



2008 Youngstown State Football

Quick Facts

Location: Youngstown, Ohio
Enrollment: 13,497
Founded: 1908
Nickname: Penguins
Colors: Red & White
Affiliation: NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (FCS)
Conference: Gateway Football
Stadium: Stambaugh Stadium • 20,630 (Sprinturf)
Field: Dike Beede Field
All-Time Record (First Season): 412-265-17 (1938)
Press Box Phone: (330) 941-7233
Athletics Director: Ron Strollo (Youngstown State, 1993)
Athletic Department Phone: (330) 941-2385
President: Dr. David Sweet
NCAA Faculty Representative: Dr. Jane Kestner
Head Coach: Jon Heacock
Alma Mater: Muskingum, 1983
YSU Record: 50-31, Eighth Season
Overall Record: 50-31, Eighth Season
Office Phone: (330) 941-3478
Best Time to Contact: Mornings (Through SID)
Assistant Coaches

(Year at YSU; Alma Mater; Responsibility):

Chris Bache, 4th Season (Indiana, Pa., 1987)

Offensive Line

Sam Eddy, 15th Season (Taylor, 1978)

Assistant Head Coach/Running Backs

Dave Elliott, 5th Season (Michigan, 1975)

Wide Receivers

Jeff Mills, 2nd Season (Western Washington, 1988)

Defensive Coordinator/Secondary

Jerry Olsavsky, 6th Season (Pittsburgh, 1990)

Linebackers

Sherod Holmes, 4th Season (Youngstown State, 2005)

Assistant Defensive Backs

Antoine Smith, 3rd Season (Maine, 2001)

Defensive Line

Brian Wright, 8th Season (Wooster, 1994)

Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks

Vince Antonucci, 2nd Season (Ohio State, 2006)

Tim Frost, 2nd Season (Youngstown State, 2007)

YSU Sports Information

Sports Information Director: Trevor Parks (Nebraska, 1996)

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Sports Information Staff:

Jamie Hall • Assistant Sports Information Director

John Vogel • Assistant Sports Information Director

Megan Villers & Todd Mounce • Sports Information Interns

2008 Team Information

Basic Offense: Spread • **Basic Defense:** 4-3

2007 Record: 7-4 • **2007 Conference Record:** 3-3 (T-3rd)

2007 Postseason: None

2007 Letterwinners: 53

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 35/18

Offensive Lettermen Returning/Lost: 15/8

Defensive Lettermen Returning/Lost: 15/10

Lettermen To Change Positions: 2 (Bruce Palmer, Jordan Edwards)

Special Teams Lettermen Returning/Lost: 3/0

2007 Redshirts: 27

2008 Signees: 18 (14 Freshmen, 4 Juniors)

Starters Returning: 16 (8 • Offense, 5 • Defense, 3 • Special Teams)

Starters Lost: 9 (3 • Offense, 6 • Defense, 0 • Special Teams)

Offensive Starters Returning/Lost: (8/3); TB Kevin Smith, FB Ben Lane, TE Derrick Bush, WR Ferlando Williams, OL Bobby Coates, OL Brad Samsa, OL Nhemie Theodore, OL Brian Mellott/QB Tom Zetts, OG Josh Tanner, WR Rory Berry.

Defensive Starters Returning/Lost: (5/6); DT Mychal Savage, DT Torrance Nicholson, CB DeAngelo Wilson, CB Jarvis Richards, LB Roshon Simons/FS Dorian Chenault, LB James Terry, LB Jeremiah Wright, SS Vince Gliatta, DE Myles Banford, DE Blake Halverson

Specialists Returning/Lost: (3/0); PK Brian Palmer, P Ben Nowicki, KO Stephen Blose.

All-America Candidates: OG Brad Samsa, WR Ferlando Williams, TE Derrick Bush, DT Mychal Savage.

All-Conference Candidates: OG Brad Samsa, OT Tyler Booth, TE Derrick Bush, WR Ferlando Williams, DT Mychal Savage, DT Torrance Nicholson, PK Brian Palmer, P Ben Nowicki.

2008 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Aug. 30	at Ohio State	Columbus, Ohio	TBA
Sept. 6	at South Dakota State*	Brookings, S.D.	7 p.m.
Sept. 13	CENTRAL STATE	STAMBAUGH	4 p.m.
Sept. 20	NORTH DAKOTA STATE*	STAMBAUGH	6 p.m.
Sept. 27	LIBERTY	STAMBAUGH	6 p.m.
Oct. 4	at Southern Utah	Cedar City, Utah	3 p.m.
Oct. 11	at Missouri State	Springfield, Mo.	2:30 p.m.
Oct. 18	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	STAMBAUGH	4 p.m.
Oct. 25	UNI* (HC)	STAMBAUGH	4 p.m.
Nov. 1	at Illinois State*	Normal, Ill.	2:30 p.m.
Nov. 8	INDIANA STATE*	STAMBAUGH	1 p.m.
Nov. 22	at Western Illinois*	Macomb, Ill.	2:05 p.m.

Home Games in ALL CAPS

All Times Eastern and Subject to Change

*Gateway Football Conference Game

All information as of April 8, 2008