UMass): (0-1); L, 7-30
 Pittsburgh (Akron)
 Syracuse (Central Michigan): (0-1); L, 3-40
 Virginia (Kent State)
 Virginia Tech (Western Michigan)

America Athletic (2): (0-1)
 Cincinnati (Toledo; Miami): (0-1); L, 34-58

Big Ten (11): (3-5)
 Indiana (Bowling Green): (1-0); W, 45-42
 Iowa (Ball State): (0-1); L, 13-17
 Michigan (Miami): (0-1); L, 10-34
 Michigan State (Eastern Michigan)
 Northwestern (Northern Illinois): 1-0; W, 23-15
 Ohio State (Kent State): (0-1); L, 0-66
 Penn State (Akron, UMass): 0-1; L, 3-21
 Purdue (WMU, CMU): 1-1; L, 34-43; W, 38-17
 Wisconsin (Bowling Green)

Big 12 (3): (0-1)
 Baylor (Buffalo): (0-1); L, 21-63
 Iowa State (Toledo)
 Kansas (Central Michigan)

Conference USA (5): (0-4)
 Marshall (3) (Miami, Ohio, Akron): (0-2); L, 27-42; L, 14-44
 Old Dominion (Eastern Michigan): (0-1); L, 3-17
 Western Kentucky (Bowling Green): (0-1); L, 31-59

Mountain West (1): (1-0)
 UNLV (Northern Illinois): (1-0); W, 48-34

Pac-12 (1): (0-1)
 Colorado (UMass): 0-1; L, 38-41

SEC (5): (0-4)
 Arkansas (Northern Illinois)
 Florida (Eastern Michigan): (0-1); L, 0-65
 Kentucky (Ohio): (0-1); L, 3-20
 Missouri (Toledo): (0-1); L, 24-49
 Vanderbilt (UMass): (0-1); L, 31-34

Sun Belt (3): (1-1)
 Idaho (Western Michigan, Ohio): (1-0); W, 45-33
 South Alabama (Kent State): (0-1); L, 13-23

Independent (3): (0-1)
 Army (3) (Ball State, Buffalo, Kent State): (0-1); L, 39-47

FCS Opponents (I-AA)
 Big South (2): (2-0)
 Presbyterian (Northern Illinois): 1-0, W, 55-3
 VMI (Bowling Green): 1-0, W, 48-7

Colonial (1): (1-0)
 New Hampshire (Toledo): 1-0, W, 54-20

MEAC (3): (2-0)
 Howard (Akron): 1-0; W, 41-0
 Morgan State (Eastern Michigan): (1-0); W, 31-28
 Norfolk State (Buffalo)

Missouri Valley (1): (0-1)
 Indiana State (Ball State): (0-1); L, 20-27

Northeast (1): (1-0)
 Duquesne (Buffalo): (1-0); W, 38-28

Ohio Valley (3): (0-1)
 Eastern Kentucky (Miami): 0-1; L, 10-17
 Eastern Illinois (Ohio)
 Murray State (Western Michigan)

Patriot (1): (1-0)
 Colgate (Ball State): (1-0); W, 30-10

Southern (1): (1-0)
 Tennessee-Chattanooga (Central Michigan): (1-0); W, 20-16

MAC Players on Preseason Watch Lists

PAUL HORNUNG AWARD (Most Versatile Player)
 WR/KR Tommylee Lewis, Northern Illinois

MAXWELL AWARD (Outstanding College Football Player)
 QB Matt Johnson, Bowling Green

RIMINGTON TROPHY (Best Center)
 C Alex Huettel, Bowling Green
 C Nick Beamish, Central Michigan
 C Greg Mancz, Toledo
 C Jon Hoffing, Western Michigan

JOHN MACKEY AWARD (Outstanding Tight End)
 TE Luke Eakes, Northern Illinois
 TE Casey Pierce, Kent State
 TE Tyreese Russell, Eastern Michigan

LOU GROZA AWARD (Best College Place Kicker)
 PK Jeremiah Detmer, Toledo
 PK Tyler Tate, Bowling Green
 PK Josiah Yazdani, Ohio

RAY GUY AWARD (Best College Punter)
 P Anthony Melchiori, Kent State
 P Zach Paul, Akron

JIM THORPE AWARD (Best Defensive Back)
 DB Donald Celiscar, Western Michigan
 DB Ryland Ward, Bowling Green

ROTARY LOMBARDI TROPHY (Down Linemen)
 LB Jamaal Bass, Northern Illinois
 LB Justin Cherocci, Central Michigan
 OT Lincoln Hansen, Eastern Michigan
 DT Treyvon Hester, Toledo
 OG Greg Mancz, Toledo
 OG Andy Phillips, Central Michigan
 C Jacob Richard, Ball State
 LB Junior Sylvestre, Toledo

BILETNIKOFF AWARD (Top Wide Receiver)
 WR Titus Davis, Central Michigan
 WR Da'Ron Brown, Northern Illinois
 WR Corey Davis, Western Michigan
 WR Jordan Williams, Ball State

DAVEY O'BRIEN AWARD (Top Quarterback)
 QB Matt Johnson, Bowling Green

DOAK WALKER AWARD (Top Running Back)
 RB Jahwan Edwards, Ball State
 RB Bronson Hill, Eastern Michigan
 RB Cameron Stingily, Northern Illinois

WALTER CAMP AWARD (Best College Football Player)
 QB Matt Johnson, Bowling Green