



# 2014 MIAA Football

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## CONFERENCE STANDINGS

	MIAA GAMES				OVERALL				Home	Road	Neutral	Streak
	W-L	Pct.	PF	PA	W-L	Pct.	PF	PA				
Pittsburg State	3-0	1.000	117	7	3-0	1.000	117	7	1-0	2-0	0-0	Won 3
Northwest Missouri	3-0	1.000	108	36	3-0	1.000	108	36	2-0	1-0	0-0	Won 3
Central Oklahoma	3-0	1.000	76	38	3-0	1.000	76	38	1-0	2-0	0-0	Won 3
Fort Hays State	2-1	.667	75	46	2-1	.667	75	46	1-1	1-0	0-0	Won 2
Missouri Western	2-1	.667	57	35	2-1	.667	57	35	2-0	0-1	0-0	Won 1
Emporia State	1-2	.333	98	102	1-2	.333	98	102	1-1	0-1	0-0	Lost 2
Missouri Southern	1-2	.333	76	110	1-2	.333	76	110	0-1	1-1	0-0	Won 1
Central Missouri	1-2	.333	74	78	1-2	.333	74	78	1-0	0-2	0-0	Lost 1
Lindenwood	1-2	.333	58	96	1-2	.333	58	96	0-1	1-1	0-0	Lost 2
Washburn	1-2	.333	48	93	1-2	.333	48	93	0-2	1-0	0-0	Lost 1
Nebraska-Kearney	0-3	.000	31	75	0-3	.000	31	75	0-2	0-1	0-0	Lost 3
Northeastern State	0-3	.000	13	115	0-3	.000	13	115	0-1	0-2	0-0	Lost 3

## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

### Week Four

### Thursday, September 25

MWSU @ LWU (CBS Sports Network).....7 p.m.

### Saturday, September 27

NWMSU @ UCO .....1 p.m.

UNK @ UCM.....1:30 p.m.

FHSU @ PSU (MIAA TV Game of the Week) .....2 p.m.

ESU @ NSU .....6 p.m.

WU @ MSSU .....6:30 p.m.

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NSU @ NWMSU .....1 p.m.

UCM @ MSSU .....2 p.m.

UCO @ UNK (MIAA TV Game of the Week) .....2 p.m.

LWU @ ESU .....2 p.m.

PSU @ MWSU .....6 p.m.

## A CLOSER LOOK AT THIS WEEK'S GAMES



### Missouri Western (2-1) at Lindenwood (1-2)

Thursday, Sept. 25 • 7 p.m. CT • St. Charles, Mo.



Missouri Western will travel to Lindenwood in the CBS Sports Network Division II Game of the Week. The Griffons are led by Raphael Spencer who is averaging 116.3 yards per game rushing with three touchdowns. Skyler Windmiller is 29 for 58 on the year with 298 yards passing and two touchdowns. On defense Stephen Juergens has 33 tackles and Michael Jordan has picked off three passes and MIAA Defensive Athlete of the Week Marc Harrison has a 100-yard interception return. For the Lions Dillon Miller is averaging 191 yards per game through the air with two touchdowns. On the ground Stephen Kaiser and Marvin Byrd have each scored two touchdowns. On the defensive side of the ball Connor Harris has 26 total tackles and has picked off two opponent passes.



### #1 Northwest Missouri (3-0) at Central Oklahoma (3-0)

Saturday, Sept. 27 • 1 p.m. CT • Edmond, Okla.



#1 Northwest Missouri will travel to Central Oklahoma as two of the league's remaining unbeaten teams face off in week four. For the Bronchos Chas Stallard is averaging 211 yards per game passing with three touchdowns while averaging 75.3 yards per game on the ground with two scores. Jake Gandara is averaging 91.7 yards per game rushing with one score and Connor Pulley has two touchdown catches. On defense Matt Pruitt leads the team with 20 tackles and Cody Jones has picked off three passes. For the Bearcats Brady Bolles is averaging 251.3 yards per game passing with four touchdowns while also adding three scores on the ground. Phil Jackson is averaging 60 yards per game rushing while scoring a team best five touchdowns. On defense Eric Reimer has 24 tackles and Matt Longacre and Collin Bevins each have three sacks.



### Nebraska-Kearney (0-3) at Central Missouri (1-2)

Saturday, Sept. 27 • 1:30 p.m. CT • Warrensburg, Mo.



Nebraska-Kearney will head to Central Missouri looking for their first win of the season while UCM looks to bounce back. For the Mules LeVance Taylor is averaging 138 yards per game rushing with a team best five touchdowns. At quarterback Hayden Hawk is 59 of 108 for 631 yards and two touchdowns, also adding one on the ground. On defense Ricky Spratley has a team best 33 tackles while Tevin Teamer has two interceptions. For the Lopers Bronson Marsh has thrown for 244 yards and rushed for 178 yards compiling four total touchdowns. Romer Cotton has 198 yards on the ground through three games and has caught a touchdown pass. On the defensive side of the ball Tyke Kozeal is leading the way with 45 total tackles including 3.5 of which have been recorded for a loss.

**2014 American Football Coaches Association  
Preseason Division II Coaches' Poll**

(Sept. 15, 2014)

1. Northwest Missouri (29)	3-0	773	1
2. Colorado St.-Pueblo (2)	3-0	736	2
3. Minnesota St.-Mankato	3-0	706	3
4. Minnesota-Duluth	3-0	675	4
5. North Alabama	2-0	622	5
6. Lenoir-Rhyne (N.C.)	3-0	603	6
7. Henderson St. (Ark.)	3-0	582	7
8. Pittsburg St. (Kan.)	3-0	567	8
9. Ohio Dominican	3-0	507	9
10. West Chester (Pa.)	3-0	479	10
11. Shepherd (W.Va.)	3-0	470	11
12. Delta St. (Miss.)	2-0	433	14
13. Bloomsburg (Pa.)	3-0	392	15
14. Ferris St. (Mich.)	3-0	384	16
15. Winston-Salem St. (N.C.)	2-1	251	18
16. Harding (Ark.)	2-0	227	20
17. Colorado Mines	3-0	222	22
18. Midwestern St. (Texas)	2-0	209	23
19. Carson-Newman (Tenn.)	2-1	193	21
20. Winona St. (Minn.)	3-0	151	24
21. Valdosta St. (Ga.)	2-1	130	13
22. Slippery Rock (Pa.)	3-0	129	25
23. West Alabama	2-1	109	17
24. Sioux Falls (S.D.)	3-0	96	NR
25. Findlay (Ohio)	3-0	60	NR

**Others Receiving Votes:** Central Oklahoma, 57; Tarleton St. (Texas), 53; Michigan Tech, 50; West Georgia, 45; Florida Tech, 39; Azusa Pacific (Calif.), 24; Concord (W.Va.), 22; Humboldt St. (Calif.), 14; Missouri Western St., 13; Texas A&M-Commerce, 12; Charleston (W.Va.), 8; Colorado Mesa, 7; Indianapolis (Ind.), 5; Ouachita Baptist (Ark.), 5; Wayne St. (Mich.), 4; American International (Mass.), 3; California (Pa.), 3; St. Joseph's (Ind.), 3; Catawba (N.C.), 2.


**Fort Hays State (2-1) at #8 Pittsburg State (3-0)**

Saturday, Sept. 27 • 2 p.m. CT • Pittsburg, Kan.



Two teams from the sunflower state will face off as Fort Hays State travels to #8 Pittsburg State for the MIAA Television Network Game of the Week. For the Gorillas MIAA Offensive Athlete of the Week Anthony Abenoja is averaging 294.3 yards per game passing with eight touchdowns as well as adding one on the ground. Marquise Cushon is averaging 118.3 yards per game receiving with two touchdowns and Jeff Seybold has two rushing scores and three touchdown receptions. On defense Tyler Disney has 26 tackles including 5.5 for a loss. For the Tigers Treveon Albert has three touchdowns through the air and has rushed for two touchdowns. Edward Smith has rushed for 174 yards and two scores in three games. On defense Brock Long leads the team with 27 tackles and Justin McPhail has 25 tackles and two interceptions.


**Emporia State (1-2) at Northeastern State (0-3)**

Saturday, Sept. 27 • 6 p.m. CT • Tahlequah, Okla.



Emporia State will look to break a two game losing streak as they head to Northeastern State who is looking for their first win. For the Hornets Brent Wilson is averaging 329.3 yards per game passing with six touchdowns. Austin Willis is averaging 143 yards per game receiving with four touchdowns while Antonio Brown has two rushing scores. On defense Deshawn Dinwiddie has 32 total tackles and Deveon Dinwiddie has two interceptions. For the RiverHawks Kevin Pantastico is averaging 204.7 yards per game through the air with two touchdowns. Garrett Powell and Terrance Dixon have each hauled in a touchdown pass this season. On defense Steffon Herd has 21 total tackles and Jack Gray has three tackles for a loss.


**Washburn (1-2) at Missouri Southern (1-2)**

Saturday, Sept. 27 • 6:30 p.m. CT • Joplin, Mo.



Washburn will travel to Missouri Southern as both teams will be in search of their second win of the season. For the Lions both Michael Nelson and Giresse Forchu have found the end zone three times on the ground as the team has nine total rushing scores. Scott Lathrop has a touchdown pass finding Anthony Cannon for a score last weekend. MIAA Special Teams Athlete of the Week Brock Renken has two field goals with a long of 39 yards this season. For the Ichabods Mitch Buhler is averaging 204.7 yards per game passing with five touchdowns. Daljuan Beard has caught 13 passes for 121 yards and three scores. On defense Calvin Kenney leads the team with 28 tackles and Akhmad Abdul-Razzaq has four tackles for a loss.

**Top Offensive Performers**
**Rushing**

1. LaVance Taylor, UCM	414 yards
2. Raphael Spencer, MWSU	349 yards
3. Jake Gandara, UCO	275 yards

**Passing**

1. Brent Wilson, ESU	988 yards
2. Anthony Abenoja, PSU	883 yards
3. Brady Bolles, NWMSU	754 yards

**Receiving**

1. Austin Willis, ESU	429 yards
2. Marquise Cushon, PSU	355 yards
3. Ed Williams, FHSU	200 yards

**Top Defensive Performers**
**Tackles**

1. Tyke Kozeal, UNK	45 tackles
2. Stephen Juergens, MWSU	33 tackles
2. Ricky Spratley, UCM	33 tackles

**Interceptions**

1. Michael Jordan, MWSU	3 int
2. Cody Jones, UCO	3 int
3. 5 tied with	2 int

**Sacks**

1. Justin McPhail, FHSU	3.0 sacks
2. Collin Bevins, NWMSU	3.0 sacks
2. Matt Longacre, NWMSU	3.0 sacks

**Athletes of the Week**

## Week 1

Offense: Chase Staller, QB, Central Oklahoma

Defense: Deshawn Dinwiddie, LB, Emporia State

Special Teams: Seth Hiddink, K, Central Oklahoma

## Week 2

Offense: LaVance Taylor, RB, Central Missouri

Defense: Cody Jones, DB, Central Oklahoma

Special Teams: Drew O'Brien, K/P, Fort Hays State

## Week 2

Offense: Anthony Abenoja, QB, Pittsburg State

Defense: Marc Harrison, DB, Missouri Western

Special Teams: Brock Renken, K, Missouri Southern

**BEST OF THE BEST**

Only the MIAA and the Northern Sun Conference have two teams that are ranked in the top ten in the nation. The MIAA has four teams that are either ranked in the poll or are receiving votes. An MIAA team has played for the national championship in eight of the last 11 seasons.

**MIAA BROADCASTING NETWORK**

The MIAA enters year four partnered with Kansas City-based Niles Media Group to showcase the MIAA Broadcasting Network. The remaining schedule for the 2014 season includes the following matchups:

**2013 MIAA Football Television Schedule**

September 27: Fort Hays State at Pittsburg State	2:00 p.m.
October 4: Central Oklahoma at Nebraska-Kearney	2:00 p.m.
October 11: Missouri Southern at Central Oklahoma	2:00 p.m.
October 18: Northeastern State at Missouri Southern	2:00 p.m.
October 25: Emporia State at Missouri Western	2:00 p.m.
November 1: Lindenwood at Central Missouri	2:00 p.m.
November 8: Northwest Missouri at Emporia State	2:00 p.m.
November 15: Flex Game	2:00 p.m.

The Flex game match-up will be determined in the final weeks of the season and released by the MIAA at that time.

**MIAA FOOTBALL ON STRETCH INTERNET**

All MIAA conference football games can be watched live via stretch internet, the exclusive home for broadband broadcasts of all MIAA athletics.

**MIAA IN 2014 AFCA RANKINGS**

WEEK	UCM	UCO	ESU	FHSU	LWU	MSSU	MWSU	UNK	NSU	NWMSU	PSU	WU
<b>Aug. 19</b>	RV	NR	22	NR	NR	NR	RV	NR	NR	1	9	RV
<b>Sept. 8</b>	NR	NR	19	NR	NR	NR	RV	NR	NR	1	8	NR
<b>Sept. 15</b>	RV	RV	RV	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	1	8	NR
<b>Sept. 22</b>	NR	RV	NR	NR	NR	NR	RV	NR	NR	1	8	NR