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GAME 3

2019 COLORADO BUFFALO FOOTBALL WEEKLY RELEASE, NOTES & STATISTICS

COLORADO BUFFALOES VS. AIR FORCE FALCONS

SCHOOLS 75 MILES APART TO MEET FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1974

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019 ● 11:01 a.m. MDT ● Folsom Field (50,183) ● Boulder, Colo.



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PAC-12 NETWORK (National) | KOA-RADIO | CUBUFFS.COM (Live Stats)

BUFFALO BITS ...

The Colorado Buffaloes (2-0, 0-0 Pac-12) remain at home (and in the state) for their third game of the season, hosting the Air Force Falcons (1-0, 0-0 MW) in an 11:01 a.m. MDT kickoff at Folsom Field in Boulder ... It will be the first meeting between the schools just 75 miles apart for the first time since 1974 (yes, just two months after President Nixon resigned) ... This is the first game in the 17-game series that will be on any kind of television ... The last service academy CU played was Army, and that was also nearly 40 years ago; the Buffs traveled to West Point and won, 31-0, on Oct. 1, 1977 ... The Buffaloes lead the series by a 12-4 margin, having won the last five games in the series (1970-74), with the Buffs escaping with a 28-27 win down I-25 in the last game of the series (Oct. 5, 1974) ... Colorado has now won eight straight non-conference games, the longest since a 13-game run from Dec. 25, 1993 to Sept. 7, 1996 (includes bowls) ... This game CU will celebrate the College Football Playoff's "Extra Yard For Teachers" recognition ... Colorado is 2-0 for the fourth straight season and for the 58th time in its 130-

year history; Mel Tucker is the 10th CU head coach to win his two games at the reins of the Buffaloes ... The Buffaloes are coming off a wild 34-31 overtime win over No. 25 Nebraska in Boulder, rallying from down 17-0 late in the third quarter in overpowering the Cornhuskers (outgaining them 335-180 in the final 20 minutes) ... It tied the fourth-largest comeback in school history (previous largest against NU was 12 in 1990) ... The win snapped an eight-game losing streak by the Buffaloes to ranked teams ... The Buffs received votes in both the Associated Press and USA/Today Coaches polls (coming in at Nos. 32 and 37 respectively) ... Air Force was idle last Saturday after opening the season with a 48-7 romp over FCS Colgate on Aug. 30... The 2019 CU Media Guide is currently being printed; the PDF version can be found on-line at www.cubuffs.com/CUFBMG19 ... CUBuffs.com/media is all things Buff (on-line media guide, live stats, etc.).

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CU-AFA (P12N /National): Guy Haberman (play-by-play) / Chad Brown (color) / Camryn Irwin (sideline reporter) / Mark Shah (producer)

STATS OF THE WEEK

- **Tearing It Up On First Down (Again).** Senior QB Steven Montez once again is sharp as a tack on first down: through two games, he's completed 16-of-20 passes for 292 yards (2 TDs/0 INT) and eight first downs, for a rating of 235.6. Last season, he had a 141.0 rating when all was said and done (109-of-149, 1,070 yards (4 TD/1 INT).
- **Fourth Quarter Rampage.** Colorado gained 258 yards on five possessions in the fourth quarter against Nebraska (one of those was a 1-yard kneel-down loss at the end of regulation). That's the most yards by a CU team in the fourth quarter in school history—topping the 231 at Michigan on Sept. 24, 1994 — yes, that certain miracle game (224 of those came on the last three possessions). CU scored 24 points in the quarter as well, its most in a fourth quarter since scoring 24 against the Cornhuskers on Nov. 26, 1999 in a 33-30 overtime loss (the Buffaloes trailed that one, 27-3, early in the fourth quarter).

OBSCURE NOTE OF THE WEEK

It went under the radar because he fumbled on the play, but WR Laviska Shenault's 54-yard kickoff return against Nebraska was the longest by a Buffalo since the 2012 season, when S Marques Mosley had a 100-yard return for a touchdown against Utah in Boulder on Nov. 23.

2019 COLORADO SCHEDULE & RESULTS (2-0, 0-0 Pac-12)

		2019						
Date	CU* Opponent	Opp*	TV	Result/Time	Record	Series	This-N-That or '18 rewind	
Aug. 30	--- Colorado State (N: Denver)	---	ESPN	W 52-31	1-1	67-22-2	The last M Showdown in Denver ends with CU's fifth straight win over the Rams	
SEPT. 7	--- NEBRASKA	25	FOX	W 34-31 (OT)	1-1	20-49-2	Offseason conditioning enables Buffs to rally from down 17-0 to dominate late	
SEPT. 14	--- AIR FORCE	---	PAC12	11:01 a.m.	1-0	12- 4-0	Former in-state rivals meet for the first time since 1974 (last in Boulder in '73)	
Sept. 21	● at Arizona State (N)		PAC12	8:00 p.m.	2-0	2- 8-0	Shenault's 4 TDs (2 rushing/2 receiving) lead Buffs to win over the Sun Devils	
OCT. 5	● ARIZONA (FW)		TBA	TBA	1-1	14- 7-0	Wild see-saw affair sees combined 59 points in second and third quarters	
Oct. 11	● at Oregon (N)		FS-1	8:00 p.m.	1-1	9-12-0	Last meeting: CU, 41-38 in '16 at Eugene (Montez: 333.3 TD pass, 135.1 TD run)	
Oct. 19	● at Washington State		TBA	TBA	2-0	6- 6-0	Buffs score first but WSU takes control in last three quarters, run 94 plays on Off	
OCT. 25	● SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (N)		ESPN2	7:00 p.m.	2-0	0-13-0	USC takes control with 21 points in last half of second quarter (up 21-7 at half)	
Nov. 2	● at UCLA		TBA	TBA	0-2	4-10-0	22-point win is largest by CU in series (four previous games decided by 21 points)	
NOV. 9	● STANFORD (HC)		TBA	TBA	1-1	4- 6-0	Buffs won last meeting in 2016 at Stanford (10-5)	
NOV. 23	● WASHINGTON		TBA	TBA	1-1	6-11-1	UW up 14-13 at half; has now outscored CU 67-6 in last three second halves	
Nov. 30	● at Utah		TBA	TBA	2-0	32-30-3	Utes snap 7-7 halftime tie with 23 second half points	
Dec. 6	Pac-12 Championship Game		ABC	6:00 p.m.			at Levi's Stadium (Santa Clara, Calif.; game moves to Las Vegas in 2020)	

(KEY: *--AP rank at time of game; ●--Pac-12 Conference game; N--Night game; HC--Homecoming; FW--Family Weekend. All times mountain)



COLORADO MEDIA SERVICES

Head coach **Mel Tucker** holds a **Tuesday media luncheon**, located in the Champions Center (third floor, room 319). All will start at 11:30 a.m. with lunch, followed by Tucker promptly at Noon and select players before and/or afterwards depending on class conflicts. This year's dates: **Sept. 3-10-17; Oct. 1-8-15-22-29; Nov. 5-19-26; Dec. 3-TBA** (bowl). The **press conference portions are streamed live** on www.CUBuffs.com (in the BuffsTV area); press conferences on CUBuffs.com do not require access codes. (**TV Pool Assignments for 2019**: KCNC will coordinate all CU press luncheons).

Note: The **Front Range Huddle** kicked off the media luncheons for the season on **Aug. 22** in Denver.

The **Pac-12 Teleconference Call** that used take place on Tuesdays are no more; lack of participation from those media on the call contributed to its coming to an end. Any media member can watch CU's Tuesday luncheon on-line and can email any questions you would like asked in advance to David Plati or Curtis Snyder by 11 a.m. Tuesdays.

Video highlights of CU games are available through the Pac-12 Network Assignment Desk (assignment@pac-12.org). However, there are usage restrictions; contact **Duane Lindberg** to coordinate your needs (dlindberg@pac-12.org).

The **Pac-12 Networks** are available nationwide through many platforms; check with local cable or satellite subscribers for more info. Comcast and Time Warner carry the Network in Colorado and DISH Network is the league's satellite provider. In the Boulder-Denver area: Comcast 430 & 431 (840 HD); Pac-12 DISH channels include 406 (hopper) and 409 (along with 5453 and 5454 in its auxiliary area).

The **Colorado locker room** (home and road) is closed after games; following the customary 10-minute cooling off period, players will be available (a list will be solicited immediately following the game; no cutoff to request players).

Colorado's football **practices** are generally closed, but have a 20-25 minute window open for any media photography/ video needs (follow parameters listed in CU's media policies). Thursday & Friday practices are entirely closed (except to network TV).

This year's standard **meeting/practice schedule** (mountain time): **Sunday:** Off; **Monday:** 6:45/8:30-10:00 practice/10:15-11:45 lifting (two groups); **Tuesday:** 7:00/8:30-10:45; **Wednesday:** 7:00/8:30-10:15/10:15-11:45 lifting (two groups); **Thursday:** 8:00/9:45-10:50 practice; **Friday:** 9:00/10:00-11:10 walkthrough (home and road games).

Interviews with Colorado players and coaches are allowed post-practice on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Phone interviews with media are allowed all three days in all time slots. Interviews on Sundays are at the discretion of the player, as it being the standard player day off, CU can't facilitate due to NCAA rules. Assistant coaches are game-planning on Sunday and are also only available at their discretion.

Photo Requests. Please direct any photo (.jpg) requests to either david.plati@colorado.edu or curtis.snyder@colorado.edu.

Collegepressbox.com is the official media website for Division I football. Access and download weekly game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for each conference and its member schools. Register for access at: www.collegepressbox.com/register.

The **Pac-12 Mountain Network** is the television home of the Buffaloes; it produces a variety of programming featuring all 12 member institutions.

THE BUFFS ON THE INTERNET

The official CU site on the Internet can be found at www.CUBuffs.com has the most up-to-date information, releases, game notes, press conference broadcasts (free), articles by longtime journalist and CUBuffs.com contributing editor **Neill Woelk** along with podcasts/video by the voice of the Buffs, **Mark Johnson**; the direct link to the **Football Media Center** is cubuffs.com/ColoradoMediaCenter. Breaking news with the program will be found here first every time and delivered in full without third-party editing or what they might deem unessential.

Audio. CU football can be heard (free) on the Internet at either CUBuffs.com or KOA-Radio (or its sister station, KDSP/AM760). Links: www.CUBuffs.com, www.850koa.com, www.am760.net.

Live Stats for Colorado home games can be accessed at www.colorado.statbroadcast.com; please contact the SID office for the password.

BuffsTV is CU's live streaming service for live games and press conferences not broadcast by the Pac-12 TV partners. In addition, highlights, features, interviews and the Buffalo Stampede weekly show can be found at www.youtube.com/BuffsTV.

THE BUFFS ON THE AIRWAYS

KOA-Radio in Denver (850 AM & 94.1 FM; KDSP 760 AM when conflicts) originates the CU Football Network, with **Mark Johnson** in his 16th year as the play-by-play voice of the Buffs. **Former CU head coach Gary Barnett** (analysis) is in his fourth full season on the broadcasts. Sideline duties will be handled by **Andy Lindahl** (most home games), **Bobby Pesavento** (CSU and road games) and **Mike Pritchard** (fill-in). Cities on the network in addition to KOA: Aspen (KNFO/106.1FM, which serves Redstone, 105.7FM, Roaring Fork, 94.3FM, Thomasville, 96.3FM and Vail, 105.5FM), Buena Vista (KBVC, 104.1FM), Glenwood Springs (KTMS/96.1FM & 99.1FM), Fort Morgan (KRFJ/100.1FM), Grand Junction (KTMM/1340AM), Rifle (KNAM/1490 AM) and Steamboat Springs (KTYV/98.9FM). KOA has been the home to CU football for 75 of the last 78 years. *Both stations will stream the game live on the Internet.*

The **CU Coaches Radio Show** originates from The Post Brewing Co. (2027 13th St., Boulder) Thursdays from 12:30-1:30 p.m. (Aug. 30-Dec. 4); Johnson and Barnett host (the show is taped and airs 7-8 p.m. that night on KOA or AM760 if a programming conflict; the show will be taped a day earlier for the ASU (Sept. 18), Oregon (Oct. 9) and Utah (Nov. 27) games. The final one is set for Wednesday, Dec. 4.

Satellite Radio: Sirius-XM is the satellite home of the Buffs; the Air Force (KOA broadcast) will be on **Sirius 136, XM 197** (and **Internet 959**).

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Coaches/Staff

- Jimmy **BRUMBAUGH** (brum-bah)
- Darrin **CHIAVERINI** (shiv-ah-ree-knee)
- Chris **KAPILOVIC** (kuh-pil-oh-vick)
- Brian **MICHALOWSKI** (michael-ow-ski)
- Al **PUPUNU** (puh-poooh-new)
- TRAVARES** Tillman (truh-varr-es)

Players

- 10 **JASH** Allen (jash)
- 22 Daniel **ARIAS** (are-e-us)
- 84 Clayton **BACA** (bah-cah)
- 35 Beau **BISHARAT** (bish-er-rot)
- 25 **MEHKI** Blackmon (muh-kye as in eye)
- 21 **JAREK BROUSSARD** (jerek brew-sard)
- 15 Legend **BRUMBAUGH** (brum-bah)
- 44 Jacob **CALLIER** (cal-yee-A)
- 6 Curtis **CHIAVERINI** (shiv-ah-ree-knee)
- 22 Grant **CICCARONE** (sis-a-roan)
- 57 John **DEITCHMAN** (dych-mon)
- 18 Jeremiah **DOSS** (dause)
- 42 **NU'UMOTU FALO** (new-oooh-mow-too follow)
- 76 Frank **FILLIP** (phillip)
- 8 Alex **FONTENOT** (font-en-know)
- 33 Joshka **GUSTOV** (goo-stovv)
- 13 **URYAN** Hudson (you-ryan)
- 34 **MUSTAFA** Johnson (moo-stoff-uh)
- 94 **JANAZ** Jordan (juh-nozz)
- 36 **AKIL** Jones (ah-keel)
- 52 Joshua **JYNES** (rhymes with nines)
- 58 **KARY KUTSCH** (car-E kooch)
- 83 **TARIK** Luckett (tuh-reek)
- 56 Tim **LYNOTT** (lynn-knot)
- 74 Chance **LYTLE** (lie-tull; *hard T*)
- 7 Tyler **LYTLE** (lie-dull; *soft T*)
- 98 Nico **MAGRI** (ma-gree)
- 1 Jaren **MANGHAM** (mang-ham)
- 4 Sam **NOYER** (noy-er)
- 2 **MIKIAL ONU** (mick-ale oh-new)
- 75 **NIKKO POHAHAU** (knee-ko poe-huh-how)
- 85 Jared **POPLAWSKI** (pop-u-law-ski)
- 65 Colby **PURSELL** (per-sell)
- 3 Derrion **RAKESTRAW** (rake-straw)
- 54 **KANAN** Ray (kay-ninn)
- 91 **NA'IM** Rodman (nigh-eem)
- 99 Jalen **SAMI** (sah-me)
- 2 **VA'ATOFU SAUVAO** (vah-ah-tofu sah-oooh-vow-oooh)
- 2 **LAVISKA SHENAULT** (lu-visk-uh shuh-nault)
- 5 **LA'VONTAE SHENAULT** (la von-tay shuh-nault)
- 48 James **STEFANOU** (steff-ah-know)
- 20 **DAVION** Taylor (day-vee-on)
- 52 Alex **TCHANGHAM** (chang-um)
- 8 Trey **UDOFFIA** (U-doe-fee-ah)
- 31 Jonathan Van **DIEST** (rhymes w/east)

ROSTER CHANGES/DUPE I.D.'s

Number Changes: TB Jarek Broussard (21 from 23); OLB Jamar Montgomery (58 from 4).

DUPE NUMBERS: Those who appear below are in dupe numbers where both likely see action (jerseys do have name tags). Skin tone key to help identify if on special teams: **A**—African-American, **C**—Caucasian, **H**—Hispanic; **P**—Polynesian or Pacific Islander:

Offense/Specialist	Defense/Specialist
1 Mangham, TB (A)	1 Abrams, CB (A)
2 L.Shenault, WR (A)	2 Onu, DB (A)
3 Nixon, WR (A)	3 Rakestraw, S (A)
8 Fontenot, TB (A)	8 Udoffia, CB (A)
9 Harris, TE (A)	9 Maddox, S (A)
10 Jackson, WR (A)	10 Allen, ILB (A)
14 Stanley, WR (A)	17 Miller, CB (A)
20 D.Smith, TB (A)	20 Taylor, OLB (A)
52 Jynes, C (A)	52 Lang, DE (A)
58 Kutsch, OG (C)	58 Montgomery, OLB (A)

**GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS (2019)**

Here are CU's starters for the 2019 season (**bold** indicated first career start, red indicates graduated or no longer on team):

OFFENSE	WR (X)	WR (Z)	WR (H)	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	QB	TB
Colorado State	Shenault	Nixon	Stanley	Hambright	Kutsch	Lynott	Pursell	Sherman	Russell	Montez	Fontenot
Nebraska	Shenault	Nixon	Stanley	Hambright	Kutsch	Lynott	Pursell	Sherman	Russell	Montez	Fontenot
DEFENSE	OLB	DE/DT	NT	DE	OLB	ILB	ILB	LCB	FS	SS	RCB
Colorado State	Falo	Johnson	Sami	Lang	Wells	Landman	Van Diest	Blackmon	Onu	Maddox	Abrams
Nebraska	Taylor	Johnson	Sami	Lang	Tchangam	Landman	Van Diest	Blackmon	Onu	Maddox	Abrams

(N)—Nickel back. **CONSECUTIVE STARTS**—Montez 26, M. Johnson 14, Landman 14, Pursell 14, Sherman 11. **CAREER STARTS**—Lynott 35, Montez 29, M. Johnson 14, Landman 14, Pursell 14. **2019 PLAYER PARTICIPATION** (dressed/played): Colorado State 104/62; Nebraska 78/54.

COLORADO CAPTAINS / GAME-BY-GAME

The coaches select captains for each game, and at the end of the season, will name the captains for the year.

Opponent	Captains					
Colorado State	ILB Nate Landman	C Tim Lynott	WR K.D. Nixon			
Nebraska	DE Mustafa Johnson	QB Steven Montez	WR Laviska Shenault			
Air Force	WR Tony Brown	S Mikial Onu	P Alex Kinney			

2019 PAC-12 & COLORADO/NFF POW NOMINATIONS

Here is the list of CU's weekly nominations for the Pac-12 players of the week along with those for the NFF/Colorado Chapter (*—denotes winner):

Opponent	Pac-12 Player of the Week Nominations						Colorado Chapter/NFF Player of the Week
	Offensive	Offensive Line	Defensive	Defensive Line	Special Teams	Freshman	
Colorado State	TB Alex Fontenot	LG Kary Kutsch	S Mikial Onu	DE Mustafa Johnson	P Alex Kinney	none	*TB Alex Fontenot
Nebraska	WR K.D. Dixon	OT Arlington Hambright	ILB Nate Landman	DE Mustafa Johnson	P Alex Kinney	TB Jaren Mangham	WR K.D. Nixon

COLORADO PLAYERS OF THE GAME & SCOUT TEAM POW'S

Here are the coaches' selections for Colorado's player of the game and scout team players of the week:

Opponent	Offensive	Defensive	Special Teams	Offensive Scouts	Defensive Scout(s)	Special Team Scout(s)
Colorado State	TB Alex Fontenot	S Mikial Onu	PK James Stefanou	WR Braedin Huffman-Dixon OL Austin Johnson	OLB Joshka Gustav OLB Alec Pell	TE Legend Brumbaugh
Nebraska	WR K.D. Nixon	ILB Nate Landman	PK James Stefanou	WR Braedin Huffman-Dixon OL Austin Johnson TE Jared Poplawski Matt Ryan	DB Curtis Appleton DT Nico Magri	WR Alex Smith

INJURY REPORT

The injury report for the Buffaloes will resume in earnest after the first game; the list will only contain players out for an extended period of time, those lost for the season (injured during the season) and those previously announced and discussed by the head coach:

Pos	Player	Injury	Notes	Status/Air Force
TB	Jarek Broussard	knee	had surgery on 9/06, will begin rehab	OUT/SEASON
DB	Lucas Cooper	hamstring	nursing a strain	OUT
DB	Dustin Johnson	back	Has surgery on August 6; beginning formal rehab this week	OUT
ILB	Chase Newman	lower leg	muscle injury	OUT
OLB	Carson Wells	concussion	suffered in practice on 9/04	DAY-TO-DAY

HIPAA: The players listed above have signed waivers for their injury information to be released/discussed with the media.

2019 RULE CHANGES

In early May, the NCAA Rules committee approved several rule changes after its annual meeting. Here are the major ones:

- **Overtime Scoring.** Should the game still be tied after four overtimes, beginning with the fifth extra period, a team's possession series will be one play for a 2-point conversion from the 3-yard line (unless relocated by penalty). After the second and fourth overtimes, there will now be a two-minute mandatory break period (instead of 60 seconds).
- **Targeting.** All targeting calls must be confirmed by the Instant Replay Official; if it cannot be confirmed, then it will be overturned (no call will determined as "stands." If a player receives a third targeting call in any season, he is automatically suspended for the next game.
- **Kickoff Wedges.** Wedges of three players were eliminated years ago; now two-player wedges are no longer permitted on returns (made for player safety).
- **Blocking.** Same rules now apply for offense and defense when blocking below the waste is allowed; the block must come from the front.

PAC-12 TWEAKS

- **Travel Squads.** The number of players who can travel has been increased from 70 to 74.
- **Shorter Halftimes** are no more; the 15-minute experiment for some games is over; all will be the standard 20 minutes.

IN THE ZONE: In CU's last 14 season openers (2006-19), the Buffaloes are 42-of-46 in the red zone (28 TDs, 14 FGs), including 36-of-38 against Colorado State (and one of the four misses was at Hawai'i in 2015 in a controversial ending when the Mountain West officials botched setting the ball as time ran out (CU was 2-of-4 in that game)).

**SERIES HISTORY – COLORADO vs. AIR FORCE**

Colorado leads the all-time series by a 12-4 count, which includes a 7-3 advantage in Boulder and 5-1 at the USAFA; some CU highlights:

- ➔ After not playing since Oct. 5, 1974 (when *The Godfather Part II* was still two months away from premiering in theatres), on July 15, 2015 the athletic directors at both schools (**Rick George**, CU; **Jim Knowlton**, AFA) announced the series would be finally be renewed.
- ➔ The two had last played on the AFA campus, with CU escaping with a 28-27 victory, one of seven games in the series decided by 10 points or less.
- ➔ The series has had many interesting twists, from AFA winning the first encounter at the end of the 1958 season that led to a change in CU head coaches; the '62 game where CU defeated a heavily favored Falcon team to send coach Bud Davis out with a win; a postponement for two weeks in 1963 after the assassination of President **John F. Kennedy**; and a 49-19 CU win at the Academy in 1970 when the Falcons were ranked 10th in the nation having already accepted a bid to the Sugar Bowl.
- ➔ **Mel Tucker** is 0-0 against Air Force (he has never faced the Falcons as an assistant); AFA coach **Troy Calhoun** is 0-0 against Colorado (he never coached against the Buffs as an assistant at any of those stops).
- ➔ A look at the entire series (#—overtime):

Nov. 29, 1958	Air Force	20-14	(B)
Nov. 28, 1959	Colorado	15- 7	(B)
Nov. 26, 1960	Air Force	16- 6	(B)
Dec. 2, 1961	Colorado	29-12	(B)
Nov. 24, 1962	Colorado	34-10	(B)
Dec. 7, 1963	Air Force	17-14	

Nov. 21, 1964	Colorado	28-23	(B)
Nov. 20, 1965	Colorado	19- 6	
Nov. 19, 1966	Colorado	10- 9	(B)
Nov. 25, 1967	Colorado	33- 0	
Nov. 23, 1968	Air Force	58-35	(B)
Nov. 21, 1970	Colorado	49-19	

Nov. 20, 1971	Colorado	53-17	(B)
Nov. 18, 1972	Colorado	38- 7	
Oct. 13, 1973	Colorado	38-17	(B)
Oct. 5, 1974	Colorado	28-27	

SERIES SIGNATURE ANNIVERSARY GAME— 60th. On Nov. 28, 1959, CU evened the series at one win apiece with a 15-7 verdict in Boulder. The Falcons got on the board first (and early), as after CU went three-and-out, a 44-yard pass set AFA up at the Buff 4 and two plays later was ahead 7-0. Colorado didn't score until with seven minutes left in the third quarter when Gale Weidner hit Chuck Weiss with a 12-yard touchdown pass, and then found Dave Rife for the two-point conversion and an 8-7 lead. The Buffs added another TD early in the fourth, but had to stave off a Falcon rally, stopping them on four straight plays starting with a first and goal from the CU 9 in the final minute. CU outgained AFA in the defensive battle by 266-252 while Rife led all players with 76 yards rushing.

POP CULTURE & OTHER COOL STUFF THE LAST TIME CU-AIR FORCE PLAYED ON THE GRIDIRON

By the time CU and AFA reunite on the gridiron in the year 2020, 46 years will have passed between then and when they last met; going back to their last meeting on Oct. 5, 1974, here's are some fast facts of the day/year:

- ◆ The No. 1 song in the nation that week was *I Honestly Love You* by Olivia Newton-John (the top song of the year was *The Way We Were* by Barbra Streisand);
- ◆ 38 Special, The Ramones, Cheap Trick, Blondie and Boulder's own Firefall all debuted in the music world, while The Moody Blues and Jefferson Airplane disbanded, though the Blues returned in 1977;
- ◆ *All In The Family* aired that night as the No. 1 show on television, a position it would finish in for the year;
- ◆ *The Texas Chainsaw Massacre* and *The Taking Of Pelham 123* were the top movies of the week, but for the year, *The Godfather II* ruled the roost;
- ◆ Book: *Jaws*, by Peter Benchle, topped the best seller lists that week;
- ◆ Gerald Ford was just two days away from completing his second month as U.S. President, as Richard Nixon resigned on August 8; Ford of course would spent many days after his tenure as POTUS in Colorado (Vail);
- ◆ Countries with different names now included Burma, Czechoslovakia, Dutch Guiana, Rhodesia, Southwest Africa, Yugoslavia and Zaire.

And on the professional landscape:

- ◆ The Denver Broncos, coming off their best record in its 14-year franchise history (7-5-2 in 1973), sat at 0-2-1 on the year but would win their first game the next day (17-14 at Kansas City);
- ◆ The Denver Nuggets were still in the old American Basketball Association (ABA), and were ready to embark on their first season with the new nickname; having previously been called the Rockets the previous seven seasons – the team opened 35-5 en route to a 65-19 record for 1974-75, but lost in the second round of the playoffs to Indiana.
- ◆ Major League Baseball was 19 years away from Denver; the AAA Denver Bears finished 62-74 (last place in the American Association West Division) and were ending a two-year association with the Houston Astros;
- ◆ Hockey? Colorado was still two years away from its first NHL franchise—the Colorado Rockies—but the Denver Spurs were still around, finished second in the Northern Division of the Central Hockey League (36-29-13, 85 points).
- ◆ Remember the Denver Racquets in the World Team Tennis? Pacific Section champions with a 30-14 record, they won the league's inaugural title in 1974, defeating the Philadelphia Freedoms, 2 matches to 0 (55-48 overall).
- ◆ And in soccer, the Denver Dynamos finished 5-15 in their first season in the North American Soccer League; the team would compete at Mile High Stadium for one more season before moving to Minnesota (and becoming the Kicks).
- ◆ 1974-75 champions: Oakland (MLB/World Series), Pittsburgh Steelers (NFL/Super Bowl), Golden State Warriors (NBA), Kentucky Colonels (ABA), Philadelphia Flyers (NHL), Los Angeles Aztecs (NASL), Denver Racquets (WTT), Oklahoma & Alabama (NCAA football), UCLA Bruins (NCAA basketball).

**CU-AIR FORCE BY THE NUMBERS**

Here's a look at some numbers-related trivia in the Colorado-Air Force series:

- No. 6** The highest national ranking for Colorado in a game against AFA (1961; CU won, 29-12 in Boulder);
- No. 10** The highest national ranking for Air Force in a game against CU (1970; CU won, 49-19 at AFA);
- 9-1** Colorado's record against Air Force when scoring 20 or more points;
- 41** The number of years since CU and Air Force last played in football (**46** by the time they revive the series in 2020);
- 16** Number of games played between Colorado and Air Force in their football histories (CU leads, **12-4**);
- 100 x 3** The number of players with 100 yards rushing in the 1970 game, the second (and last) time that occurred in CU history (Jon Keyworth **124**, Paul Arendt **116**, Ward Walsh **101**);
- 52** **CU Dave**: The length of a punt return for a touchdown in the '73 game by CU's **Dave Logan**;
- 60** **AFA Dave**: The length of a **Dave Lawson** (AFA) field goal in the '74 game, the first 60-yarder in pro or college in the state of Colorado;
- 84** The number of miles between Boulder, Colorado, and the USAFA campus just north of Colorado Springs;
- 100** Colorado's play count against Air Force in the 1970 game (**83** rushes, **17** passes), still the fourth-most in school history;
- 675** Colorado's total offense against Air Force in the 1970 game (**482** rush, **193** pass), still the fourth-most in school history;
- 708** The combined number of points in the series (or **44.3** per game; Colorado **443**, Air Force **265**);
- 1,276** The difference in elevation (feet) between Folsom Field (Boulder, **5,345**) and Falcon Stadium (USAFA, **6,621**);
- 16,412** The number of days between the last CU-AFA football game (Oct. 5, 1974) and the next one (Sept. 12, 2020).

COLORADO-AIR FORCE: SERIES TRENDS

Here's a quick look at some team statistical trends in the **Colorado-Air Force** series:

Date	Site	Result	Attend.	Rank		CU FD	Rushing			Passing			Tot Off		AFA FD	Rushing			Passing			Tot Off		TV
				CU	AFA		att	yds	td	a-c-i	yds	td	no	yds		att	yds	td	a-c-i	yds	td	no	yds	
Nov. 29, 1958	Boulder	L 14-20	40,000	—	—	26	72	336	1	17-10-0	84	1	89	420	5	21	121	1	17-	7-2	39	1	38	160
Nov. 28, 1959	Boulder	W 15- 7	40,000	—	—	18	61	183	0	25-10-1	83	2	86	266	13	32	125	1	28-11-1	125	0	60	250	
Nov. 26, 1960	Boulder	L 6-16	39,000	—	—	13	37	80	1	24- 9-0	195	0	61	275	18	56	317	1	20- 5-3	57	0	76	374	
Dec. 2, 1961	Boulder	W 29-12	23,287	6	—	20	51	278	3	20- 9-2	105	1	71	383	13	44	145	2	20- 9-0	54	0	64	199	
Nov. 24, 1962	Boulder	W 34-10	21,000	—	—	20	65	253	3	17-10-1	86	1	82	339	13	32	122	0	16- 7-2	77	1	48	199	
Dec. 7, 1963	Colorado Springs	L 14-17	26,016	—	—	12	39	140	2	12- 5-0	66	0	51	206	16	50	194	1	19- 7-1	105	1	69	299	
Nov. 21, 1964	Boulder	W 28-23	26,500	—	—	8	37	131	3	4- 2-0	39	0	41	170	22	49	114	1	32-22-1	298	2	81	412	
Nov. 20, 1965	Colorado Springs	W 19- 6	38,235	—	—	16	59	208	1	16- 7-0	143	1	75	351	13	39	74	1	38-18-1	155	0	77	229	
Nov. 19, 1966	Boulder	W 10- 9	39,876	16	—	18	53	241	1	18- 8-1	60	0	71	301	19	48	155	0	31-15-3	181	0	79	336	
Nov. 25, 1967	Colorado Springs	W 33- 0	28,835	17	—	21	43	271	4	24-15-0	122	1	67	393	16	50	159	0	19-10-1	100	0	69	259	
Nov. 23, 1968	Boulder	L 35-58	42,300	—	—	20	39	157	4	30-20-0	234	1	69	391	32	66	381	5	20-13-0	149	3	86	530	
Nov. 21, 1970	Colorado Springs	W 49-19	45,447	—	10	33	83	482	5	17- 8-1	193	2	100	675	20	20	40	1	55-25-4	266	1	75	306	
Nov. 20, 1971	Boulder	W 53-17	46,362	10	—	26	55	352	5	28-11-2	204	2	83	556	15	46	138	1	25-10-1	195	1	71	333	
Nov. 18, 1972	Colorado Springs	W 38- 7	47,191	15	—	23	65	295	3	20- 9-1	88	2	85	383	16	49	176	1	20- 7-4	92	0	69	268	
Oct. 6, 1973	Boulder	W 38-17	50,115	18	—	20	49	234	5	14- 9-0	119	0	63	353	19	46	228	2	30- 9-5	82	0	76	310	
Oct. 5, 1974	Colorado Springs	W 28-27	38,354	—	—	15	57	283	4	16- 8-1	79	0	73	362	16	33	52	2	37-20-3	270	1	70	322	

CU INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

Most Yards Rushing: 192, Charlie Davis, Nov. 20, 1971

Most Yards Passing: 234, Bobby Anderson, Nov. 23, 1968

Most Receptions: 8, Monte Huber, Nov. 23, 1968

Most Yards Receiving: 93, Monte Huber, Nov. 23, 1968

THIS DAY IN COLORADO HISTORY: SEPTEMBER 14

Colorado is 1-4 all-time on **September 14**, as the date hasn't been very friendly to the Buffaloes. A quick look at Sept. 14 games in CU history:

1974—The Buffaloes drop a 42-14 decision at Louisiana State, the last in a three-game series that began in 1971 with a 31-21 win over the Tigers in Baton Rouge, where all the games were played. **1985**—Mickey Pruitt's sack of Oregon quarterback Chris Miller as time ran out preserved CU's 21-17 win over the Ducks, which capped an emotional day at Folsom Field. It was "Ed Reinhardt Day" on the CU campus, a tribute to both Ed, the CU tight end who suffered a serious brain injury in the 1984 game at Oregon, and the people of Eugene who responded in droves to help Ed and his family in a time of need. CU jumped to a 14-0 first quarter lead on touchdown runs by **FB Anthony Weatherspoon** and **QB Mark Hatcher**, only to see Oregon rally to take a 17-14 lead heading into the fourth quarter. Hatcher scored from 22 yards out midway in the quarter to put the Buffs back up, 21-17, but the Ducks worked to a 1st-and-Goal from the CU 5 in the final minute. After failing on its first three tries with the ball on the CU 3, Pruitt nailed Miller with a 14-yard loss as the clock ran out to give CU its first 2-0 record to open a season since 1978. **1991**—Baylor ended Colorado's 11-game overall winning streak, the longest in the nation at the time, with a 16-14 win; a blocked field goal return to the CU 30 by Santana Dotson set up a 35-yard field goal by the Bears' Jeff Ireland with 51 seconds remaining that rallied BU to the victory. **1996**—It was almost déjà vu all over again, as Michigan got its revenge for the '94 game ("The Catch") with a 20-13 win in Boulder ... but the Buffs had a chance to tie on the final play as Koy Detmer's last chance pass to the end zone from CU's 38-yard line fell incomplete, unlike Kordell Stewart's heave from the CU 36 that was caught by Michael Westbrook for a 27-26 CU win. **2002**—Ouch. Southern Cal returned the '00 game in Los Angeles, a 17-14 USC win on a last-second field goal, and many were expecting the same kind of close affair, but Pete Carroll's Trojans left Boulder with a lopsided 40-3 win. **2013**—Colorado was supposed to host Fresno State, but record rainfall (21 inches in three days) that led to massive flooding in the Boulder area forced the game to be cancelled.

SEPTEMBER 14 COLORADO MVP: Hatcher. He ran 16 times for 114 yards and two touchdowns, while completing 2-of-5 passes for 48 more in CU's 21-17 win over Oregon in Boulder in 1985.



TALE OF THE TAPE / COLORADO – AIR FORCE

Here's a comparative look between **Colorado** and **Air Force** in both general areas as well as several statistical categories through games of Sept. 7 (national rankings where applicable in parenthesis):

Category	CU		AF		Category	CU		AF	
	Colorado	Air Force	Colorado	Air Force		Colorado	Air Force	Colorado	Air Force
2019 Overall Record	2-0	1-0			Third Down Conversion Offense	34.6 (96)	57.1 (10)		
Streak	Won 2	Won 2			Third Down Conversion Defense	37.0 (70)	27.3 (26)		
vs. AP Ranked Teams (at time of game)	1-0	0-0			Fourth Down Conversion Offense	100.0 (1)	100.0 (1)		
<i>Alumni On NFL Rosters (as of Sept. 8)</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>3</i>			Fourth Down Conversion Defense	60.0 (91)	0.0 (1)		
First Downs	45 (50)	24 (122)			Three & Outs on Defense	8 (--)	6 (--)		
Rushing Offense	166.0 (68)	423.0 (2)			Tackles For Loss	5.0 (91)	6.0 (63)		
<i>Average Per Rush</i>	<i>4.3 6.5</i>				Tackles For Loss Allowed	6.0 (70)	2.0 (3)		
Passing Offense	232.0 (63)	41.0 (130)			Quarterback Sacks By	4.0 (10)	2.0 (68)		
<i>Completion Percentage</i>	<i>67.2 (38)</i>	<i>100.0 (1)</i>			Quarterback Sacks Allowed	1.5 (45)	0.0 (1)		
<i>Average Per Attempt</i>	<i>10.0 41.0</i>				Net Punting	42.8 (29)	35.5 (100)		
Passing Efficiency	169.2 (27)	444.4 (1)			Punt Returns	5.0 (85)	0.0 (117)		
Total Offense	469.5 (39)	464.0 (42)			Punt Return Yardage Defense	9.5 (90)	4.0 (51)		
<i>Average Per Play</i>	<i>6.8 7.0</i>				Kickoff Returns	43.0 (1)	N/A (...)		
Scoring Offense	43.0 (23)	48.0 (17)			Kickoff Return Yardage Defense	20.3 (75)	26.5 (111)		
First Downs Allowed	46 (102)	11 (2)			Penalties Per Game	6.5 (71)	2.0 (2)		
Rushing Defense	155.0 (81)	75.0 (19)			Penalty Yards Per Game	54.0 (60)	25.0 (8)		
<i>Average Per Rush</i>	<i>4.0 2.3</i>				Turnovers Gained	7 (2)	2 (72)		
Passing Defense	332.0 (121)	86.0 (1)			Turnovers Lost	2 (29)	1 (7)		
<i>Completion Percentage</i>	<i>64.4 61.1</i>				Turnover Margin	+3.50 (4)	+1.00 (21)		
<i>Average Per Attempt</i>	<i>9.1 4.8</i>				Interceptions	3 (8)	1 (61)		
Pass Efficiency Defense	155.2 (111)	108.5 (25)			Red Zone Scoring Percentage (Offense) ..	100.0 (1)	87.5 (57)		
Total Defense	487.0 (118)	161.0 (3)			Red Zone Scoring Percentage (Defense) ..	85.7 (73)	50.0 (3)		
<i>Average Per Play</i>	<i>6.5 3.2</i>				Time of Possession	28:50 (90)	32:38 (29)		
Scoring Defense	31.0 (98)	7.0 (5)			Strength of Record (<i>ESPN Power Index</i>)	49	59		
					Schedule Strength (<i>USA Today/Sagarin</i>)	88	227		

BACK-TO-BACK (AND THIS YEAR: -TO BACK) RIVALS FOR OPENERS?

When Colorado opened with Colorado State and Nebraska last year, it was just the 13th time a school opened with back-to-back traditional rivals since the advent of 11 game regular seasons schedules beginning in 1971; and of the previous 12 time, only five schools did it (Boise State, Georgia, Illinois, New Mexico State and Temple). Fast-forward to 2019, and the Buffaloes are opening with three traditional rivals: Colorado State in Denver, Nebraska in Boulder and Air Force in Boulder. The Buffaloes and Falcons will meet at Folsom Field this Saturday – the first meeting between the schools since 1974; this be just the second time CSU and AFA appear on the schedule in the same year, along with 1958. After that season, the series with CSU went dormant for 25 years while Air Force appeared every year except one between 1958 and 1974.

School	Year	Week 1	Result	Week 2	Result	School	Year	Week 1	Result	Week 2	Result
Illinois	1975	at Iowa	W, 27-12	Missouri	L, 20-30	Boise State	2003	Idaho State	W, 62-0	at Idaho	W, 24-10
Illinois	1976	Iowa	W, 24-6	at Missouri	W, 31-6	Temple	2009	Villanova	L, 24-27	at Penn State	L, 6-31
Illinois	1984	Northwestern	W, 24-16	Missouri	W, 30-24	Georgia	2013	at Clemson	L, 35-38	South Carolina	W, 41-30
Georgia	1992	at South Carolina	W, 28-6	Tennessee	L, 31-34	Georgia	2014	Clemson	W, 45-21	at South Carolina	L, 35-38
Georgia	1993	South Carolina	L, 21-23	at Tennessee	L, 6-38	N. Mexico St.	2016	at Texas-El Paso	L, 22-38	New Mexico	W, 32-31
Georgia	1994	at South Carolina	W, 24-21	Tennessee	L, 23-41	Colorado	2018	Colorado State	W, 45-13	at Nebraska	W, 33-28
Georgia	1995	South Carolina	W, 42-23	at Tennessee	L, 27-30	Colorado	2019	Colorado State	W, 52-31	Nebraska (OT)	W, 34-31

- Colorado has played Colorado State (91), Nebraska (71) and Air Force (16) a combined **178** times; the remaining nine schools on CU's schedule in 2019 have combined to play the Buffaloes **165** times (and 65 of those by CU's other top 20th century rival, Utah).

HOMECOMING OF SORTS

Air Force linebackers coach **Ron Vanderlinden** this weekend will return to Boulder, where he spent nine seasons coaching the CU defensive line under Bill McCartney from 1983-91; he was a part of three Big 8 championships and the 1990 national championship coaching staffs. He is in his sixth season on Troy Calhoun's staff at Air Force.

CENTENNIAL STATE STREAK

With the 34-31 overtime win over Nebraska last Saturday in Boulder, the Buffaloes have won **13** straight non-conference games in the state (eight in Boulder, five in Denver); CU has also won **13** of its last **19** games at Folsom Field. The Buffaloes opened 2017 by playing their first four games of the season within the state, three of them at Folsom. CU did not leave the state until week five, when the Buffs traveled to UCLA on Sept. 30 (a 27-23 loss). The last time Colorado had played its first four games to start a year within the Centennial State was in 2001, and previous to that in 1998 and 1978; both times opening with 4-0 records. The 2001 team, like the '17 edition, won three of the four. Colorado in 2019 is again opening with three non-conference games within the state, as will be the case in 2021.



COLORADO 28, AIR FORCE 27

(OCTOBER 5, 1974)

FALCON STADIUM, USAFA

USAFA — Colorado raced to a 21-3 lead and led by 28-10 midway through the third quarter, only to see Air Force rally within one with a little over four minutes remaining but managed to hold off the Falcons in winning, 28-27. AFA's Dave Lawson, who had made a 60-yard field goal in the first quarter, came up just a bit short on a 50-yard try with just seconds left on the clock. It was known at the time that it would be the final game in the series, turning out to be the only game of 16 decided by one point.

COLORADO	21	0	7	0	- 28
Air Force	3	7	7	10	- 27

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Williams 44 run (Mackenzie kick)	7- 0	11:49	1Q
Air Force — Lawson 60 FG	7- 3	6:28	1Q
COLORADO — Waddy 67 run (Mackenzie kick)	14- 3	4:14	1Q
COLORADO — Williams 22 run (Mackenzie kick)	21- 3	2:16	1Q
Air Force — Farr 16 pass from Vaughn (Lawson kick)	21-10	4:24	2Q
COLORADO — Waddy 11 run (Mackenzie kick)	28-10	7:54	3Q
Air Force — Wood 2 run (Lawson kick)	28-17	1:15	3Q
Air Force — Wood 2 run (Covington pass from Worden)	28-25	10:34	4Q
Air Force — Koleski runs out of back of end zone (safety)	28-27	4:11	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	AIR FORCE
First Downs.....	15	16
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	10-19 (0-1)	5-15 (1-1)
Rushes—Net Yards.....	57-283	33-52
Passing Yards.....	79	270
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	16-8-1	37-20-3
Total Offense.....	362	322
Return Yards.....	51	9
Punts: No-Average.....	8-38.5	6-37.0
Fumbles: No-Lost.....	4-1	2-1
Penalties/Yards.....	13/95	3/15
Quarterback Sacks—Yards.....	5-52	5-39
Time of Possession.....	32:37	27:23
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points).....	1-1 (7)	3-3 (21)

Attendance: 38,354 **Time:** 2:54

Weather (75°): partly cloudy skies, 17 mph winds from the south

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Waddy 21-171, Williams 16-79, Perry 11-38, Logan 2-6, Campbell 1-4, Crutchmer 4-minus 3, Koleski 2-minus 12. **Air Force:** HMilodragovich 6-33, Reiner 9-18, Wood 5-17, Monahan 1-1, Vaughn 5-minus 2, Worden 7-minus 15.

Passing—Colorado: Williams 14-7-1, 70, 0 td; Crutchmer 2-1-0, 9, 0 td. **Air Force:** Worden 29-15-3, 205, 0 td; Vaughn 8-5-0, 65, 1 td.

Receiving—Colorado: Ferguson 5-47, Logan 2-21, Hasselbeck 1-11. **Air Force:** Reiner 4-48, Milodragovich 4-31, Bready 3-73, Adams 2-47, Farr 2-31, Covington 2-14, Frozema 1-14, Monahan 1-6, Wood 1-6.

Punting—Colorado: Koleski 8-38.5 (70 long). **Air Force:** Lange 2-58.0 (66 long), Lawson 4-26.5 (38 long).

Punt Returns—Colorado: Logan 1-25. **Air Force:** Mark 2-9. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** none. **Air Force:** Adams 1-23, Bready 1-7.

Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Geiser 7,4---11; Tesone 5,6—11; Shoen 5,5—10; Hunt 5,2—7; Westbrooks 5,2—7; Archer 4,2—6; Likovich 4,2—6. **Air Force:** Kenny 13,6—19; Young 7,6—13; Mark 7,4—11; Wild 4,6—10; Potter 6,3—9; Buron 4,5—9.

Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Likovich 2-23, Griffin 1-11, Geiser 1-10, Archer 1-8. **Air Force:** N/A.

Interceptions—Colorado: Hilton 2-44, Geiser 1-5. **Air Force:** Wild 1-0. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Tesone 2, Martinez, Shoen. **Air Force:** Carney, Young.

NOTES

Colorado improved to 2-2 with the win in Bill Mallory's first season as head coach, but eventually finished the season with a 5-6 record after posting a 3-4 mark in Big 8 play (fifth place). CU did upend No. 18 Oklahoma State on the road (37-20) in its next to last game of the season ... Seven seniors off that CU team were drafted into the NFL, including DB **Rod Perry** (fourth round by the Los Angeles Rams), who would go on to enjoy a 10-year pro career (highlighted by 30 interceptions). Sophomore **Billy Waddy** rushed for 765 yards on the season, giving him 1,316 for his first two seasons, at the time the most by a Buff prior to his junior season, as he played as a true freshman in 1973, just one year after the NCAA allowed freshmen to again play ... **David Williams** led the team in passing with 899 yards, while **Dave Logan** was the leading receiver (21 catches for 273 yards) and **Ed Shoen** the top tackler (77).

Air Force dropped to 1-3 on the season, suffered the third of what would be four straight losses by a touchdown or less on its way to a 2-9 record; the Falcons, coached by the legendary Ben Martin, were an independent that season, and had seven of those losses by a combined 22 points.

THIS WEEK'S HISTORICAL NOTE / 1971

Forty-eight years ago, the Buffaloes played arguably the school's toughest road schedule in its history. The non-conference games were a season-opener at No. 9 Louisiana State, and after the home opener the following week against Wyoming, a trip to Columbus to face No. 6 Ohio State was on the docket. Unranked to open the year (if you fast-forward, much like 2016), the Buffs won 31-21 at LSU to jump into No. 12 in the Associated Press poll. After a 56-13 drubbing of Wyoming and moving up two notches to No. 10, Colorado went to the "Horseshoe" and defeated the Buckeyes, 20-14. Three weeks into the year, CU was now the No. 6 team in the country. CU inched up to No. 5 after a 31-21 home win over Kansas State, and then won 24-14 at Iowa State over a tough Cyclone team that would finish 8-4, losing only to Nebraska, Oklahoma and the Buffs. The next week, CU fell 45-17 at No. 2 Oklahoma, spotting the Sooners a 24-0 halftime lead before cutting it to 31-17 after three quarters. The Buffs dropped to No. 11, but cracked the top 10 again with a 27-7 win over Missouri. Then a trip to Lincoln to face No. 1 Nebraska; it was a 14-7 game until the Huskers put 10 points on the board in the final 5:11 of the first half to open the game up en route to a 31-7 win. CU rolled its last three opponents to finish 9-2 on the regular season with a No. 7 ranking, and for a reward, drew No. 15 Houston for its bowl game — except it was the Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl, played in Houston, so it was virtually another road game. The Buffs would win, 29-17 and finished third in the country, behind Nebraska and Oklahoma. So to recount, the Buffs played the Nos. 1, 2, 6, 9 and 15 teams in the country and came out with a 3-2 record.

This is the fourth time that the Buffs and Broncos have first-year head coaches in the same season. In 1962, **Bud Davis** took over the CU program while Jack Faulkner did so for the Broncos; in 1995, **Rick Neuheisel** (CU) and **Mike Shanahan** (Denver) were named the top man; and in 2011, **Jon Embree** (CU) and **John Fox** (Broncos) took over the reins of their respective teams.



INAUGURATIONS

Mel Tucker was named the 26th full-time head coach in Colorado history last December 5, the 16th dating back to 1935; after the first 10 CU coaches opened 8-1-1, the last 15 have gone 2-13. **Mike MacIntyre** became just the second coach in that group to win his CU opener in an 81-year span with a 41-27 win over Colorado State in Denver in 2013; the only other coach to do so since **Herbert Hoover** was U.S. President was **Rick Neuheisel**, who saw his team defeat Wisconsin in Madison, 43-7, in 1995 (one year after Tucker graduated). Both teams have scored 10 or more points in a new CU chief's debut only nine times, all since 1959. Overall, Colorado coaches are **10-14-1** in their debut games at the reins of the Buffaloes; here's a closer look (number in parenthesis indicates how many games that coach won in a row to begin career):

1894	Harry Heller	EAST DENVER H.S.	W 46- 0 (7)	1948	Dallas Ward	NEW MEXICO	L 6- 9
1895	Fred Folsom	DENVER MANUAL H.S.	W 36- 0 (3)	1959	Sonny Grandelius	WASHINGTON	L 12-21
1900	T,W, Mortimer	at Denver Manual H.S.	W 29- 0 (5)	1962	Bud Davis	at Utah	L 21-37
1903	Dave Cropp	at State Prep School	W 40- 0 (3)	1963	Eddie Crowder	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	L 0-14
1905	Willis Kleinholtz	at North Denver H.S.	W 28- 0 (6)	1974	Bill Mallory	at Louisiana State	L 14-42
1906	Frank Castleman	STATE PREP SCHOOL	W 22- 0	1979	Chuck Fairbanks	OREGON	L 19-33
1916	Bob Evans	ALUMNI	T 0- 0	1982	Bill McCartney	CALIFORNIA	L 17-31
1918	Joe Mills	NORTHERN COLORADO	L 0- 9	1995	Rick Neuheisel	at Wisconsin	W 43- 7 (5)
1920	Myron Witham	at Denver	W 31- 0 (2)	1999	Gary Barnett	Colorado State (Denver)	L 14-41
1932	William Saunders	at Colorado Mines	W 31- 0 (2)	2006	Dan Hawkins	MONTANA STATE	L 10-19
1935	Bunnie Oakes	at Oklahoma	L 0- 3	2011	Jon Embree	at Hawai'i	L 17-34
1940	Frank Potts	at Texas	L 7-39	2013	Mike MacIntyre	Colorado State (Denver)	W 41-27 (2)
1941	Jim Yeager	TEXAS	L 6-34	2019	Mel Tucker	Colorado State (Denver)	W 52-31

FIRST PLAYS HAVE BEEN LARGELY CONSERVATIVE

Here's a look at what transpired on the first play on offense, defense and special teams for CU head coaches, dating back to 1959 when information is available. Amazingly, CU didn't earn a first down until Dan Hawkins' first offensive play in 2006, and has allowed just two defensively. The longest play was a 42-yard pass from James Cox to Patrick Williams to open 2006, but then, including special teams, the next three longest play is a kickoff return of 19 yards. A closer look:

Season	Coach	Opponent	Offense	Defense	Special Teams
1959	Sonny Grandelius	WASHINGTON	Gale Weidner incomplete pass	Sam Hurworth 1 run	(UW) Sam Hurworth 16 KOR to UW18
1962	Bud Davis	at Utah	Leon Mavity 2 run	Bud Scalley 5 run	(CU) Leon Mavity 19 KOR to C21
1963	Eddie Crowder	SOUTHERN CAL	Bill Symons 2 run	Mike Garrett 11 pass from Pete Beathard	(USC) Pete Beathard 5 KOR to SC35
1974	Bill Mallory	at Louisiana State	Billy Waddy 2 run	Brad Davis 5 run	(CU) Tom MacKenzie KO out of bounds
1979	Chuck Fairbanks	OREGON	Willie Beebe 2 run	Don Coleman 13 reverse/UO clipping	(CU) Mike E. Davis 13 KOR to CU24
1982	Bill McCartney	CALIFORNIA	Randy Essington incomplete pass	Gale Gilbert incomplete pass	(UC) Joe Cooper KO EZ+/UC offsidess
1995	Rick Neuheisel	at Wisconsin	Matt Lepsis 4 pass from Koy Detmer	Matt Nyquist 7 pass from Darrell Bevell	(UW) John Hall KO downed in end zone
1999	Gary Barnett	Colorado State (Denver)	Dwayne Cherrington 1 run	Matt Newton incomplete pass	(CSU) C.W.Hurst KO EZ+/CU personal foul
2006	Dan Hawkins	MONTANA STATE	Patrick Williams 42 pass from James Cox	Cory Carpenter incomplete pass	(CU) Mason Crosby KO through end zone
2011	Jon Embree	at Hawai'i	Tyler Hansen fumble, 1-yard loss	B. Stutzmann 3 pass from B. Moniz	(CU) Justin Castor KO through end zone
2013	Mike MacIntyre	Colorado State (Denver)	Christian Powell 4 run	Donnell Alexander 17 run	(CU) Will Oliver KO through end zone
2019	Mel Tucker	Colorado State (Denver)	Alex Fontenot 3 run	W.Jackson 6 pass from Collin Hill	(CSU) Davis KO through the end zone

FAMILY TIES

The University of Colorado has two sets of brothers: **PK/P Davis** and **PK Evan Price**, and **WR Laviska** and **WR Vontae Shenault**. Two Buffs have fathers who played for CU, **WR Curtis Chiaverini** (Darrin, CU's assistant head coach, 1995-98) and **WR Dimitri Stanley** (Walter, 1980-81). **DB Uryan Hudson's** uncle is Chris Hudson (the 1994 Thorpe Award winner), while **TE Brady Russell's** uncle is Matt Russell (the 1996 Butkus Award recipient).

■ **Who Will Be Next:** Chiaverini and Stanley will be looking to add to one of CU's unique stats: **Father-Son Scoring**. It's happened three times in school history previously:

Father: Larry Brunson, 1971 (one TD)	Son: Matt Brunson, 2001 (two TDs)
Father: Marc Walters, 1986 (two TDs)	Son: Ryan Walters, 2006 (one TD)
Father: Dick Anderson, 1967 (two PAT kicks)	Son: Blake Anderson, 1994 (one TD)

THE CUPBOARD MAY NOT BE BARE, BUT ...

This year's University of Colorado team will enter the season with players on the roster just making **179** previous career starts – the fewest in program history since the advent of 11-game regular seasons in 1971. There are no players who have had career starts at either running back or defensive tackle; **110** of the starts on are offense. Here are the returning number of starts by position, and the number of players making those (*—11 made at a previous CB position):

56	Offensive Line (4)	18	Outside Linebacker (3)	13	Defensive End (2)	0	Defensive Tackle
27	Quarterback (1)	14	*Safety (2)	12	Inside Linebacker (1)	0	Running Back
24	Wide Receiver (4)	13	Cornerback (3)	3	Tight End (1)		

HALL OF FAMERS PASS

The Buffaloes lost two former players within the last eight months who were inducted into All-Americans and enshrined in CU's Athletic Hall of Fame, **DE Bill Brundige** (Dec. 29, he was 70) and **WR Cliff Branch** (August 1 at the age of 71). Branch was inducted in 2010 in the eighth class of the Hall, while Brundige soon followed, getting the call for CU's Hall in the 10th class (2014). They were both members of CU's 69 Liberty Bowl champion team, Brundige a senior with Branch forced to sit out by the NCAA. Brundige was drafted by the Washington Redskins in 1970 and spent eight seasons with the club, while Branch was selected by the Raiders and spent 14 seasons with the franchise.

**CAREER CHART WATCH**

Here's where several Buffaloes rank on some of CU's all-time one game into the 2019 season (*Note: Colorado does not count bowl stats into career totals to protect past history, thus career numbers for players past and present will differ from NCAA*):

- ⇒ **TB BEAU BISHARAT** is tied for eighth in special team tackles (**31**) and is tied for sixth in special team points (**72**).
- ⇒ **P ALEX KINNEY** is second in punts inside-the-20 (**74**).
- ⇒ **QB STEVEN MONTEZ** is fourth in passing yards (**7,073**), is fourth in pass attempts (**927**), is fourth in completions (**578**), is third in touchdown passes (**48**), is 60th in rushing yards (**846**), is seventh in true rushing yards by a quarterback (**1,312**) and is second in total offense (**7,919**).
- ⇒ **WR K.D. NIXON** is 48th in receptions (**56**) and is 51st in receiving yards (**682**).
- ⇒ **WR LAVISKA SHENAULT** is 20th in receptions (**96**), is 17th in receiving yards (**1,227**) and is tied for 73rd in scoring (**78** points).
- ⇒ **PK JAMES STEFANOU** is 25th in scoring and is ninth in kick-scoring (**142** points) and is tied for sixth in field goals made (**23**).

AROUND THE NATION

Colorado has traditionally stocked its rosters primarily with players from three states: Colorado, California and Texas (**74.1** percent of the entire roster—active and inactive—as of Sept. 3: **83** of **112** players). The roll call of state producers for the Buffaloes: California **38**, Colorado **27**, Texas **18**, Florida **3**, Georgia **3**, Michigan **3**, Alabama **2**, Illinois **2**, Mississippi **2**, Oregon **2**, Washington **2**, Arizona **1**, Indiana **1**, Louisiana **1**, South Carolina **1**, Virginia **1**. That's **16** states total along with **AMERICAN SAMOA (2)**, **AUSTRALIA (1)** and **AUSTRIA (1)** that has produced the make-up of this year's team.

- ➔ **AROUND THE WORLD:** Eight Buffaloes were born outside of the United States: **WR Daniel Arias** (Santa Domingo, D.R.), **OLB Joshka Gustav** (Germany), **ILB Nate Landman** (Zimbabwe), **OL Va'atofu Sauvao** (American Samoa), **OL Valentin Senn** (Austria), **PK James Stefanou** (Australia) and **OLB Alex Tchanganam** (Cameroon). TE coach **Al Pupunu** was also born overseas (Tonga).
- ➔ **BY CLASS:** 3 graduate transfers; 15 seniors (8 fifth-year), 20 juniors, 30 sophomores, 45 freshmen (16 redshirt/3 2nd-year/26 true).

AND THE J'S HAVE IT

Statistics show that more first names in the United States begin with the letter "J," followed by M, S, D and C. The Buffaloes take that to the extreme: on the 2019 Colorado roster, over 20 percent on the team has first names that begin with J: **24** players overall who go by **21** different J names. The list:

Jake (2)	J.T.	Jamar	Jarek	Jayden	Joe	Josh
Jalen (2)	Jack	Janaz	Jaren	Jaylon	Jonathan	Joshka
James (2)	Jacob	Jared	Jash	Jeremiah	John	Joshua

APOLLO MOON PROGRAM TRIVIA

America celebrated the 50th anniversary of Apollo 11 and man stepping foot on the moon on July 20, 1969, a reminder that one of the three men who traveled the furthest away from Earth (due to where the Moon was located during their mission) was a Colorado Buffalo. **Jack Swigert**, a '53 CU graduate, lettered from 1950-52 at guard (teammates included Tom Brookshier and Carroll Hardy). He was the command module pilot for the ill-fated **Apollo 13**, the mission dubbed a "successful failure" as the ship made it back to Earth after orbiting the moon despite an oxygen tank explosion in April 1971. Swigert's fellow astronauts were **Jim Lovell (l.)** and **Fred Haise (r.)**; he was played by actor Kevin Bacon in the 1995 movie *Apollo 13* depicting the journey; with Hollywood often taking liberties, it was Swigert who said the famous line, "Houston, we've had a problem," not Tom Hanks delivering it as Lovell. The three men flew **248,655** miles away from Earth, the furthest distance ever recorded by humans, putting their round trip mileage at 497,310 miles. (*Swigert, who died in 1982 just after being elected to Congress from Colorado, wasn't even supposed to be on that mission; he replaced Ken Mattingly 48 hours prior when Mattingly was exposed to the measles and was removed from the flight.*)

THE BUFFS IN NFL STADIUMS

The Buffaloes have played **25** games to date in seven current NFL venues, owning a record of **15-10** (11-5 in Denver, 1-0 in Foxborough, 1-0 in San Diego, 1-0 in Seattle, 1-2 in Houston, 0-1 in Jacksonville, 0-1 in Kansas City and 0-1 in Santa Clara). All-time, the Buffs are **21-21-1** playing games in stadiums that simultaneously hosted NFL teams (13-6 in Denver, 1-0 in Foxborough, 1-0 in Irving, 1-0 in San Diego, 1-0 in Seattle, 2-3 in Houston, 1-2 in Miami 1-2 in Tempe, 0-2-1 in Anaheim, 0-1 in Jacksonville, 0-1 in Kansas City, 0-1 in Santa Clara and 0-3 in Los Angeles).

MORETTI MEDICALLY RETIRES

Sophomore **OL Jake Moretti** decided to end his football career in late July, as he had battled knee, foot and nerve injuries over the last three years. The 6-4, 290-pound product of Arvada's Pomona High School redshirted as a freshman in 2017, but appeared in seven games in 2018, including a pair of starts. He was in for 65 snaps overall, seeing his most action against New Hampshire (33 snaps) and USC (18).

SACK DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. CU Athletics and its multimedia rightsholder, Buffalo Sports Properties, have partnered with Burnham Law to "Stop Domestic Violence" this football season. For each defensive "three and out" or "fourth down stop" that the Buffs record, Burnham Law will donate \$100 to benefit locally based SPAN (Safehouse Progressive Alliance for Nonviolence) and the CU Boulder Office of Victim Assistance (OVA), two organizations that support survivors, raise awareness around domestic violence and reduce violence in Boulder and surrounding communities.



COLLEGE FOOTBALL CELEBRATING 150TH ANNIVERSARY

College football is celebrating the **150th anniversary** of the first-ever college game, played on November 6, 1869. It's in the books at Rutgers 6, Princeton 4, but Princeton was actually known then as the College of New Jersey Tigers; Rutgers at the time were the Queensmen before adopting the Scarlet Knights as its nickname. The game was played primarily with rules closer to rugby, and few probably know that a week later on November 13, the College of New Jersey avenged the loss with an 8-0 win. Meanwhile, nearly 1,800 miles to the west, the University of Colorado was seven years away from being formed, and CU did not start playing football until 1890. Boulder looked like, well, the picture to the right. The Buffaloes are wearing a 150 decal on their helmets this season.



SEASON TICKET SALES ON THE RISE

Through the close of business on Monday, Sept. 2 there were **20,284** public season tickets sold for the 2019 CU football season, ahead of last year's final number of 19,284, an increase of exactly **1,000** (or 5.2 percent). While it didn't crack the top six in season-to-season ticket increases in school history, there is some significance to the additional sales: the last time CU hired a new head coach and season ticket sales increased (without some major reduced pricing) was in 1974. The Buffaloes had 27,996 season ticket holders in 1973, Eddie Crowder's last year as head coach, and that number jumped to 29,260 for 1974 when Bill Mallory took over; sales declined, slightly for the most part, for six of the seven head coaches in-between Mallory and Mel Tucker (the exception was in 2011; Jon Embree took over as coach, but sales got bumps from joining the Pac-12, hosting Oregon and USC and a special \$120 season ticket price for the five-game home schedule in Boulder). Here are the largest season ticket increases in school history since records are available dating back to World War II:

10,885	27,989 (1972)	17,104 (1971)	3,865	31,331 (1976)	27,466 (1975)
6,963	26,331 (1990)	19,368 (1989)	2,798	19,083 (1986)	16,285 (1985)
5,534	25,172 (2011)	19,638 (2010)	2,797	20,808 (2017)	18,011 (2016)

➔ **STUDENT TICKETS:** CU's students purchased their entire allotment of **12,254** tickets.

NOYER MOVES TO D, MAYBE ANOTHER HALE IRWIN?

Since the end of the Platoon Era (pre-1965), there have been very few occasions where players who lettered at quarterback, made the switch to another position and then earned a letter at their new spot. **Sam Noyer** moved from quarterback to safety on August 19 and is anxious to make an impact on the other side of the ball. The most famous switch in CU history happened in the third game of the '69 season, when **Bobby Anderson** moved from quarterback to tailback and would go on to earn first-team All-American honors. **Charles Davis** ('78-81) bounced around between quarterback, halfback and fullback over the course of his career while lettering four times; **Ayyub Abdul-Rahmaan** earned a letter at quarterback in 1995 and then at receiver in '96; **Adam Bledsoe** lettered twice as the signal caller ('97-98) and then at tight end ('99).

➔ Now, **Hale Irwin** played both quarterback and defensive back in 1964; once platooning ended, he moved permanently to defense in '65, and as a senior in 1966 he earned All-Big Eight Conference honors.

BISHARAT AIMING TO CLIMB SPECIAL TEAM CHARTS

Senior **TE Beau Bisharat** has been a force on special teams since he arrived at Colorado. The two-time reigning "special teams point" champion on the Buffaloes with 29 in each of the last two years and now has 70 career special team points, which is seventh at CU since the category was created back in 1987. His career tackles 31 (22 solo), are now tied for eighth-most. **FS Ryan Sutter** is the CU career leader in both, with 123 points and 64 tackles; **CB Arthur Jaffee** is second with 88 points, well within reach for Bisharat.

SWEET SIXTEEN

Colorado, which did not play an FCS team until 2006, is one of 16 schools in 2019 who will play strictly FBS teams over the course of the entire season. The Big Ten Conference has 11 of those 16 schools, as it came out with a mandatory rule a few years back to eliminate those teams from their future schedules (Indiana, Maryland and Penn State had previous games scheduled further out). CU is joined by Southern California, Stanford and UCLA in the Pac-12, with the only other school nationally being Texas. Only three FCS schools appear on future CU schedules: Northern Colorado (2021), North Dakota State (2024) and Colgate (2027).

PAT STREAK

Colorado kickers have made **106** consecutive point after touchdown (PAT) kicks through one game in 2019; the school record is 156 set from 2011 to 2016; one other three-digit streak was 111 from 1988 to 1991. Here's a look at the longest streaks in the nation through game of September 7:

School	Streak	Start Date	# of Kickers	School	Streak	Start Date	# of Kickers
Auburn	280	Nov. 16, 2013	4	Colorado	106	Oct. 15, 2016	5
Georgia	257	Oct. 4, 2014	5	San Diego State	97	Nov. 12, 2016	2
Ohio State	185	Oct. 22, 2016	3	Arizona State	96	Aug. 31, 2017	2
Utah State	150	Nov. 5, 2016	4	Troy	88	Sept. 30, 201	2
Wisconsin	149	Nov. 5, 2016	3	Ohio	78	Dec. 22, 2017	1
Northern Illinois	127	Sept. 3, 2016	3	Texas A&M	78	Nov. 11, 2017	2
Illinois	121	Sept. 5, 2016	4	Wake Forest	71	Nov. 25, 2017	3
Kentucky	121	Sept. 17, 2016	3	Georgia Southern	67	Nov. 4, 2017	1



GEORGE A RARITY

CU's **Cymone George** is in her first year as CU's director of recruiting; how rare is that in the FBS ranks? Here's the entire list:

School	Name	Actual Title	Year	School	Name	Actual Title	Year
Oklahoma	Annie Hanson	Executive Director of Recruiting	3rd	Georgia	Haley Schaafsma	Director of Recruiting Operations	1st
TCU	Rachel Phillips	Director of Recruiting Operations	3rd	Georgia State	Ginny Thompson	Director of On-campus Recruiting & Player Personnel	1st
Florida	*Lee Begley	Director of Recruiting Operations	2nd	USC	Kelsea Winkle	Director of On-Campus Recruiting	1st
Colorado	Cymone George	Director of Recruiting	1st	(*—held same position previously at Mississippi State)			
Colorado State	Jessica Jefferson	Director of Recruiting	1st				

INTERNATIONAL FLAVOR

Colorado has seven players on its roster who were born outside the United States, tied for the fourth-most among FBS schools (though the seven represent seven different countries, the second-most behind a whopping 11 for Temple). What's interesting in this group is how many islands of the Caribbean are represented (Bahamas, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica, Puerto Rico and the Turks and Caicos Islands). Here's a list of those schools with five or more born anywhere but among the 50 U.S. States (U.S. possessions count as outside the country, as they are countries):

School	No.	Countries
Temple	13	11 Cameroon (2), Sweden (2), Canada, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Liberia, Nigeria, Peru, Turks and Caicos Islands, Uganda
Hawai'i	13	3 American Samoa (9), Australia (3), Canada
Syracuse	9	5 Canada (5), Ghana, Jamaica, Nigeria, Puerto Rico
Penn State	8	4 Canada (3), Germany (2), Haiti, Ukraine
Colorado	7	7 American Samoa, Australia, Austria, Cameroon, Dominican Republic, Germany, Zimbabwe
Oklahoma State	7	5 Australia (2), Nigeria (2), Canada, Guinea, The Netherlands
Michigan	6	6 Canada, Germany, Haiti, Liberia, Nigeria, Turks and Caicos Islands
Connecticut	6	3 Canada (4), Australia, Jamaica

ALMOST PERFECT IN CLOSE

Dating back to eight games into the 2016 season, Colorado has had **53** goal-to-go situations, scoring **52** times (or 98 percent of the time); **44** of the scores have been touchdowns to go with **8** field goals. The only non-score came on a drive ending on downs last year against Oregon State (in the overtime). Colorado has scored in all of its goal-to-go situations four times. A look at perfect (or near) seasons in this regard since 1984 when the stat was first tracked:

Season	Number	Scores	TD (Pct.)	FG	Pct.	Season	Number	Scores	TD (Pct.)	FG	Pct.
1996	26	26	21 (80.7)	5	100.0	1988	19	18	16 (84.2)	2	94.7
2017	18	18	17 (94.4)	1	100.0	2014	21	20	17 (81.0)	4	95.2
2002	16	16	15 (93.8)	1	100.0	1989	34	32	31 (91.2)	1	94.1
1985	13	13	13 (100.0)	0	100.0	1993	16	15	14 (87.5)	1	93.8
1994	31	30	29 (93.5)	1	96.7	1986	14	13	13 (92.9)	0	92.9
2018	20	19	15 (75.0)	4	95.0	2008	14	13	13 (92.9)	0	92.9

SEASON OPENER OBSCURE NOTES

- ▶ Colorado was one of 11 teams to not commit a turnover or allow a quarterback sack last weekend; those teams went 10-1 (Rice lost to Army, 14-7); three of the 11 were from the Pac-12, as Utah and Washington both accomplished the feat.
- ▶ The Buffaloes were one of just three teams to have no turnovers, no sacks allowed while also committing fewer than five penalties in the game, joined only by Kansas State and Rice.
- ▶ The Colorado offensive line did not surrender a quarterback sack (for the second straight season opener), allowed just two tackles for loss and helped the run game average 6.1 yards per play (40 attempts). How are is limited the opponent to just two TFL's? Going back over the last 10 seasons, it's tied for the fourth-fewest by the enemy:

Opponent	Date	TFL's	Yards	Opponent	Date	TFL's	Yards
Nebraska	Nov. 26, 2010	0	0	Charleston Southern	Oct. 19, 2013	2	16
Nicholls State	Sept. 26, 2015	0	0	Arizona	Oct. 26, 2013	2	4
Oregon State	Oct. 1, 2016	1	1	Colorado State	Aug. 29, 2014	2	11
Colorado State	Sept. 17, 2011	2	10	Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	2	4

FOURTH QUARTER BUFFS

Colorado's 24 points against Nebraska in the fourth quarter was its most since scoring the exact same amount against the Huskers in Boulder on Nov. 26, 1999. It tied for the fourth most points by the Buffaloes in a fourth quarter over the last 74 seasons (dating back to 1946); records are sketchy prior to that season, but the known school record for points in the fourth stanza is 34 at Brigham Young in a 48-6 win on Oct. 20, 1934. Top fourth quarter scoring by the Buffs since the end of World War II:

Opponent	Date	Points	Result	Opponent	Date	Points	Result
CINCINNATI	Sept. 16, 1972	28	W, 56-14	NEBRASKA (OT)	Nov. 26, 1999	24	L, 30-33
at Utah	Nov. 10, 1951	27	W, 54- 0	NEBRASKA (OT)	Sept. 7, 2019	24	W, 34-31
at Arizona	Oct. 11, 1958	25	W, 65-12	at Iowa State	Oct. 21, 1995	23	W, 50-28

The 258 yards gained in the quarter set a fourth quarter record for Colorado as well; the previous high was 231 on Sept. 24, 1994 – in CU's 27-26 win at Michigan.



SHENAULT WAS MAKING WAVES & HISTORY

Prior to being injured in the sixth game last season at Southern California (in the third quarter), then-sophomore **WR Laviska Shenault** had one amazing start to the 2018 season. He opened by recording the second-most receiving yards in back-to-back games (388) and tying for both the second (25) and fifth-most receptions (21) in two consecutive games in CU history. Through the season's eighth week games, he led the nation in both categories each week and was averaging **10.0** catches and **130.0** yards per game; he qualified once again for the national rankings after playing in the final three games (NCAA requires a player to appear in 75 percent of his games; after suffering a toe injury against the Trojans, he missed the Washington, Oregon State and Arizona games). Upon his return, he caught 26 passes for 231 yards; his average per catch dropped but he still managed to lead the nation in receptions per game with **9.6**. On Sept. 25, he was added to the official **Biletnikoff Award** watch list by the award's committee, and also advanced to the final 15 for the Maxwell Award. A look at his CU accomplishments his sophomore season:

MOST RECEIVING YARDS, BACK-TO-BACK GAMES

417	Paul Richardson	Sept. 1, 2013 (208 vs. Colorado State) Sept. 7, 2013 (209 vs. Central Arkansas)
388	Laviska Shenault	Aug. 31, 2018 (211 vs. Colorado State) Sept. 8, 2018 (177 at Nebraska)
376	Rae Carruth	Nov. 2, 1996 (222 at Missouri) Nov. 9, 1996 (154 vs. Iowa State)
351	Nelson Spruce	Sept. 20, 2014 (172 vs. Hawaii) Sept. 27, 2014 (179 at California)
350	Charles E. Johnson	Oct. 8, 1992 (168 at Missouri) Oct. 17, 1992 (182 vs. Oklahoma)

MOST RECEPTIONS, BACK-TO-BACK GAMES

32	Nelson Spruce	Sept. 20, 2014 (12 vs. Hawaii) Sept. 27, 2014 (19 at California)
25	Nelson Spruce	Sept. 27, 2014 (19 at California) Oct. 4, 2014 (6 vs. Oregon State)
25	Laviska Shenault	Sept. 28, 2018 (12 vs. UCLA) Oct. 6, 2018 (13 vs. Arizona State)
22	Nelson Spruce	Nov. 1, 2014 (13 vs. Washington) Nov. 8, 2014 (9 at Arizona)
21	Laviska Shenault	Aug. 31, 2018 (11 vs. Colorado State) Sept. 8, 2018 (10 at Nebraska)

THE SHENAULT ASSAULT ON CU CAREER & SEASON RECEIVING

Shenault made an incredible climb on CU's all-time receiving list in both receptions and yards. A look on how rapidly he moved up both lists in 2018:

Stat	Pre-2018	CSU	NEB	UNH	UCLA	ASU	USC	WASH	OSU	UA	WSU	UTAH	CAL
Career Receptions	7	18	28	33	45	58	67	67	67	67	77	86	93
Rank	NR	130th	95th	85th	61st	44th	37th	37th	37th	37th	34th	26th	20th
Career Yards	168	379	556	623	749	876	948	948	948	948	1,050	1,114	1,179
Rank	NR	110th	67th	58th	42nd	37th	34th	34th	34th	34th	29th	23rd	21st

Season Receptions

106	Nelson Spruce	2014
89	Nelson Spruce	2015
86	Laviska Shenault	2018
83	Paul Richardson	2013
78	D.J. Hackett	2003
76	Michael Westbrook	1992
76	Scotty McKnight	2009

1,013	D.J. Hackett	2003
1,011	Laviska Shenault	2018
1,008	Rae Carruth	1995

Season 100-Yard Games

6	Charles E. Johnson	1992
6	Charles E. Johnson	1993
6	Paul Richardson	2013
5	Michael Westbrook	1992
5	Nelson Spruce	2014
5	Rae Carruth	1995
5	Rae Carruth	1996
5	(14) Laviska Shenault	2018

Season Receiving Yards

1,343	Paul Richardson	2013
1,198	Nelson Spruce	2014
1,149	Charles E. Johnson	1992
1,116	Rae Carruth	1996
1,082	Charles E. Johnson	1993
1,060	Michael Westbrook	1992
1,053	Nelson Spruce	2015

His Hot Start: Six-Game Bests At Season Onset

Player	Season	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	100-Yard Games
Laviska Shenault	2018	60	780	13.0	6	4
Paul Richardson	2013	43	772	18.0	6	4
Nelson Spruce	2014	62	732	11.8	10	4
Michael Westbrook	1992	45	719	16.0	6	5
Charles E. Johnson	1993	35	657	18.8	6	4

Season Touchdowns/Rushing & Receiving

Laviska Shenault	2018	11	5 rushing, 6 receiving
Mike Pritchard	1990	11	5 rushing, 6 receiving
Richard Johnson	1982	10	6 rushing, 4 receiving

Career 100-Yard Games

Charles Johnson 12, Rae Carruth 11, Paul Richardson 9, Nelson Spruce 9, Michael Westbrook 8, Shay Fields 7, Phil Savoy 6, **Laviska Shenault 5**, Scotty McKnight 5.

THE LAVISKA LOG

Opponent	RECEIVING							RUSHING							HOW PLAYS ENDED										
	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TD	FD	YAC	AC	DM	BT	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TD	FD	AC	DM	BT	NT	OB	1Tkl	2Tkl	Gang	TD
Colorado State	3	48	16.0	25t	1	2	26	13	2	1	3	35	11.7	23	0	2	17	2	2	1	0	1	3	1	1
Nebraska	5	31	6.5	9	0	2	24	20	2	2	3	6	2.0	7	0	1	9	0	2	1	1	3	0	1	0
2019 TOTALS	8	79	9.9	25t	1	4	50	33	4	3	6	41	6.8	23	0	3	26	2	4	2	1	4	3	2	1
2018 TOTALS	86	1,011	11.8	89t	6	43	634	346	24	28	17	115	6.8	49t	5	7	70	6	8	7	8	24	25	28	11

(Key: **FD**—first downs; **YAC**—yards after catch; **AC**—yards after contact; **DM**—defenders made miss; **BT**—broken tackles; **NT**—no tackle; **OB**—ran out of bounds; **#Tkl**—tacklers)

- ▶ He missed three full games in 2018 after being injured in the third quarter at Southern California.
- ▶ He was named a **Midseason All-American** (first-team) by the *Associated Press*, *The Athletic*, *CBSSports.com*, *ESPN.com*, *ProFootballFocus.com* and *Rivals.com*.
- ▶ His longest reception in each of CU's first five games went for a touchdown in 2018, as did his first in 2019.
- ▶ He scored a touchdown in the first six games of the year before he was injured, at one time threatening the school record of **10** by **TB J.J. Flannigan**.
- ▶ His **11** touchdowns in 2018 added to **302** yards, or **27.5** yards per (his six TD receptions went for a combined **247** yards, or **41.2** per).
- ▶ His **13** career touchdowns have added to **382** yards, or **29.4** yards per.
- ▶ His **5** games with 10 or more receptions is a CU season record (old: 4, Nelson Spruce, 2014); he's tied for the second-most in a career (Spruce 7, Paul Richardson 5).
- ▶ In 2017 as a freshman, he became the 15th known Buffalo at the time to score a touchdown on his first collegiate touch (excluding defensive players), but statistically, *it wasn't an official touch*. Against Texas State, he scooped up an Isaiah Oliver fumble after the latter had returned a punt four yards; Shenault then ran **55** yards for a TD to open the scoring in what would be a 37-3 Colorado win. However, the NCAA does not score it as a fumble return but views it as an extension of a punt return, thus he was credited with no return for 55 yards, much like a lateral is scored (*full list of first touch scores on page 52*).



SHENAUT CRACKED PRESTIGIOUS GROUP

When he scored four touchdowns in CU's 28-21 win over Arizona State last October 6, **WR Laviska Shenault** joined a very exclusive group in CU history. He became the 15th different player to score four (or more) touchdowns in a single game. Only **TB Rashaan Salaam** did it twice (in his Heisman Trophy year in 1994). While Shenault was the first to score four with two rushing and two receiving, the standard still might be what HB Byron White did against Utah on a snow-covered field in a 31-7 win in Boulder in 1936: White scored on punt returns of 38 and 43 yards in the first quarter, scored on a 38-yard run in the second, and returned the second half kickoff 90 yards for a score (he also threw a TD pass for 50 yards and kicked one extra point). The 16 times Buffaloes crossed into the end zone for four-plus touchdowns (*—includes three kick return touchdowns (two punt, one kickoff)):

FOUR-PLUS TOUCHDOWN GAMES IN CU HISTORY (16)

Date	Player	Opponent	TDs (Rush, Receive)	Date	Player	Opponent	TDs (Rush, Receive)
Nov. 23, 2001	Chris Brown	NEBRASKA	6 (6, 0)	Sept. 30, 1978	James Mayberry	NORTHWESTERN	4 (4, 0)
Nov. 26, 1925	Max Chamberlain	at Denver	4 (4, 0)	Nov. 18, 1989	J.J. Flannigan	at Kansas State	4 (4, 0)
Oct. 28, 1928	Bill Smith	COLORADO MINES	4 (4, 0)	Nov. 3, 1990	Eric Bieniemy	at Nebraska	4 (4, 0)
Oct. 19, 1935	Kayo Lam	COLORADO MINES	4 (4, 0)	Sept. 17, 1994	Rashaan Salaam	WISCONSIN	4 (4, 0)
Nov. 7, 1936	Byron White	UTAH	4* (1, 0)	Oct. 15, 1994	Rashaan Salaam	OKLAHOMA	4 (4, 0)
Oct. 9, 1954	John Bayuk	at Arizona	4 (4, 0)	Nov. 5, 2005	Lawrence Vickers	MISSOURI	4 (4, 0)
Oct. 11, 1958	Howard Cook	at Arizona	4 (4, 0)	Oct. 19, 2013	Michael Adkins	CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	4 (4, 0)
Sept. 20, 1969	Bobby Anderson	TULSA	4 (4, 0)	Oct. 6, 2018	Laviska Shenault	ARIZONA STATE	4 (2, 2)

SHENAUT SECOND BUFF WR TO EARN FIRST-TEAM ALL-PAC-12 HONORS

WR Laviska Shenault was named first-team All-Pac-12 by the league coaches on Dec. 4; he is just the second offensive player and fifth Buffalo overall to earn first-team honors since the Buffs joined the Pac-12 in 2011 (joining **WR Paul Richardson** in 2013, **DE Jimmie Gilbert** and **S Ryan Moeller** (all-purpose player) in 2016 and **CB Isaiah Oliver** in 2017. Shenault and Richardson are the only CU receivers to earn first-team all-conference honors since 1997, when WR Phil Savoy earned first-team All-Big 12 accolades; the Buffs had at least one for six straight seasons from 1992-97 between the Big 8 and Big 12. Shenault finished the 2018 season with 86 receptions for 1,011 yards and six touchdowns. He also added 17 rushes for 115 yards and five touchdowns on the ground. Missing three-and-a-half games due to injury and playing the last three games of the season at less than 100 percent, he still managed to lead the nation in receiving at 9.6 receptions per game, exactly 1.0 reception per game more than any other player in the country.

► In 2018, Shenault was the only player in the nation to score at least five touchdowns via both rushing and receiving. He's the second player in CU history to accomplish that feat alongside **WR Mike Pritchard**, who did so in 1990 aided by playing the season-opening Tennessee game at tailback and rushing 20 times for 217 yards and two touchdowns.

PUNT COVERAGE & PROTECTION

The opponent has been held under 100 punt return yards in each of the last two seasons: opponents had 19 returns for 89 yards last year, and 15 for 75 in 2017; thus, the two-year total was 164 yards on 34 returns, or 4.82 per. You have to go back to 1997 to find the previous season when the opponent had less than 100 punt return yards (18 for 88), and all the way back to 1970 (10 for 54) and 1971 (11 for 77) for the last time CU held the enemy to under 100 yards two seasons in a row (*Colorado State had 19 in the season opener.*)

► CU had **64** punts in 2018 with none blocked, the 29th season since 1946 the Buffaloes did not have one blocked. The 64 punts without one rank seventh for the most punts in a season without at least one blocked, trailing 1949 (77), 2012 (76), 1984 (72), 1979 (71), 2004 (68) and 2014 (65).

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

Here's where the Buffs rank statistically in select categories in the Pac-12 and the NCAA through games of September 7:

TEAM				Pac-12				NCAA			
Pac-12	NCAA	Category	Stat	Pac-12	NCAA	Category	Stat	Pac-12	NCAA	Category	Stat
6th	68th	RUSHING OFFENSE	166.0	10th	81st	RUSHING DEFENSE	155.0	11th	85th	PUNT RETURNS	5.0
5th	28th	PASSING OFFENSE	303.5	11th	121st	PASSING DEFENSE	332.0	1st	1st	KICKOFF RETURNS	43.0
4th	39th	TOTAL OFFENSE	469.5	10th	118th	TOTAL DEFENSE	487.0	5th	29th	NET PUNTING	42.8
10th	96th	3rd DOWN EFFICIENCY	34.6	6th	70th	3rd DOWN EFF DEFENSE	37.0	3rd	4th	TURNOVER MARGIN	+2.50
4th	23rd	SCORING OFFENSE	43.0	10th	98th	SCORING DEFENSE	31.0	9th	90th	TIME OF POSSESSION	28:50

INDIVIDUAL (Top 25 in conference or top CU leader; players must meet NCAA minimum of 75% of team's games; *—if had enough attempts to qualify)																			
Rushing			Pac-12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Receptions			Pac-12	NCAA	No./Gm	Punting			Pac-12	NCAA	Avg.		
Alex Fontenot	8th	56th	83.5	Tony Brown	15th	139th	4.0	Davis Price	4th	18th	46.7	Punt Returns			Pac-12	NCAA	Avg.		
Passing Yards			Pac-12	NCAA	Yards	Receiving Yards (Avg.)			Pac-12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Kickoff Returns			Pac-12	NCAA	Avg.		
Steven Montez	2nd	17th	607	Laviska Shenault	15th	139th	4.0	None			Quarterback Sacks			Pac-12	NCAA	Avg./Gm			
Passing Efficiency			Pac-12	NCAA	Rating	Scoring			Pac-12	NCAA	Pts/Gm	Mustafa Johnson			1st	9th	1.50		
Steven Montez	5th	28th	169.2	James Stefanou	5th	4th	10.0	Alex Tchangam			4th	20th	1.00	Interceptions			Pac-12	NCAA	Avg./Gm
Completion Pct.			Pac-12	NCAA	Rating	Jaren Mangham			6th	57th	9.0	Mikial Onu			2nd	2nd	1.00		
Steven Montez	6th	39th	67.2	Field Goal Pct.			Pac-12	NCAA	Pct.	Passes Defended			Pac-12	NCAA	Avg./Gm	None			
Total Offense			Pac-12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	James Stefanou			1st	1st	100.0	Tackles (CU uses coaches' video)							
Steven Montez	2nd	19th	314.5	Field Goals			Pac-12	NCAA	FG/Gm										
Alex Fontenot	20th	181st	83.5	James Stefanou			5th	32nd	1.50										
All-Purpose			Pac-12	NCAA	Yds/Gm														
K.D. Nixon	13th	88th	108.0																
Alex Fontenot	19th	129th	93.5																
Laviska Shenault	22nd	162nd	87.0																



COLORADO IN THE POLLS – 2019 WEEK-BY-WEEK

A look at where Colorado has placed weekly in each of the three major polls in 2018 (the College Football Playoff committee first released its weekly rankings on Tuesday, Oct. 30; RV—denotes received votes; number is place outside top 25):

Poll	PS	9/03	9/08	9/15	9/22	9/29	10/06	10/13	10/20	10/27	11/03	11/10	11/17	11/24	12/01	Final
Associated Press	---	---	RV (32)													
USA Today Coaches	---	---	RV (37)													
FWAA-NFF Super 16	---	---	---													
CFP Committee Poll	N/A	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	

IN THE POLLS / SOME HISTORY

Colorado was last ranked on Oct. 13, 2018 (No. 25 in the USA Today/Coaches poll), and was last in the AP poll on Oct. 6, 2018 (No. 19); the Buffs were a season-high No. 18 the same day in the coaches ballot). The Buffs were not ranked in 2017, and had climbed to as high as No. 9 in both polls (twice) in 2016; CU had not been ranked previous to '16 since 2005. Colorado owns the ninth longest streak of all-time, as from the 1989 preseason poll through the fifth week of 1997, CU had a run of **143** consecutive weeks in the AP poll. CU has now been ranked **304** times in its history, the 26th most all-time (Georgia Tech is 25th with 307), and has finished in the top four on four occasions, tied for 22nd most (the College Football Playoff includes the top four teams; only USC, with 12, has more than CU from the Pac-12).

45 WINS OVER AP RANKED TEAMS 20TH BEST SINCE '89

CU's **46** wins over *Associated Press* ranked teams dating back to the 1989 season (when the AP expanded to a top 25) are the 20th most in the nation in this time frame (30 seasons). Through Sept. 7, Alabama has the most (95), followed by Ohio State (89), Florida State (83), Florida (79), LSU (76), Michigan (71), Oklahoma (70), Southern Cal (69), Miami, Fla. (61), Georgia (60), Tennessee (60), Texas (59), Auburn (59), Clemson (57), Notre Dame (57), Oregon (55), Penn State (52), Washington (52), UCLA (51), Michigan State (47), Nebraska (47) and **Colorado (46)**. All-time, Colorado's **69** wins over ranked teams are tied for the 23rd most in history. **Since 1989, CU has played the seventh most ranked teams in the nation (136, with a record of 46-88-2)**, trailing only Alabama 153 (95-57-1), Florida (152; 79-72-1), LSU (151; 76-75), Ohio State 142 (89-50-3), Michigan 141 (71-68-2) and Florida State 136 (83-53).

- CU is **3-31** against ranked teams since a 34-30 win versus No. 17 Kansas in Boulder on Oct. 17, 2009 (the wins over #25 Nebraska this year and #20 WSU and #21 Utah in 2016).
- CU's last win over a top 5 or 10 team was on Sept. 29, 2007: a 27-24 win over No. 3 Oklahoma in Boulder.
- **Note:** In 2016, ASU was ranked #24 in the *USA Today/Coaches* poll when CU defeated it, 40-16; but all historical records are solely against those teams ranked by the AP.
- The Buffs have still lost **29** straight road games against ranked opponents, with the last win a 31-17 over UCLA at the Rose Bowl in 2002.

1,000 / 1,000

Prior to 2018, in school history there had been 16 1,000-yard rushing seasons and nine 1,000-yard receiving season, but never both in the same season until last year. **WR Laviska Shenault** had 1,011 receiving and **TB Travon McMillian** 1,009 to become the first duo to do in the same season. Shenault's average of 11.8 tied for the eighth-best of the now 10 1,000-yard receiving years, while McMillian's 5.02 norm was the 13th-best of the thousand yard runners.

700 CLUB

With the 44-28 win over California in 2017, Colorado became the 25th school to reach the 700-win mark; the Buffs have an all-time record of **707-505-36** (a .580 winning percentage). In addition to being 25th on the all-time win list, CU is 36th in winning percentage (29th for schools with 1,000 or more games played in the FBS). The top 30 in all-time wins through games of September 7:

Team	Years	Games	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Team	Years	Games	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Team	Years	Games	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
1 Michigan	140	1,333	955	342	36	.730	11 Georgia	126	1,298	821	423	54	.653	20 Florida	113	1,185	726	418	40	.629
2 Ohio State	130	1,291	913	325	53	.727	12 LSU	126	1,261	799	415	47	.652	22 Syracuse	130	1,310	720	541	49	.568
3 Texas	127	1,313	909	371	33	.705	13 Auburn	127	1,257	769	441	47	.630	23 Arkansas	126	1,261	716	505	40	.584
4 Alabama	125	1,279	907	329	43	.726	14 West Virginia	127	1,294	751	498	45	.598	24 Navy	139	1,337	712	568	57	.554
5 Notre Dame	131	1,264	898	324	42	.727	15 Clemson	124	1,250	746	459	45	.614	25 COLORADO	130	1,251	707	508	36	.580
5 Oklahoma	125	1,277	899	325	53	.724	15 Virginia Tech	126	1,264	745	473	46	.607	25 Wisconsin	131	1,255	707	495	53	.584
7 Nebraska	130	1,326	897	389	40	.692	17 Texas A&M	125	1,272	742	482	48	.602	27 Michigan State	123	1,206	703	459	44	.600
8 Penn State	133	1,319	888	390	41	.688	18 Georgia Tech	127	1,282	736	503	43	.591	28 Minnesota	136	1,263	697	522	44	.569
9 USC	126	1,241	841	346	54	.699	19 Washington	130	1,234	734	450	50	.615	29 North Carolina	129	1,289	693	542	54	.558
10 Tennessee	123	1,283	838	392	53	.675	20 Pittsburgh	130	1,303	726	535	42	.573	30 Miami-Ohio	131	1,198	691	463	44	.595

CHEV'S "COACHED" A HATRICK ... PLUS

Darrin Chiaverini is in his fourth year as CU's wide receivers coach. During his 37 games to date, he's now coached four players who have passed him on CU's all-time receiving yards list. **WR Shay Fields** passed him as a junior in 2016, while seniors **WR Devin Ross** and **WR Bryce Bobo** did so in 2017. And a fourth, **WR Laviska Shenault** zoomed by him in the first game of 2019, while **WR K.D. Nixon** now looms as the next potential to pass him by:

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
2	Shay Fields (2014-17)	190	2,552	13.4	21	20	Darrin Chiaverini (1995-98)	97	1,199	12.4	6
11	Bryce Bobo (2014-17)	150	1,638	10.9	10	41	K.D. Nixon (2017-19)	62	830	13.4	5
12	Devin Ross (2013-17)	140	1,626	11.7	9						
16	Laviska Shenault (2017-19)	101	1,258	12.5	7						

O-LINE NOTES. Colorado has three starters returning on the offensive line (**Tim Lynott, Jr.**; **Colby Pursell**; **Will Sherman**); that's tied with several schools but only 12 have more (led by Auburn, Boise State and Iowa State all with five). With Pursell moving from center to guard and Lynott from guard to center, eight other schools are doing the latter and four the former (no Pac-12 schools).

**OPENING DEPTH CHART NOTES**

The Buffs released their season-opening depth chart on August 22, and for the fifth time in the last seven seasons, CU has more underclassmen than upperclassmen listed. Of the approximately 55 players who figure to see action from scrimmage, 32 are underclassmen (16 freshman, 16 sophomores).

► In both 2016 and 2017, CU did not start a true freshman in any game over the course of the season; that had not happened since 2005.

SEASON OPENERS: UNDERCLASSMEN STARTERS

The depth is always fluid leading up to the first game, but with nine underclassmen atop the August 22 depth chart, if that were to hold, for the second straight year that many would start the opener. In 2018, it marked the fifth time since 1995 that three freshmen cracked the opening day starter list; the most was four in 2007 (when six underclassmen started in the opener). A look at the most underclassmen starters for the Buffaloes over the last 25 seasons:

Season	Fr.	So.	Total
2014	3	9	12
2009	3	8	11
2018	3	6	9
2003	1	7	8
2004	1	7	8
2008	1	7	8
2012	2	6	8

THAT REDSHIRT RULE

Beginning with the 2018 season, incoming freshmen can now play in up to four games but not lose a year of eligibility; this also applies to anyone else on the roster. In any year they play in four games or less, they get the year back (and the four can be at any point during the season; they do not have to be the first four games). Also if a player redshirts as a true freshman and then suffers a season-ending injury within the first four games of another season, he's now eligible for a sixth-year without having to lose two years to injuries and go through the old petition process. A perfect example would be **Derek McCartney**, who redshirted as a true freshman in 2013, and was injured in game three of his fourth-year (2016); he would have been awarded a sixth-year of eligibility under this rule change.

If this new rule above had been permanently in place since freshmen were allowed to play, here are some notable Buffaloes that would have earned a full season back due to either playing in four games or less at some point in their career due to injury, and others who once played, were simply inserted at the end of games over the course of the season when the outcomes had already been decided (assuming the four-game maximum would have applied in 11-game seasons prior to 2006; *—denotes true freshman):

- WR *Dave Logan, 1972** Debuted late in week two in a 56-14 win over Cincinnati, when he had his lone reception of the year. He was on the travel squad, but appeared just a couple of more times.
- TB *James Mayberry, 1975** Appeared late in several games, had 16 rushing attempts and one reception.
- DT George Smith, 1982** Injured in the fourth game of the year, he had 34 tackles, four for losses when he was lost for the year.
- WB *Mike Pritchard, 1987** Appeared in six games and 17 rushes and threw seven passes.
- QB *Darian Hagan, 1988** Appeared in five games (plus the Freedom Bowl), had 38 rushes and threw seven passes.
- QB *Vance Joseph, 1990** Appeared in four games, had 13 rushes and threw seven passes (and was next in line to play in the '91 Orange Bowl).
- QB *Kordell Stewart, 1991** Appeared in two games, had 18 rushes and threw two passes.
- QB *Koy Detmer, 1992** Pressed into duty to rally CU over Minnesota in game three, started two others and appeared in seven overall; but he was also injured early in the fourth game in 1995, so either would have applied.
- ILB Jashon Sykes, 2001** Injured in the fourth game of the year, he had already racked up 33 tackles and 3½ sacks
- QB *Joel Klatt, 2002** Played three snaps late against Baylor in game seven, appeared in a handful of others after, including on the punt team.
- OLB Derek McCartney, 2016** Had already utilized his redshirt year, so when lost for the season with a torn ACL in game three at Michigan, he lost that year.

And there were several players in 1984, when CU resurrected its junior varsity team for one year; several played in the three JV games and then saw some time afterward in some of the last six varsity games. These included **WR Lance Carl**, **ILB Don DeLuzio**, **TB Dion Dyson**, **TE/P Keith English**, **WR Drew Ferrando**, **QB Mark Hatcher**, **P Barry Helton**, **TB Sam Smith**, **CB David Tate** and **FB Anthony Weatherspoon**.

AND WHO BENEFITTED? SEVEN BUFFS

There were seven Buffaloes who benefitted from the NCAA's new redshirt which permits players to play in up to four games and not lose a year of eligibility provided they had a redshirt year available to them (no fifth-year seniors played in four games or less who were lost for the season due to injury, as exceptions could have been made in those instances). Those players, with the games they appeared in parenthesis (*—no longer on team): **OLB Jacob Callier** (4), **PK Tyler Francis** (2), **P Alex Kinney** (4), **PK Evan Price** (2), **WR Dimitri Stanley** (3), **DB *L.J. Wallace** (1) and **ILB *Jake Yurachek** (1).

This is the third straight year CU opens with four of its first five games in the state of Colorado; it's fairly common for the Buffs, as this is the 19th time CU will leave the state just once in the first five games dating back to the 1978 season.



MONTEZ /QUICKLY

Sophomore **QB Steven Montez** is **14-15** as CU's starting quarterback (2-1 in 2016, 5-7 in 2017, 5-7 in 2018, 2-0 in 2019). Some Montezbits:

- ▶ Montez opened **5-1** as a starter was the best by a CU quarterback since **Mike Moschetti** opened **5-0** in 1998 (he went on to be 5-1, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3 and 7-3); Moschetti was the last to open 6-1 (along with **John Hessler** in 1995, who went on to be 8-1 in his first nine games as starter from 1995-97).
- ▶ He has started **29** games at quarterback: sixth all-time at CU, and is the fourth-most in the last 20 seasons.
- ▶ He has now started games in four different seasons (3-2016, 12-2017, 12-2018, 2-2019); he joins his predecessor, **Sefo Liufau** (2013-16), **Tyler Hansen** (2008-11) and Hawkins as the four to do so in Colorado history.
- ▶ He has started **26** consecutive games at the position; that only trails **Gale Weidner** (31, 1959-61, including the '62 Orange Bowl) and **Kordell Stewart** (28, 1992-94, including three bowls); nationally, that trails Jake Fromm, Georgia (**30**) and Nate Stanley, Iowa (**28**); he is tied with Nathan Rourke, Ohio (**26**).
- ▶ In three season openers (all against Colorado State), he completed **56-of-74** passes for **772** yards (7 TD/3 INT) for a rating of 186.4. His **88.0** completion percentage in the 2018 opener (**22-of-25**) was a school record for 20- and 25-plus attempts and thus was by far a career-best, topping his previous best of 72.4 (21-of-29), which was set against the Rams in 2017. Combined versus CSU, he was **25-of-33** on first downs (for 315 yards), **19-of-26** for 205 yards on second down and **12-of-15** for 252 yards on third down.
- ▶ He is the fourth player in school history to throw for **7,000** career yards (**7,448**; the third to do it this millennium).
- ▶ He is also the second player in school history to accumulate **8,000** yards of total offense (**8,277**; he trails only Sefo Liufau, with 10,509).
- ▶ He has **14** career games of 300-plus yards total offense; breaking the school record of 13 by QB Sefo Liufau (2013-16).
- ▶ He is third at Colorado with **50** career touchdown passes (Sefo Liufau and Cody Hawkins lead with 60; Joel Klatt had 44).
- ▶ He has engineered **4** fourth quarter comebacks, three on the road (at Oregon, 2016, at Oregon State, 2017, at Nebraska, 2018) and one at home (Nebraska, 2019)
- ▶ He was the first Buffalo quarterback to throw a TD pass on his first career pass since **Joe Dowler** did so back in 1959. Montez hit **WR Kabion Ento** on a 69-yard scoring strike in the second quarter in his first appearance in the second game of the 2016 season (against Idaho State). Dowler had done it on Oct. 3, 1959 at Oklahoma, a 15-yard TD pass to Kirk Campbell in a 42-12 loss to the Sooners.

TAKING THE WORLD BY STORM

QB Steven Montez had quite a debut as CU's starter subbing for an injured Sefo Liufau at Oregon (Sept. 24, 2016). In leading the Buffs to a 41-38 win, he arguably had the best first game as a starter in school history. He completed 23 of 32 passes for 333 yards (3 TD/2 INT), for a passer rating of 177.7 and also had 21 rushes for 135 yards (6.4 per), with a touchdown and a long run of 32 yards. It all added up to 468 yards of total offense and 23 first downs earned (8 rush/15 passing). He received seven different national and/or conference accolades for his efforts, as well as:

- He enjoyed the fifth-best game in a quarterback's first start at Colorado in terms of passing yards, but the best in total offense (see charts below).
- His 135 yards rushing were the most in a debut by a starting Buff QB (topping the 116 by Darian Hagan vs. Texas in 1989) and is the 10th most in any game all-time at Colorado by a quarterback (and the first 100-yard game by a quarterback since Nov. 4, 2006 when Bernard Jackson had 105 against Kansas State).
- His 468 yards of total offense were the fourth-most in a single-game in Colorado history.
- It was the first-ever 300 passing/100 rushing game in CU history and just the second 200/100 game (Stewart had 205/143 vs. Notre Dame in the '95 Fiesta Bowl).
- His 14 straight completions in the first half tied for the second-most in school history (trailing 15 by Mike Moschetti over two games in 1999); it matched the most in one game (Koy Detmer, 14 at Colorado State in 1996).

Most Yards Passing / CU Quarterback Debut

Yards	(A-C-I, TD)	Player	Opponent	Date	Result
418	(50-33-5, 2)	Koy Detmer	Oklahoma	10/24/1992	T, 24-24
409	(36-21-1, 4)	Kordell Stewart	Colorado State	9/05/1992	W, 37-17
402	(34-21-0, 4)	Joel Klatt	Colorado State (Denver)	8/30/2003	W, 42-35
348	(34-24-0, 5)	John Hessler	at Oklahoma	9/30/1995	W, 38-17
333	(32-23-2, 2)	Steven Montez	at Oregon	9/24/2016	W, 41-38
257	(32-21-0, 3)	Mike Moschetti	Colorado State (Denver)	9/05/1998	W, 42-14

Most Total Offense / CU Quarterback Debut

Yards (Pass, Rush)	Player	Opponent	Date	Result
468 (333, 135)	Steven Montez	at Oregon	9/24/2016	W, 41-38
430 (409, 21)	Kordell Stewart	Colorado State	9/05/1992	W, 37-17
396 (418, -22)	Koy Detmer	Oklahoma	10/24/1992	T, 24-24
392 (402, -10)	Joel Klatt	Colorado State (Denver)	8/30/2003	W, 42-35
270 (257, 13)	Mike Moschetti	Colorado State (Denver)	9/05/1998	W, 42-14

MONTEZ THE 12TH FRESHMAN AT COLORADO TO START A GAME AT QUARTERBACK

QB Steven Montez became just the 12th freshman in school history to start a game at quarterback at Colorado (the sixth redshirt frosh to do so). He had the second-most passing yards by a freshman in a starting debut at CU quarterback. A closer look at every freshman's first career start at CU (*—denotes redshirt freshman):

FRESHMAN PERFORMANCES, FIRST CAREER START AT COLORADO

Quarterback	Date	Opponent	Result	Passing	Quarterback	Date	Opponent	Result	Passing
Randy Essington	10/18/80	at Missouri	L 7-45	22-11-1, 58 , 0 td	*Cody Hawkins	9/01/07	Colorado State (Denver; OT)	W 31-28	31-18-1, 201 , 2 td
*Steve Vogel	10/24/81	at Iowa State	L 10-17	16-12-0, 89 , 0 td	Tyler Hansen	10/25/08	at Missouri	L 0-58	16-12-0, 72 , 0 td
Marc Walters	11/22/86	at Kansas State	W 49-3	4- 4-0, 111 , 1 td	*Nick Hirschman	10/29/11	at Arizona State	L 14-48	7- 4-0, 52 , 0 td
Koy Detmer	10/17/92	OKLAHOMA	T 24-24	50-33-5, 418 , 2 td	Sefo Liufau	10/19/13	CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	W 43-10	20-14-0, 198 , 1 td
*Zac Colvin	10/23/99	at Iowa State	W 16-12	23-14-1, 116 , 1 td	*Cade Apsay	11/21/15	at Washington State	L 3-27	40-26-2, 238 , 0 td
Craig Ochs	10/07/00	at Texas A&M	W 26-19	25-15-0, 239 , 1 td	*Steven Montez	9/24/16	at Oregon	W 41-38	32-23-2, 333, 3 td

THE "RUSHING/PASSING" QB's

Montez is a two-way threat with his arm and his legs, as evidenced by being the first 300/100 player in CU history (300 yards passing/100 rushing in the same game). He's cracked CU's list of all-time rushing yards by quarterbacks (adjusted to allow for sacks; *—Anderson switched to tailback in the third game of the 1969 season):

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Gross Att-Yards	Sacked/ Yds Lost	Adjusted Att	Adjusted Yards	Avg.	TD	Rk	Player (Seasons)	Gross Att-Yards	Sacked/ Yds Lost	Adjusted Att	Adjusted Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Darian Hagan (1988-91).....	489-2,007	42/264	447	2,271	5.08	27	6	Sefo Liufau (2013-16).....	368- 941	71/441	297	1,382	4.65	12
2	Byron White (1935-37).....	342-1,864	?	342	1,864	5.45	22	7	Steven Montez (2016-19)	290- 829	76/491	214	1,320	6.17	8
3	*Bob Anderson (1967-69).....	390-1,580	24/162	366	1,742	4.76	20	8	David Williams (1973-75).....	276- 959	32/251	244	1,210	4.96	12
4	Kordell Stewart (1991-94).....	302-1,289	55/451	247	1,740	7.04	15	9	Sal Aunese (1987-88).....	235-1,009	18/102	217	1,111	5.12	14
5	Mark Hatcher (1984-87).....	375-1,470	16/ 95	359	1,565	4.36	16	10	Tyler Hansen (2008-11).....	279- 478	82/617	197	1,095	5.56	8



BREAKING DOWN THE EL PASO MAN

QB Steven Montez enjoyed a fine junior season. Here's how his numbers broke down by downs and by quarters:

By Down	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	att. comp.	TD	Long	Sacked	Rating	
First	149-109- 1	73.2	1070	7.2	9.8	4	57t	8/47	141.0
Second	143- 89- 3	62.2	1029	7.2	11.6	9	57t	11/64	139.3
Third	100- 59- 5	59.0	744	7.4	12.6	6	89t	11/73	131.3
Fourth	7- 1- 0	14.3	6	1.0	6.0	0	6	0/ 0	21.4
Totals	399-258- 9	64.7	2849	7.1	11.0	19	89t	30/184	135.8

By Quarter	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	att. comp.	TD	Long	Sacked	Rating	
First	94- 72- 2	76.6	704	7.5	9.8	7	57t	6/29	159.8
Second	111- 75- 4	67.6	831	7.5	11.1	5	57t	11/66	138.1
Third	98- 62- 1	63.3	753	7.7	12.1	6	89t	6/38	146.0
Fourth	92- 48- 2	52.2	540	5.9	11.3	1	53	6/48	100.7
Overtime	4- 1- 0	25.0	21	5.3	21.0	0	21	1/ 3	77.5
Totals	399-258- 9	64.7	2849	7.1	11.0	19	89t	30/184	135.8

MONTEZ AT FOLSOM (NEUTRAL & ROAD)

Steven Montez has appeared 16 times in games at Folsom Field, and generally has played very well; he owns a rating of 152.7. He has started 14 of the 16 games (indicated by an *), and CU is 10-6 overall in games he has appeared in at Folsom:

Date	Opponent	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	TD	50+	20+	Rating
9/10/16	Idaho State	W 10- 6-0	60.0	117	2	1	1	224.3
10/01/16	*Oregon State	W 27-19-0	70.4	293	3	2	5	198.2
11/03/16	UCLA	W 3- 1-1	33.3	17	0	0	0	14.3
9/09/17	*Texas State	W 31-19-0	61.3	299	1	0	5	153.0
9/16/17	*N. Colorado	W 41-29-1	70.7	357	4	0	5	171.2
9/23/17	*Washington	L 27-21-3	77.8	171	0	0	2	108.8
10/07/17	*Arizona	L 32-19-0	59.4	251	3	0	2	156.2
10/28/17	*California	W 26-20-0	76.9	347	3	1	6	227.1
11/11/17	*USC	L 49-27-2	55.1	376	2	2	4	124.9
9/15/18	*New Hampshire	W 19-14-1	73.7	166	1	1	2	153.9

Date	Opponent	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	TD	50+	20+	Rating
9/28/18	*UCLA	W 26-22-0	84.6	237	1	1	3	173.9
10/06/18	*Arizona State	W 33-24-0	72.7	328	2	1	8	176.2
10/27/18	*Oregon State	L 39-24-0	61.5	319	2	0	5	147.2
11/10/18	*Washington St.	L 35-20-0	57.1	199	0	0	1	104.9
11/17/18	*Utah	L 22-13-1	59.1	84	0	0	0	82.1
9/07/19	*Nebraska	W 41-28-1	68.3	375	2	1	4	156.3
Home Games (16)	(10-6)	460-306-10	66.5	3936	26	10	54	152.7
Neutral Sites (4)	(2-2)	70- 43- 3	61.4	555	3	0	5	133.6
Road Games (13)	(3-10)	438-257-10	58.7	2957	21	4	34	126.6
CAREER TOTALS (33)	(14-18)	927-578-22	62.4	7073	48	13	89	138.8

THE 100 CLUB

QB Steven Montez set the school record for the most passing attempts without an interception with 172 over a seven-game span in 2017; it only ended on the last play of the game at Arizona State, when he was picked off on a batted ball in the end zone on "Hail Mary" thrown. It was the ninth streak of 100 passes or more in Colorado history (and he was the seventh different quarterback to do it). The 172-game streak was the longest active streak in the nation at the time, as the two ahead of him on the list were picked off the week before (N.C. State's Ryan Finley saw his streak end at 340 and San Diego State's Christian Chapman's ended at 168). His last pick had been a third quarter interception against No. 7 Washington on Sept. 23.

► During the streak, he was 100-of-172 for 1,391 yards and 10 touchdowns (58.1 completion percentage, 145.3 rating).

► He finished with 18 touchdowns against nine interceptions for the season. The most attempts without an interception in CU history:

- 172 Steven Montez (seven games, Sept. 23-Nov. 4, 2017)
- 152 Sefo Liufau (nine games, Nov. 13, 2015 to Nov. 3, 2016)
- 139 Joel Klatt (five games, Oct. 15 to Nov. 12, 2005)
- 131 Tyler Hansen (four games, Sept. 3 to Oct. 1, 2011)
- 118 Sefo Liufau (five games, Sept. 3 to Oct. 3, 2015)
- 114 Cody Hawkins (four games, Oct. 9 to Nov. 6, 2010)

- 107 Sefo Liufau (four games, Oct. 10-31, 2015)
- 104 Craig Ochs (four games, Oct. 14 to Nov. 4, 2000)
- 100 John Hessler (six games, Sept. 2 to Oct. 7, 1995)

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- 82 Steven Montez (three games, Oct. 20 to Nov. 2, 2018)
 - 80 Steven Montez (three games, Aug. 31 to Sept. 15, 2018)

TDS, PICKS AND THROWS

QB Steven Montez threw 18 touchdown passes in 2017, tied for the seventh-most in a single season in school history. Of course, that can be dependent on the number of throws. For those 10 seasons where a quarterback threw at least 15 TD passes, his percentage was the second-lowest at 4.77; but he countered that by have the best interception percentage among the group, at just 2.39 percent. So his 2-to-1 ratio of 18 TD passes to nine picks also played out in the percentages, which only Joel Klatt (2003), John Hessler (1995) and Mike Moschetti (1998) bettered. A closer look:

Quarterback	Season	Class	Att	TD	Pct.	Int	Pct.
Sefo Liufau	2014	Soph.	498	28	5.62	15	3.01
Koy Detmer	1996	Sr.	363	22	6.06	12	3.31
Joel Klatt	2003	Soph.	358	21	5.87	10	2.79
John Hessler	1995	Soph.	266	20	7.52	9	3.38
Tyler Hansen	2011	Sr.	412	20	4.85	11	2.67
Cody Hawkins	2007	Fr-RS	424	19	4.48	15	3.54

Quarterback	Season	Class	Att	TD	Pct.	Int	Pct.
Steven Montez	2018	Jr.	399	19	4.76	9	2.26
Steven Montez	2017	Soph.	377	18	4.77	9	2.39
Mike Moschetti	1999	Sr.	331	18	5.44	12	3.63
Cody Hawkins	2008	Soph.	320	17	5.31	10	3.13
Mike Moschetti	1998	Jr.	276	15	5.43	7	2.54

MONTEZ ALREADY IN ELITE COMPANY

QB Steven Montez has already set a significant CU record with three career 400-yard total offense games. He had two in 2017, tying Mike Moschetti for the most in a single season. The list of all 14 games with 400-plus at Colorado:

Yds	(pass,rush)	Player	Opponent	Date	Yds	(pass,rush)	Player	Opponent	Date
527	(455,72)	Sefo Liufau	at California (2 OT)	Sept. 27, 2014	430	(426,4)	Koy Detmer	NE Louisiana	Sept. 16, 1995
500	(465,35)	Mike Moschetti	San Jose State	Sept. 11, 1999	430	(409,21)	Kordell Stewart	Colorado State	Sept. 5, 1992
500	(474,25)	Tyler Hansen	California (OT)	Sept. 10, 2011	429	(336,93)	Craig Ochs	Oklahoma State	Oct. 28, 2000
468	(333,135)	Steven Montez	at Oregon	Sept. 24, 2016	425	(357,68)	Steven Montez	Northern Colorado	Sept. 16, 2017
457	(457,0)	Koy Detmer	at Missouri	Nov. 2, 1996	424	(419,5)	Joel Klatt	Kansas (OT)	Oct. 11, 2003
453	(345,108)	Sefo Liufau	Washington State	Nov. 19, 2016	416	(376,40)	Steven Montez	Southern California	Nov. 11, 2017
446	(382,64)	Mike Moschetti	Oklahoma	Oct. 30, 1999	408	(400,8)	Connor Wood	Colorado State (Denver)	Sept. 1, 2013



QB STARTER STATS

Montez has an opportunity to move up the all-time Colorado charts in quarterback starts as well as wins. A closer look:

MOST STARTS

Quarterback	Seasons	Starts	Record	Pct.
Sefo Liufau	2013-16	40	16-24	.400
Darian Hagan	1988-91	35	28-5-2	.829
Joel Klatt	2002-05	34	19-15	.559
Kordell Stewart	1991-94	33	27-5-1	.833
Gale Weidner	1959-61	31	20-11	.645
Cody Hawkins	2007-10	28	11-17	.393
Steven Montez	2016-19	29	14-15	.483
Mark Hatcher	1984-87	25	13-12	.520

MOST WINS

Quarterback	Seasons	Starts	Record	Pct.
Darian Hagan	1988-91	35	28-5-2	.829
Kordell Stewart	1991-94	33	27-5-1	.833
Gale Weidner	1959-61	31	20-11	.645
Joel Klatt	2002-05	34	19-15	.559
Ken Johnson	1971-73	23	17- 6	.739
Sefo Liufau	2013-16	40	16-24	.400
Koy Detmer	1992-96	18	14-3-1	.806
Bobby Anderson	1967-69	23	14- 9	.609

Quarterback	Seasons	Starts	Record	Pct.
David Williams	1972-75	23	14- 9	.609
Mike Moschetti	1998-99	23	14- 9	.609
Steven Montez	2016-19	29	14-15	.483
Sal Aunese	1987-88	19	13- 6	.684
Mark Hatcher	1984-87	25	13-12	.520

DISSECTING MONTEZ

An across the board look at Montez' numbers in 2019 and last year:

Opponent	PASSING				Incompletion Breakdown-----										RUSHING						
	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	FD	Long	Rating	TOT	TA	DR	INT	BU	M	RF	HT	Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	FD	Long
Colorado State	20-13-0	65.0	232	2	10	38	195.4	7	1	1	0	2	3	0	2	5	39	7.8	0	3	19
Nebraska	41-28-1	68.3	375	2	13	96t	156.3	13	5	2	1	2	2	1	3	8	-17	-2.1	0	1	5
2019 Totals	61-41-1	67.2	607	4	23	96t	169.2	20	6	3	1	4	5	1	5	13	22	1.7	0	4	19
2018 Totals	399-258-9	64.7	2849	19	125	89t	135.8	141	24	26	9	31	49	2	67	94	238	2.5	3	22	49

(KEY: FD—first downs; TA—thrown away; DR—drops; INT—interceptions; BU—passes broken up; M—misses; RF—receiver fell down; HT—hurried throws.)

300/100/100

The Buffaloes have now had **15** occasions in their history with a 300-yard passer, 100-yard rusher and 100-yard receiver, with **Steven Montez** is the quarterback involved the most (six), while Devin Ross has been a participant in the most at receiver (four) and Phillip Lindsay and Travon McMillian the most at running back (three). Colorado is **9-6** in these games:

COLORADO'S 300/100/100 GAMES

Date	Opponent	Score	Quarterback	Rusher	Receiver
Oct. 12, 1996	OKLAHOMA STATE	W 35-13	Koy Detmer (402)	Lendon Henry (101)	Rae Carruth (166)
Sept. 11, 1999	SAN JOSE STATE	W 63-35	Mike Moschetti (465)	Cortlen Johnson (104)	Marcus Stiggers (174)
Nov. 26, 1999	NEBRASKA (OT)	L 27-30	Mike Moschetti (317)	Cortlen Johnson (135)	Javon Green (100)
Oct. 23, 2004	Texas A&M	L 26-29	Joel Klatt (346)	Bobby Purify (130)	Dusty Sprague (101)
Nov. 6, 2010	at Kansas	L 45-52	Cody Hawkins (322)	Rodney Stewart (175)	Paul Richardson (141)
Sept. 22, 2012	at Washington State	W 35-34	Jordan Webb (345)	Tony Jones (105)	Nelson Spruce (103)
Nov. 1, 2014	WASHINGTON	L 23-38	Sefo Liufau (314)	Michael Adkins (109)	Nelson Spruce (138)
Oct. 31, 2015	at UCLA	L 31-35	Sefo Liufau (312)	Patrick Carr (100)	Devin Ross (101)
Sept. 24, 2016	at Oregon	W 41-38	Steven Montez (333)	Steven Montez (135)	Devin Ross (153)
Nov. 19, 2016	WASHINGTON STATE	W 38-24	Sefo Liufau (345)	Phillip Lindsay (144) and Sefo Liufau (108)	Devin Ross (121)
Sept. 16, 2017	NORTHERN COLORADO	W 41-21	Steven Montez (357)	Phillip Lindsay (151)	Devin Ross (143)
Oct. 28, 2017	CALIFORNIA	W 44-28	Steven Montez (347)	Phillip Lindsay (161)	Shay Fields (101)
Aug. 31, 2018	Colorado State	W 45-13	Steven Montez (338)	Travon McMillian (103)	Laviska Shenault (211) and K.D. Nixon (112)
Oct. 6, 2018	ARIZONA STATE	W 28-21	Steven Montez (328)	Travon McMillian (136)	Laviska Shenault (127)
Oct. 27, 2018	OREGON STATE	L 34-41 (OT)	Steven Montez (319)	Travon McMillian (132)	K.D. Nixon (198)

"FREAK" LIST

For the past 16 years, college football analyst **Bruce Feldman** has put out a list in the summers on the biggest Freaks in college football. The list "showcases guys who generate buzz inside their programs by displaying the type of rare physical abilities that wow even those folks who are used to observing gifted athletes every day." The list is compiled with the help of many coaches, players and SIDs from around the nation. He had **S/OLB Davion Taylor** listed No. 22 on his 2018 compilation; Feldman's synopsis on Taylor:

No. 22 Taylor: "The Buffaloes amped up the speed of their defense quite a bit when they landed Taylor over the winter, the No. 1 outside linebacker junior college prospect (and No. 8 overall JUCO prospect) in the country. He completed spring football in February and March and went right to the track, where he raced in the 100 and 200 meters and was on the 4x100 relay team. The 6-3, 220-pounder was CU's fastest sprinter, and he finished sixth in the 100 at the Pac-12 Championships. His top 100 time this year was 10.51 in the prelims of the Pac-12s."

LINDY'S LIKES BOULDER—Lindy's Sports College Football gave CU two high rankings in its annual list of lists: **Ralphie** was named the No. 1 live mascot in the nation, and **Folsom Field** was selected as the third best stadium to "take a selfie."



COLLEGE FOOTBALL'S "OLD MAN" NO MORE

As a freshman in 2017, **PK James Stefanou** was the second oldest player overall in the FBS, but the oldest freshman; he assumed the mantle of being the oldest collegian in the game in 2018, but is back as the second-oldest this fall. One of the recent influxes of kickers from Australia, he came from a soccer background where he had elite level experience as a defender; he represented Australia on its U19 team, a youth progression team that is the feeder squad to the Olympic team. He also played professionally, most notably in two stints for South Melbourne FC, first from 2005-06 before he signed again with them in 2010. Stefanou got into football by training periodically over the course of six years (2012-17) at ProKick Australia, an academy developed to assist in the transition to American football by providing the fundamentals of punting and kicking. The elderly:

Age	Name, School	Position	Class	Birth Month	Hometown
33	Joshua Griffin, Colorado State	Defensive Back	Jr.	October 1986	Houston, Texas (extensive military service)
32	James Stefanou, Colorado	Placekicker	Jr.	April 1987	Melbourne, Australia (played 10 seasons of professional soccer)
31	Wade Lees, UCLA	Punter	Gr.	April 1988	Melbourne, Australia (Australian Rules football experience; Maryland transfer)
30	Dane Roy, Houston	Punter	Sr.	January 1989	Bunyip, Australia (another ProKick Australia product)
29	Tom Hutton, Oklahoma State	Punter	Fr.	March 1990	Newborough, VI, Australia (Australian Rules football experience)
29	Morgan James, Cincinnati	Offensive Line	Sr.	March 1990	Highland, Mich. (former professional hockey player—Southern Pro League)
29	Jesse Beal, West Virginia	Tight End	So.	July 1990	Washington, D.C. (spent 10 years in minor league baseball)
27	Ben Griffiths, USC	Punter	Fr.-RS	September 1991	Melbourne, Australia (played eight seasons of Australian Rules football)

THE VERTICAL GAME (EXPLOSION PLAYS)

CU, as in the case with most teams, often is most dangerous on offense when the unit can strike for the big play both via the rush and pass. Colorado had 57 "explosion" plays in 2016, or ones that gained 20 or more yards; that was the most by a CU team since 2007 (49 in 2017). Here's a look at CU's 20-plus plays in recent memory, not including bowls, going back to 1994, when CU had a high of 76 plays over 20-yards, almost equal in nature (37 rush, 39 pass):

Season	Total	Rush	Pass	Season	Total	Rush	Pass	Season	Total	Rush	Pass	Season	Total	Rush	Pass	Season	Total	Rush	Pass
1994	76	37	39	2000	38	8	30	2006	35	18	17	2012	36	9	27	2018	56	16	40
1995	61	11	50	2001	58	21	37	2007	58	18	40	2013	42	5	37	2019	12	3	9
1996	64	12	52	2002	58	35	23	2008	40	8	32	2014	48	12	36				
1997	46	9	37	2003	47	5	42	2009	44	7	37	2015	50	15	35				
1998	40	11	29	2004	48	13	35	2010	43	11	32	2016	57	16	41				
1999	57	12	45	2005	54	16	38	2011	56	14	42	2017	50	11	39				

AHEAD IN A BIG WAY

From 2006-15, the opponent had almost always had a distinct advantage in TSL (time spent in the lead), but CU reversed that and then some in 2016. The Buffs led for **457** minutes and **20** seconds, or **59** percent of the time; opponents for just 24 percent and the score tied the other 17 percent. CU led for more minutes in 2016 than it had in all 11 previous years after just eight games (and when it held the edge over an entire season just twice: 2005 and 2010). But alas, the opponent held a slight edge in both 2017 and 2018 (*bowl games not included*):

Season	Colorado	Tied	Opponent	Season	Colorado	Tied	Opponent	Season	Colorado	Tied	Opponent
2005	320:31	101:55	297:34	2010	312:45	113:54	293:21	2015	192:47	158:14	428:59
2006	269:22	123:11	327:27	2011	191:12	78:44	510:04	2016	457:20	133:33	189:07
2007	280:56	130:11	308:53	2012	77:38	112:18	530:04	2017	285:30	132:17	302:13
2008	191:24	119:07	409:29	2013	197:17	108:56	413:47	2018	268:07	171:14	280:39
2009	110:29	165:18	444:13	2014	261:22	83:52	374:46	2019	43:36	24:37	51:47

100/300

The Buffaloes have historically done well when holding the opponent to under 100 yards rushing and under 300 yards total offense. Dating back to the start of the 1985 season, Colorado is **103-15-1** when the opponent fails to reach 100 yards on the ground, and **104-20-1** when the enemy is held under 300 yards overall. CU is **10-1** and **15-0** in each, respectively, over the last six seasons.

FIVE, 5-0

Senior **P Alex Kinney** joined a handful of players in CU history to play in five games against the same opponent when he punted four times (in addition to holding on placements) in the season opener against Colorado State. He is the first Buffalo since **TE Quinn Sypniewski**, who lined up against the Rams in 2000-01-02-04-05); he lost two seasons after being injured early in 2003 and 2004 and was granted a sixth year.

—**But:** Kinney was **5-0** against Colorado State, believed to be either the first or second player in CU history to be involved in five wins against the same opponent. With no participation records available for the early years of the program, it can't be confirmed, but **Harry Gamble** lettered six times (1891-96) and could have been 5-0 against the University of Denver.

RECORD WATCH

The Buffaloes have already set **1** record (tied **1** other) for a total of **2** in 2019. *NOTE: CU did not adopt the NCAA 2002 policy of adding bowl game statistics in its season or career numbers, thus some may differ from NCAA totals.*

Most 300-Yard Total Offense Games, Career—14, Steven Montez, 2016-19.
Old Record: 13, Sefo Liufau, 2013-16.

RECORD

Most 300-Yard Passing Games, Career—11, Steven Montez, 2016-19.
Record: 11, Sefo Liufau, 2013-16.

TIED RECORD



TURNOVER FREE

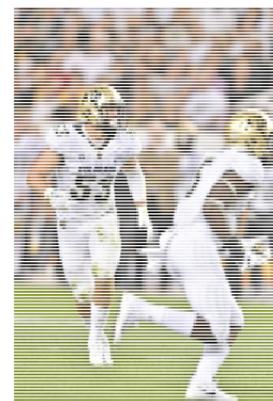
In 2017, Colorado saw its record run of consecutive quarters played without turning the ball over end at Washington State with a fourth quarter; the streak ended at a school-record **16** straight quarters (**253:52** in total time), and nearly went four straight games without one as there was just 3:20 remaining in the 28-0 loss to WSU when the streak came to a close. Colorado played **17** games out of **74** under Mike MacIntyre without a turnover, the highest percentage in any CU head coach's tenure over two years since World War II. Mel Tucker wasted no time coaching his first turnover-free game, doing it in his debut against Colorado State. Take a look (TFG—turnover free games; TG—total games):

Coach	TFG	(Record)	TG	Pct.	Coach	TFG	(Record)	TG	Pct.	Coach	TFG	(Record)	TG	Pct.
Mike MacIntyre	17	(11-6)	74	23.0	Eddie Crowder	6	(5-1)	118	5.1	Mel Tucker	1	(1-0)	2	50.0
Bill McCartney	23	(18-3-2)	153	15.0	Dal Ward	5	(2-1-2)	110	4.5	Jon Embree	5	(1-4)	25	20.0
Dan Hawkins	8	(3-5)	58	13.8	Bill Mallory	1	(1-0)	57	1.7	Brian Cabral	1	(1-0)	3	33.3
Gary Barnett	11	(49-38)	87	12.6	Chuck Fairbanks	0	(0-0)	33	0.0	Bud Davis	0	(0-0)	10	0.0
Sonny Grandelius	3	(2-1)	31	9.7	-----two or fewer seasons/interims-----					Jim Yeager	0	(0-0)	19	0.0
Rick Neuheisel	3	(3-0)	47	6.4	Mike Hankwitz	1	(0-1)	1	100.0					

- Colorado played four turnover-free games in 2018 (at Nebraska, vs. UCLA, vs. Arizona State, vs. Oregon State), tying the season record.
- **Wow:** The Buffaloes committed eight turnovers in the first four games in 2017, but had just eight over the next nine contests (**814** touches) until committing three against Washington State; so including the first nine games last year (**822** touches), CU had just 14 turnovers in that 17-game span (**1,548** touches).
- Colorado also played four turnover-free games in 2017, tying the school record previously accomplished in 1989, 1993, 2006 and 2011. It nearly had a fifth—an interception on a Hail Mary as time ran out at Arizona State was the lone turnover of that game.
- Post-World War II (dating back to 1946), Colorado has played **85** turnover-free games, owning a record of **56-25-4** in those games (**2-1** in bowls).
- Colorado played at least three turnover-free games the last four seasons (2015-18), easily the longest streak in school history; the **13** games without a turnover over the last four seasons are the most in any four-year span in school history, besting **11** mistake free games from 1987-90.
- Colorado has now had at least one turnover-free game for 10 straight seasons (2010-19, **26** total), tied for the longest run in school annals: the Buffs had at least one for 10 straight years (1998-2007, **19** total); CU also had a run of nine consecutive seasons (1987-95, **22** total).

LANDMAN TIES TACKLE MARK IN FIRST CAREER START

Sophomore **ILB Nate Landman** came on at the end of last season, and it carried through to the '18 opener against Colorado State. In 53 snaps from scrimmage (ironically his jersey number), he was in on 14 tackles (four solo), with a lot of garnish: two third down stops, a tackle for zero, a pass broken up and a tackle for loss along with his first career interception. In the process, he tied the school record for the most tackles in a first career start, and also earned the Pac-12 Conference's Defensive Player of the Week honor. He joins **QB Steven Montez** as the only Buffaloes to earn Pac-12 player of the week honors in their first career start; Montez claimed the offensive honor in a win at Oregon in 2016. Otherwise, you have to go back to 2003, when **QB Joel Klatt** won the Big 12's offensive honor for a monster game he had in a win over Colorado State.



MOST TACKLES / FIRST CAREER START ON DEFENSE

Total	(UT,AT)	Player	Opponent	Date
14	(7, 7)	Addison Gillam	Colorado State (Denver)	Sept. 1, 2013
14	(14, 0)	Ryan Moeller	Colorado State (Denver)	Nov. 22, 2014
14	(11, 3)	Grant Watanabe	ARIZONA	Oct. 17, 2015
14	(4,10)	Nate Landman	Colorado State (Denver)	Aug. 31, 2018
13	(9, 4)	Jordan Dizon	Washington State (Seattle)	Sept. 11, 2004

ELEVEN HAVE DASHED 100 ... OR FURTHER

In 2017 (Oct. 28), then-junior **DB Nick Fisher** joined a very exclusive club when he returned an interception 100 yards in the fourth quarter to close out CU's 44-28 win over California. It was the 11th 100-yard play in CU history, the fourth interception return of that length. However, the NCAA seals returns at a 100-yard maximum; if it allowed returns to be scored like the NFL, counting end zone yardage, Fisher would have been credited with a 109-yard return (CU's head statistician is also the Broncos'). It was the first 100-yard interception return since 1996, when **FS Steve Rosga** pulled it off against Oklahoma State (his would have been 105 yards). **ILB Marcus Burton** came close in 2005, when he picked one off at the half yard line and raced 99 yards for a score – at Oklahoma State.

COLORADO / 100-YARD PLAYS

KICKOFF RETURNS

Yards	Player, Opponent, Site, Date (*—opening kickoff of game)
100	Byron White vs. Denver at Denver, Nov. 26, 1936 (TD).
100	*Cliff Branch vs. Kansas in Boulder, Nov. 7, 1970 (TD).
100	*Billy Waddy vs. Kansas State in Boulder, Nov. 22, 1975 (TD).
100	Howard Ballage vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Oct. 21, 1978 (TD).
100	Walter Stanley vs. Oklahoma in Boulder, Oct. 4, 1980 (TD).
100	*Ben Kelly vs. Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 9, 1999 (TD).
100	Marques Mosley vs. Utah in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2012 (TD).

INTERCEPTION RETURNS

Yards	Player, Opponent, Site, Date
100	Dick Kearns vs. Denver at Denver, Nov. 24, 1938 (TD).
100	Johnny Zeigler vs. Colorado Mines in Boulder, Sept. 26, 1942 (TD).
100	Steve Rosga vs. Oklahoma State in Boulder, Oct. 12, 1996 (TD).
100	Nick Fisher vs. California in Boulder, Oct. 28, 2017 (TD).

DID YOU KNOW? Colorado is one of 29 schools to have had at least one member in all 13 years of the **NFF Hampshire Honor Society** (2007-19)? The Buffaloes are the only Pac-12 Conference school to do so and are one of just seven FBS/Division I schools recognized with the honors.



2019 SENIORS (18)

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Major (Minor)	Grad Status
1	ABRAMS, Delrick Jr.	CB	6- 3	185	Sr.	1L	Angie, La. (Varnado/Independence Community College)	Ethnic Studies	May '20
63	*BALE, J.T.	SN	6- 2	215	Sr.	3L	La Mirada, Calif. (La Mirada)	Economics	Dec. '19
35	BISHARAT, Beau	TE	6- 2	230	Sr.	3L	Sacramento, Calif. (Jesuit)	Political Science	May '20
18	*BROWN, Tony	WR	6- 1	195	Sr.	1L	La Mirada, Calif. (La Mirada/Texas Tech)	Sociology	May '20
37	*COOPER, Lucas	S	5-10	185	Sr.	3L	Palos Verdes, Calif. (Palos Verdes)	Strategic Communication	Dec. '19
42	*FALO, Nu'umotu Jr.	OLB	6- 2	240	Sr.	3L	Sacramento, Calif. (Inderkum)	Ethnic Studies	Dec. '19
17	GOLDIN, Josh	QB	6- 2	190	Sr.	1L	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Rock Canyon)	Business-Finance	May '20
51	*HAMBRIGHT, Arlington	OL	6- 5	300	Gr.	TR	Ypsilanti, Mich. (Belleville/Garden City CC/Oklahoma State)	Higher Education	May '21
9	*HARRIS, Jalen	TE	6- 4	255	Gr.	TR	Montgomery, Ala. (St. James/Auburn)	Education-FPP	Dec. '19
88	JONES, Darrion	TE	6- 6	255	Sr.	1L	Compton, Calif. (Carson/Los Angeles Harbor College)	Sociology	May '20
89	*#KINNEY, Alex	P	6- 1	205	Sr.-2	4L	Fort Collins, Colo. (Rocky Mountain)	Business-Management	Grad. (May '19)
56	*#LYNOTT, Tim Jr.	C	6- 3	300	Sr.	3L	Parker, Colo. (Regis)	Strategic Communication	Grad. (Dec. '18)
12	*MONTEZ, Steven	QB	6- 5	230	Sr.	3L	El Paso, Texas (Del Valle)	Strategic Communication	Dec. '19
	ONU, Mikial	S	5-11	205	Gr.	TR	Sugarland, Texas (George Ranch/SMU)	Organizational Leadership	May '21
49	PRICE, Davis	PK	6- 2	205	Sr.	3L	Evergreen, Colo. (Evergreen)	Journalism	May '20
68	*SHUTACK, Jack	OL	6- 6	300	Sr.	1L	Western Springs, Ill. (Nazareth Academy/Rutgers)	Sociology	May '20
20	TAYLOR, Davion	OLB	6- 2	225	Sr.	1L	Magnolia, Miss. (South Pike/Coahoma Community College)	Psychology	May '20
52	TCHANGAM, Alex	OLB	6- 3	245	Sr.	1L	Doula, Cameroon/John's Creek, Ga. (Chattahooche/De Anza College)	Ethnic Studies	May '20

(*—fifth-year senior; #—master's program in Organizational Leadership.

OTHER GRADUATES: Aside from the three graduate transfers and Kinney and Lynott, no other Buffaloes have graduated at this time.

GRADUATION REVIEW

(Through August 2019) Over the last 18 years, Colorado has had **330** of its **364** seniors graduate, or translating to **90.7** percent in this time frame (including 20 of the 23 seniors in 2018); these are the 2001-2018 senior classes, including those players who received medicals. Over the last 11 years, 215 of the last 234 have graduated (**91.9%**), with eight of those 19 either playing in the NFL or attempting to do so and haven't yet been able to complete their requirements. NCAA numbers will not match these (it doesn't allow a school to count transfers who graduate, but it does count against a school if it had a player transfer; it also does not count walk-ons). It's one of the reasons the numbers are skewed to be lower than they really are, especially at tougher academic schools like Colorado and its Pac-12 brethren. **TEAM GRADE POINT AVERAGE:** The team's **2.63** cumulative grade point average through the Spring 2019 semester is its second highest on record (data collected since 1996); the team has 17 straight semesters over a 2.5 (data collected since 1996).

100+ RETURN YARDS NOT THAT COMMON

Often lost in all the conversation about total offense and defense are return yards – but they often swing a game. In 2017, CU owned a **396-234** edge, and had two games with 100-plus return yards (116-9 versus Texas State and 126-5 against Cal). CU's had just five games since 2002 with over 100 returns yards in a game (and have had two in the same season since 2002; the last time with three was 2001). Last year, CU had **175** against UCLA in its 20-10 win, and they played a huge role, accounting for one touchdown via punt return and setting up CU's lone offensive score via an interception return. It was the most return yards by the Buffs since Oct. 26, 2002, when they had **183** in a 37-13 win over Texas Tech (125 interception, 44 punt, 14 fumble). The other two games with 100-plus came in 2008 against Eastern Washington (135) and in 2013 against Central Arkansas (125).

► For the ultimate example of how rare 100 return yards can be, look no further than CU's game at UCLA last Sept. 30. The Buffs held the edge in return yardage ... **1-0**. There were no punt or fumble returns, no miscellaneous returns, and the only yard game on the lone interception and return of the game. And then against Arizona, the Wildcats had a **6-0** edge (a single punt return). CU had two games with zero return yards, the opponent two as well.

► In the '18 opener against Colorado State, the Buffaloes owned an **87-0** edge in return yards, most coming on punts (85 yards); those collectively set CU up at their own 28-yard line. Then at Nebraska, the edge was **32-(-2)**.

► All told, CU had the advantage in return yards in eight of 12 games in 2018 with an overall edge of **372-275** in yards.

PRICE MADE MARK AS A FROSH

PK Davis Price joined the team as a recruited walk-on in June 2016, and wound up seeing action as a true freshman due to a season-ending injury in the Michigan game to **Diego Gonzalez**. He was first pressed into service as the kickoff specialist at Oregon in game four, and the next week, he was promoted into the first-team role the next week for Oregon State. He responded by making all five of his extra point tries and both of his field goals, including a 54-yard boot on his first try, the CU record for both the longest made by a freshman and the longest first-career make. He was recognized for his performance as the Pac-12's Special Teams Player of the Week; the 54-yarder was the longest by a freshman in the NCAA in 2016 and tied for the fourth-longest overall.

Longest Field Goals By A Freshman In The NCAA / 2016

- 54 **Davis Price, Colorado (Oct. 1 vs. Oregon State)**
 - 53 Matt Ammendola, Oklahoma State (Sept. 10 vs. Central Michigan)
 - 53 Logan Tyler, Florida State (Nov. 11 vs. Boston College)
- No others over 50 yards

Longest Field Goals / Colorado Freshmen

- 54 **Davis Price, vs. Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 1, 2016**
- 53 **James Stefanou vs. Arizona State at Tempe, Nov. 4, 2017**
- 52 Will Oliver, vs. California in Boulder, Sept. 11, 2011
- 51 Tom Field, vs. Oregon in Boulder, Sept. 8, 1979
- 50 Tom Field, vs. Oklahoma State in Boulder, Nov. 10, 1979
- 49 **James Stefanou vs. Washington in Boulder, Sept. 23, 2017**

► **A FIRST?** It was for sure for CU: United Airlines provides the team charter for CU's travel, and for the 2016 USC trip, the pilot was **Doug Price** – Davis' father. A CU graduate himself, he is an Air Force Veteran who has been flying for United for 22 years; he normally flies military charters bringing troops back home from overseas.

► **THE SECOND.** He piloted CU's charter to and from Seattle for the Washington game this season, and it was extra special as his sons handled all the kicking chores in the game: Davis the punting and kickoff duties, and freshman Evan the placekicking (he made good on all three kicks, two field goals and a PAT). It was Evan's first game as he replaced an injured James Stefanou on the trip.

**COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS IN 2019**

- 0** Quarterback sacks allowed versus CSU, just the fifth time in the last 24 season openers the opponent failed to get to the quarterback (2018, 2014, 2008, 2004).
- 2** This is just the second time Colorado will play Colorado State and Air Force in the same season (along with 1958);
- 2** The number of interceptions by S Mikial Onu against CSU (he had three in his SMU career); first Buffs in three seasons to snare two;
- 3rd** Mel Tucker became the third coach to win his debut at the reins of the CU program with the Buffs' 52-31 win over Colorado State;
- 3:34** The average length of CU's games in 2019 (the quickest—Colorado State, **3:19**; the longest—Nebraska, **3:49**). The average in 2018: **3:23**;
- 4** The number of fourth quarter sacks by the Buffs in two games (after have four in the quarter in all of 2018);
- 7** The number of true freshmen the Buffs have played in 2018 (**3** offense/**4** defense);
- 8:47 (p.m.)** The starting time of the season opener against CSU (lightning delayed it 37 minutes), the fourth-latest kickoff in CU history (second-latest in Colorado);
- 10** The Buffaloes have had at least one turnover-free game for the last 10 seasons, tying the school's previous best run;
- 18-5** Colorado's non-conference record dating back to the start of the 2013 season (includes Pac-12 title game and Alamo Bowl; **18-3** regular season);
- 19** The number of players making their debut in CU uniform this season;
- 26** Mel Tucker was named the 26th head coach in Colorado history on December 5, 2018;
- 31-of-40** The number of coin tosses CU has won dating back to the '16 opener (CU was 13-of-14 in '16);
- 36.1** The third down efficiency of opponents against Colorado in the state's borders since the '09 opener (**374-of-1,037**).
- 53rd** The number season of CU's live buffalo mascot "Ralphie" leading the team out on the field;
- 106** The number of consecutive PAT kicks CU has made (**3** by Chris Graham, **16** by Davis Price, **77** by James Stefanou, **5** by Evan Price, **5** by Tyler Francis);
- 316** The number of all-time wins Colorado has recorded at Folsom Field since it opened on Oct. 11, 1924 (**408** overall at all home venues).
- 8,277** The career yards of total offense by **QB Steven Montez**, as he chases down the all-time record by Sefo Liufau (**10,509** from 2013-16).
- 1,294,101** The total attendance of the 19 Rocky Mountain Showdowns played in Denver.

COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS IN 2018

- 0-6-2** The Buffs record in Pac-12 road "doubleheaders" (road games in back-to-back weeks: no sweeps, two splits, swept five times); USC-Washington (0-2) in 2018.
- 1-4-2** The Buffs record in Pac-12 home "doubleheaders" (one sweep—WSU and Utah in 2016; two splits, swept thrice); Washington State-Utah (0-2) in 2018.
- 2** The last two consensus national coaches of the year squared off in week 2: CU's Mike MacIntyre vs. Nebraska's Scott Frost; CU won in Lincoln, 33-28.
- 2-1** Colorado's record on Fridays in 2018; this was the first time in school history CU played three contests on a Friday;
- 3 x 2** The Buffaloes scored on both the opening possession of the game and the first drive of the second half in each of the first three games (5 TD, 1 FG).
- 3-of-6** Colorado was 3-of-6 on 3rd-&-11 or longer against Nebraska; going in, it was just 18-of-61 under Mike MacIntyre in his five-plus years as head coach.
- 3:23** The average length of CU's games in 2018 (the quickest—at Washington, **3:01**; the longest—Oregon State, **4:00**);
- 4:00** The length of that Oregon State game tied for the second longest in CU history; trailing 4:01 for a two-OT loss at California in 2014;
- 5-0** Colorado opened 5-0 for the first time since 1998 (and 1994 before that; USC prevented CU from opening 6-0 for the first time since 1994).
- 5:41 (a.m.)** The time the Buffs arrived back in Boulder during the USC game (Oct. 13-14), which kicked off at 8:45 p.m. MDT;
- 9.17** Colorado's average per play on offense against Colorado State, the first time CU averaged over eight yards per play since 2013 (8.0 versus FCS Charleston Southern);
Also the first time against an FBS foe since 2004 (8.14 vs. North Texas), and the first time over nine per play since 1999 (9.24 vs. San Jose State).
- 18** The number of possessions the opponent has started in CU territory this year (out of **160**; just 10 of those have led to scores, 6 TDs/4 FGs).
- 11-of-11** Colorado has completed its last 11 passes when it throws on its first play of the year (dating back to 1969; the 11 have gained **154** yards).
- 15-23** Colorado's all-time record in regular season games played on Friday (**2-1** this season);
- 19** The number of fumbles by CU tailbacks (on offense) in **75** games from 2013-18 (**2,117** carries; **3** this year in **308**; **4** in the last **646**);
- 22.6** The opponents' third down conversion percentage on 3rd-&-8 or longer (**19-of-85**);
- 24** The number of players making their first starts in a CU uniform in 2018;
- 26** The number of different NFL teams that scouted the Buffaloes on game days this season;
- 30** The number of Colorado games played in less than three hours since 1990 (out of **354** games; none yet this year; last: 2:57 versus Washington in 2017);
- 35-1-1** Colorado's all-time record when rushing for 300-plus yards in a game (had **311** against New Hampshire on Sept. 15).
- 37.1** The opponents' combined percentage on third down inside-the-CU 20 (**96-of-259**) in the last 113 games (dating to 2008; **9-of-24** this year);
- 43** The number of games between CU's last overtime contest (Sept. 19, 2015: CU 27, Colorado State 24) and this year's (Oregon State);
- 45-14** The final score of the New Hampshire game, a fairly common score, was the first (win or lose) in the first 1,241 games in CU football history;
- 52** The number of Buffaloes who have scored 100 or more career points (**PK James Stefanou** joined the list this season);
- 54** The number of Buffaloes who have 1,000 or more career rushing yards; **TB Travon McMillian** made the list with 1,009 this season.
- 60.4** The average temperature at kickoff for CU's 11 games in 2018 (warmest: **90** for New Hampshire in Boulder; coldest: **28** for Utah in Boulder);
- 60.9** The opponents' TD percentage on drives inside-the-20 (red zone) against CU during the MacIntyre Era (**171** TDs/**281** trips; **71** field goals, **39** non-scores);
- 64.6** The average number of plays (plays, kicks, returns) per fumble in the MacIntyre Era at Colorado (**105** fumbles, **6,784** touches);
- 67.0** Colorado's third down efficiency on 3rd-&-4 or less the last three seasons (**132-of-197**; 29-of-49 this season);
- 250th** The UCLA game was the 250th CU game assistant coach Darian Hagan was associated with (player/staff member/assistant coach);
- 266** The number of trips into the red zone by CU under **Mike MacIntyre** (**223** scores, or **83.8** percent: **155** touchdowns, **68** field goals);
- 468** The total offense that **QB Steven Montez** amassed in his first career start at Oregon in 2016 (**333** passing, **135** rushing and accounting for **4** TDs).
- 705** The number of all-time wins by Colorado, as the Buffaloes became the 25th school to win 700 games.



CAREER GAMES PLAYED/STARTED CHART

Listed below are the career games played/started for the players on the 2019 Colorado Buffaloes. The players on the opening camp roster collectively had played in 753 games, but with just 179 starts (the fewest by a returning team since info started being tracked in 1984. The list through 2018 (includes the '16 Alamo Bowl):

Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS
ABRAMS	12	10	FILLIP	9	2	LEWIS	12	0	POPLAWSKI	9	0	STEFANOU	21	—
ALLEN	2	0	FONTENOT	14	2	LUCKETT	0	0	PRICE, D.	33	—	STENSTROM	0	0
APPLETON	0	0	FRANCIS	2	0	LYNCH	0	0	PRICE, E.	2	—	STILLWELL	0	0
ARIAS	14	0	GOLDIN	9	0	LYNOTT, Jr.	38	35	PURSELL	14	14	TAYLOR	14	11
BACA	1	0	GROTH	0	0	LYTLE, C.	5	0	RAKESTRAW	26	2	TCHANGAM	11	1
BALE	40	0	GUSTAV	1	0	LYTLE, T.	5	0	RAY	2	0	THOMAS	0	0
BEDELL	0	0	HAM	0	0	MADDOX	14	2	ROBINSON	1	0	TOWNSEND	0	0
BELL	5	0	HAMBRIGHT	2	2	MAGRI	13	0	RODDICK	2	0	TRUJILLO	0	0
BISHARAT	38	0	HARRIS	2	0	MANGHAM	2	0	RODMAN	2	0	UDOFFIA	20	11
BLACKMON	10	5	HUDSON	8	0	MILLER	8	2	RUSSELL	14	5	VAN DIEST	8	2
BROUSSARD	0	0	HUFFMAN-DIXON	0	0	MONTEZ	37	29	SAMI	2	2	VAUGHN	25	0
BROWN	14	6	JACKSON	7	0	MONTGOMERY	1	0	SANDERS	4	0	WATERS	0	0
BRUMBROUGH	2	0	JOHNSON, A.	0	0	MURRAY	0	0	SAUVAO	0	0	WELLS	13	7
CALLIER	15	2	JOHNSON, D.	0	0	NEWMAN	8	0	SCHMANSKI	0	0	WILEY	0	0
CATE	0	0	JOHNSON, M.	14	14	NIXON	25	10	SENN	0	0	WILLIAMS	2	0
CHIAVERINI	4	0	JONES, A.	19	0	NOYER	11	0	SHENAULT, L.	23	10	2019 TOTALS	868	223
CICCARONE	0	0	JONES, D.	9	0	OATS	0	0	SHENAULT, V.	0	0	2018 FINAL	1534	457
COOPER	25	0	JORDAN	2	0	ONU	2	2	SHERMAN	14	11			
DAVIS	2	0	JYNES	1	0	PAIGE	2	0	SHUTACK	3	0			
DEITCHMAN	0	0	KINNEY	45	—	PELL	0	0	SIMON	0	0			
DOSS	0	0	KUTSCH	14	2	PERRY, M.	0	0	SMITH, A.	0	0			
DUBAR	0	0	LANDMAN	25	14	PERRY, Q.	0	0	SMITH, D.	2	0			
FALO	33	1	LANG	13	3	POHAHAU	0	0	STANLEY	5	4			

Returning Highs & Lows:

MOST GAMES: 1,080 (2005), 1,072 (2016), 1,053 (2006), 1,027 (2017), 924 (2001). **MOST STARTS:** 412 (2016), 327 (2015), 326 (2001), 314 (2014), 313 (2010). **FEWEST GAMES:** 674 (2012), 694 (2000), 752 (2019), 761 (2004), 790 (1999). **FEWEST STARTS:** 179 (2019), 182 (2004), 193 (2018), 220 (1995), 223 (2000, 2012).

LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START: DE Israel Antwine, OT Frank Fillip, WR Dimitri Stanley (2018), TB Patrick Carr, CB Nick Fisher, CB Isaiah Oliver, ILB Grant Watanabe (2015); WR Shay Fields, WR Donavan Lee, DE Christian Shaver, S Evan White (2014); TB Michael Adkins II, CB Chidobe Awuzie, DE Jimmie Gilbert, ILB Addison Gillam, QB Sefo Liufau, S Tedric Thompson, CB John Walker (2012).

LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START AT QUARTERBACK: Sefo Liufau (2013), Tyler Hansen (2008), Craig Ochs (2000), Koy Detmer (1992). **IN A SEASON OPENER:** Has not occurred. **LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START AT RUNNING BACK:** TB Patrick Carr (2015), Michael Adkins II (2013), Donta Abron, Christian Powell (2012); Darell Scott (2008), Rodney Stewart (2008), Brian Lockridge (2007), Brian Calhoun (2002), Marcus Houston (2000). **IN A SEASON OPENER:** Kent Kahl (1991).

LAST REDSHIRT FRESHMEN TO START: NT Jalen Sami, WR Dimitri Stanley (2019), DE Terrance Lang, CB Chris Miller, OG Jake Moretti, C Colby Pursell, TE Brady Russell, OT William Sherman, OLB Carson Wells (2018); CB Trey Udoffia (2017); OT Aaron Haigler, OG Tim Lynott, QB Steven Montez (2016).

LAST PLAYERS TO START FOR THE FIRST TIME AS A SENIOR: OLB Nu'umotu Falo, OT Arlington Hambright, S Mikial Onu, OLB Alex Tchangam (2019); TB Kyle Evans, TB Travon McMillian, S Kyle Trego (2018); OLB David Goldberg, WR Logan Gray, FB Evan Harrington, DT Conrad Obi, DE Tony Poremba, OG Sione Tau (2011); TE Luke Walters (2010).

LAST PLAYERS TO START WHILE WALK-ONS: FS Ryan Moeller (2014); FB Jordan Murphy (2013); WR Dusty Ebner, C Keenan Stevens (2009), WR Steve Melton (2008); ILB Jake Duren, SS D.J. Dykes (2007).

STARTING STREAKS

Through two game in 2019, **QB Steven Montez** has made the most consecutive starts with 26; he is followed by **DE Mustafa Johnson** (14), **ILB Nate Landman** (14), **OL Colby Pursell** (14) and **OT Will Sherman** (11).

NINE HAVE MADE FIRST CAREER STARTS IN 2019

In the 2019 season opener against Colorado State in Denver, eight Buffaloes made their first career starts: **OLB Nu'umoto Falo**, **TB Alex Fontenot**, **OT Arlington Hambright**, **OG Kary Kutsch**, **S Aaron Maddox**, **S Mikial Onu**, **DT Jalen Sami** and **ILB Jonathan Van Diest**. Against Nebraska, **OLB Alex Tchangam** made his first career start.

Historically: Only 13 true freshmen have started from scrimmage for CU in a season opener: **TB Billy Waddy**, 1973 (at Louisiana State); **CB Victor Scott** and **OLB Scott Hardison**, 1980 (at UCLA); **HB Eric Bieniemy**, 1987 (vs. Oregon); **OG Clint Moore**, 1991 (vs. Wyoming); **ILB Jordon Dizon**, 2004 (vs. Colorado State); **CB Greg Henderson**, 2011 (vs. Hawai'i); **CB Kenneth Crawley** and **WR Gerald Thomas**, 2012 (vs. Colorado State); **ILB Addison Gillam**, 2013 (vs. Colorado State); **WR Shay Fields** and **DE Christian Shaver**, 2014 (vs. Colorado State); and **DE Israel Antwine**, 2018 (vs. Colorado State); add a 14th for the first play of the game/season on special teams (kickoff coverage team): **PK Kevin Eberhart** (2003, kicked off vs. CSU in Denver).

ANNUAL FIRST-TIME STARTERS: 1984 (29), 1985 (9), 1986 (15), 1987 (14), 1988 (16), 1989 (7), 1990 (16), 1991 (23), 1992 (15), 1993 (7), 1994 (6), 1995 (11), 1996 (8), 1997 (14), 1998 (27), 1999 (14), 2000 (16), 2001 (12), 2002 (16), 2003 (20), 2004 (12), 2005 (11), 2006 (24), 2007 (18), 2008 (15), 2009 (18), 2010 (21), 2011 (21), 2012 (21), 2013 (12), 2014 (14), 2015 (23); 2016 (5); 2017 (11); 2018 (24); **2019 (9)**.

18 PLAYERS HAVE SEEN FIRST CU ACTION IN 2019

A total of **18** players have seen their first action in a CU uniform this season (17 did so against Colorado State in the opener, considerably down from the record 34 a year ago) . Here is the breakdown by class of those players (*—mainly special teams duty):

TRUE FRESHMEN (6): TB *Joe Davis, OLB *Joshka Gustav, DT Janaz Jordan, TB Jaren Mangham, OL Kanan Ray, DT Na'im Rodman, DT Austin Williams. **REDSHIRT FROSH (6):** WR Clayton Baca, C Joshua Jynes, LB Ray Robinson, OL Casey Roddick, DT Jalen Sami, TB Deion Smith. **JUNIORS (2):** ILB Jash Allen, OLB Jamar Montgomery. **GRADUATE TRANSFERS (3):** OT Arlington Hambright, TE Jalen Harris, S Mikial Onu.

Recent counts: **45** (2018), **25** (2017), **23** (2016), **35** (2015), **26** (2014), **18** (2013), **26** (2012), **33** (2011), **26** (2010), **22** (2009), **30** (2008), **28** (2007).



2019 PARTICIPATION CHART

The participation chart for the 2019 Colorado Buffaloes; KEY: **S**—started; **✓**—played; **DNP**—dressed, but did not play; **INJ**—injured/illness; **SSP**—suspended; (—)—denotes did not dress; ●—saw first action as a Buffalo in 2019:

Player	CSU	NU	AFA	ASU	UA	UOWSU	SC	Ucla	STAN	UW	UU
ABRAMS	S	S									
● ALLEN	✓	✓									
APPLETON	DNP	DNP									
ARIAS	✓	✓									
● BACA	✓	DNP									
BALE	✓	✓									
BEDELL	DNP	DNP									
BELL	✓	✓									
BISHARAT	✓	✓									
BLACKMON	S	S									
BROUSSARD	DNP	INJ									
BROWN	✓	✓									
● BRUMBAUGH	✓	✓									
CALLIER	DNP	—									
CATE	INJ	INJ									
CHIAVERINI	✓	✓									
CICCARONE	DNP	—									
COOPER	INJ	INJ									
● DAVIS	✓	✓									
DEITCHMAN	DNP	—									
DOSS	DNP	DNP									
DUBAR	DNP	—									
FALO	S	✓									
FILLIP	✓	DNP									
FONTENOT	S	S									
FRANCIS	DNP	—									
GOLDIN	DNP	DNP									
GROTH	DNP	—									
● GUSTAV	DNP	✓									
HAM	DNP	DNP									
● HAMBRIGHT	S	S									
● HARRIS	✓	✓									
HUDSON	—	—									
HUFFMAN-DIXON	DNP	DNP									
JACKSON	✓	✓									
JOHNSON, A.	DNP	DNP									
JOHNSON, D.	INJ	INJ									
JOHNSON, M.	S	S									
JONES, A.	✓	✓									
JONES, D.	✓	✓									
● JORDAN	✓	✓									
● JYNES	✓	DNP									
KINNEY	✓	✓									
KUTSCH	S	S									
LANDMAN	S	S									
LANG	S	S									
LEWIS	✓	✓									
LUCKETT	DNP	DNP									
LYNCH	DNP	—									
LYNOTT, Jr.	S	S									
LYTLE, C.	✓	✓									
LYTLE, T.	✓	DNP									
MADDOX	S	S									
MAGRI	✓	✓									
● MANGHAM	✓	✓									

Player	CSU	NU	AFA	ASU	UA	UOWSU	SC	Ucla	STAN	UW	UU
MILLER	✓	✓									
MONTEZ	S	S									
● MONTGOMERY	✓	DNP									
MURRAY	DNP	DNP									
NEWMAN	INJ	INJ									
NIXON	S	S									
NOYER	✓	✓									
OATS	DNP	—									
● ONU	S	S									
PAIGE	DNP	—									
PELL	DNP	DNP									
PERRY, M.	DNP	DNP									
PERRY, Q.	DNP	DNP									
POHAHAU	DNP	—									
POPLAWSKI	DNP	—									
PRICE, D.	✓	DNP									
PRICE, E.	DNP	DNP									
PURSELL	S	S									
RAKESTRAW	✓	✓									
● RAY	✓	✓									
● ROBINSON	✓	INJ									
● RODDICK	✓	✓									
● RODMAN	✓	✓									
RUSSELL	S	S									
● SAMI	S	S									
SANDERS	✓	✓									
SAUVAO	DNP	—									
SCHMANSKI	DNP	—									
SENN	DNP	—									
SHENAULT, L.	S	S									
SHENAULT, V.	DNP	—									
SHERMAN	S	S									
SHUTACK	✓	DNP									
SIMON	DNP	DNP									
SMITH, A.	DNP	—									
● SMITH, D.	✓	✓									
STANLEY	S	S									
STEFANOU	✓	✓									
STENSTROM	DNP	DNP									
STILLWELL	DNP	—									
TAYLOR	✓	S									
TCHANGAM	✓	S									
THOMAS	DNP	DNP									
TOWNSEND	DNP	INJ									
TRUJILLO	DNP	DNP									
UDOFFIA	INJ	—									
VAN DIEST	S	S									
VAUGHN	✓	✓									
WATERS	DNP	—									
WELLS	S	INJ									
WILEY	DNP	—									
● WILLIAMS	✓	✓									
DRESSED	104	78									
PLAYED	62	54									

Inactive (2019): Bethel, Moretti, Nazarian, Sparaco, Travis.

EXPERIENCE ANALYSIS

A look at annual fluctuations in the percentage of upperclassmen starting games over the last decade or so at Colorado; in 2012, the Buffaloes started its fewest seniors believed ever (17.8%) and a record number of freshmen (28.0%; 21.6% true frosh). A year-by-year glance at starts by class since 1999:

Season	G	SR	JR	SO	FR	(RS-True)	UpperCl%	Fr-Pct.
1999	12	115	42	86	21	(20- 1)	59.5	8.0
2000	11	55	116	38	33	(15-18)	70.7	13.6
2001	13	102	95	83	7	(0- 7)	68.9	2.4
2002	14	155	130	14	9	(0- 9)	92.5	2.9
2003	12	105	49	78	32	(14-18)	58.3	12.1
2004	13	72	103	100	11	(0-11)	61.2	3.8
2005	13	116	112	48	10	(4- 6)	79.7	3.5
2006	12	92	84	73	15	(11- 4)	66.7	5.7
2007	13	89	106	42	49	(29-20)	68.2	17.0
2008	12	106	54	63	41	(24-17)	60.6	15.5
2009	12	57	90	89	28	(24- 4)	55.7	10.6

Season	G	SR	JR	SO	FR	(RS-True)	UpperCl%	Fr-Pct.
2010	12	82	111	37	34	(22-12)	73.1	12.9
2011	13	141	55	57	33	(10-23)	68.5	11.5
2012	12	47	84	59	74	(17-57)	49.6	28.0
2013	12	70	92	69	33	(2-31)	61.4	12.5
2014	12	83	50	96	35	(18-17)	50.4	13.3
2015	13	59	110	86	31	(25- 6)	59.1	11.7
2016	14	141	116	27	24	(24- 0)	83.4	7.8
2017	12	127	85	44	8	(8- 0)	80.3	3.1
2018	12	91	66	57	50	(35-15)	59.5	18.9
2019	2	12	15	13	4	(4-0)	61.4	9.1



HEAD COACH MEL TUCKER

Mel Tucker is in his first season as a collegiate head coach, as he was named as Colorado’s 26th full-time head coach on December 5, 2018. He thus owns a CU and career record of **2-0** as a head coach in NCAA Division I (FBS). A veteran of 22 seasons as coach (all on the defensive side of the ball), that run includes 10 years on three staffs in the National Football League from 2005-14 before he returned to the college ranks. He thus brings an impressive pedigree with him to Boulder, most recently as the defensive coordinator for the Georgia Bulldogs, who compiled a 32-9 record in his three years at the school, knocking heads with perennial power Alabama, where he was the assistant head coach to **Nick Saban** and the defensive backs coach for the Crimson Tide’s 2015 national championship team. That was Tucker’s second national championship team that he was a part of, as he was the defensive backs coach under **Jim Tressel** for Ohio State’s 2002 BCS title team. He has been a member of three Saban staffs, as he began his coaching career in 1997 as a graduate assistant under him at Michigan State, and was with him for the 2000 season at Louisiana State (2000). In the NFL, he spent four seasons on both the Cleveland Brown and Jacksonville Jaguar staffs and two years with the Chicago Bears, with seven of those years as a defensive coordinator. At the tail end of the 2011 season, he served as interim head for the Jaguars after **Jack Del Rio** was relieved of his duties, guiding the team to a 2-3 record to finish the year. Prior to CU, the teams he was a part of posted a 173-141 won-lost record, but that included a 114-40 mark in the college ranks.



	Overall	Home	Road	Neutral	2nd Half	Ranked	Unranked	Non-league	League	Bowls
Tucker at Colorado / Career	2-0	1-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-0	1-0	2-0	0-0	0-0
COLORADO STREAKS:	2-game plus wins, 2-game plus losses: 1, 0 . 3-game plus wins, 3-game plus losses: 0, 0 . 4-game plus wins, 4-game plus losses: 0,0 . 5-game plus wins, 5-game plus losses: 0, 0 . 6-game plus wins, 6-game plus losses: 0, 0 . Longest winning streak: 0 . Longest losing streak: 0 .									

TUCKER / PREVIOUS COACHING EXPERIENCE

1997-98	Michigan State	Graduate Assistant (defense)	2009	Jacksonville (NFL)	Defensive Coordinator/Secondary
1999	Miami, Ohio	Defensive Backs	2010-11	Jacksonville (NFL)	Defensive Coordinator
2000	Louisiana State	Defensive Backs	2011	Jacksonville (NFL)	Interim Head Coach
2001-03	Ohio State	Defensive Backs	2012	Jacksonville (NFL)	Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator
2004	Ohio State	Co-Defensive Coordinator/ Defensive Backs	2013-14	Chicago (NFL)	Defensive Coordinator
2005-07	Cleveland (NFL)	Defensive Backs	2015	Alabama	Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Backs
2008	Cleveland (NFL)	Defensive Coordinator	2016-18	Georgia	Defensive Coordinator/Secondary

- ◆ Tucker, 47, has coached in a total of **316** football games in his career (**2** as a collegiate head coach; 5 as an interim NFL head coach): **156** in NCAA Division I/FBS (130 as a full-time assistant and another **24** as a grad assistant at Michigan State); plus **160** in the National Football League (155 as an assistant coach).
- ◆ He has coached in 11 bowl games/postseason championships: 1997 Aloha, 2000 Peach, 2002 Outback, 2003 Fiesta/BCS National Championship, 2004 Fiesta, 2004 Alamo, 2015 Cotton/CFP Semifinal, 2016 CFP title game, 2016 Liberty, 2018 Rose/CFP Semifinal, 2018 CFP/National Championship.
- ◆ Coming to CU from Georgia, he didn’t change fight songs: both schools incorporate the *Battle Hymn of the Republic* into their tunes.
- ◆ He is the second African-American head football coach at Colorado, as **Jon Embree** headed the program in 2011-12. He joins **David Shaw** (ninth year at Stanford), **Herm Edwards** (second season at Arizona State) and **Kevin Sumlin** (second season at Arizona) as black head coaches in the Pac-12 Conference. There are 13 in Division I/FBS, with the Big Ten having three (Illinois, Maryland, Penn State). Thus, the conferences tied into the Rose Bowl have seven African-Americans coaching their affiliate schools.
- ◆ Tucker has coached five NFL first round draft picks along with recruiting four others: *Coached:* **CB Chris Gamble** (Ohio State; No. 28 overall pick by Carolina, 2004 Draft); **CB Donte Whitner** (Ohio State; No. 6, Buffalo, 2006); **CB Marlon Humphrey** (Alabama; No. 16, Baltimore, 2017); **S Minkah Fitzpatrick** (Alabama; No. 11, Miami, 2018); **LB Roquan Smith** (Georgia; No. 8, Chicago, 2018).
Recruited: **WR Ted Ginn, Jr.** (Ohio State; No. 9, Miami, 2007); **WR Anthony Gonzalez** (Ohio State; No. 32, Indianapolis, 2007); **CB Vernon Gholston** (Ohio State; No. 6, N.Y. Jets, 2008); **CB/S Malcolm Jenkins** (Ohio State; No. 14, New Orleans, 2009).
- ◆ His father, **Mel Tucker Sr.**, is a longtime close friend of **John Wooten**, CU’s All-American guard in the mid-1950s who went on to play nine seasons with the Cleveland Browns and one with the Washington Redskins before starting a long and illustrious career in NFL administration. The families grew close from their time in Cleveland; Wooten was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 2012.
- ◆ Tucker is not the first to be hired at Colorado with no previous collegiate head coaching experience, though he does have five games in the National Football League as an interim head coach. In the modern era (post-World War II), he joins an impressive list in **Dal Ward** (1948), **Sonny Grandelius** (1959), **Eddie Crowder** (1963), **Bill McCartney** (1982), **Rick Neuheisel** (1995) and **Jon Embree** (2011) as full-time coaches who were previously assistants. McCartney, of course, went on to become CU’s all-time winningest coach with a 93-55-5 record over 13 seasons, and all but Embree had winning records.
- ◆ **Mel Tucker** became the sixth Colorado head coach to have their debut at the reins of the program televised nationally. as he joined **Chuck Fairbanks** (ESPN; 1979 vs. Oregon), Neuheisel (ABC; 1995 at Wisconsin), **Gary Barnett** (FOX; 1999, Colorado State in Denver), Embree (ESPN2; 2011 at Hawai’i) and **Mike MacIntyre** (CBS-SN; 2013, Colorado State in Denver)..
- ◆ A 1995 graduate of the University of Wisconsin, earning his bachelor’s degree in Agricultural Business Management. A member of the first recruiting class on Wisconsin head coach **Barry Alvarez**, he lettered at defensive back for the Badgers (and actually played a game against CU in Boulder in 1994).
- ◆ **CONTRACT.** Tucker was officially named CU’s 26th full-time head coach on Dec. 5, 2018, and signed a 5-year contract worth just over \$14.75 million overall (\$500,000 base; \$950,000 radio/TV income & public appearances; \$950,000 assisting with promotions and fundraising income), plus various incentives that add to over \$1 million. The base salary will increase by \$75,000 and the other two major components by \$100,000 annually.
- ◆ **Tucker** is NOT a voter in the *USA Today*/ESPN Coaches poll; coaches are selected by a random draw. CU’s head coach voted every season from 1987-2009, and the Buffalo coach has now had a vote for the 29 of the last 33 seasons.



HEAD COACH MEL TUCKER continued

Mel Tucker Year-By-Year Coaching Record

Season	School	Overall					Pac-12 Conference					Finish/Conf.
		W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	
2019	Colorado.....	2	0	1.000	86	62	0	0	.000	0	0	.....
Colorado & Career Totals.....		2	0	1.000	86	62	0	0	.000	0	0	

As a GA at Michigan State (Big Ten; 2 seasons, 1997-98) 13-11 1 bowl (0-1)
 As an assistant at Miami-Ohio (MAC; 1 season, 1999) 7- 4
 As an assistant at Louisiana State (SEC; 1 season, 2000) 8- 4 1 bowl (1-0)
 As an assistant at Ohio State (Big Ten; 4 seasons, 2001-04)... 40-11 4 bowl (3-1)
 As an assistant with Cleveland (NFL; 4 seasons, 2005-08) 24-40

As an assistant with Jacksonville (NFL, 4 seasons, 2009-11)..... 20-39
 As interim head coach with Jacksonville (NFL, 1 season, 2011)... 2- 3
 As an assistant with Chicago (NFL, 2 seasons, 2013-14)..... 13-19
 As an assistant at Alabama (SEC, 1 season, 2015)..... 14- 1 2 bowl (2-0)
 As an assistant at Georgia (SEC, 3 seasons, 2016-18)..... 32- 9 3 bowl (2-1)

COLORADO SUPERLATIVES UNDER MEL TUCKER

The home (listed first) and road/neutral bests in the Mel Tucker Era at Colorado (2019-present; *—denotes school record):

MOST FIRST DOWNS		MOST TOTAL OFFENSE		FEWEST FIRST DOWNS ALLOWED		LEAST TOTAL OFFENSE ALLOWED	
22 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	464 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	19 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	469 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019
23 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	475 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	27 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	505 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019
MOST RUSHING YARDS		MOST POINTS		FEWEST RUSHING YARDS ALLOWED		FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED	
89 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	34 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	179 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	31 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019
243 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	52 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	131 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	31 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019
MOST PASSING YARDS		MOST TIME OF POSSESSION		FEWEST PASSING YARDS ALLOWED		MOST TURNOVERS FORCED	
375 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	30:28 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	290 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	3 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019
232 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	27:55 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	374 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	4 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019
MOST OFFENSIVE PLAYS		LONGEST SCORING DRIVE (TD; Yards)		FEWEST OFFENSIVE PLAYS ALLOWED			
78 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	96 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019	72 Nebraska	Sept. 7, 2019		
60 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	75 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019	78 Colorado State	Aug. 30, 2019		

MEL TUCKER VERSUS THE NATION

School	W	L	Pts	Opp	School	W	L	Pts	Opp	School	W	L	Pts	Opp
Air Force	0	0	0	0	Nebraska.....	1	0	34	31	UCLA	0	0	0	0
Arizona	0	0	0	0	Oregon.....	0	0	0	0	Utah	0	0	0	0
Arizona State	0	0	0	0	Oregon State.....	0	0	0	0	Washington	0	0	0	0
California	0	0	0	0	Southern California	0	0	0	0	Washington State ..	0	0	0	0
Colorado State.....	1	0	52	31	Stanford.....	0	0	0	0	Totals	2	0	86	62

MEL TUCKER TEAMS / SITUATIONAL AT COLORADO

Category	W	L	Category	W	L	Category	W	L	Category	W	L
Overall	2	0	Scoring 50+ Points	1	0	CU Scoring First.....	1	0	August.....	1	0
Home	1	0	Scoring 20+ Points	2	0	CU Leading At Half	1	0	September.....	1	0
Road	0	0	Scoring <20 Points	0	0	CU Trailing at Half	1	0	October.....	0	0
Neutral	1	0	Allowing <20 Points.....	0	0	CU Tied At Half	0	0	November.....	0	0
Bowl Games	0	0	Shutouts	0	0	CU Leading After 3Q	1	0	December.....	0	0
Non-Conference.....	2	0	7-Pt Games Or Closer	1	0	CU Trailing After 3Q	1	0	January.....	0	0
Pac-12 Conf. Games.....	0	0	Ranked Teams (AP).....	1	0	CU Tied After 3Q	0	0	Friday.....	1	0
Home	0	0	Top 5 (0-0 vs. No. 1) ...	0	0	Overtime.....	1	0	Saturday.....	1	0
Road	0	0	Top 10	0	0	1 OT	1	0	Mountain Time Zone	2	0
Day Games	0	0	Unranked Teams.....	1	0	2 OT	0	0	Pacific Time Zone.....	0	0
Night Games.....	1	0	As A Ranked Team.....	0	0						

TUCKER / POINT DIFFERENTIAL AT COLORADO

Margin	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Total
Won	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Lost	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CU COACHES ON GAME DAY (2019)

The location for CU coaching staff during games (all except the quality control staff are among those allowed within the NCAA maximum to wear headsets):
SIDELINE: Head coach **Mel Tucker** (will wear a headset), defensive coordinator/safeties coach **Tyson Summers**, defensive line coach **Jimmy Brumbaugh**, outside linebackers coach **Brian Michalowski**, receivers coach **Darrin Chiaverini**, offensive line coach **Chris Kapilovic**, tight ends coach **Al Pupunu** and quality control staffers **Bryan Cook** (defense) and **Reed Heim** (special teams) and grad assistants **Cordae Hankton** (offense) and **Blaine Miller** (defense).
COACHES BOOTH: Offensive coordinator/quarterback coach **Jay Johnson**, running backs coach **Darian Hagan**, inside linebacker/special teams coach **Ross Els**, cornerback coach **Travares Tillman** and quality control for the offense **Will Peagler**. Two graduate assistants are also in the press box: **Jack Harris** (offense) and **Dalmin Gibson** (defense).



WHAT THEY'VE SAID ABOUT MEL TUCKER

NICK SABAN, Alabama Head Coach

"I've known Mel for well over 20 years and he is one of the brightest coaches in our profession. I think he will do an outstanding job as the head coach of the Colorado Buffaloes. They are getting a guy with a great personality, who knows college football, works hard each and every day, and does it with a tremendous amount of enthusiasm and positive energy."

KIRBY SMART, Georgia Head Coach

"When I came to Georgia, one of my top priorities was to bring Mel Tucker in as defensive coordinator. He is an exceptional coach, coordinator and trusted friend. He has a great combination of college experience, time in the NFL and has been a remarkable mentor to our players. Mel has been one of the major influences in the success we have had and we will certainly miss him. I look forward to following his career at Colorado."

BARRY ALVAREZ, Wisconsin A.D. (Tucker's College Coach)

"Mel was a part of my first recruiting class at Wisconsin and helped us turn the program around. He is an outstanding individual and a really good football person. His background, the people and the programs he has worked for and the success he's been a part of is very impressive. He's been successful at both the NFL and college level. He is truly a quality individual and the people at Colorado are going to love Mel."

ROMEO CRENNEL, Houston Texans Defensive Coordinator

"Congratulations to Mel Tucker and the Colorado Buffaloes on a fantastic hire. Mel is a great coach with a proven track record of success, but he's also a tremendous person with a great family that will represent the university with nothing but class. I look forward to seeing the program he will build at Colorado and wish him the best of luck."

JIM TRESSEL, Ohio State Head Coach (2001-10)

"Mel Tucker is a special communicator, a family man, and a superb football coach. The Buffalo Football Family will thrive under Mel's leadership. A man with high expectations for himself and his student-athletes, Colorado Football will enjoy a terrific recruiter, football strategist, and an "all-in" member of the community."

JOHN WOOTEN, Former Buff ('58)/CFB Hall of Fame Inductee

(After learning Tucker was hired) "Today, I am as happy as I was when we beat Clemson to win the 1957 Orange Bowl. Mel Tucker has been one of the top people in football as a coach and is a top quality person. Our families go back a long, long time. This is a sensational young man, a man of integrity just like his father. I am so excited that Rick George and the CU leadership believe Mel is the right person for the job. I would have told them so ahead of time... I am just thrilled with this."

CHRIS FOWLER, ESPN CFB Personality (CU Alum)

"Mel is a strong, inspired choice to lead the Buffs' football program. I've spent a lot of time around the UGA program and have been impressed with his football savvy, communication skills, and recruiting talents. He has worked very hard for this opportunity and I believe he will seize it and succeed."

JOEL KLATT, FOX Sports CFB Personality (CU Alum)

"Coach Tucker is one of the most respected in the industry with a long track record of success coaching with the best college football and the NFL have to offer. Beloved by his players, Coach Tucker has a rare ability to connect with and motivate today's athlete. His defenses and teams have been some of the most successful, and more importantly, toughest teams in the sport."

BRIAN IWUH, CU Linebacker ('05), Jacksonville Jaguar (2009)

"Mel was great, a very good coach, just a solid guy who tells it like it is. I enjoyed playing for Mel. He got along with all of us, everybody liked him and was fond of him. His big thing was, 'scoop and score.' He always wanted the defense to make an impact. Get after the ball, let's score on defense."

PAUL POSLUSZNY, Former Jacksonville Jaguar

"I believe that Coach Tucker will absolutely make a great head coach, especially at the collegiate level. He has great command, presence, and he's very influential. He's very structured, detailed, and organized as well. I would have run through a brick wall if he asked me to." (Posluszny won the Bednarik Award twice (2005-06), and won the 2005 Butkus Award)

THE CLASS OF '19

Ahead of the 2019 season, 27 programs including CU hired new head coaches, 10 of whom (^) are first-time head coaches on the collegiate level (four first-timers [*] at the FBS level). Here's a look at those coaches in 2019 that make up the "class of 2019" and their records through games of September 7:

Coach, School (2019 record)	W	L	Pct.
^Elijah Drinkwitz, Appalachian State (2-0).....	2	0	.000
^Mel Tucker, Colorado (2-0).....	2	0	1.000
*Chris Klieman, Kansas State (2-0).....	2	0	1.000
Mike Locksley, Maryland (2-0).....	2	0	1.000
Mack Brown, North Carolina (2-0).....	2	0	1.000
^Ryan Day, Ohio State (2-0).....	2	0	1.000
Matt Wells, Texas Tech (2-0).....	2	0	1.000
Rod Carey, Temple (1-0).....	1	0	1.000
^Chip Lindsey, Troy (1-0).....	1	0	1.000
*Will Healy, Charlotte (1-1).....	1	1	.500
^Scot Loeffler, Bowling Green (1-1).....	1	1	.500
Jim McElwain, Central Michigan (1-1).....	1	1	.500
^Thomas Hammock, Northern Illinois (1-1).....	1	1	.500
Les Miles, Kansas (1-1).....	1	1	.500

Coach, School (2019 record)	W	L	Pct.
Neal Brown, West Virginia (1-1).....	1	1	.500
*Jamey Chadwell, Coastal Carolina (1-1).....	1	1	.500
Mike Houston, East Carolina (1-1).....	1	1	.500
Geoff Collins, Georgia Tech (1-1).....	1	1	.500
Dana Holgorsen, Houston (1-1).....	1	1	.500
Scott Satterfield, Louisville (1-1).....	1	1	.500
Gary Anderson, Utah State (1-1).....	1	1	.500
^Tyson Helton, Western Kentucky (1-1).....	1	1	.500
*Tom Arth, Akron (0-2).....	0	2	.000
Hugh Freeze, Liberty (0-2).....	0	2	.000
^Walt Bell, Massachusetts (0-2).....	0	2	.000
^Jake Spavital, Texas State (0-2).....	0	2	.000
^Manny Diaz, Miami-Fla. (0-2).....	0	2	.000

BUFF ALUMNI IN THE FBS COACHING RANKS: Brad Bedell ('99), OL, Boise State; Ronnie Bradford ('92), DB, USC; Jalil Brown ('10), DB, Northern Arizona; Jason Burianek ('02), HC, Missouri Baptist; Cedric Cormier ('01), WR, UNLV; Rich Fisher ('92), WR, Nebraska; David Gibbs ('90), DC, Texas Tech; Chris Naeole ('96), OL, Hawaii; Anthony Perkins ('11), CB, Colorado State; Pete Shinnick ('86), HC, West Florida; Steve Stripling ('76), Assoc. HC/DL, Tennessee; Ryan Walters ('08), DC/DB, Missouri.

IN THE FCS: Cha'pelle Brown ('08), UC Davis, DB; Paul Creighton ('03), UC Davis, TE; Ty Gregorak ('99), DC/LB, Montana; Cody Hawkins ('10), UC Davis, WR; Jeff Smart ('09), OLB, Penn.

IN DIVISION II: Pete Shinnick ('88), head coach at West Florida; Donnell Leomiti ('95), DC/DB at CSU-Pueblo; Chris Symington ('87), OL at CSU-Pueblo.

IN THE NFL (see page with Buffs In the Pros).



2019 COLORADO FOOTBALL STAFF

Head Coach	Mel Tucker (<i>Wisconsin '95</i>)	Director of Football Operations	Bryan McGinnis (<i>San Jose State '07</i>)
Assistant Head Coach / Receivers	Darrin Chiaverini (<i>Colorado '99</i>)	Asst. Director of Football Operations	Scott Unrein (<i>Colorado '11</i>)
Offensive Coordinator / Quarterbacks	Jay Johnson (<i>Northern Iowa '92</i>)	Operations/Assistant to Head Coach	Will Price (<i>Alabama '13</i>)
Offensive Line / Run Game Coordinator	Chris Kapilovic (<i>Missouri State '90</i>)	Director of Recruiting	Cymone George (<i>Georgia Southern '12</i>)
Running Backs	Darian Hagan (<i>Colorado '96</i>)	Director of Player Personnel	Geoff Martzen (<i>Fresno State '11</i>)
Tight Ends	Al Pupunu (<i>Utah '06</i>)	Director of Quality Control/Offense	William Peagler (<i>Clemson '10</i>)
Defensive Coordinator / Safeties	Tyson Summers (<i>Presbyterian '02</i>)	Director of Quality Control/Defense	Bryan Cook (<i>Utah '08</i>)
Defensive Backs	Travares Tillman (<i>Georgia Tech '10</i>)	Director of Quality Control/Special Teams	Reed Heim (<i>Austin '00</i>)
Defensive Line	Jimmy Brumbaugh (<i>Auburn '04</i>)	Recruiting Assistant	Tessa Akers (<i>Georgia Southern '17</i>)
Inside Linebackers/Special Teams Coord.	Ross Els (<i>Nebraska-Omaha '88</i>)	Recruiting Assistant	Megan Mueller (<i>Colorado '19</i>)
Outside Linebackers	Brian Michalowski (<i>Arizona State '11</i>)	Recruiting Assistant	Matt Pick (<i>Colorado State '18</i>)
Offensive Graduate Assistant	Jack Harris (<i>Colorado '13</i>)	Director of Strength & Conditioning	Drew Wilson (<i>King's College '00</i>)
Offensive Graduate Assistant	Cordae Hankton (<i>Southern '17</i>)	Asst. Strength & Conditioning Coach	Justin Geyer (<i>Mt. St. Joseph '10</i>)
Defensive Graduate Assistant	Dalmin Gibson (<i>Dickinson State '14</i>)	Asst. Strength & Conditioning Coach	Cody Stout (<i>Indianapolis '14</i>)
Defensive Graduate Assistant	Blaine Miller (<i>Grove City College '12</i>)	Asst. Strength & Conditioning Coach	D.D. Goodson (<i>Colorado '15</i>)
		Asst. Strength & Conditioning Coach	Teddy O'Connor (<i>New Hampshire '12</i>)

AND NEW FACES ABOUND IN TWO KEY AREAS

The Buffaloes also have two new employees in key areas heading into the season: **Chris Dountas** joined the department as the new director of football equipment on July 22, while **Andrew Hamstra** was named CU's new associate athletic trainer for football on August 6. Dountas, 40, came to Colorado from Stanford University, where he was an assistant athletic director and equipment manager since 2016, overseeing the day-to-day equipment operation for all 36 Cardinal varsity sport programs. Hamstra, 30, joined the Colorado staff from Washington State University, where he had served as the school's head football athletic trainer from June 2018 through July 2019; before he was named WSU's full-time athletic trainer, he was first the interim head athletic trainer for the 2018 spring practices and the initial summer workouts, a position he was promoted into from his assistant athletic trainer role in which he had performed dating back to 2014.

2019 COACHING CHANGES

Mike MacIntyre was dismissed after six seasons coaching the Buffaloes last Nov. 18; his teams were 30-44 overall and 14-39 in Pac-12 Conference games. **Mel Tucker** was then named the 26th head coach in Colorado history on Dec. 5. Tucker brought several of his colleagues from the University of Georgia to fill out his first-ever coaching staff, but did retain three assistants off MacIntyre's staff: **Darrin Chiaverini**, **Ross Els** and **Darian Hagan**. Also remaining on staff are **Bryan McGinnis** and **Scott Unrein** (football operations), graduate assistants **Dalmin Gibson** and **Jack Harris** and the entire strength and conditioning staff under **Drew Wilson**. (*All but one coach who were not retained from the previous staff have found other full-time positions: Mike MacIntyre (Ole Miss), Klayton Adams (Indianapolis Colts), Gary Bernardi (San Diego State), Kwabn Drake and D.J. Eliot (Kansas) and Kurt Roper (N.C. State; Ashley Ambrose is the remaining coach.)*)

➔ The CU staff has remained intact twice since **Bill McCartney's** 1988 and 1989 teams, in 2011-12 (under **Jon Embree**) and 2013-14 (under **Mike MacIntyre**).

COLORADO NEAR THE TOP IN ALL-TIME 1,000-YARD / 2,000-YARD CAREER RUNNERS

In 2018, **Travon McMillian** became the 54th player in Colorado history rush for 1,000 or more yards in a career, doing so with 1,009 yards in his only season in Boulder after being a graduate transfer from Virginia Tech. **QB Steven Montez** could be next in line, as he enters his senior year with 807 yards (he's well over 1,00 yards when you subtract sacks); he's looking to become the seventh quarterback to crack 1,000 career rushing yards. CU is sixth all-time in known 1,000-yard runners (many schools don't know the number). Oklahoma tops the list with 77, as well the 2K list with 32 (the Buffs are tied for 11th with the most 2,000-yard career runners, 19). The all-time leaders in players who have reached the career 1K and 2K plateaus:

Oklahoma	77/32	Texas A & M	47/20	Illinois	44/17	Indiana	41/13	Kentucky	36/ 9	Florida	--/18
Ohio State	69/27	Arkansas	47/18	South Carolina	44/16	North Carolina	41/13	Mississippi State	35/11	Colorado State	28/18
Nebraska	65/30	Houston	47/15	Virginia	43/19	Virginia Tech	40/19	Wake Forest	34/11	Tennessee	26+/16
Southern California	61/20	Iowa	47/15	Auburn	43/17	Boston College	40/17	Tulsa	34/15	Georgia	21+/16
Alabama	60/20	Air Force	47/10	Georgia Tech	43/13	Georgia Southern	39/28	Utah State	32/ 4	Western Michigan	--/15
Colorado	54/19	Duke	46/ 7	Minnesota	43/13	San Diego State	37/14	-----	-----	Utah	--/14
Army	53/11	Syracuse	45/22	Florida State	42/15	Bowling Green	37/13	--only know 2k rushers--		New Mexico	25+/13
Texas	51/19	Penn State	45/19	Northern Illinois	41/18	Mississippi	37/13	Michigan	--/20	SMU	21+/12
West Virginia	50/15	Mississippi	45/ 8	Wisconsin	41/17	Baylor	37/11	Clemson	--/20		
LSU	48/16	Oklahoma State	44/25	Michigan State	41/16	East Carolina	36/17	Northern Illinois	--/19		

In 1989, Colorado had four players on the roster at the same time with at least 1,000 career yards: **TB Eric Bieniemy**, **TB J.J. Flannigan**, **QB Darian Hagan** and **FB Erich Kissick**. Only two other times did the Buffs have three players that had hit that plateau on the same team, in 1993: **FB James Hill**, **TB Rashaan Salaam** and **TB Lamont Warren** and in 2015: **Christian Powell**, **Michael Adkins** and **Phillip Lindsay**.

Historical Note. Colorado is 1-yard away from another 2,000-yard rusher: **Carroll Hardy** ('54) ended his career with 1,999 yards. CU's SID at the time, **Fred Casotti**, never forgave himself for that one, especially since his final game came against Kansas State, when he had 10 carries for 238 yards. In that 38-14 win, the Buffs rushed 36 times for 493 yards, or 13.7 yards per; he no doubt could have picked up that extra yard. Hardy went on to play pro football and baseball, and his claim to fame was becoming the only player to pinch-hit for **Ted Williams** (he also pinch-hit for **Roger Maris** and **Carl Yastrzemski**).



HISTORICALLY

Colorado is in its second century of intercollegiate football, as the Buffaloes are in their 130th season of competition having played **1,251** games with an all-time record of **707-508-36**. CU currently stands 25th on the all-time win list and is 36th in all-time winning percentage (**.580**; the Buffs are 29th for those schools with 1,000 or more games played in Division I-A). Only 12 Division I schools have played more seasons of intercollegiate football than Colorado; Washington is the only Pac-12 school that matches CU's total of 130 (Cal is the only one who has played more games – 1,258), with only USC (840) and Washington (736) having won more games (CU is sixth in the league in winning percentage).

➔ In Boulder, the Buffs are **408-197-16 (.670)** all-time and **316-175-10 (.641)** in 96 seasons on the “hilltop” (Folsom Field).

OVERTIME

Colorado is **7-8** all-time in overtime games (**4-5** at home), with seven losses by three points; the Buffs became the 84th team in FBS/I-A to play an overtime game when it played its first extra session affair against Missouri in 1999. Here's a chart summarizing the Buffs in overtime (*—denotes in Denver):

Date	Opponent	Score	Regulation	Coin Toss	Choice	-----Total Yards-----		Notes
						Offense	Defense	
Oct. 9, 1999	MISSOURI	W 46-39	39-39	Missouri	Defense	25	13	Ends with Ben Kelly INT
Nov. 26, 1999	NEBRASKA	L 30-33	27-27	Nebraska	Defense	9	25	CU trailed 27-3 early in 4th
Nov. 9, 2002	at Missouri	W 42-35	35-35	Missouri	Defense	25	18	Ends with Kory Mossoni FR
Dec. 28, 2002	Wisconsin	L 28-31	28-28	Wisconsin	Defense	-2	5	Alamo Bowl
Oct. 11, 2003	KANSAS	W 50-47	44-44	Colorado	Defense	25	7	Brian Calhoun 3-25, TD rushing in OT
Oct. 23, 2004	at Texas A & M	L 26-29	26-26	Colorado	Defense	14	33	First CU turnover in an OT ends it
Oct. 7, 2006	BAYLOR	L 31-34 (3 OT)	17-17	Colorado	Defense	42	72	Ends in 3OT on Baylor INT
Sept. 1, 2007	*Colorado State	W 31-28	28-28	Colorado	Defense	7	16	Kevin Eberhart kicks GWFG (35) after Terrance Wheatley INT
Sept. 18, 2008	WEST VIRGINIA	W 17-14	14-14	Colorado	Defense	18	19	Aric Goodman kicks GWFG (25) after WVU FG miss
Sept. 10, 2011	CALIFORNIA	L 33-36	30-30	California	Defense	20	45	CU drives to CA4 but drive stalled
Sept. 27, 2014	at California	L 56-59 (2 OT)	49-49	Colorado	Defense	46	34	CU drives to CA1 but failed on 4th down
Oct. 25, 2014	UCLA	L 37-40 (2 OT)	31-31	Colorado	Defense	13	40	CU rallied from 31-14 down in 4th; two OT FGs
Sept. 19, 2015	*Colorado State	W 27-24	24-24	Colorado	Defense	10	2	Diego Gonzalez kicks GWFG (32) after Tedric Thompson FG block
Oct. 27, 2018	OREGON STATE	L 34-41	34-34	Colorado	Defense	18	30	CU drives to OS7, but four straight plays gain zero yards
Sept. 27, 2019	NEBRASKA	W 34-31	31-31	Nebraska	Defense	13	-6	James Stefanou kicks GWFG (34), NU misses from 48

COMEBACK BUFFS

Over the last 13 seasons, Buffs rallied to win from 10 or more points down 13 times, including rallying from its largest deficits ever against CSU and Nebraska. Three of the rallies have come from 17 down: this season against Nebraska, the turning point a 96-yard flea-flicker from **QB Steven Montez** to **WR K.D. Nixon** that pulled CU to within three; In 2012, Washington State led, 31-14, early in the fourth quarter, but CU scored three straight TDs to close the game, capped by **QB Jordan Webb** scoring on fourth down from four yards out with 0:09 remaining; **PK Will Oliver** added the game winning PAT. In 2007, the Buffs got the best of No. 3 Oklahoma when **PK Kevin Eberhart** capped a run of 20 straight points with a 45-yard field goal for a 27-24 win. Nine have taken place in Boulder, a 10th (the first one) in Denver against CSU, and two on the road (the Washington State comeback was the largest fourth quarter comeback on the road CU has ever had).

COLORADO COMEBACKS

Trailed By	Time, Qtr.	Final	Opponent (Date)
17 (0-17)	4:06, 3Q	34-31	OT; Nebraska (Sept. 7, 2019)
14 (0-14)	2:44, 1Q	27-24	OT; Colorado State (Sept. 19, 2015)
11 (20-31)	12:24, 3Q	41-38	at Massachusetts (Sept. 6, 2014)
17 (14-31)	8:07, 4Q	35-34	at Washington State (Sept. 22, 2012)
11 (3-14)	3:47, 1Q	44-36	KANSAS STATE (Nov. 20, 2010)
10 (14-24)	10:40, 3Q	29-27	GEORGIA (Oct. 2, 2010)
10 (0-10)	0:00, 2Q	31-13	HAWAII (Sept. 18, 2010)
10 (21-31)	11:01, 4Q	35-34	TEXAS A&M (Nov. 7, 2009)
11 (13-24)	9:14, 4Q	28-24	IOWA STATE (Nov. 8, 2008)
14 (7-21)	7:29, 2Q	31-24	EASTERN WASHINGTON (Sept. 6, 2008)
11 (24-35)	0:23, 2Q	65-51	NEBRASKA (Nov. 23, 2007)
17 (7-24)	12:23, 3Q	27-24	OKLAHOMA (Sept. 29, 2007)
11 (17-28)	10:05, 3Q	31-28	OT; Colorado State (Sept. 1, 2007)

LITTLE KNOWN RARITY

In CU history, the Buffaloes have had a 100-yard rusher and receiver in the same game on **47** occasions (**36-11** when this occurs). Since CU joined the Pac-12 in 2011, it has occurred **17** times overall (once each in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015; four times in 2016, thrice in 2017 and four times in 2018). In 2001, the first time the same player had 100 yards in both in the same game at Colorado occurred when **TB Cortlen Johnson** had 172 rushing and 105 receiving at Iowa State. *The full list can be found on page 179 of the 2019 CU Media Guide.*

FOLSOM FIELD CAPACITY SNAPSHOT

Folsom Field's official capacity had been 53,613, expanded last in 2003 when 1,903 club seats and 41 suites were added in the east side stadium expansion; however, with CU's \$156 million Athletics Complex Expansion nearing completion and the northeast corner of the stadium and the north stands now redesigned, the new capacity now stands at **50,183**. Folsom is tied for the 18th oldest venue among the 128 NCAA Division I-A/FBS stadiums. It is the fourth oldest stadium in the Pac-12 Conference, as only Husky Stadium (Washington, 1920), Rose Bowl Stadium (UCLA, 1922) and Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum (USC, 1923) are older.

CU FOOTBALL REMAINS SECOND MOST POPULAR PER-GAME SELL IN STATE

The final home attendance figure for 2018 was **274,852**, an average of 45,809 for six home games, a slight decrease after four straight years of increases. It will mark the 24th straight season that Colorado football was the second largest average draw *per game* in the state behind the NFL Denver Broncos (and the 42nd time in the last 44 years). The fledgling Colorado Rockies took over the second spot the two years they played at old Mile High Stadium, averaging in the mid-to-upper 50s in 1993 and 1994. The Broncos wrestled the state's top spot away from the Buffs permanently in 1975 after first doing so in 1969, with six years of see-sawing in-between (CU had been the state attendance leader since Folsom Field was built in 1924). CU continues to have the second largest public and overall season ticket base in the state (the count for 2017 was 32,308 when adding in 11,500 student holders to 20,808 public tickets (student tickets are purchased, just at a discounted rate). In 2018, CU was again first in the state in college football attendance for the **53rd** straight year, ahead of Colorado State (29,504, six games) and Air Force (27,701, six games; AFA was the last school top CU's figure, in 1965). The Broncos averaged 76,446 fans per game in 2018; the Rockies are averaging 37,281 this summer.



SCORING STREAKS

The Buffs scored in a school record **242** consecutive games until Missouri ended the streak on October 25, 2008; it was first shutout loss since November 12, 1988 to Nebraska in Lincoln (7-0). The Buffs had scored in **94** consecutive road games (123 including neutral sites) as well as in 153 straight league games, all 103 in Big 12 play, including the four title games, and their final 50 in Big Eight competition, dating back to the '88 shutout at Nebraska. CU had scored in **150** straight games at home until Stanford shut out the Buffs, 48-0 on Nov. 3, 2012; the previous last shutout was a 28-0 loss to Oklahoma on Nov. 15, 1986. Current streaks:

- CU has scored in **18** straight games overall, dating back to being shut out at Washington State (0-28) in 2017 (snapping a **60**-game scoring streak).
- CU has scored in **165** straight games against non-conference opponents (last shutout: a 44-0 loss at home to LSU on September 15, 1979).
- The home shutout losses to Stanford ('12), Oklahoma in '86 and LSU in '79 are the only three times CU has not scored at Folsom Field over the course of the last **323** games (all the way back to 1963).
- CU has been shutout just four times in the last **373** games overall (by Missouri in 2008 and 2010, by Stanford in 2012 and Washington State in 2017).
- CU has been shutout just 11 times in its last **606** games (dating to October 5, 1968), but only six schools have administered them: Oklahoma (three times), Missouri (twice), Nebraska (twice), Louisiana State, Michigan and Stanford.

SAFELY AHEAD

The Buffs have been a virtual lock to win once they have a lead of two or more scores (nine-plus points) over the past 41-plus seasons. Since the 1976 opener, CU has protected a two-score lead **244** of **278** times, losing 30 and tying three when it blew the lead; a closer look (*—Disneyland Pigskin Classic at Anaheim):

Date	Opponent	CU Lead (when)	Result	Date	Opponent	CU Lead (when)	Result
11/02/18	at Arizona	10 (10-0, 1st Quarter)	L, 34-42	09/08/07	at Arizona State	14 (14- 0; 2nd Quarter)	L, 14-33
10/27/18	OREGON STATE	28 (31-3, 3rd Quarter)	L, 34-41 OT	10/28/06	at Kansas	9 (9- 0; 3rd Quarter)	L, 15-20
11/04/17	at Arizona State	10 (27-17, 4th Quarter)	L, 30-41	09/23/06	at Georgia	13 (13- 0; 4th Quarter)	L, 13-14
9/17/16	at Michigan	14 (21-7, 1st Quarter)	L, 28-45	10/23/04	at Texas A&M	12 (19- 7; 3rd Quarter)	L, 26-29 OT
11/13/15	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	14 (17-3; 2nd Quarter)	L, 24-27	11/01/03	at Texas Tech	14 (14- 0; 1st Quarter)	L, 21-26
11/01/14	WASHINGTON	10 (20-10; 2nd Quarter)	L, 23-38	10/04/03	at Baylor	9 (23-14, 3rd Quarter)	L, 30-42
09/27/14	at California	14 (28-14; 3rd Quarter)	L, 56-59 2OT	11/11/00	Iowa State	11 (20- 9; 2nd Quarter)	L, 27-35
08/29/14	Colorado State (Denver)	10 (17-7; 3rd Quarter)	L, 17-31	09/02/00	Colorado State (Denver)	10 (24-14; 3rd Quarter)	L, 24-28
09/08/12	SACRAMENTO STATE	14 (14-0; 1st Quarter)	L, 28-30	10/23/93	at Kansas State	9 (9- 0; 2nd Quarter)	T, 16-16
09/01/12	Colorado State (Denver)	11 (14-3; 2nd Quarter)	L, 17-22	09/18/93	at Stanford	10 (37-27; 4th Quarter)	L, 37-41
10/01/10	WASHINGTON STATE	10 (27-17; 4th Quarter)	L, 27-31	09/15/90	at Illinois	14 (17- 3; 2nd Quarter)	L, 22-23
11/06/10	at Kansas	28 (45-17; 4th Quarter)	L, 45-52	08/26/90	*Tennessee	14 (31-17; 4th Quarter)	T, 31-31
10/23/10	TEXAS TECH	10 (24-14; end 3rd Quarter)	L, 24-27	09/27/86	ARIZONA	9 (21-12; 4th Quarter)	L, 21-24
11/19/09	at Oklahoma State	11 (21-10; 3rd Quarter)	L, 28-31	11/03/84	KANSAS	11 (27-16; 4th Quarter)	L, 27-28
10/10/09	at Texas	11 (14-3; 2nd Quarter)	L, 14-38	10/16/82	at Oklahoma State	13 (13- 0; 1st Quarter)	T, 25-25
11/28/08	at Nebraska	14 (14-0; 1st Quarter)	L, 31-40	09/19/81	WASHINGTON STATE	10 (10- 0; 4th Quarter)	L, 10-14
11/10/07	at Iowa State	21 (21- 0; 3rd Quarter)	L, 28-31	10/10/79	OKLAHOMA STATE	20 (20- 0; 4th Quarter)	L, 20-21

Colorado has lost only 35 games (and was tied twice) dating back to 1980 when leading by *any* margin at any point in the fourth quarter or overtime. The most recent loss was this year, a 41-34 overtime setback to Oregon State after taking a 31-3 lead on the first play of the second half. The ties came against Tennessee in 1990 (31-31, after leading 31-17) and Kansas State in 1993 (16-16 after taking a late 16-13 lead).

- Colorado has won **129** of its last **152** games in which it at any point has held a two-score lead. A 2003 loss to Baylor snapped a 26-game winning streak in such situations on the road, and an overall streak of 49 consecutive wins from 1993 to 1999 was snapped by CSU in 2000. In this same span, **Colorado has rallied to win 41 games and tie two others dating back to 1981 after once trailing at some point in the fourth quarter** (not including coming from 27-3 down against Nebraska in 1999 before losing in OT). The most recent was the 34-31 win over Nebraska on Sept. 7 of this year: the Cornhuskers led 17-0 late in the third period when the Buffaloes started taking over the game. It was the second year in a row CU rallied in the fourth to beat Nebraska. Previous to those, the last two rallies were a 36-33 win at Oregon State in 2017 and a 41-38 win at Oregon in 2016. Two of the biggest ones occurred in 2007: CU rallied from 28-17 down in the third and 28-25 in the fourth to defeat CSU 31-28 in overtime) and Oklahoma (down 24-7 late in the third, eventually tying the fourth largest comeback in school history in winning 27-24).

INJURIES UP AGAIN IN 2018 AFTER TWO PEDESTRIAN YEARS

Injuries were kept to a minimum the last two seasons after a flurry in 2015, as that season 10 positions had a starter miss at least one game due to injury. But in 2018, it was a different story as injuries hit **11** different starting positions (including punter and placekicker) that lost their starter for multiple games. Below are the worst regular seasons for injuries/illness for the CU program over the last 33 years (KEY: GL—Games lost to injury; GL/2—Games lost by 2-deep scrimmage players; MG—"Man games" as defined by as the total number of games if all players NOT ticketed to redshirt played every game; Pct. Lost – percentage of man games lost, knowing that in actuality, the number is higher as third-team players and reserves don't see that much action; 2/MG—2-deep man games, or starting 24 positions (including kickers and punters plus backups):

Season	G	GL	MG	Pct. Lost	GL/2	2/MG	Pct. Lost	Season	G	GL	MG	Pct. Lost	GL/2	2/MG	Pct. Lost
2008	12	121	1008	12.0	110	576	19.1	2012	12	108	984	11.0	71	576	12.3
2011	13	141	1066	12.8	115	624	18.4	2018	12	96	1,056	9.1	70	576	12.2
1998	11	101	864	11.7	89	528	16.9	2016	14	129	1224	10.6	75	672	11.2
2000	11	101	880	11.5	82	528	15.5	2003	12	74	876	8.4	58	576	10.1
2010	12	103	924	11.1	88	576	15.3	1997	11	51	770	6.6	41	528	7.8
2015	13	120	1053	11.4	93	624	14.9	2017	12	61	960	6.4	39	576	6.8
2002	13	139	1118	12.4	80	624	12.8								

*—man-games for 2-deep include P and PK spots.

Dating back to 1987, only 15 times has CU lost over five percent of its "man game" count due to injury (1995-97-98-2000-02-03-08-10-11-12-13-15-16-17-18).



BUFFS AGAINST THE BEST

Here's a look at how CU has fared all-time against nationally ranked teams (*Associated Press* poll):

Games	All-Time Record	1989-2019 Record	Mel Tucker Record	Coach With The Most Wins
versus Top 5.....	12-55-2	8-23-1	0-0	5 / Bill McCartney
versus Top 10.....	25-94-3	14-40-2	0-0	8 / Eddie Crowder & Bill McCartney
versus Top 15.....	37-124-3	20-58-2	0-0	10 / Bill McCartney
versus Top 25.....	72-167-3	46-88-2	1-0	20 / Bill McCartney

“OUTSIDE THE NINE DOTS”

Some out of the ordinary records by the Buffs in some unique situations:

- ❑ Colorado is **86-49** against teams with three or more losses dating back to the 1985 season;
- ❑ Colorado is **87-50-1** in its last **138** games against schools that include the word “State” (dating to 1986);
- ❑ Colorado is **559-285-25** all-time in games played in the Mountain Time Zone (Colorado, Arizona, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming)

18 TO THE HOUSE ON THE FIRST TRY WHEN IT COMES TO THEFTS & SCORES

CU players have a penchant to return their first career interceptions for touchdowns, as since 1992, **18** Buffaloes have scored after stealing their first college pass. Junior **CB Dante Wigley** is the most recent to accomplish it, racing 27 yards with his first pick for a touchdown versus Oregon State on Oct. 27. **S Nick Fisher** had been the last to do it, which he did in grand style on Oct. 28, 2017: he picked off a pass in the end zone against Cal, his momentum taking him back nine yards deep, and then he raced 109 yards for the score (100 officially by the NCAA). Previous to that, **ILB Rick Gamboa** had been the latest to join the club, returning a deflected pass 20 yards for a score against OSU in 2016, and **ILB Kenneth Olugbode** had the one before that, racing 60 yards for a score in a 27-24 overtime win over Colorado State in 2015. That was the first in eight years, going back to 2007, when redshirt frosh **CB Jimmy Smith** had a 31-yard return that cut Nebraska’s lead to 35-31 early in the second half and was the impetus to a 65-51 comeback win. Prior to that was another spectacular one: **ILB Marcus Burton** returned a pick 99 yards at Oklahoma State in 2005, preserving CU’s shutout in the waning seconds of the game. Three did it in 2004: **OLB Brian Iwuh** did it off the bat when he made his first career pick and returned it 37 yards for what proved to be the winning touchdown against Colorado State in the season opener; a week later, **Joe Sanders**, plucked off a ball against Washington State and raced 51 yards for six, snapping a 3-3 deadlock in the process; then versus Texas, **CB Terrence Wheatley** plucked one off and ran 37 yards for six with his first theft. Two did it in 2001: **S Medford Moorer** picked off his first career pass and returned it 64 yards for a touchdown against Texas in the Big 12 Championship game, while **CB Donald Strickland** returned his first career pick 31 yards for a touchdown just one minute into the CSU game. Frosh redshirt **CB Phil Jackson** did it in 2000, as he returned his first career INT 28 yards for a TD against Washington. **SS Rashidi Barnes** had his first one in CU’s win over CSU in 1997, returning it 26 yards for a score, rallying the Buffs into a 14-14 tie early in the second half. Barnes was the fourth Buff in a 14-game span to return a first career pick for a TD—**Marcus Washington** had a 95-yard theft for a score in the '96 Cotton Bowl against Oregon; **Vili Maumau** had a 33-yard interception for six (and a Hula dance) at Colorado State in 1996; and **Nick Ziegler** stole one for a 31-yard score against Washington in the '96 Holiday Bowl. In 1992, **Dwayne Davis** returned one 31 yards for a TD in a 21-20 win at Minnesota to start this amazing run.

➤ And three did it with their first **punt returns**: **Ben Kelly** (vs. Utah State in 1998), **Jeremy Bloom** (vs CSU in 2002) and **Laviska Shenault** (2017 vs. Texas State).

BUFFALO DINOSAURS

The longtime radio voice of the Buffs, **Larry Zimmer** wrapped up his career following the 2015 season, calling **486** CU games; a string of **251** in a row came to an end after he was hospitalized in October 2014 (he would miss the final six games of the season). He only missed 17 games overall; prior to the six due to illness, he had missed three bowls (two due to contracts forbidding teams to originate broadcasts), three regular season games due to travel conflicts and five road games this season; his 400th at CU was also the 1,000 of his professional career. In 2009, Zim was honored as the 15th recipient of the Chris Schenkel Award, which recognizes those who have enjoyed a long and distinguished career broadcasting college football at a single institution (he called a total of **570** college games, including 50 for Michigan and 34 for CSU).

OTHER DINOSAURS: **Jon Buriának**, who retired as senior associate AD in June 2006 and then briefly rejoined the department on a contract basis in 2013, worked **444** CU football games, including a run of **415** in a row (229 of which were at home). **SID Dave Plati** has worked **467** overall (a streak of **410** dating from the '83 finale to the sixth game of 2017; a streak of **247** straight home games and **269** in the state of Colorado are intact); **Darian Hagan** has been a part of **260** (113 in two stints as an assistant coach, 62 as a football staff member, 35 as the Alumni C-Club director and 49 as a player); **Gary Barnett**, now an analyst with KOA, has worked **234** (106 as an assistant coach, 87 as head coach and 41 on the radio); Mark Johnson, who succeeded Zimmer as the voice of the Buffaloes, has called **189** games. The late **Fred Casotti**, the school's longtime SID/associate AD from 1952-87, witnessed **477** CU football games (including **268** in a row at Folsom) prior to his passing in 2001. The record by a coach is held by **Brian Cabral**, who, including his playing days (46 games), was a part of **340** (the last **294** in a row); former facilities man **John Krueger** worked **325** (1980s to 2012). Then there are CU’s “Super Twins,” **Betty Hoover** and **Peggy Coppom**, who have been to all but handful of CU’s home games – since 1940 and every single one – **352** – since 1958 (they’re 93). And the late **F.M. “Dutch” Westerberg** is the all-timer; the long-time season ticket holder saw *every* CU home game (**394** of ‘em) from 1921 until 1999, when he passed away at the age of 94.

STAT CREW: **Jack Landon** (son of one-time presidential candidate Alf Landon) is in his 47th year as a member of the CU football stat crew in 2019; he joined the basketball crew in 1971 and then football two years later. Virginia did a survey on longest tenured state people, and Jack is 11th nationally.

NFL SCOUT WATCH

Colorado has 18 seniors on its 2019 roster, and as history has indicated, they will receive plenty of looks from scouts all around the National Football League; scouts/player personnel types pass through Boulder every season for a game and/or practice(s), with over three fourths of the league doing so on average every season. So far this season, **18** teams have sent reps to the Colorado State game: Baltimore, Buffalo, Carolina, Chicago, Denver, Detroit, Green Bay, Jacksonville, Kansas City, New Orleans, N.Y. Giants, Oakland, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle and Washington (26 teams visited in 2017 and 2018; 28 in 2016). Not including camps or practices, **960** NFL scouts have attended Colorado games since 2000 (home, road and neutral sites). At the 2016 UCLA game in Boulder, the record for a CU game occurred: **31** scouts from 20 teams were in attendance for the game (next most: 20 for USC in 2017).

**PLAYING ON SUNDAY: IN-THE-PROS**

There are **14** former Colorado Buffaloes currently on the 2019 National Football League rosters (as of September 9; 15 were on final rosters in 2018 after 19 started out in camps). Colorado has had **245** players all-time go on to make an active NFL roster and **273** all-time draft picks, which ranks as the fourth most among Pac-12 programs and 22nd overall. CU had continually been one of the top 20 producers for the last quarter century of NFL talent and at one time in the late 1970's had the most active players (47) of any school in the nation. The last time Colorado was in the top 10 in players produced was in 2002 (10th, 29). The active list (KEY: **Exp.**—denotes number of years in the league; **i**—on injured reserve/physically unable to perform; **p**—practice squad):



Player	Pos.	Team	Exp.
Chidobe Awuzie	CB	Dallas Cowboys	2
David Bakhtiari	OT	Green Bay Packers	6
Ken Crawley	CB	New Orleans Saints	3
Mason Crosby	PK	Green Bay Packers	12
p —Kabion Ento	CB	Green Bay Packers	R
Phillip Lindsay	RB	Denver Broncos	1
Isaiah Oliver	CB	Atlanta Falcons	1
Paul Richardson	WR	Washington Redskins	5
Jimmy Smith	CB	Baltimore Ravens	8
Nate Solder	OT	New York Giants	8
Tedric Thompson	SS	Seattle Seahawks	2
Josh Tupou	DT	Cincinnati Bengals	2
Juwann Winfree	WR	Denver Broncos	R
Ahkello Witherspoon	CB	San Francisco 49ers	2

IN CAMPS BUT WAIVED

Player	Pos.	Team	Exp.
Javier Edwards (<i>Aug. 31</i>)	DT	Houston Texans	R
Drew Lewis (<i>July 23</i>)	LB	Houston Texans	R
Travon McMillian (<i>Aug. 31</i>)	RB	Pittsburgh Steelers	R
Daniel Munyer (<i>Aug. 31</i>)	OG/C	Indianapolis Colts	4
Devin Ross (<i>July 16</i>)	WR	Philadelphia Eagles	1

COACHES

Name	Pos.	Team	Tie To Colorado
Klayton Adams	OL Asst.	Indianapolis	Asst. Coach, 2013-18
Eric Bieniemy	OC/RB	Kansas City	Player, 1987-90; Asst. Coach, 2000-02, '11-12
Tom Cable	OL	Oakland	Asst. Coach, 1998-99
Moses Cabrera	Str/Cond	New England	Asst. S&C Coach, 2010
Jim Caldwell	AHC/QB	Miami	Asst. Coach, 1982-84
Matt Daniels	Asst. ST	L.A. Rams	Grad Asst., 2017
Karl Dorrell	WR	Miami	Asst. Coach, 1992-93, 95-98
Jon Embree	AHC/TE	San Francisco	Player '83-86/Asst. Coach '91-02 Head Coach 2011-12
Mark Helfrich	Off. Coord.	Chicago	QB/Off. Coord., 2006-08
Nick Holz	QC/Offense	Oakland	Player, 2003-06
Vance Joseph	Def. Coord.	Arizona	Player, 1990-94 Asst. Coach, 2002-03
T.C. McCartney	QB	Denver	Grad Asst., 2012-13
Tyrone McKenzie	ILB	Tennessee	Grad Asst., 2015
Chris Morgan	OL	Atlanta	Player, 1995-99
Kennedy Polamalu	RB	Minnesota	Asst. Coach, 1997-98
Robert Prince	WR	Detroit	Asst. Coach, 2010
Rip Scherer	TE	L.A. Chargers	Asst. HC/QB, 2011-12
Vernon Stephens	Asst. S&C	Arizona	Asst. S&C Coach, 2003-06
Chris Strausser	OL	Indianapolis	Asst. Coach, 2006

PLAYER PERSONNEL/DEVELOPMENT

Name	Team	Tie To Colorado
Malcolm Blacken	Washington (Dir., PD)	Strength Coach, 2011-12
Jordan Dizon	Denver (Scout)	Player, 2004-07/Butkus runner-up
Matt Russell	Denver (Dir., PP)	Player, 1992-96/Butkus Award
Duke Tobin	Cincinnati (Dir., PP)	Player, 1992-93
Patrick Williams	Baltimore (Scout)	Player, 2005-08

CANUCKS: One former Buff is in the Canadian Football League, **OT Stephone Nembot** (Ottawa). **WR Shay Fields** was on Montreal in the preseason but was released.

DAD PLAYED ON SUNDAYS: Six players are the sons of former NFL players: **WR Curtis Chiaverini** (father Darrin played four seasons with three teams); **RB Alex Fontenot** (father Albert played 10 seasons with three teams); **ILB Marvin Ham II** (father Marvin, Carolina); **QB Steven Montez** (father Alfred, Oakland); **WR Dimitri Stanley** (father Walter, played eight seasons with five teams); **QB Blake Stenstrom** (father Steve played five seasons with Chicago and San Francisco).

COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL COACHES: Six former Buffaloes are serving as high school head coaches in the state; the five who head prep programs: **Matt Flavin** (Buena Vista), **Dave Logan** (Cherry Creek), **Spencer Colter** (Denver East), **Dusty Sprague** (Holyoke), **Scott Yates** (Kent Denver) and **DaVaughn Thornton** (Overland). **Marcus Washington** is a defensive coordinator (Adams City).

ALL-TIME CU PRO NOTE: How good was CU's 1994 offense? Ten of the 11 starters were drafted into the NFL (Tony Berti, Rae Carruth, Christian Fauria, Heath Irwin, Chris Naeole, Rashaan Salaam, Kordell Stewart, Bryan Stoltzenberg, Derek West and Michael Westbrook), with the 11th signing as a free agent (Lepsis). All played, and three even remained on NFL rosters some 11 years later. And six of the '94 defensive starters wound up playing professionally as well.

CROSBY WATCH

PK Mason Crosby ('06) is the Green Bay Packers' all-time leading scorer both for the regular season and the regular and postseason combined; he set the record with a 21-yard field goal late in the Packs' 27-17 win over Seattle on Sept. 20, 2015, his 13th point of the night (he made all four field goal tries in the game, including a 54-yarder, and an extra point). Through games of Sept. 8, he has scored **1,473** points in 193 regular season games (**26th** in NFL history) and **137** in 18 playoff games for a total of **1,610** (he also made an NFL record 23 straight field goals in the postseason). Crosby also holds both Packers' field goal marks: **308** regular season (**26th** all-time) and 26 postseason. He is fifth on the points list and fourth on the field goal chart for players who have/had spent their career with just one team. Crosby, of course, is CU's all-time leading scorer with 307 points.

➔ How many players have led a professional team and their college alma mater in scoring (regular season and playoffs combined)? The list is short (six including Crosby): **PK Jason Elam**, Denver Broncos/Hawai'i (1,870/395); **PK Stephen Gostkowski**, New England Patriots/Memphis (1,384/369); **PK Martin Gramatica**, Tampa Bay Buccaneers/Kansas State (640/349), **WR Jerry Rice**, San Francisco 49ers/Mississippi Valley State (1,244/310); and **PK Jeff Wilkins**, St. Louis Rams/Youngstown State (1,300/373).

ALL-TIME FWAA ALL-AMERICAN TEAM: The Football Writers Association of America placed Crosby on the second-team of its All-Time All-America Team, announced in conjunction with the group's 75th anniversary in August 2015.





O-LINEMEN PIPELINE TO THE NFL

CU has been a solid conduit to the NFL League when it has come to offensive linemen and the research below indicates CU may very well be the place to go if an offensive lineman wants to take it to the next level. Dating back to the 1991 NFL draft, or the '87 recruiting class, 29 of 41 players who started at least two years on the Buff offensive line were either drafted or signed as free agents. The list is impressive (with three others who started just one season):

Player	Pos	Full Years		NFL (Round or FA)	Player	Pos	Full Years		NFL (Round or FA)
		As A Starter					As A Starter		
Stephane Nembot	OT	(4)	2012-15	Baltimore (FA)	Brad Bedell	G	(2)	1998-99	Cleveland (6)
Daniel Munyer	C/G	(3)	2012-14	Kansas City (FA)	Shane Cook	T	(2)	1998-99	New Orleans (FA)
David Bakhtiari	T	(3)	2010-12	Green Bay (4)	Ryan Johannngmeier	G/T	(3)	1997-98-99	Atlanta (FA)
Ryan Miller	G	(5)	2007-11	Cleveland (5)	Melvin Thomas	G/T	(3)	1995-96-97	Philadelphia (7)
Nate Solder	T	(3)	2008-10	New England (1)	Chris Naeole	G	(3)	1994-95-96	New Orleans (1)
Daniel Sanders	G/C	(3)	2006-08	St. Louis (FA)	Heath Irwin	G	(3)	1993-94-95	New England (4)
Edwin Harrison	G/T	(3)	2005-07	Kansas City (FA)	Bryan Stoltenberg	C	(4)	1992-93-94-95	San Diego (6)
Tyler Polunbus	T	(3)	2005-07	Denver (FA)	Derek West	T	(3)	1992-93-94	Indianapolis (5)
Brian Daniels	G	(4)	2003-06	Minnesota (FA)	Tony Berti	T	(2)	1993-94	San Diego (6)
Mark Fenton	C	(3)	2004-06	Denver (FA)	Jay Leeuwenburg	C	(3)	1989-90-91	Kansas City (9)
Clint O'Neal	T	(2)	2004-05	Washington (FA)	Mark VanderPoel	W	(3)	1988-89-90	Indianapolis (4)
Sam Wilder	T	(2)	2003-04	Dallas (FA)	Joe Garten	G	(4)	1987-88-89-90	Green Bay (6)
Marwan Hage	G/C	(3)	2001-02-03	Jacksonville (FA)	One-Year Starters:				
Wayne Lucier	G/C	(2)	2001-02	N.Y. Giants (7)	Tom Ashworth	T	(1)	2000	New England (FA)
Justin Bates	T/G	(3)	2000-01-02	Dallas (7)	Ben Nichols	G	(1)	1998	Atlanta (FA)
Andre Gurode	G/C	(3)	1999-00-01	Dallas (2)	Ariel Solomon	T	(1)	1990	Pittsburgh (10)
Victor Rogers	T	(3)	1999-00-01	Detroit (7)					

A LONG LINE OF WALK-ONS HAVE RISEN TO FIRST-TEAM AT COLORADO

After the NCAA reduced the number of scholarships from 95 to 85 (completed in 1992), more and more players have had to make their bones starting as walk-ons. Here's a short list (41 count) of some of the standout former and current walk-ons who rose to first-team status at Colorado:

Player	Pos.	First Season	Letters	Notes
Willie Beebe	FB	1978	4L	Solid blocker who scored nine career touchdowns as a bruiser near the goal line
Kyle Rappold	NT	1985	3L	Known as the "trash compactor" for his stature, the Fort Lewis transfer clogged the run
Jeff Campbell	WR/KR	1986	4L	Earned scholarship second day of freshman camp; played five years in the NFL
Ken Culbertson	PK	1986	3L	Scored 98 points in CU's 11-0 run in '89 season, making 59-59 PAT and 11-17 FG
David Gibbs	CB	1986	4L	Solid corner and special teams performer, now coaching with NFL Kansas City Chiefs
Mark Henry	WR	1987	3L	Big play guy with 18 career catches for 416 yards, or 23.1 per catch
Robbie James	WR	1987	1L	Threw TD pass on third down FG fake at Oklahoma State to lead CU to 16-12 win in 1991
Charles Johnson	QB	1987	2L	Often subbed for an injured Darian Hagan, earning Orange Bowl MVP honors in '91 vs. Notre Dame
Erik Norgard	C	1987	2L	Walked on in the spring after transferring from Western Washington; All-Big 8 as a senior
Chris O'Donnell	LB/SN	1987	4L	Solid as a rock at long snapper on special teams all four years
Keith Miller	FB	1992	2L	From tiny Ovid, Colo., he was a solid blocking back. Now an opera singer with the MET.
Ryan Black	SS	1993	4L	Led team in tackles as a junior in 1996 with 154 (78 solo)
Ryan Sutter	FS	1993	3L	CU's all-time special team points leader, led Buffs in tackles (170, 98 solo) in 1997
Neil Voskeritchian	PK	1993	2L	Won the starting placekicker job in 1994, finished career ninth in scoring at CU (161 points)
Nick Pietsch	P	1996	4L	Led CU in punting in 1997-98-99, finished with a career average of 39.9
Beau Williams	TE	1998	2L	Primarily a blocking tight end, played a big role on CU's 2001 Big 12 title team
D.J. Hackett	WR	2001	2L	Walked on after CS-Northridge dropped football; led CU in receiving in '03, four-year NFL veteran
Tom Hubbard	FS	2001	2L	Defensive MVP of the 2004 Houston Bowl with two interceptions
Evan Judge	WR	2001	4L	Caught 69 balls for 903 yards to finish in top 20 in receiving yards
John Torp	P	2001	3L	Finished second for the '05 ray Guy Award; set a school records with 205 punts, 65 inside the 20
Paul Creighton	TE	2002	4L	Also saw action at FB, he primarily was a
Greg Pace	SN	2002	4L	Took over all special team snapping chores early as a freshman and handled through senior year
Joel Klatt	QB	2003	3L	Former infielder in Padres organization went on to set 44 CU passing and total offense records
Cody Crawford	WR	2004	3L	Has cracked the school's all-time lists in catches and yards
Jeff Smart	ILB	2005	4L	Earned a scholarship 3 games into the 2007 season, first LB to do so under Cabral; second most tackles by a WO
Scotty McKnight	WR	2006	4L	First freshman WR to ever lead CU in receiving (43-488, 4 TD), finished first in career receptions and third in yards
Aric Goodman	PK	2008	3L	In his first season, he was awarded a scholarship after making the game-winning FG versus West Virginia
Jason Espinoza	WR	2008	3L	Suffered two breaks to his collarbone in '08, playing briefly in-between; co-first team WR in '09
Dustin Ebner	WR	2009	3L	Primarily on special teams until his senior year, when he became a regular in the rotation and caught his first TD pass
Keenan Stevens	C	2009	2L	Pressed into duty in the season opener due to injury, he soon became a fixture and started 10 games
Alex Wood	FB	2009	2L	Hybrid tight end/fullback worked exceptionally hard and became the first player from Steamboat to start in decades.
Scott Fernandez	TE	2010	2L	Ascended to the top of the depth chart his senior year ('13); first career catch was fifth longest (71 yards vs.UA).
Travis Sandersfeld	DB (N)	2010	4L	One of the CUs top perennial special teams performers, he emerged as the starting nickel back for 5 games in 2010
David Goldberg	DE	2011	3L	Coaches cited how hard he worked daily in practice and assumed a starting spot midway through his senior year
Darragh O'Neill	P	2011	4L	Had more punts (74) than any other freshman at CU, with his 42.3 average second best by a frosh in the NCAA
Ryan Moeller	FS	2013	4L	Starred at Rifle HS in the middle of the Colorado Rockies, top special teams performer and had 14 UT in first start
Colin Johnson	H	2015	1L	He earned the holder position in spring drills
T.J. Patterson	H (QB)	2016	1L	He earned the holder position in spring drills
J.T. Bale	SN	2016	3L	He earned the snapping job (long and short) in August camp
Josh Goldin	H (QB)	2018	1L	He joined the team after serving as a student equipment manager and handled the holding chores for 9 games
Brady Russell	TE	2018	1L	The nephew of CU's Butkus Award winning linebacker Matt ('16), he caught the coaches attention early.

**STAT SHOTS**

Here are some interesting statistical bullets about Colorado football:

- ➔ **30+.** In its history, Colorado is **325-27-1** when scoring 30 or more points (**2-0** in 2019, **17-4** over the last three years), with records of **235-9** with 35-plus points and **218-7** with 36-plus, **193-5** with 38-plus and **124-2** with 43 or more tallies. The seven losses with 36 or more points came to Air Force (58-35 in 1968), Oklahoma (82-42 in 1980), Stanford (41-37 in 1993), Toledo (54-38 in 2009), Kansas (52-45 in 2010), Utah (42-35 in 2012), California (59-56 in 20T in 2014) and Arizona in 2017 (45-42). CU has played **1,251** games in its history, registering point totals of every number between 0 and 70 except 1 (duh!) and 68, and 75 and 109 above that mark.
- ➔ Colorado is **119-120-3** in its last **242** league games: within this record is a 25-game span in which CU did not lose a conference game, the fourth longest streak all-time in the Big Eight (1958-1995). Colorado was 23-0-2 during that run. Colorado, however, is **17-55** as a member of the Pac-12.
- ➔ **30 points / 3 TDs.** Colorado has scored 30 or more points in **155** of its last **359** games, posting a **132-22-1** record; the Buffs have scored at least three touchdowns in **237** of these games dating to the start of 1989; in this time frame, CU is **27-104-2** when held to two or fewer touchdowns.
- ➔ For years, the mark of a strong CU team was that the Buffaloes routinely averaged six or more yards on first down. Technically the last time the Buffs averaged six or more for a season was in 2001, their Big 12 Championship year (**6.7**; CU did average **5.98** per first down play in 2016). Colorado did it six times between 1989 and 1997, including a team record best of **7.2** in both 1989 and 1994.
 - ➔ Since 1966, CU has averaged less than **4.3** just seven times (last in 2012) and less than 4.1 once—3.5 in 1979. In 2012, the Buffs averaged **4.25** yards on first down, their lowest number since that 3.5 figure in 1979.
 - ➔ In 2016, the Buffs had their best average on first down in years: CU averaged **5.98**, its best since 2001 (6.7).
 - ➔ In 2018, the Buffs averaged **5.32** per 371 first down plays.
 - ➔ Thus far in **2019**, the Buffs are averaging **7.7** yards on 64 first down plays (gaining five or more on 31 of those).
- ➔ Dating back to the fifth game of the 1999 season, an OT win over Missouri, the Buffs have **64** scores by return, or non-offensive scores, in the last 21 seasons (highs of eight in 1999 and 2002). Since the '95 opener and including postseason, CU has **83** scores by return in **294** games (76 regular season, seven bowl). *In the Tucker Era, Colorado has 1 (which happened in his first game—a 9-yard fumble return against Colorado State by Mustafa Johnson).*
- ➔ **200/200.** Colorado has accomplished the 200 "double-double," that is 200 yards both rushing and passing **53** times in the last **320** games, dating to 1993), having accomplished it **1** time under Tucker (**1-0**). CU averaged over 200 in each for the season in 1993, 1994 and in 2001 (and threatened to do it in 2016). The Buffs are **51-8** since 1981 when they have reached the 200 plateaus in both and **59-11** overall. *Prior to '93, CU had accomplished the feat only 19 times in its first 929 games in its history.*
- ➔ **600+.** Colorado is **17-1** all-time in games when it has gained 600 or more yards on offense; the first loss was last year when the Buffs had 630 in the 59-56 double overtime loss at California on Sept. 27, 2014. CU is **0-0** under Tucker; the last two games with 600-plus were against Nicholls State in 2015 and Washington State, 2016.
- ➔ **Grass.** Colorado is **97-101** in its last **198** games on grass, including a **63-59** mark at home (though **13-6** in the last 19 games at Folsom), dating back to the 1999 season when Folsom Field converted back to grass (CU is **18-11** on grass over the last three-plus seasons).
- ➔ **Artificial Turf.** Colorado is **100-65-3** in its last **168** games on non-grass fields dating back to 1989, including a **65-48-3** mark in conference games. CU was **1-3** in 2018 (and **0-0** under Tucker).
- ➔ **First Quarter Dominance.** Dating to the start of 2016, Colorado has been fairly dominant in the first quarter: the Buffs have outscored its opponents **297-187**, with an edge in total offense of **3,988-3,569** (and **plus-7** in TO margin).
- ➔ **Goal-to-Go Situations:** Over the last six seasons, the Buffs have scored in **116** out of **129** situations when it has been first-and-goal. This includes **97** touchdowns and **19** field goals, thus the TD percentage is **83.6** and the overall percentage is **89.9**. The **13** non-scores: seven fourth down misses, four missed field goals (from 26, 28, 31 and 33 yards) and two turnovers.
- ➔ **No Turns or Sacks.** Dating back to 1972, Colorado is **19-3** in games when not allowing a sack or committing a turnover (**1-0** under Tucker, including his first game as coach, the 52-31 win over Colorado State). In these 22 games, the Buffs have outscored the opponent by **875-474** (only six games decided by less than 17 points).
- ➔ **Turnover Free.** Colorado has played **85** turnover-free games dating back to the 1946 season, owning a record of **56-25-4** in those games (**2-1** in bowls). Under Tucker, CU is **1-0**.
- ➔ **Time Spent In The Lead.** The Buffaloes held leads in 11 of 14 games in 2016 (two-score leads in 10 of those), and were ahead for a total of **457:20** on the season. That's the second-most by a hair in the 21 years CU has tracked the stat (CU led for 458:01 in 1996—a 12-game season including the bowl).
 - ➔ In 2017, CU held the edge up until the season finale at Utah, and for the year, the opponent wound up with a **302:13** to **285:30** (tied 132:17).
 - ➔ In 2018, CU led **37** percent of the time (**268:07**), having led in the first 11 games of the year; the Buffs trailed in nine for **280:39**.
- ➔ The Buffs averaged **439.2** yards per game in 2016, in part thanks to a school record eight games in a row with **400** or more, with an average **284.6** yards through the air. Colorado has averaged 400 or more yards per game over the course of an entire season 16 times, including three of the last five seasons (417.6 in 2017), with the school record of 495.3 set during the 1994 season. CU was averaging over 400 through 10 games in 2018 but finished just below at 392.6.
 - ➔ CU opened 2019 with 475 yards against Colorado State.
 - ➔ The Buffaloes have averaged over 300 yards passing in a season just once – 303.5 – in 1996, and came close the year before (297.2) and in 1992 (297.4); otherwise, CU has thrown for 250 or more per game just four times, including 2014 and 2016 (254.4).
- ➔ Colorado rarely folds when the opponent is faced with a 3rd-and-20 or longer. Dating back to 1993, opponents are just **5-of-131** on 3rd-and-20 or more. The Buff defense have had streaks of 51 and 30 in this span (Stanford is the last team to convert one, in 2011; the opponent is now **0-of-22** since). The CU offense is **12-of-147** when it's faced with 3rd-and-20 plus in the same span (last converting on a 3rd-&-27 in the Alamo Bowl against Oklahoma State).
- ➔ CU has scored in **6** of **8** quarters and in the one overtime in 2019 (33 of 48 last year, including **15** in a row in one stretch) and in **74** of **104** quarters dating back to the start of the 2017 season).

**TRENDS I****1985-PRESENT**

Since 1985, when the Buffs returned to their traditional winning ways after six frustrating years from 1978-84, corresponding with coach **Bill McCartney** switching to the wishbone, Colorado is **225-188-4**; in these 417 games spanning the last 34 seasons, CU has posted the following records (including bowls):

◆ with 400-plus yards total offense	133-40-2	◆ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	128-19-1
◆ with 500-plus yards total offense	66-12-0	◆ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	110-17-1
◆ when rushing for 200-plus yards	126-19-1	◆ when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense	105-21-1
◆ when rushing for 250-plus yards	88- 6-1	◆ when scoring first	147-57-1
◆ when rushing for 300-plus yards	56- 2-1	◆ when leading at halftime	176-34-2
◆ when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards	49- 8-0	◆ when leading after three quarters	183-26-3
◆ when out-rushing the opponent	194-34-3	◆ when scoring 30 or more points	145-21-1
◆ when converting 50 percent or better on 3rd down	91-15-1	◆ when held to 13 points or less	4-67-0
◆ when punting three or fewer times	76-29-1	◆ when not committing a turnover or allowing a sack	19- 3-0
◆ with zero turnovers (170-82-2 with two or fewer)	48-22-2	◆ when holding edge in 1st downs & possession time	129-38-2
◆ when scoring 40 or more points (18-2 since joining Pac-12)	83- 3-0		

TRENDS II**ASSORTED TIMELINES**

A look at some Colorado records in games over assorted periods of time:

Since Start of 1892 Season (or all-time):

➤ when scoring 43 or more points 124- 2

Since Start of 2001 Season:

➤ when opponent has under 100 yards rushing (16-3 last 19) 44-16

➤ when opponent scores 17 points or less (21 straight wins) 46- 5

➤ when rushing for 250-plus yards (12-1 300-plus) 29- 2

➤ with 500-plus yards total offense (3-1 with 600-plus) 27- 7

Since Start of 2013 Season:

➤ when rushing for 200-plus yards 17- 6

➤ when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards 12- 5

➤ when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense 15- 0

➤ with a 100-yard rusher 17- 7

➤ when leading at halftime 22- 8

➤ when scoring 30 or more points 24-10

➤ when leading after three (3-38 trailing, 4-1 tied) 25- 5

TURNOVER ANALYSIS / TUCKER ERA

Most head coaches believe that when it comes to turnovers, they are one of the single most important factors in winning or losing ball games. Statistics usually back up the argument, thus we will chart the numbers under Mel Tucker. A closer look:

Tucker Era	Turnovers		+/-	Scoring Off Turnovers		
	Committed	Forced		PF	PA	+/-
2 WINS	2	7	+5	20	3	+17
0 LOSSES	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 GAMES	2	7	+5	20	3	+17

POST BYE WEEKS

Colorado is **27-22** in games following a bye week since 1948, when the Buffaloes joined the Big Seven Conference; CU stopped playing Denver in an annual Thanksgiving game that year and byes became much rarer. In fact, the Buffs had just five bye weeks between 1948 and 1984 (going 3-2; one was created in 1963 after the assassination of JFK). Since 1985, CU has had at least one bye in 31 of 34 seasons, with two weeks off 11 of those years and one season with three idle Saturdays (2001, due to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks). CU is **24-20** in games following byes dating back to 1985, which includes a **2-5** mark as a member of the Pac-12 (losing to Arizona State in 2012, at Oregon State in 2013, at USC and Oregon in 2014 and at Utah in 2017; and wins over UCLA in 2016 and 2018).

TOUCHDOWNS ON FIRST CAREER TOUCH

There are two players on the current CU roster that scored a touchdown on their first career touch. In 2017, **WR Laviska Shenault** joined the club when he picked up a fumble on punt return duty and raced 55 yards for a score. In 2018, **WR Daniel Arias** caught a 37-yard pass from QB Steven Montez to become the 16th known player to do so in CU history (he did so in his hometown, making it even more special). Not including those players whose first career interception were returned for scores (see page 37), here's a list of known players in CU history that scored a TD the first time they touched the football:

Player	Date	Opponent	Score	How	Player	Date	Opponent	Score	How
Lamar Meyer	Sept. 18, 1954	DRAKE	W 61-0	26 pass from Frank Bernardi	James Kidd	Sept. 11, 1993	BAYLOR	W 45-21	25 pass from Vance Joseph
Gerry Leahy	Sept. 25, 1954	COLORADO ST.	W 46-0	8 pass from Homer Scott	Jeremy Bloom	Aug. 31, 2002	Colorado State	L 14-19	75 punt return
Leon Mavity	Sept. 30, 1961	OKLAHOMA ST.	W 24-0	60 yard punt return	DaVaughn Thornton	Nov. 6, 2010	at Kansas	L 45-52	12 pass from Cody Hawkins
Chuck Morris	Nov. 25, 1961	IOWA STATE	W 34-0	12 pass from Pat Young	Scott Fernandez	Nov. 10, 2012	at Arizona	L 31-56	71 pass from Connor Wood
Roger Wissmiller	Oct. 20, 1962	at Iowa State	L 19-57	2 pass from Frank Cesarek	Jay MacIntyre	Sept. 26, 2015	NICHOLLS STATE	W 48-0	38 pass from Sefo Liufau
Larry Ferguson	Sept. 15, 1973	at Louisiana State	L 6-17	37 run	Kabion Ento	Sept. 10, 2016	IDAHO STATE	W 56-7	69 pass from Steven Montez
Mike Kerin	Sept. 27, 1975	WICHITA STATE	W 52-0	32 pass from Jeff Austin	Laviska Shenault	Sept. 9, 2017	TEXAS STATE	W 37-3	55 punt return
Craig Keenan	Sept. 25, 1982	WYOMING	L 10-24	1 run	Daniel Arias	Oct. 20, 2018	at Washington	L 13-27	27 pass from Steven Montez

SOUTH PARK RALPHIE INTRO

Most know that the creators of Comedy Central's popular *South Park* are University of Colorado alums: **Trey Parker**, **Matt Stone** and animator **Eric Stough**. They voices **Eric Cartman**; he teamed with Eric this summer to create a short (roughly 20 seconds) vignette that debuted during the countdown to kickoff prior to the 2014 Arizona State game. It's been a hit since, especially among the CU student section. Cartman is seen in his usual garb and he introduced Ralphie before the real buffalo led the Buffs on the field.



**2019 ANNIVERSARIES**

The annual listing of what happened years ago, or anniversaries of 5, 10 and 25-year increments:

- 1904** (Oct. 8) Considered one of the biggest wins in the 15-year history of the program, Colorado beats Nebraska in Boulder, 6-0. The game ball remains on display at CU's Heritage Center on campus (third floor of Old Main).
- 1909** Colorado finished 6-0 the first of three in a row to do so while establishing the school's all-time winning streak of 21 games between 1908 and 1912. CU squeezes by the State Prep School and an Alumni squad, both by 3-0 scores, but follow those up with routs over Colorado A&M (57-0) and New Mexico (53-0) before closing with road wins over Colorado College (9-0) and Colorado Mines (16-0).
- 1914** The 105th anniversary of a 5-1 Colorado team, the next-to-last squad that **Fred Folsom** would coach in Boulder, but what would be his last winner (CU went 1-6 in his final year in 1915).
- 1924** (Oct. 11) The 95th anniversary of the first game at Colorado Stadium (now Folsom Field), a 39-0 win over Regis. Colorado says goodbye to Gamble Field the previous Saturday with a 21-0 romp over Western State on its way to an 8-1-1 record, which included its first overseas games—two in Hawai'i.
- 1934** (Nov. 10) The 85th anniversary of CU's 7-6 win over Utah, snapping a nine-game losing streak at the time against its conference archrival. It's the first game that the school is known as the "Buffaloes" following a contest in the school newspaper to come up with a permanent nickname. In the 7-0 win at Denver on Thanksgiving Day, the foundation for future Ralphie's is laid down when students rent a buffalo calf and more or less control it on the sidelines during the win.
- 1939** The Buffaloes open 0-3, but would go on and post their best finish after such a start, rallying to win five in a row to finish 5-3 and win their first Mountain States Conference title.
- 1949** (Oct. 29) The 70th anniversary of perhaps the wackiest game in CU history when it comes to the weather. In a 14-7 homecoming win over Utah, the temperature was 61 degrees at its 2 p.m. kickoff with clear skies. It was overcast by halftime, and by the end of the game, the field was covered in six inches of snow.
- 1954** The 65th anniversary of one of the most prolific rushing offenses in Colorado history, the unit averaging 316 yards per game, ranking third in the nation. **John Bayuk** (824 yards), **Frank Bernardi** (668), **Carroll Hardy** (642), **Homer Jenkins** (446) and **Emerson Wilson** (419) combine to average 6.8 yards per carry and 31 touchdowns in CU's 7-2-1 season.
- 1959** The 60th anniversary of Sonny Grandelius' first season as CU coach, as well as what tied for the second-largest comeback in school history, a 21-20 win over Missouri on Halloween (Oct. 31). Trailing 20-6 with 13:05 left, **Gale Weidner** threw one touchdown pass (12 yards to **Jerry Hillebrand**), completed a 2-point pass to Jim Counter, and then ran in the game-tying score himself with 6:15 left; **Boyd Dowler** converted the PAT kick for the winning margin.
- 1964** The 55th anniversary of **Eddie Crowder's** second CU team; though it repeated with a 2-8 record with one fewer win in Big 8 play, observers could see the future: in 1963, Colorado's five league losses came by a combined 132 points; in '64, this six by 39 (including four by a total of 12).
- 1969** The Buffs cap an 8-3 season with an emotional 47-33 win over Alabama in the Liberty Bowl, where CU had to put up with racial slurs from some Alabama fans because Colorado had African-American players, including tri-captain **Bill Collins**, while the Crimson Tide were not integrated at the time. **Bobby Anderson** is moved from quarterback to tailback the third game of the season and goes on to earn All-America honors. On Oct. 25, the Buffs topple No. 5 Missouri, 31-24 in Boulder, the Tigers' lone conference loss of the year. The '69 team will be honored this year at the Arizona game (Oct. 6).
- 1974** (Oct. 5) The last meeting between Front Range rivals Colorado and Air Force, won by the Buffs, 28-27 at the USAFA. CU leads the all-time series 12-4, but won nine of the last 10 by an average margin of 19 points. The series finally resumes some 45 years later this September in Boulder.
- 1979** (Sept. 8) The 40th anniversary of the Colorado-Oregon game being the first college football game televised on ESPN (tape delay). It was also the first game of the short tenure as Colorado head coach by **Chuck Fairbanks**.
- 1984** (Sept. 15) The 35th anniversary marking the severe brain injury to CU tight end **Ed Reinhardt**, who was in a coma for a month after being hurt in the final two minutes of CU's 27-20 loss at Oregon. Reinhardt had caught 10 passes in the season opener the previous week against Michigan State and was the nation's leading receiver, despite CU's new two-tight offense being revealed by the *Denver Post* in one of those weak "public's right to know" defenses. CU is never the same after the injury and fights its way through a 1-10 season.
- 1989** Following Colorado's first 11-0 regular season in school history and No. 1 national ranking, the Buffaloes play for the national championship in the Orange Bowl against No. 4 Notre Dame, but come up short, 21-6. The Buffs dedicated the season to fallen quarterback **Sal Aunese**, who died on Sept. 23 after a six month battle with stomach cancer. His replacement, **Darian Hagan**, leads the team to the first of three straight undefeated seasons in Big 8 conference play and finishes fifth in the balloting for the Heisman Trophy. The season is defined with back-to-back wins at Oklahoma (20-3) and then over No. 3 Nebraska (27-21).
- 1994** The 25th anniversary of "The Catch," (CU's 27-26 win at Michigan); of **Rashaan Salaam** winning the first Heisman Trophy by a Buff (Dec. 10); of **Chris Hudson** winning the Thorpe Award (Dec. 8); of Salaam going over 2,000 yards for the season against Iowa State (Nov. 19); of **Kordell Stewart** becoming the Big 8's all-time total offense leader (also Nov. 19); of **Bill McCartney** retiring as CU's head coach (also Nov. 19); and of CU's 11-1 season which saw the Buffs finish as the No. 3 team in the country.
- 1999** The 20th anniversary of **Gary Barnett** returning to head the program where he spent nine seasons as an assistant (1983-91); along the way, CU defeats at least one ranked opponent for a 12th straight season, plays in and wins its first overtime game in its history (46-39 over Missouri) and a monster bowl win (62-36 over Boston College in the Insight.com Bowl) extends CU's bowl winning streak to a nation's best six games.
- 2004** (Oct. 16) **Mason Crosby** kicked CU's school record 60-yard field goal in a 19-14 win over Iowa State. And 10 years after "The Catch," **Joel Klatt** and **Ron Monteilh** hook up for the exact same distance—64 yards—with five seconds left to give CU a 38-31 win over Kansas State. Colorado, 1-4 in league play entering November, won its last three Big 12 games in rallying to win the Big 12 North Division.
- 2009** (Oct. 17) One of the few highlights in an otherwise disappointing season, CU defeated No. 17 Kansas, 34-30, in a thriller at Folsom Field. It stood as the last win over a ranked team by the Buffaloes for seven years.
- 2014** In a season where there wasn't much to celebrate (2-10, 0-9 in the Pac-12), **Nelson Spruce** had an outstanding year in catching a school-record 106 passes, the first to make 100 or more in a season at Colorado. Four of the league losses were by a combined 15 points, including a 59-56 loss at Cal in two overtimes.

BUFFS ON ESPN'S GAMEDAY

Colorado has hosted ESPN's College GameDay three times (Sept. 23, 1995 vs. Texas A&M, Oct. 28, 1995 vs. Nebraska, Sept. 14, 1996 vs. Michigan); the Buffs have been the visiting team on three occasions as well (Oct. 29, 1994 at Nebraska, Sept. 30, 1995 at Oklahoma, Sept. 13, 1997 at Michigan).

**COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS ALL-TIME HISTORIC**

- 7-8** Colorado's record in overtime games (**1-0** in 2019);
- 8** The number of Buffaloes enshrined in the College Football Hall of Fame (six players: Byron White, Joe Romig, Dick Anderson, Bobby Anderson, Alfred Williams, John Wooten, Herb Orvis (to be inducted this December); and one coach: Bill McCartney).
- 16** The number of career interceptions by CU's all-time leader, **S John Stearns** (1970-72).
- 19-3** Colorado's record in games since 1972 when not committing a turnover or allowing a quarterback sack (**1-0** in 2019).
- 29** The number of national championships CU has won in its athletic history: 20 skiing, 8 cross country (5 men's/3 women's), 1 football.
- 30** The number of tackles by **LB Jeff Geiser** against Kansas State on Nov. 24, 1973, CU's single game record (5 solo, 25 assists).
- 30** The number of states CU has played a football game in with the most recent addition of Massachusetts in 2014.
- 35** The number of career quarterback sacks by CU's all-time leader, **OLB Alfred Williams** (1987-90).
- 36-11** Colorado's record in games in its history when it has had a 100-yard rusher and a 100-yard receiver in the same game.
- 42-30** Colorado's all-time record in games decided by one (27-17) or two (15-13) points.
- 54** The number of all-time players who have rushed for 1,000 or more yards in a CU uniform (seventh in the NCAA).
- 54-23** Colorado's record in games against unranked teams in the month of November, dating back to 1989.
- 60** The length of the school record field goal **PK Mason Crosby** made against Iowa State in 2004.
- 62-36** The final score of CU's 2001 win over BCS No. 1 Nebraska, which earned the Buffs the Big 12 North title.
- 64** The length of the pass from **QB Kordell Stewart** to **WR Michael Westbrook** (via **WR Blake Anderson** tip), known as "The Catch" at Michigan.
- 67** The length of **TB Charlie Davis'** TD run against Oklahoma State on Nov. 13, 1971, one that put him over the 1,000-yard mark for the season.
- 67** The length of **TB Rashaan Salaam's** TD run against Iowa State on Nov. 19, 1994, one that put him over the 2,000-yard mark for the season.
- 69** The number of wins Colorado has over teams ranked in the Associated Press weekly polls (23rd most all-time; **46** since 1989, 20th most).
- 72** The number of yards that 64-yard pass was in the air, thrown from the CU 32 to four yards deep in the end zone to rally CU to a 27-26 win.
- 78-15-4** Colorado's record in games from 1989-96, the nation's fourth best overall record in the nation during that time frame.
- 93** The number of wins by Bill McCartney, CU's all-time winningest coach (93-55-5, 1982-94).
- 198, 6** The number of rushing yards and touchdowns, respectively, by **TB Chris Brown** against Nebraska on Nov. 23, 2001 in CU's 62-36 win.
- 235-9** Colorado's all-time record in games when it has scored 35 or more points (**325-27-1** with 30 or more points, with **124-2** with 43 or more).
- 239** The number of players from CU who have played in the National Football League, a top 20 figure nationally.
- 242** The number of consecutive games Colorado scored in between 1988 and 2008, the ninth-longest all-time in Division I football.
- 278** The number of national or regional regular season games CU has had on television since 1990, one of the top 10 figures in the nation.
- 284** The number of receiving yards by **WR Paul Richardson** (vs. California, Sept. 10, 2011), breaking the old mark of **222** first set by **WR Walter Stanley** (vs. Texas Tech, Sept. 12, 1981) and then matched by **WR Rae Carruth** (at Missouri, Nov. 2, 1996).
- 294** The number of career receptions by CU's all-time reception leader, **WR Nelson Spruce** (2012-15).
- 304** The number of times Colorado has been ranked in the Associated Press weekly poll (26th most all-time).
- 307** The number of career points by CU's all-time scoring leader, **PK Mason Crosby** (2003-06).
- 316** The number of wins Colorado has at Folsom Field since it opened on Oct. 1, 1924 (**501** games: **316-175-10**).
- 342** The number of rushing yards by **TB Charlie Davis** against Oklahoma State on Nov. 13, 1971, CU's single-game rushing record.
- 362** The number of all-purpose yards by **TB Rashaan Salaam** at Texas on Oct. 1, 1994, CU's single-game record (317 rushing, 45 receiving).
- 408** The number of home wins Colorado has in its history (combined between campus fields, Gamble Field and Folsom Field).
- 465** The number of passing yards by **QB Mike Moschetti** against San Jose State on Sept. 11, 1999, CU's single-game passing record.
- 486** The number of games announcer **Larry Zimmer** called on the radio for the Buffaloes, the most by anyone in CU history (retired after 2015).
- 493** The number of career tackles by CU's all-time leading tackler, **ILB Barry Remington** (1982-86).
- 533** The number of passing yards against Northeast Louisiana on Sept. 16, 1995, CU's single-game record.
- 551** The number of rushing yards at Arizona on Oct. 11, 1958, CU's single-game record.
- 707** The number of wins Colorado has in its history (25th most all-time).
- 767** The number of yards of total offense against San Jose State on Sept. 11, 1999, CU's single-game record.
- 1,149** The number of receiving yards by **WR Charles Johnson** in 1992, CU's single-season record.
- 1,251** The number of games Colorado has played in its history (129 seasons of intercollegiate football).
- 2,055** The number of rushing yards **TB Rashaan Salaam** had in 1994 (the fourth at the time with a 2,000-yard season), on his way to the Heisman.
- 3,156** The number of passing yards by **QB Koy Detmer** in 1996, CU's single-season record.
- 3,347** The number of career yards by CU's all-time receiving leader, **WR Nelson Spruce** (2012-15).
- 3,940** The number of career yards by CU's all-time rushing leader, **TB Eric Bieniemy** (1987-90).
- 5,345** The elevation in feet of CU's Folsom Field (field level), the third highest stadium elevation in the FBS (behind Wyoming and Air Force).
- 9,568** The number of career passing yards by CU's all-time passing leader, **QB Sefo Liufau** (2013-16).
- 10,509** The number of career yards by CU's all-time total offense leader, **QB Sefo Liufau** (2013-16).

MONTHLY TAB

Colorado is **70-40** in its last **110** September games, a pretty decent record considering the quality of non-conference schedule CU almost annually plays. The Buffs are **59-60-2** in their last **121** October games dating back to 1989 and are **61-54-1** in its last **115** November games (**55-42** against all-comers aside from Nebraska, going 6-12-1 against NU in turkey month, and **54-23** against unranked teams; in 2016, Colorado was **4-0** in November for the first time since 1975). The Buffs are **5-9** in December games since 1993, including bowls, and are **4-3-1** in August games in its history.



PAC-12 BOWL AGREEMENTS FOR 2019

Here are the Pac-12 bowl agreements that were signed in 2014 and run through the 2020 season; the conference's lineup for the 2019 bowl season:

- # 1 Rose Bowl presented by Northwestern Mutual (Pasadena; Jan. 1, vs. Big Ten; if in CFP semifinal; otherwise, see below).
- # 2 Valero Alamo (San Antonio; Dec. 31 vs. Big 12)
- # 3 San Diego County Credit Union Holiday (Dec. 27 vs. Big Ten)
- # 4 San Francisco (Santa Clara; Dec. 30 vs. Big Ten)
- # 5 Hyundai Sun (El Paso; Dec. 31 vs. ACC/Notre Dame)
- # 6 Mitsubishi Motors Las Vegas (Dec. 21 vs. MW or BYU)
- # 7 Cheez-It (Phoenix; Dec. 27 vs. Big 12)

Note: If the Pac-12 champion is in the top four of the College Football Playoff poll following the 2019 season it would play in either the Fiesta or Peach bowls as a participant in the CFP semifinals. If the champion is not among those four, it will play in the Rose.

RANKED "UNDEFEATEDS" FALL AT FOLSOM

Eleven ranked, undefeated teams have lost their "0" in the loss column at Folsom Field since 1989. The last was Kansas in 2009, as the Jayhawks (5-0) hit town ranked No. 17 and lost 34-30. In 2007, Oklahoma (4-0) rolled in ranked No. 3 and left with a 27-24 setback; in 2002, Kansas State came to Boulder ranked No. 13 at 4-0 and lost, 35-31. Two bit the dust in 2001: Nebraska (11-0, No. 1 in the BCS and No. 2 in the polls) fell 62-36 game to the Buffs, as did Texas A & M (5-0, No. 20), 31-21. In 1998, No. 22 Texas Tech (6-0) lost 19-17; in 1995, No.3 Texas A&M (2-0) lost, 29-21; in 1994, No. 10 Wisconsin (2-0) was crushed, 55-17; and in 1990, No. 12 Washington (3-0) left a 20-14 loser. In 1989, No. 10 Illinois (2-0) lost 38-7 and No. 3 Nebraska (8-0) fell, 27-21. *(Not included is a 43-10 win over No. 23-FCS Charleston Southern in 2013, which came to Boulder with a 7-0 mark.)*

STREAKING

Colorado has active multiple win streaks going against 11 Division I-A schools. The list: 5—Air Force, Colorado State; 4—San Jose State; 3—Minnesota, Utah State, Wyoming; 2—Iowa, Louisiana-Monroe, Massachusetts, Nebraska and Notre Dame. CU's longest current losing streaks are to Southern California (13), Washington (9), Missouri and Texas (5), and LSU, Michigan, Ohio State and Oklahoma State (3).

THE PRIMO TWENTY-FOUR

Colorado is one of just 24 schools in I-A/FBS history to be able to make the claim of winning (or sharing) a national championship and also having a Heisman Trophy winner. The criteria for national championship consideration included those crowned by the *Associated Press*, the coaches, the BCS and the CFP; 30 total schools at one point in the past have been able to claim the throne. This prestigious short list (Alabama is the latest to join, doing so in 2009):

School	National Championships	Heisman Trophies	School	National Championships	Heisman Trophies
Alabama	1961-64-65-73-78-79-92-09-11-12-15	2009-15	Nebraska	1970-71-94-95-97	1972-83-2001
Army	1944-45	1945-46-58	Notre Dame	1943-46-47-49-66-73-77-88	1943-47-49-53-56-64-87
Auburn	1957-2010	1971-85-2010	Ohio State	1942-54-57-68-2002	1944-50-55-74-75-95-2006
Brigham Young	1984	1990	Oklahoma	1950-55-56-74-75-85-2000	1952-69-78-2003-08-17-18
Colorado	1990	1994	Penn State	1982-86	1973
Florida	1996-2006-08	1966-96-2007	Pittsburgh	1937-76	1976
Florida State	1993-99-2013	1993-2000-13	Syracuse	1959	1961
Georgia	1980	1942-82	Texas	1963-69-70-2005	1977-98
Louisiana State	1958-2003	1959	Texas A& M	1939	1957-2012
Miami, Fla.	1983-87-89-91-2001	1986-92	TCU	1938	1938
Michigan	1948-97	1940-91-97	UCLA	1954	1967
Minnesota	1936-40-60	1941	USC	1962-67-72-74-78-2003-04	1965-68-79-81-2002-04-05

Schools with national championships and no Heisman winner are Michigan State (2), Tennessee (2) and Clemson, Georgia Tech, Maryland and Washington (all 1).

THE BUFFS & COLLEGE FOOTBALL HARDWARE

Colorado is in an elite group when it comes to claiming college football's prestigious trophies dating back to the 1990 season. A proliferation of awards has emerged since the late 1980s, and the Buffs are near the top of the list when it comes to collecting these statues. CU has had seven different players win nine trophies over the last 29 seasons (1990-2018), the 18th most nationally when it comes to trophies (and tied for 17th as well in the number of *different* players who have been honored). The below postseason "hardware" count includes the Heisman Trophy and the Lombardi, Maxwell, Walter Camp, Butkus, Thorpe, O'Brien, Unitas, Groza, Biletnikoff, Doak Walker, Nagurski, Bednarik, Mackey, Tatupu (defunct), Ray Guy, Rimington, Lott, Hendricks, Hornung and Bullworth (on-field player awards only—for example, if the Draddy/Campbell was included, CU would have one more on each list; so players only, no coaches, no "fad" awards around for a year or two, and no Disney Spirit, Orange Bowl Courage, etc. awards). The list of schools that have had winners between 1990 and 2018 (players only; LSU and Michigan players shared the 2004 Rimington Award and thus were both compensated for in the trophy count):

School	Players Trophies	School	Players Trophies	School	Players Trophies	School	Players Trophies
Alabama	22 31	Georgia	7 10	Utah	5 5	Washington State	3 3
Oklahoma	16 27	Stanford	7 10	TCU	4 5	Illinois	3 3
Ohio State	14 23	UCLA	8 9	Washington	4 5	Memphis	3 3
Texas	12 23	COLORADO	7 9	Arizona State	3 5	Michigan State	3 3
Florida State	12 22	Arizona	6 9	Baylor	3 5	Oregon State	3 3
Michigan	10 18	Clemson	7 8	Tennessee	3 5	Louisiana Tech	2 3
Penn State	10 18	Texas A&M	7 8	Brigham Young	2 5	Maryland	2 3
Miami, Fla.	9 17	Louisville	5 8	Georgia Tech	4 4	Virginia Tech	2 3
Florida	8 15	Auburn	4 7	Kansas State	4 4	California	2 2
Notre Dame	8 15	Oregon	3 7	Purdue	4 4	Missouri	2 2
Wisconsin	11 14	Pittsburgh	3 7	Minnesota	3 4	Tulane	2 2
Nebraska	9 14	Oklahoma State	6 6	Mississippi	3 4	Virginia	2 2
USC	8 13	Arkansas	4 6	N.C. State	3 4	Wake Forest	2 2
Louisiana State	8 12	Boston College	3 6	Kentucky	2 4	West Virginia	2 2
Iowa	10 10	Texas Tech	5 5	Northwestern	1 4	North Carolina	1 2
						Temple	1 2
						Cincinnati	1 1
						Colorado State	1 1
						East Carolina	1 1
						Fresno State	1 1
						Hawai'i	1 1
						Houston	1 1
						Marshall	1 1
						Mississippi State	1 1
						Rutgers	1 1
						South Carolina	1 1
						Southern Miss	1 1
						Syracuse	1 1
						Wyoming	1 1



2019 OPPONENT SCHEDULES & RESULTS

COLORADO STATE (1-1)

31	Colorado (Denver)	52
38	WESTERN ILLINOIS	13
S 14	at Arkansas	
S 21	TOLEDO	
S 28	at Utah State	
O 5	SAN DIEGO STATE	
O 11	at New Mexico	
O 26	at Fresno State	
N 2	NEVADA-LAS VEGAS	
N 16	AIR FORCE	
N 22	at Wyoming	
N 29	BOISE STATE	

ARIZONA STATE (2-0)

30	KENT STATE	7
19	SACRAMENTO STATE	7
S 14	at Michigan State	
S 21	at COLORADO	
S 27	at California	
O 12	WASHINGTON STATE	
O 19	at Utah	
O 26	at UCLA	
N 9	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	
N 16	at Oregon State	
N 23	OREGON	
N 30	ARIZONA	

WASHINGTON ST. (2-0)

58	NEW MEXICO STATE	7
59	NORTHERN COLORADO	17
S 13	at Houston	
S 21	UCLA	
S 28	at Utah	
O 12	at Arizona State	
O 19	COLORADO	
O 26	at Oregon	
N 9	at California	
N 16	STANFORD	
N 23	OREGON STATE	
N 29	at Washington	

STANFORD (1-1)

17	NORTHWESTERN	7
20	at Southern California	45
S 14	at UCF	
S 21	OREGON	
S 28	at Oregon State	
O 5	WASHINGTON	
O 17	UCLA	
O 26	ARIZONA	
N 9	at Colorado	
N 16	at Washington	
N 23	CALIFORNIA	
N 30	NOTRE DAME	

NEBRASKA (1-1)

35	SOUTH ALABAMA	21
31	at Colorado (OT)	34
S 14	NORTHERN ILLINOIS	
S 21	at Illinois	
S 28	OHIO STATE	
O 5	NORTHWESTERN	
O 12	at Minnesota	
O 26	INDIANA	
N 2	at Purdue	
N 16	WISCONSIN	
N 23	at Maryland	
N 29	IOWA	

ARIZONA (1-1)

38	at Hawai'i	45
65	NORTHERN ARIZONA	41
S 14	TEXAS TECH	
S 28	UCLA	
O 5	at Colorado	
O 12	WASHINGTON	
O 19	at Southern California	
O 26	at Stanford	
N 2	OREGON STATE	
N 16	at Oregon	
N 23	UTAH	
N 30	at Arizona State	

SOUTHERN CAL (2-0)

31	FRESNO STATE	23
45	STANFORD	20
S 14	at Brigham Young	
S 20	UTAH	
S 28	at Washington	
O 12	at Notre Dame	
O 19	ARIZONA	
O 25	at Colorado	
N 2	OREGON	
N 9	at Arizona State	
N 16	at California	
N 23	UCLA	

WASHINGTON (1-1)

47	EASTERN WASHINGTON	14
19	at CALIFORNIA	20
S 14	HAWAII	
S 21	at Brigham Young	
S 28	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	
O 5	at Stanford	
O 12	at Arizona State	
O 19	OREGON	
N 2	UTAH	
N 8	at Oregon State	
N 23	at Colorado	
N 29	WASHINGTON STATE	

AIR FORCE (1-0)

48	COLGATE	7
S 14	at Colorado	
S 21	at Boise State	
S 27	SAN JOSE STATE	
O 5	at Navy	
O 12	FRESNO STATE	
O 19	at Hawai'i	
O 26	UTAH STATE	
N 2	ARMY	
N 9	at New Mexico	
N 16	at Colorado State	
N 30	WYOMING	

OREGON (1-1)

21	Auburn (Arlington)	27
77	NEVADA	6
S 14	MONTANA	
S 21	at Stanford	
O 5	CALIFORNIA	
O 11	COLORADO	
O 19	at Washington	
O 26	WASHINGTON STATE	
N 2	at Southern California	
N 16	ARIZONA	
N 23	at Arizona State	
N 30	OREGON STATE	

UCLA (0-2)

14	at Cincinnati	24
14	SAN DIEGO STATE	23
S 14	OKLAHOMA	
S 21	at Washington State	
S 28	at Arizona	
O 5	OREGON STATE	
O 17	at Stanford	
O 26	ARIZONA STATE	
N 2	COLORADO	
N 16	at Utah	
N 23	at Southern California	
N 30	CALIFORNIA	

UTAH (2-0)

30	at Brigham Young	12
35	NORTHERN ILLINOIS	17
S 14	IDAHO STATE	
S 20	at Southern California	
S 28	WASHINGTON STATE	
O 12	at Oregon State	
O 19	ARIZONA STATE	
O 26	CALIFORNIA	
N 2	at Washington	
N 16	UCLA	
N 23	at Arizona	
N 30	COLORADO	

KEY: ◆—Pac-12 Conference game; □—Mountain West game; ◇—Big Ten Conference game.

OPPONENTS & 2019 SCHEDULE TIDBITS

The 12 opponents on the 2019 Colorado schedule combined for an **80-72** record in 2018 (52.6 winning percentage); six teams earned bowl invitations and four won 9 or more games.



- The Buffaloes opened on a weeknight for the sixth straight season (2015 in Honolulu, and 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 in Denver); the Buffs opened the 2013 season on a Sunday, so Colorado has not opened a season on a Saturday since 2012. Mel Tucker became only the second of 26 head coaches at Colorado to open his career on a non-Saturday.
- **Friday Night Lights.** The Buffaloes will play on three Friday nights this fall, once at home (against USC on Oct. 25), once on the road (at Oregon on Oct. 11) and once at a neutral site (the season opener on Aug. 30 against Colorado State in Denver). It will mark just the second time in 130 seasons that the Buffaloes will play three regular season games on a Friday, and for the second year in a row at that; it's just the third time the Buffs will have as many as three non-Saturday games in the same regular season as well: in 2009, the Buffs played five: two on a Thursday, two on a Friday and one on a Sunday.
- The two other Division I/FBS schools in the state, Air Force and Colorado, appear on the CU schedule for just the second time, and for the first time since 1958 (or 61 years ago). Back then and unbeknownst to all at the time, it was the last time that CU and CSU would play until the rivalry was revived in 1983; that season also marked the first-ever meeting between the Buffaloes and Air Force, as the Falcons' program was born just three years earlier in 1955 (when they played just a freshmen schedule); but by '58, AFA would go 9-0-2 and tie TCU (0-0) in the Cotton Bowl. CSU defeated CU, 15-14 and Air Force got the best of the Buffs, 20-14; with both games in Boulder, they wound up being the last two under coach Dal Ward, who was let go when the team finished 6-4, losing four of its last five after opening 5-0 and rising to No. 9 in the nation.
- Air Force, Stanford and Washington all have byes the week before playing Colorado this fall; the Buffs do have the same week off prior to hosting Washington on Nov. 23, and will be off on Sept. 28 when Arizona hosts UCLA before traveling to Boulder on Oct. 5.
- Colorado will travel **7,014** miles round-trip for its non-Boulder games in 2019: CSU (Denver, 60), Arizona State (Tempe, 1,178), Oregon (Eugene, 1,916), Washington State (Pullman, 1,512), UCLA (Pasadena, 1,636) and Utah (Salt Lake City, 712). CU traveled **8,028** miles in 2018, **7,086** in 2017 and **11,704** in 2016 (two extra games).
- With three Friday night affairs, Colorado will have had at least one regular season game on a non-Saturday for the 24th straight season; the Buffs had played the Friday after Thanksgiving from 1996 through 2012, a span of 17 seasons (Nebraska 1995-2010, Utah 2011-12). But starting in 2013, the game with the Utes has been passed on by the Pac-12's television partners for Friday airing.
- **Pac-12 Conference** regular season misses: The Buffaloes will not play California or Oregon State in 2019 (replaced by Oregon and Stanford, both of whom CU last played in 2016). CU hosts Stanford and will travel to Oregon, with the reverse in the 2020 season. Cal and OSU will return to the CU schedule in 2021, at which time the Buffs will have a two-year hiatus from playing Stanford and Washington State.



2019 PAC-12 COMPOSITE SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Week Zero (Aug. 24)

HAWAII 45, Arizona 38

Week One (Aug. 29-31)

(Aug. 29) CINCINNATI 24, UCLA 14
 (Aug. 29) ARIZONA STATE 30, Kent State 7
 (Aug. 29) Utah 30, BRIGHAM YOUNG 12
 (Aug. 30) Colorado 52, Colorado State 31 (at Denver)
 (Aug. 30) Oklahoma St. at OREGON STATE 36
 Auburn 27, Oregon 21 (at Arlington)
 CALIFORNIA 27, UC Davis 13
 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 31, Fresno State 23
 STANFORD 17, Northwestern 7
 WASHINGTON 47, Eastern Washington 14
 WASHINGTON STATE 58, New Mexico State 7

Week Two (Sept. 6-7)

(Sept. 6) ARIZONA STATE 19, Sacramento State 7
COLORADO 34, Nebraska 31 (OT)
 *California 20, WASHINGTON 19
 *SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 45, Stanford 20
 ARIZONA 65, Northern Arizona 41
 HAWAII 31, Oregon State 28
 OREGON 77, Nevada 6
 San Diego State 23, UCLA 14
 UTAH 35, Northern Illinois 17
 WASHINGTON STATE 59, Northern Colorado 17

Week Three (Sept. 13-14)

(Sept. 13) Wash. State at Houston (ESPN), 7:15 p.m.
 Air Force at **Colorado** (PAC12), 11:00 a.m.
 USC at Brigham Young (ABC), 1:30 p.m.
 Stanford at UCF (ESPN), 1:30 p.m.
 Arizona State at Michigan State (FOX), 2:00 p.m.
 North Texas at California (PAC12BA), 2:15 p.m.
 Cal Poly at Oregon State (PAC12OR), 2:15 p.m.
 Idaho State at Utah (PAC12), 2:15 p.m.
 Hawai'i at Washington (PAC12), 5:30 p.m.
 Oklahoma at UCLA (FOX), 6:00 p.m.
 Texas Tech at Arizona (ESPN), 8:30 p.m.
 Montana at Oregon (PAC12), 8:45 p.m.

Week Four (Sept. 20-21)

(Sept. 20) *Utah at USC (FS-1), 7:00 p.m.
 ***Colorado** at Arizona State (PAC12), 8:00 p.m.
 *Oregon at Stanford (ESPN), 5:00 p.m.
 *UCLA at Washington State (ESPN), 8:30 p.m.
 California at Mississippi (ESPN), TBA
 Washington at Brigham Young (ABC/ESPN), 1:30 p.m.

Week Five (Sept. 27-28)

(Sept. 27) *Arizona St. at California (ESPN), 8:30 p.m.
 *Southern California at Washington
 *Stanford at Oregon State
 *UCLA at Arizona
 *Washington State at Utah

Week Six (Oct. 5)

*Arizona at **Colorado**
 *California at Oregon
 *Oregon State at UCLA
 *Washington at Stanford

Week Seven (Oct. 11-12)

(Oct. 11) ***Colorado** at Oregon (FS-1), 8:00 p.m.
 *Utah at Oregon State
 *Washington at Arizona
 *Washington State at Arizona State
 Southern California at Notre Dame (NBC), 5:30 p.m.

Week Eight (Oct. 17-19)

(Oct. 17) **UCLA at Stanford (ESPN), 7:00 p.m.
 ***Colorado** at Washington State
 *Arizona at Southern California
 *Arizona State at Utah
 *Oregon at Washington
 *Oregon State at California

Week Nine (Oct. 25-26)

(Oct. 25) *USC at **Colorado** (ESPN2), 7:00 p.m.
 *Arizona at Southern California
 *Arizona State at UCLA
 *California at Utah
 *Washington State at Oregon

Week Ten (Nov. 2)

***Colorado** at UCLA
 *Oregon at Southern California
 *Oregon State at Arizona
 *Utah at Washington

Week Eleven (Nov. 8-9)

(Nov. 8) *Washington at Oregon St. (FS-1), 8:30 p.m.
 *Stanford at **Colorado**
 *Southern California at Arizona State
 *Washington State at California

Week Twelve (Nov. 16)

*Arizona at Oregon
 *Arizona State at Oregon State
 *Southern California at California
 *UCLA at Utah
 *Stanford at Washington State

Week Thirteen (Nov. 23)

*Washington at **Colorado**
 *California at Stanford
 *Oregon at Arizona State
 *Oregon State at Washington State
 *UCLA at Southern California
 *Utah at Arizona

Week Fourteen (Nov. 29-30)

(Nov. 29) *Wash. St. at Wash. (FOX/FS-1) 2 p.m.
 ***Colorado** at Utah
 *Arizona at Arizona State (ABC or ESPN)
 *California at UCLA
 *Oregon State at Oregon
 Notre Dame at Stanford

Week Fifteen (Dec. 6)

Pac-12 Championship at Santa Clara (ABC), 6:00 p.m.

All times listed are MDT/MST. Home team in CAPS. *—denotes Pacific-12 Conference game. Television selections Sept. 21 and beyond are made on 12 days' notice by the Pac-12 television partners (ESPN/ABC, FOX/FOX Sports 1 or 2, Pac-12 Networks); ESPN/ABC also has an option of utilizing a 6-day selection process three times annually. With the advent of the Pac-12 Networks (National; Arizona, Mountain, Oregon, Northern California, Southern California, Washington), all conference games and non-league home games will again be televised in 2018 (79 in all). ABC's standard afternoon regional telecast window is at 1:30 p.m. MT in addition to a number of prime-time windows (6 p.m. MT; those games will be selected from the Pac-12, American Athletic, ACC, Big 10 or Big 12). ESPN/ESPN 2 utilizes several windows, including 7 p.m. MT on Thursdays (those games are selected by June 1).

2019 PAC-12 CONFERENCE STANDINGS

South Division (+1)

School (AP/Coaches)	conference-----					overall-----					
	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	Next Up
Southern California (#24/#24).....	1	0	1.000	45	20	2	0	1.000	76	43	S 14 at Brigham Young
COLORADO (RV/RV)	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	1.000	86	62	S 14 AIR FORCE
Utah (#11/#12).....	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	1.000	65	29	S 14 IDAHO STATE
Arizona State (RV/RV)	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	1.000	49	14	S 14 at Michigan State
Arizona.....	0	0	.000	0	0	1	1	.500	103	86	S 14 TEXAS TECH
UCLA.....	0	0	.000	0	0	0	2	.000	28	47	S 14 OKLAHOMA

North Division (-1)

School (AP/Coaches)	conference-----					overall-----					
	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	Next Up
California (RV/RV).....	1	0	1.000	20	19	2	0	1.000	47	32	S 14 NORTH TEXAS
Washington State (#20/#20).....	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	1.000	117	24	S 14 at Houston
Oregon (#15/#17).....	0	0	.000	0	0	1	1	.500	98	33	S 14 MONTANA
Oregon State.....	0	0	.000	0	0	0	2	.000	64	83	S 14 CAL POLY
Washington (#23/#21).....	0	1	.000	19	20	1	1	.500	66	34	S 14 HAWAII
Stanford (--/RV).....	0	1	.000	20	45	1	1	.500	37	52	S 14 at Central Florida



A LOOK AT THE PAC-12 DIVISIONS

After the Pac-12 announced it was expanding to 12 teams in 2010 with the late spring additions of Colorado (June 10) and Utah (June 17), later that year the divisions in football only were announced: CU and Utah joined Arizona, Arizona State, Southern California and UCLA in the Pac-12 South; the Oregon and Washington schools along with Cal and Stanford would comprise the Pac-12 North. Here's a look at the divisions and the all-time records of each program as listed by the NCAA through games of September 7 (2019 records in parenthesis):

PAC-12 SOUTH	Seasons	Games	W	L	T	Pct.							
Arizona (1-1)	116	1,113	614	466	33	.567	California (2-0)	124	1,260	670	539	51	.551
Arizona State (2-0)	107	1,034	616	394	24	.607	Oregon (1-1)	124	1,202	658	498	46	.567
Colorado (2-0)	130	1,251	707	508	36	.580	Oregon State (0-2)	123	1,187	532	605	50	.470
Southern California (2-0)	126	1,241	841	346	54	.699	Stanford (1-1)	113	1,163	654	460	49	.584
UCLA (0-2)	101	1,065	605	423	37	.587	Washington (1-1)	130	1,236	736	450	50	.616
Utah (2-0)	126	1,174	679	464	31	.591	Washington State (2-0)	124	1,150	548	557	45	.495
Totals	6,878	4062	2601	215	.607		Totals	7,198	3798	3109	291	.548	

PAC-12 NORTH

ALL-TIME PAC-12 HEAD-TO-HEAD SERIES RECORDS

A look at the team versus team football histories in the Pac-12 (won-lost-tied; does not include vacated games):

School	UA	ASU	CAL	COLO	OREG	OSU	STAN	UCLA	USC	UTAH	WASH	WSU	Totals
Arizona	.....	40-41-1	19-14-2	7-14	17-26	24-15-1	14-16	15-25-2	8-34	19-23-2	11-21-1	27-17	202-245- 9
Arizona State	41-40-1	.....	16-18	8-2	17-20	29-13-1	17-14	14-20-1	13-22	22-8	20-16	26-15-2	223-188- 5
California	14-19-2	18-16	.....	6-4	38-38-1	37-33	41-51-6	33-55-1	31-70-5	6-5	41-55-4	47-28-5	312-374-24
Colorado	14-7	2-8	4-6	.....	9-12	5-6	4-6	4-10	0-13	32-30-3	5-12-1	6-6	85-116- 4
Oregon	26-17	20-17	38-38-1	12-9	.....	65-47-10	32-46-1	29-40	20-39-2	22-10	46-60-5	47-42-7	358-365-25
Oregon State	15-24-1	13-29-1	33-37	6-5	47-65-10	.....	25-57-3	16-43-4	11-63-4	11-9-1	34-65-4	47-53-3	258-449-31
Southern California	34-8	22-13	70-31-5	13-0	39-20-2	63-11-4	64-33-3	49-32-7	.....	11-6	52-29-4	60-10-4	477-193-29
Stanford	16-14	14-17	51-41-6	6-4	46-32-1	57-25-3	.....	42-45-3	33-64-3	4-5	41-43-4	40-28-1	350-318-21
UCLA	25-15-2	20-14-1	55-33-1	10-4	40-29	43-16-4	45-42-3	.....	32-49-7	11-6	40-32-2	40-20-1	361-260-21
Utah	23-19-2	8-22	5-6	30-32-3	10-22	9-11-1	5-4	6-11	6-11	.....	1-12	7-9	110-159- 6
Washington	21-11-1	16-20	55-41-4	12-5-1	60-46-5	66-34-4	43-41-4	32-40-2	29-52-4	12-1	.....	73-32-6	409-324-31
Washington State	17-27	15-26-2	28-47-5	6-6	42-47-7	53-47-3	28-40-1	20-40-1	10-60-4	9-7	32-73-6	.....	260-420-28

PERCEPTION

Here's a quick fact when it comes to CU and Utah joining the Pac-12: the two are travel partners, and most assumed it wouldn't be a cozy as the other five pairs. Well, first of all, it's not like they travel together, the same teams will roll into Boulder and Salt Lake City the same weekends, and the other schools will host CU and Utah in one order or the other. The campus of CU and Utah are 356 miles apart; did you know Washington and Washington State's campuses are 252 miles apart? And the Arizona schools are separated by 102 miles; the others are all under 40, with USC and UCLA the closest. Bottom line is that CU and Utah are not really that far out of whack (Texas A&M and Texas Tech are further apart than the Buffs and the Utes by some 29 miles).



FOLSOM FIELD RANKED SEVENTH TOUGHEST PLACE TO PLAY

Yahoo! Sports in 2012 came out with its top 25 toughest places to play list, and lo and behold, Folsom Field came in at No. 7. In ranking CU in that spot, Yahoo! wrote: "Folsom Field, home of the Colorado Buffaloes, is one of the most underrated venues in college sports. The fans here always cheer hard and loud, and they are quite respectful and friendly to visiting fans." The Top 10 were comprised of: 1. Ohio State (*Ohio Stadium*); 2. Florida (*Ben Hill Griffin Stadium, a.k.a. the Swamp*); 3. Louisiana State (*Tiger Stadium, a.k.a., Death Valley*); 4. Auburn (*Jordan-Hare Stadium*); 5. Michigan State (*Spartan Stadium*); 6. Miami, Fla. (*Sun Life Stadium*); 7. Colorado (*Folsom Field*); 8. West Virginia (*Mountaineer Field at Milan Puskar Stadium*); 9. Iowa (*Kinnick Stadium*); 10. Texas A&M (*Kyle Field*). The next Pac-12 school on the list was Oregon (*Autzen Stadium*) at No. 21, with Washington at No. 23 (*Husky Stadium*).

FOLSOM FIELD #1

LawnStarter.com recently ranked its top 16 College Football Stadiums with the Best Natural Scenery, and lo and behold, coming in at the top was CU's own **Folsom Field**. The top 10: 1. **Folsom Field (Colorado)**; 2. Lavell Edwards Stadium (BYU); 3. Utah Stadium (Utah); 4. Romney Stadium (Utah State); 5. Rose Bowl (UCLA); 6. Sun Bowl (UTEP); 7. Ryan Field (Northwestern); 8. Scott Stadium (Virginia); 9. Michie Stadium (Army); 10. **Kidd Brewer Stadium (Appalachian State)**; 11. Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium (East Carolina); 12. Dix Stadium (Kent State); 13. Memorial Stadium (California); 14. Kenan Stadium (North Carolina); 15. Memorial Stadium (Kansas); 16. Spartan Stadium (San Jose State). The same publication ranked CU's natural grass field the third best national behind Iowa State (*Jack Trice Field*) and Northwestern (*Ryan Field*).

300+ AT FOLSOM

Colorado is **316-175-10** in its 96th season playing its home games at Folsom Field (**501** in all). The first game at Folsom was Oct. 11, 1924 (*then known as Colorado Stadium, built at a cost of \$75,000*); previous, CU was **73-17-6** at Gamble Field and **19-5** on other grass areas of campus; the Buffs are **407-195-16** all-time at home. The 2016 season marked CU's first winning one at home in six years, as the Buffaloes went **6-0**; Colorado's last winning record at home had been in 2010 (with a 4-2 mark); it was CU's first undefeated season at home since 1994, when the Buffs went 6-0 in the late Rashaan Salaam's Heisman Trophy winning year. Over the 2011-12 seasons, CU was just 1-10 in Boulder before going 3-3 in Folsom in Mike MacIntyre's first season; the Buffs pulled even at home under "Mac" with the 6-0 mark in 2016 and finished **18-17** at Folsom in his tenure. CU is **1-0** at home under Mel Tucker.



ACTIVE COLORADO CAREER STATISTICAL CHARTS

RUSHING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90)	699	3,940	5.63	41
2	Phillip Lindsay (2014-17)	750	3,707	4.94	36
3	Rodney Stewart (2008-11)	809	3,598	4.45	25
4	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94)	486	3,057	6.29	33
5	Bobby Purify (2000-04)	595	3,016	5.07	20
10	Herchell Troutman (1994-97)	568	2,487	4.38	21
15	Kayo Lam (1933-35)	313	2,140	6.84	18
20	Carroll Hardy (1951-54)	291	1,999	6.87	23
25	William Harris (1965-67)	330	1,585	4.80	4
30	Mark Hatcher (1984-87)	375	1,470	3.92	16
35	Erich Kissick (1986-89)	256	1,297	5.07	8
40	Michael Adkins II (2013-17)	247	1,200	4.86	13
60	Steven Montez (2016-19)	282	846	3.00	8

PASSING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	TD	Rating
1	Sefo Liufau (2013-16)	1383-870-36	62.9	9,568	60	130.13
2	Steven Montez (2016-19)	968-606-23	62.6	7,448	50	139.53
3	Cody Hawkins (2007-10)	1214-667-41	54.9	7,409	60	115.76
4	Joel Klatt (2002-05)	1095-666-33	60.8	7,375	44	124.63
5	Kordell Stewart (1991-94)	785-456-19	58.1	6,481	33	136.47
6	Tyler Hansen (2008-11)	872-505-28	57.9	5,705	35	119.69
7	Koy Detmer (1992-96)	594-350-25	58.9	5,390	40	148.95
8	Mike Moschetti (1998-99)	607-366-19	60.3	4,797	33	138.36
9	John Hessler (1994-97)	627-347-26	55.3	4,788	34	129.09
10	Steve Vogel (1981-84)	688-309-33	44.9	3,912	27	96.03
11	Darian Hagan (1988-91)	424-213-19	50.2	3,801	27	137.59
12	Craig Ochs (2000-02)	453-265-15	58.5	3,325	16	125.19
13	Gale Weidner (1959-61)	480-218-32	45.4	3,033	18	97.76

TOTAL OFFENSE

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Pass	Total	TDR
1	Sefo Liufau (2013-16)	941	9,568	10,509	73
2	Steven Montez (2016-19)	829	7,448	8,277	58
3	Kordell Stewart (1991-94)	1,289	6,481	7,770	48
4	Cody Hawkins (2007-10)	-159	7,409	7,250	67
5	Joel Klatt (2002-05)	-130	7,375	7,245	47
6	Tyler Hansen (2008-11)	478	5,705	6,183	43
7	Darian Hagan (1988-91)	2,007	3,801	5,808	54
8	Koy Detmer (1992-96)	-31	5,390	5,359	43
9	John Hessler (1994-97)	276	4,788	5,064	44
10	Mike Moschetti (1998-99)	70	4,797	4,867	40
11	Bobby Anderson (1967-69)	2,367	2,198	4,565	43
12	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90)	3,940	63	4,003	42

RECEIVING (Receptions)

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Nelson Spruce (2012-15)	294	3,347	11.4	23
2	Scotty McKnight (2007-10)	215	2,521	11.7	22
3	Shay Fields (2014-17)	190	2,552	13.4	21
4	Michael Westbrook (1991-94)	167	2,548	15.3	19
5	Paul Richardson (2010-13)	156	2,412	15.5	21
6	Phil Savoy (1994-97)	152	2,176	14.3	14
7	Bryce Bobo (2014-17)	150	1,638	10.9	10
8	Devin Ross (2013-17)	140	1,621	11.6	9
9	Javon Green (1997-2000)	136	2,031	14.9	17
10	Rae Carruth (1992-96)	135	2,540	18.8	20
11	Derek McCoy (2000-03)	134	2,038	15.2	20
12	Charles E. Johnson (1990-93)	127	2,447	19.3	15
13	Monte Huber (1967-69)	111	1,436	12.9	5
14	Phillip Lindsay (2014-17)	110	976	8.8	3
15	*Daniel Graham (1998-2001)	106	1,543	14.6	11
16	Patrick Williams (2005-08)	104	1,070	10.3	3
17	Dusty Sprague (2004-07)	103	1,261	12.2	4
18	Laviska Shenault (2017-19)	101	1,258	12.5	7
19	Darrin Chiaverini (1995-98)	97	1,199	12.4	6
20	D.J. Hackett (2002-03)	93	1,194	12.8	9
25	Tyler McCulloch (2011-14)	88	1,089	12.4	6
30	Marcus Stiggers (1996-99)	80	1,223	15.3	10
35	Evan Judge (2002-05)	69	903	13.1	5
40	K.D. Nixon (2017-19)	62	830	13.4	5
44	Tony Brown (2018-19)	40	464	11.6	2

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15	Dusty Sprague (2004-07)	103	1,261	12.2	4
16	Laviska Shenault (2017-19)	101	1,258	12.5	7
17	Mike Pritchard (1987-90)	47	1,241	26.4	10
18	Marcus Stiggers (1996-99)	80	1,223	15.1	10
19	Ron Brown (1981-85)	57	1,217	21.4	8
20	Darrin Chiaverini (1995-98)	97	1,199	12.4	6
30	Jay MacIntyre (2015-18)	86	1,035	12.0	6
35	James Kidd (1993-96)	58	944	16.3	9
36	*Joe Klopfenstein (2002-05)	80	937	11.7	12
37	Evan Judge (2002-05)	69	903	13.1	5
38	*J.V. Cain (1971-73)	61	873	14.3	3
39	Chris Anderson (1994-97)	61	858	14.1	4
40	Josh Smith (2007-08)	52	838	16.1	3
41	K.D. Nixon (2017-19)	62	830	13.4	5
87	Tony Brown (2018-19)	40	464	11.6	2

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Rec	KOR	PR	Total
1	Phillip Lindsay (2014-17)	3,707	976	1,077	0	5,760
2	Rodney Stewart (2008-11)	3,598	969	239	22	4,828
3	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90)	3,940	380	31	0	4,351
4	Hugh Charles (2004-07)	2,659	552	411	0	3,622
5	Nelson Spruce (2012-15)	2	3,347	63	180	3,592
10	Charlie Davis (1971-73)	2,958	131	75	0	3,164
---	Laviska Shenault (2017-19)	160	1,258	54	55	1,527

YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Rec	Total
1	Phillip Lindsay (2014-18)	3,707	976	4,683
2	Rodney Stewart (2008-11)	3,598	969	4,567
3	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90)	3,940	380	4,320
4	Bobby Purify (2000-04)	3,016	508	3,524
5	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94)	3,057	412	3,469
10	Lee Rouson (1981-84)	2,296	699	2,995
15	Lamont Warren (1991-93)	2,242	432	2,674
20	Paul Richardson (2010-13)	38	2,412	2,450
---	Laviska Shenault (2017-19)	160	1,258	1,418

SCORING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	TD	2Pt	EP-EPA	FG-FGA	PTS
1	Mason Crosby (2003-06)	0	0-0	109-117	66-88	307
2	Will Oliver (2011-14)	0	0-0	129-131	50-69	279
3	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90)	42	1-1	0-0	0-0	254
4	Phillip Lindsay (2014-17)	39	0-0	0-0	0-0	234
5	Jeremy Aldrich (1996-99)	0	0-0	87-95	48-64	231
6	Bobby Anderson (1967-69)	35	1-2	0-0	0-0	212
7	Chris Brown (2001-02)	34	0-0	0-0	0-0	204
8	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94)	33	0-0	0-0	0-0	198
9	Tom Field (1979-83)	0	0-0	82-86	36-55	190
10	Byron White (1935-37)	24	0-0	30-32	1-2	177
15	Neil Voskeritchian (1994-95)	0	0-0	95-96	22-34	161
16	Herchell Troutman (1994-97)	26	1-1	0-0	0-0	158
16	Charlie Davis (1971-73)	26	1-1	0-0	0-0	158
18	Ken Culbertson (1986-89)	0	0-0	85-87	23-41	154
19	Carroll Hardy (1951-54)	23	0-0	14-19	0-0	152
19	James Stefanou (2017-18)	0	0-0	77-77	25-33	152
35	Terry Kunz (1972-75)	21	0-0	0-0	0-0	126
73	Laviska Shenault (2017-19)	13	0-0	0-0	0-0	78



ACTIVE COLORADO CAREER STATISTICAL CHARTS, CONTINUED

KICK SCORING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	EP-EPA	FG-FGA	PTS
1	Mason Crosby (2003-06)	109-117	66-88	307
2	Will Oliver (2011-14)	129-131	50-69	279
3	Jeremy Aldrich (1996-99)	87-95	48-64	231
4	Tom Field (1979-83)	82-86	36-55	190
5	Aric Goodman (2008-10)	93-96	25-47	168
6	Neil Voskeritchian (1994-95)	95-96	22-34	161
7	Ken Culbertson (1986-89)	85-87	23-41	154
8	James Stefanou (2017-19)	77-77	25-33	152
9	Dave Haney (1968-70)	86-92	21-35	149
10	Jim Harper (1990-91)	71-74	22-35	137

PUNTING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	In 20
1	Mark Mariscal (1999-2002)	99	4,632	46.79	68	25
2	Barry Helton (1984-87)	153	6,873	44.92	68	44
3	Keith English (1985-88)	55	2,457	44.67	77	21
4	Zack Jordan (1950-52)	137	6,113	44.62	78	23
5	John Torp (2002-05)	205	9,145	44.61	72	65
12	Alex Kinney (2015-19)	213	8,824	41.43	70	79

INSIDE THE 20: O'Neill 95, Kinney 79, Torp 65, DiLallo 61, Koleski 51,

KICKOFF RETURNS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Ben Kelly (1997-99)	64	1,798	28.1	3
2	Terrence Wheatley (2003-07)	56	1,350	24.1	0
3	Josh Smith (2007-08)	50	1,276	25.5	1
4	M.J. Nelson (1986-89)	51	1,198	23.5	0
5	Walter Stanley (1980-81)	49	1,172	23.9	1
6	Phillip Lindsay (2014-17)	44	1,077	24.5	0
7	Bill Symons (1962-64)	43	1,051	24.4	1
8	Brian Lockridge (2007-11)	44	968	22.0	1
9	Roman Hollowell (1998-2001)	44	914	20.8	0
10	Ryan Severson (2013-16)	40	872	21.8	0
15	Cliff Branch (1970-71)	30	755	25.2	2

INTERCEPTIONS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	John Stearns (1970-72)	16	339	21.2	0
2	Chris Hudson (1991-94)	15	204	13.6	2
3	Dick Anderson (1965-67)	14	151	10.8	0
3	Terrence Wheatley (2003-07)	14	154	11.0	2
5	Tim James (1987-90)	13	120	9.2	0
5	Tedric Thompson (2013-16)	13	241	18.5	0

TACKLES

Rk	Player (Position, Seasons)	UT	AT	—	TOT	TFL
1	Barry Remington (LB, 1982-86)	245	248	—	493	21- 60
2	Matt Russell (LB, 1993-96)	282	164	—	446	44-144
3	Greg Biekert (LB, 1989-92)	280	161	—	441	33- 73
4	Jordan Dizon (LB, 2004-07)	293	147	—	440	35-137
5	Ted Johnson (LB, 1991-94)	253	156	—	409	21- 61
6	Rick Gamboa (2015-18)	188	200	—	388	7- 20
7	Laval Short (DL, 1976-79)	141	231	—	372	37-239
8	Chad Brown (LB, 1989-92)	242	127	—	369	38-169
9	Michael Jones (LB, 1986-89)	218	131	—	349	13- 41
10	Thaddeaus Washington (LB, 2003-06)	202	136	—	338	25- 80
20	Jeff Smart (LB, 2006-09)	188	103	—	291	12- 34
25	Addison Gillam (LB, 2013-16)	186	84	—	270	26-115
30	Phil Irwin (LB, 1968-70)	88	170	—	258	16- 48
35	Billie Drake (LB, 1970-72)	82	170	—	252	10- 31
40	Jeff Donaldson (DB, 1980-83)	141	103	—	244	11- 47
40	Randy Geist (LB, 1971-73)	85	159	—	244	8- 39
—	Nate Landman (LB, 2017-19)	95	70	—	165	17- 54

QUARTERBACK SACKS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards
1	Alfred Williams (1987-90)	35	242
2	Ron Woolfork (1990-93)	33	241
3	Greg Jones (1992-96)	25	158
4	Laval Short (1976-79)	24½	192
5	Abraham Wright (2004-06)	21	151
6	Jimmie Gilbert (2013-16)	20	156
16	Derek McCartney (2014-17)	14½	69
19	Garry Howe (1989-90)	13½	90

TACKLES FOR LOSS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards
1	Alfred Williams (1987-90)	59	303
2	Ron Woolfork (1990-93)	53	303
3	Greg Jones (1992-96)	45	205
4	Matt Russell (1993-96)	44	144
5	Leonard Renfro (1989-92)	43	142
25	Addison Gillam (2013-16)	26	115
25	Chidobe Awuzie (2013-16)	26	104
25	Marques Harris (2000-03)	26	102

THIRD DOWN STOPS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.
1	Jordan Dizon (2004-07)	48
2	Chidobe Awuzie (2013-16)	47
3	Matt Russell (1993-96)	45
4	Jimmie Gilbert (2013-16)	44
5	Chad Brown (1989-92)	42
10	Rick Gamboa (2015-18)	33
---	*Joel Steed (1988-91; most by a DL)	26

PASS DEFLECTIONS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.
1	Marcus Washington (1995-98)	42
2	Damen Wheeler (1996-99)	39
3	Greg Henderson (2011-14)	36
3	Ken Crawley (2012-15)	36
5	Chidobe Awuzie (2013-16)	35
10	Mickey Pruitt (1984-87)	32
10	Isaiah Oliver (2015-17)	32

SPECIAL TEAM TACKLES

Rk	Player (Seasons)	UT	AT	—	Total
1	Ryan Sutter (1994-97)	32	32	—	64
2	Darren Fisk (1995-97)	25	23	—	48
3	Ryan Black (1994-97)	21	19	—	40
4	Paul Rose (1987-90)	14	25	—	39
5	Terrel Smith (2010-14)	24	10	—	34
5	Arthur Jaffee (2008-11)	21	13	—	34
7	Derrick Webb (2010-13)	19	14	—	33
8	Andy Peeke (1998-2001)	26	5	—	31
8	Beau Bisharat (2016-18)	22	9	—	31
10	Hannibal Navies (1995-98)	15	13	—	28

SPECIAL TEAM POINTS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Points
1	Ryan Sutter (1994-97)	123
2	Arthur Jaffee (2008-11)	88
3	Darren Fisk (1995-97)	86
4	Ryan Severson (2013-16)	84
5	Derrick Webb (2010-13)	81
6	Beau Bisharat (2016-18)	74
7	Travis Sandersfeld (2008-11)	72
8	Ryan Black (1994-97)	68
9	Jalil Brown (2007-10)	65
9	Terrel Smith (2010-14)	65
11	Paul Rose (1987-90)	63



ALL-BLACK UNIFORMS

Colorado has worn its all black uniforms on **52** occasions, when the Buffaloes wear both black jerseys and black pants, owning a **23-28-1** record; the Buffs have also added black helmets to the look, having worn black top-to-bottom on six occasions (**0-6** in that combo). A little history on the all-black look: the brainchild of then-head coach Bill McCartney, CU first wore the garb on Nov. 28, 1987 for a game after Thanksgiving at the time; the opponent was CU's old Big 8 rival, Nebraska. The Buffs came out and warmed up in gold pants, and upon returning to the locker room at the conclusion of warm-ups, the players found black pants hanging in their lockers. "It was something we thought about a long time ago," Mac said at the time. "You couldn't do this overnight. We didn't tell the kids, and they were real excited." He went on to say that it was planned a month or so out to give the team a shot of adrenaline prior to kickoff.

COLORADO / ALL-BLACK UNIFORMS (23-28-1)

Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result
1987	Nebraska	L 7-24	1999	Nebraska (OT)	L 30-33	2006	Texas Tech	W 30-6		*Arizona State	L 17-51
1988	Oklahoma	L 14-17	2000	Iowa State	L 27-35		Kansas State	L 21-34	2013	*Arizona	L 20-44
1990	Iowa State	W 28-12	2001	Nebraska	W 62-36		Iowa State	W 33-16		Southern California	L 29-47
1991	Missouri	W 55-7	2002	Kansas State	W 35-31	2007	c—Colorado St. (OT)	W 31-28	2014	*Arizona State	L 24-38
1992	Oklahoma	T 24-24		Baylor	W 34-0		Florida State	L 6-16		Oregon State	L 31-36
1993	Nebraska	L 17-21		Texas Tech	W 37-13		Nebraska	W 65-51	2015	*Southern California	L 24-27
1994	Oklahoma State	W 17-3		Iowa State	W 41-27	2008	c—Colorado State	W 38-17	2016	Utah	W 27-22
1995	Missouri	W 21-0		b—Oklahoma	L 7-29		West Virginia (OT)	W 17-14	2017	*at UCLA	L 23-27
	a—Oregon	W 38-6	2003	Oklahoma	L 20-34		Texas	L 14-38		at Arizona State	L 30-41
1996	Texas	W 28-24		Nebraska	L 22-31	2009	Oklahoma State	L 17-30	2018	UCLA	W 38-16
	Kansas State	W 12-0	2004	Colorado State	W 27-24		Colorado State	L 17-23			
1997	Kansas	W 42-6		Texas	L 7-31		Nebraska	L 20-28			
	Missouri	L 31-41		Kansas State	W 38-31	2011	*Southern California	L 17-42			
1998	Kansas State	L 9-16	2005	Nebraska	L 3-30	2012	UCLA	L 14-42			

a—Cotton Bowl; b—Big 12 Championship at Houston; c—in Denver (*—wore black helmets).

BLACK HELMETS: Colorado has worn black helmets on **19** occasions in its history, usually with a gold or sometimes a silver logo, but once with a pink logo; CU is **3-16** in the black headgear. The games (*—matte black; #—worn with a pink logo as part of Blackout Breast Cancer awareness):

Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result
1998	BAYLOR	W 18-16	2013	at UCLA	L 23-45	2015	*SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	L 24-27
2011	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	L 17-42	2013	at Utah	L 17-24	2016	IDAHO STATE	W 56-7
2011	at UCLA	L 6-45	2014	*ARIZONA STATE	L 24-38	2017	at UCLA	L 23-27
2012	ARIZONA STATE	L 17-51	2014	*at Southern California	L 28-56	2018	NEW HAMPSHIRE	W 45-14
2012	at Arizona	L 31-56	2014	*at Arizona	L 20-38	2018	at California	L 21-33
2013	at Arizona State	L 13-54	2014	*at Oregon	L 10-44			
2013	#ARIZONA	L 20-44	2015	*OREGON	L 24-41			

OTHER UNIFORM LOOKS

GOLD HELMET/WHITE UNIS/BLACK PANTS: Last: **2018** (at Nebraska, W); **2017** (at Oregon State, W); Colorado's standard road combination through much of the 1980s/1990s/2000s.

GOLD HELMET/WHITE UNIS/GOLD PANTS: **2018** (at USC, L); **2016** (at Arizona, W); **2015** (at Oregon State, W); **2014** (at Massachusetts, W); **2013** (CSU in Denver, W; Oregon State, L; at Washington, L); **2008** (at Texas A&M, L); **2007** (at Iowa State, L; at Arizona State, L); **2006** (at Missouri, L; at Georgia, L); **2004** (UTEP, Houston Bowl, W)

GOLD HELMET/WHITE UNIS/SILVER PANTS (0-1): **2018** (at Washington, L)

GOLD HELMET/WHITE UNIS/WHITE PANTS: **2018** (CSU in Denver, W); **2013** (at Utah, L); **2010** (at Nebraska, L); **2009** (at Kansas State, L); **2008** (at Nebraska, L; at Florida State, L); **2005** (at Miami-Fla., L); **2004** (at Nebraska, W).

BLACK HELMET/WHITE UNIS/BLACK PANTS (0-6): **2018** (at Cal, L); **2014** (at USC, L); **2013** (at UCLA, L; at Arizona State, L); **2012** (at Arizona, L); **2011** (at UCLA, L)

BLACK HELMET/BLACK UNIS/GOLD PANTS (1-0): **2016** (Idaho State, W).

BLACK HELMET/SILVER UNIS/BLACK PANTS (0-1): **2015** (Oregon, L).

BLACK HELMET/SILVER UNIS/SILVER PANTS (1-0): **2018** (New Hampshire, W).

BLACK HELMET/WHITE UNIS/GOLD PANTS (0-1): **2014** (at Arizona, L).

BLACK HELMET/WHITE UNIS/WHITE PANTS (0-2): **2014** (at Oregon, L); **2013** (at Utah, L).

SILVER HELMET/BLACK UNIS/SILVER PANTS (1-2): **2018** (Washington State, L);

2017 (Washington, L); **2016** (Washington State, W).

SILVER HELMET/SILVER UNIS/SILVER PANTS (1-1): **2016** (at Stanford, W);

2015 (Arizona, L).

SILVER HELMET/WHITE UNIS/SILVER PANTS (0-2): **2016** (at USC, L); **2015** (at Hawai'i, L).

SILVER HELMET/WHITE UNIS/WHITE PANTS (0-2): **2017** (at Washington State, L);

2015 (at Utah, L).

WHITE HELMET/BLACK UNIS/BLACK PANTS (1-0): **2018** (Arizona State, W).

WHITE HELMET/BLACK UNIS/WHITE PANTS (2-1): **2017** (Arizona, L);

2016 (Oregon State, W); **2015** (Nicholls State, W).

WHITE HELMET/SILVER UNIS/WHITE PANTS (1-0): **2017** (Texas State, W).

WHITE HELMET/WHITE UNIS/BLACK PANTS (0-1): **2015** (at Arizona State, L).

WHITE HELMET/WHITE UNIS/SILVER PANTS (0-1): **2015** (at UCLA, L).

WHITE HELMET/WHITE UNIS/WHITE PANTS (2-3): **2018** (at Arizona, L); **2017** (at Utah, L);

2016 (at Oregon, W; Washington, L); **2015** (CSU in Denver, W).

IN-SEASON BIRTHDAYS

Here's the list of those coaches and players who have birthdays to celebrate during the 2019 season (starting last week of August; *—denotes on a game day):

Aug. 26 Jonathan Van Diest (21)	Sept. 6 Cordae Hankton (31)	Oct. 9 Sam Noyer (22)	Oct. 31 Alex Smith (20)	Nov. 20 Curtis Appleton (20)
Aug. 28 Jeremiah Doss (21)	Sept. 7 Devin Lynch (21)	Oct. 10 Jake Groth (20)	Nov. 10 Joshua Jynes (19)	Dec. 9 Jimmy Brumbaugh (43)
Aug. 31 Na'im Rodman (21)	Sept. 15 Dante Sparaco (21)	Oct. 11 *Reed Heim (42)	Nov. 10 Tim Lynott, Jr. (23)	Dec. 13 Austin Johnson (19)
Aug. 31 Brady Russell (21)	Sept. 17 Jack Shutack (23)	Oct. 12 Darrin Chiaverini (42)	Nov. 11 Chris Kapilovic (51)	Dec. 17 Isaiah Lewis (21)
Aug. 31 Scott Unrein (31)	Sept. 18 Jay Johnson (50)	Oct. 12 Aaron Maddox (22)	Nov. 14 K.J. Trujillo (19)	Dec. 18 J.T. Bale (23)
Sept. 2 Daniel Arias (21)	Sept. 25 Chase Sanders (22)	Oct. 14 Heston Paige (21)	Nov. 14 Trey Udoffia (22)	Dec. 19 Jacob Callier (21)
Sept. 2 D.J. Oats (20)	Sept. 27 Jaren Mangham (20)	Oct. 14 Colby Pursell (21)	Nov. 15 Tyler Francis (20)	Dec. 28 Deion Smith (20)
Sept. 3 Jalen Harris (23)	Oct. 4 Evan Price (20)	Oct. 17 Al Pupunu (50)	Nov. 15 Alec Pell (19)	Dec. 29 Bryan Cook (43)
Sept. 5 Lucas Cooper (22)	Oct. 5 *Laviska Shenault (21)	Oct. 23 Jaylon Jackson (21)	Nov. 17 Kary Kutsch (20)	Dec. 29 Davis Price (22)
Sept. 5 Joshka Gustav (20)	Oct. 6 Ryan Travis (20)	Oct. 23 Dimitri Stanley (20)	Nov. 19 Frank Phillip (20)	Jan. 2 Jamar Montgomery (21)
Sept. 5 Matt Pick (24)	Oct. 8 Travares Tillman (42)	Oct. 25 James Townsend (21)	Nov. 19 Nate Landman (21)	

**2019 SPECIAL GAMES/WEEKENDS**

The list of special games/weekends at Folsom Field this fall:

Sept. 7 (Nebraska): Pac-12 "The Pregame," Mental Health Initiative Day
Sept. 14 (Air Force): Ski Ball, Extra Yard for Teachers
Oct. 5 (Arizona): Family Weekend; '69 Liberty Bowl Reunion, Living Legends
Oct. 25 (USC): "Miracle in Michigan" 25th Anniversary Celebration;

Women's Golf 25th Anniversary Recognition
Nov. 9 (Stanford): Homecoming, Athletic Hall of Fame; Military Appreciation
Nov. 23 (Washington): Senior Day, Honorary C

CU IS BLACK & GOLD, BUT FOLSOM IS "GREEN"

The University of Colorado at Boulder established a goal to move toward zero-waste at Folsom Field during the 2008 football season and invest in local carbon-reduction projects. They anticipated recycling or composting at least 90% of the waste generated at Folsom Field and met those goals. According to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency information and other sources, Folsom Field was the first major sports stadium in the nation, professional or collegiate, to collect all materials in recycling or compost containers, eliminate trash cans and transform its materials collections systems into a zero-waste process. For more information, visit Ralphie's Green Stampede at http://www.cubuffs.com/ViewArticle.dbml?&DB_OEM_ID=600&ATCLID=1549954.

WHO IS/HAS BEEN IN ON OFFENSE & DEFENSE

OLB Carson Wells played some fullback late in 2018 (three snaps, picking up two touchdown block credits) . . . **George Frazier**, as he did his freshman year in 2014, appeared on both offense (TE/FB) and defense (DE) as senior in 2017 (he played 506 total snaps between offense, defense and special teams). In 2014, he played both defensive end and fullback for the first time against Arizona State, becoming the first Buff to appear on both sides of the ball since 2005 in the process, and continued to do so the remainder of the season. In 2008, **Eugene Goree** was on-call to do so, as the redshirt frosh was both a DT and an OG during the second half of the season; he did appear on both sides of the ball but not in the same game. Through the years, there have been a few players who wind up playing on both sides of the ball in the same game: **DT John Guydon** was the latest to do so, seeing action on defense (13 snaps at tackle) and offense (3 snaps at guard) at Texas on October 15, 2005; it was the first time it happened for a complete series with no gimmicks or special situations since **WR Michael Westbrook** played a series at safety against Baylor in 1993. **DE James Garee** also trotted in on offense in 2005, catching a pass as an end at Miami. **DT Sam Wilder** had been the last before 2005, as he caught a 9-yard pass against Kansas State in 2002. **DT Justin Bannan**, did the same, catching a 12-yard TD pass on his only play at Missouri in 2000. **CB Ben Kelly** tried tailback in 1999 at Texas Tech; he finished with three yards on one carry (a nice 5-yard run was wiped out by a penalty). Between 1994 and 2005, several Buffs played on both sides of the ball, as offensive linemen often played on the goal line or short yardage defense units—**OG Heath Irwin**, **OG Clint Moore**, **OG Chris Naeole**, **OT Melvin Thomas** and **OG Brad Bedell** all did it at one time or another between 1993 and 1998. In 1990, **OLBs Alfred Williams** and **Kanavis McGhee** played some tight end in a 64-3 win over Kansas State (Williams caught a pass for 17 yards, McGhee didn't catch the one thrown his way). The last offensive skill player before Frazier in 2014 to swing over and try some defense was Westbrook (four snaps at strong safety) against Baylor in 1993.

WHY CU AND NOT UC?

A question often asked of many former Big Eight schools: Why is it the University of Colorado, but the moniker is CU and not UC? (The same applies at Kansas—KU, Missouri—MU, Nebraska—NU and Oklahoma—OU). "Midwestern casualness," said CU historian, the late Fred Casotti. It has always been this way at Colorado, for whatever reason, and at the other four—but seemingly nowhere else in the USA (except for Tulsa, but its midwest, too). In the 1950s, there was a concerted effort to eliminate the use of "CU" on the Boulder campus, both as a symbol and in speech, but Casotti said that no one would buy into it. "Nobody would change," he said. "It's easier to say than U of C, UC sounds like slang or something (as in 'you see'), and it was traditional. By trying to eliminate it, they reinforced it."

HISTORY OF THE END ZONE "COLORADO"

As in the south end zone, that is. In 1967, the stadium was lowered when the track was removed, and that area remained basically a dirt hill. Former long-time senior associate A.D. **Jon Burianek** said that we tried to grow grass and bushes there, but none took. The first artificial field was installed during the summer of 1971, and that area was then covered with asphalt and the large, block COLORADO was painted on it, then in all-white block lettering. Trim was later added, and at one time, when blue was one of the school colors, the end zone as well was painted blue instead of the familiar black.

NO. 38 IN THE WORLD

In the 2019 world university rankings by the ARWU (Academic Ranking of World Universities), the **University of Colorado** was ranked as the **No. 38** University in the world (which translates to the solar system, the galaxy and the universe, unless the planet PSR1257+12A has life orbiting around a distant pulsar). Unlike other rankings that are based more on cost of attendance and class sizes, the ARWU, compiled by the Shanghai Ranking Consultancy, uses six objective indicators to create the rankings. Colorado came in No. 25 among American colleges on a list very well represented by the Pac-12: Stanford came in No. 2 (behind Harvard), followed by California (No. 4), UCLA (No. 10) and Washington (No. 13), giving the Pac-12 five schools in the top 25.

99 IS SO NICE

Colorado scored for the seventh time in its history on a 99-yard drive to close out the scoring in the 2015 Arizona State game. **TB Christian Powell** started it with a 42-yard burst from the CU 1, and a Sefo Liufau-to-Nelson Spruce touchdown pass covering 31 yards ended the seven play march over a gassed ASU defense. CU covered the 99 yards in the third fewest plays of the seven, and it was just the second to occur in Boulder:

99—vs. Northwestern at Evanston, Sept. 29, 1951 (6 plays)

99—vs. Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 19, 1991 (8 plays)

99—vs. Arizona State in Boulder, Sept. 13, 2014 (7 plays)

99—vs. Miami, Fla., at Miami, Oct. 13, 1961 (21 plays)

99—vs. Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 19, 1991 (14 plays)

99—vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Oct. 29, 1988 (8 plays)

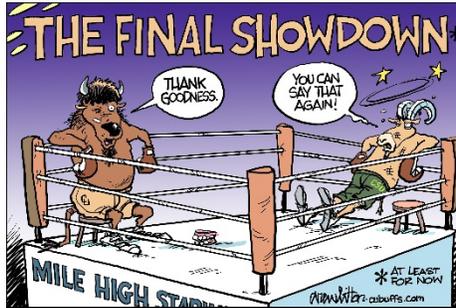
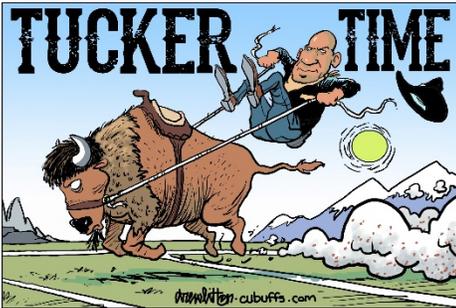
99—vs. Oklahoma State at Stillwater, Oct. 27, 2001 (5 plays)



THE FIRST COLLEGE WEBSITE WITH ITS OWN CARTOONIST?

CUBuffs.com might be the first college sports website with its own cartoonist – maybe for any sports website for that matter – as Denver's award-winning **Drew Litton** joined CU in 2018 and returns this fall for a series primarily surrounding each football game. His designs are featured on CU's social media channels.

Litton is a nationally syndicated sports cartoonist and is best known for his 25-plus years as the creator of the popular *Rocky Mountain News*, "Win, Lose & Drew" sports cartoon. He began drawing his fun-filled Colorado Buffaloes cartoons exclusively for the University of Colorado the Friday ahead of the Rocky Mountain Showdown and has three drawings to date. He also draws for KUSA TV 9News, *The Colorado Springs Gazette*, *The Colorado Rockies Magazine*, *Mile High Sports Magazine* and a variety of other clients. His work has been featured on ESPN.com, as well as the *Chicago Tribune*. Nobody covers the wild ride of Colorado sports through art and humor better than Litton, who resides in the Denver area with a rather extensive collection of cartoon bobbleheads and Finnegan, his overly caffeinated Schnauzer.



Above: Drew's weekly cartoons starting with the season opener against Colorado State, and last year's one prior to Nebraska when the old Big 7-8-12 rivals renewed their series.



COLORADO 52, COLORADO STATE 31 (AUGUST 30, 2019) BRONCOS STADIUM AT MILE HIGH, DENVER

DENVER — Colorado's defense produced four turnovers and a touchdown and Alex Fontenot rushed for 125 yards three touchdowns to give Mel Tucker a 52-31 win over Colorado State in his CU head coaching debut.

While offense was the name of the game for most of the night — the 83 combined points were the most in series history — the Buffs defense came up with some huge stops that paved the way for CU's fifth straight win in the series.

The clincher came late in the fourth quarter, when CU linebacker Jonathan Van Diest sacked CSU quarterback Collin Hill, forcing a fumble. Buffs defensive lineman Mustafa Johnson scooped up the ball and rumbled 9 yards to the end zone for the final points of the game with 3:57 remaining.

In the 19th and final game in Denver between the two in-state rivals (they will play in Fort Collins next year), the Buffs and Rams combined to produce nearly 1,000 yards total offense. Kickoff was delayed 37 minutes because of lightning and the game didn't finish until after midnight.

After a see-saw first half that saw four lead changes in the final nine minutes of the second quarter, the Buffs finally took control after recovering a CSU fumble on the first possession of the third quarter.

With CU leading 24-21, CU safety Aaron Maddox stripped the ball from CSU running back Marvin Kinsey and Jalen Sami recovered, giving the Buffs the ball at the CSU 27. Quarterback Steven Montez then ran for 19 yards to set up a 7-yard Fontenot touchdown run and a 31-21 CU lead.

The Rams never came closer than seven again. The Buffs extended the margin to 38-24 on the last play of the third period on a Fontenot 14-yard run, and following a

CSU touchdown that cut the gap back to seven, the Buffs answered with a 75-yard drive and a 22-yard Fontenot run to go back up by two touchdowns, 45-31, with 9:16 left in the game.

Van Diest's strip sack and Johnson's touchdown then sealed the game.

Defensively, Mikial Onu had two interceptions for Colorado while CU's offense did not turn the ball over.

The Buffs drew first blood, taking the opening possession and going 75 yards for a score. CU rushed for 68 yards on the drive before tight end Jalen Harris capped the march with a 1-yard scoring pass from Montez.

But the Rams quickly answered with an 80-yard drive to tie the game.

After a CU punt and Mikial Onu's first interception, the Buffs regained the lead, 10-7, on a James Stefanou field goal early in the second quarter. But CSU quickly answered with another long drive, going 92 yards in 11 plays for a 14-10 lead.

Colorado then responded with a 75-yard scoring drive, getting freshman Jaren Mangham's first touchdown of his career, a 5-yard run to give the Buffs a 17-14 lead. CSU, however, drove 75 yards on its next possession to regain the lead, 21-17, with just 1:35 left in the half when wide receiver Dante Wright scampered 41 yards for a score.

That, though, was more than enough time for the Buffs to answer. Montez hit tight end Brady Russell with back-to-back passes to take Colorado into CSU territory. Two plays later, Montez rolled to his left and found Laviska Shenault at the goal line for a 25-yard touchdown pass with 25 seconds left in the half. That gave CU a 24-21 lead heading into halftime.

Colorado State.....	7	14	10	0	-	31
COLORADO	7	17	14	14	-	52

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Harris 1 pass from Montez (Stefanou kick)	7-0	9:30	1Q
Colorado State — Wright 39 pass from Hill (Poduska kick)	7-7	6:42	1Q
COLORADO — Stefanou 41 FG	10-7	14:13	2Q
Colorado State — Jackson 8 pass from Hill (Poduska kick)	10-14	8:39	2Q
COLORADO — Mangham 5 run (Stefanou kick)	17-14	5:37	2Q
Colorado State — Wright 41 run (Poduska kick)	17-21	1:35	2Q
COLORADO — Shenault 25 pass from Montez (Stefanou kick)	24-21	0:25	2Q
COLORADO — Fontenot 7 run (Stefanou kick)	24-14	13:47	3Q
Colorado State — Poduska 42 FG	31-24	4:30	3Q
COLORADO — Fontenot 14 run (Stefanou kick)	38-24	0:00	3Q
Colorado State — Butler 13 pass from Hill (Poduska kick)	38-31	12:13	4Q
COLORADO — Fontenot 22 run (Stefanou kick)	45-31	9:16	4Q
COLORADO — Johnson 9 fumble return (Stefanou kick)	52-31	3:57	4Q

Attendance: 66,997 Time: 3:19
Weather (82°): cloudy skies, 36% humidity, 3 mph winds from the north

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	CSU
First Downs.....	23	27
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	3-9 (1-1)	5-12 (2-4)
Rushes—Net Yards	40-243	31-131
Passing Yards	232	374
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	20-13-0	47-31-2
Total Offense.....	475	505
Return Yards	15	19
Punts: No-Average.....	4-49.0	1-59.0
Fumbles: No-Lost.....	0-0	3-2
Penalties/Yards	4/43	6/64
Quarterback Sacks—Yards.....	2-17	0-0
Time of Possession	27:05	32:55
Drives/Average Field Position	11/C29	13/CS21
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points).....	4-4 (28)	2-2 (14)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Fontenot 19-125, Mangham 11-40, Montez 5-39, Shenault 3-35, Smith 2-4. **CSU:** Wright 3-59, Kinsey 12-41, Thomas 7-29, Hunter 3-10, Hill 4-8, Team 2-minus 16.
Passing—Colorado: Montez 20-13-0, 232, 2 td. **CSU:** Hill 47-31-2, 374, 3 td.
Receiving—Colorado: Brown 3-71, Shenault 3-48, Russell 2-44, Nixon 2-29, Harris 2-24, Stanley 1-16. **CSU:** Jackson 8-87, Kinsey 5-69, Wright 4-72, McBride 4-52, Thomas 3-28, Prentice 2-20, Hall 2-18, Butler 2-17, Scott 1-11.
Punting—Colorado: Kinney 4-49.0 (63 long, 1 In20). **CSU:** Stonehouse 1-59.0 (59 long, 0 In20).
Punt Returns—Colorado: Nixon 1-6. **CSU:** Wright 2-19. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Nixon 1-32. **CSU:** Hawkins 3-61.
Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Landman 11,0—11; Abrams 4,4—8; Van Diest 5,1—6; Wells 3,3—6; Onu 4,1—5; Maddox 3,2—5; Blackmon 4,0—4; Taylor 4,0—4; Johnson 1,3—4; Miller 2,0—2; Tchangan 2,0—2; Jordan 0,2—2; Lang 0,2—2. **CSU:** Hicks 11,2—13; McBride 3,3—6; Hubbard 3,2—5; Carter 2,3—5; Stewart 4,0—4; three with 3,0—3.
Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Lang 1-10, Van Diest 1-7. **CSU:** none.
Interceptions—Colorado: Onu 2-0. **CSU:** none. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** none. **CSU:** Hawkins.

GAME NOTES

As 66,997 attended the final Rocky Mountain Showdowns in Denver, the 19 events (16 at the new stadium, three at old Mile High) attracted a total of **1,294,101** in attendance (for the final game, CU sold 38,102 tickets; 25,868 public, 12,234 student). With kickoff at **8:47 p.m.**, it was the fourth latest kickoff in CU history (second latest in Colorado—latest was 9:08 vs. Oregon in 2015); the 37-minute delay due to lightning was reminiscent of a 28-minute delay in the 2003 game here (that was in the third quarter) ... The ending at **12:06 a.m.** was the second latest in the state (Oregon, 12:31 a.m.) ... CU has won four straight season openers for the first time since claiming eight in a row (1991-98) ... **Mel Tucker** joined Rick Neuheisel (1995) and Mike MacIntyre (2013) as the only coaches to win their first game at the reins of the Buffaloes dating back to 1932 ... Buffs now lead the series with CSU by **67-22-2 (13-6** in Denver, **23-8** since it was resumed in 1983) ... Colorado is now **81-44-5** in 130 season openers ... The **83** points scored tonight are the most in the 91 games in the series, topping the 82 in the 1996 game at Fort Collins (a 48-34 CU win) ... CU has won five straight in the series, the longest run by either school since the Buffs claimed eight straight from 1987 through 1998 (CU has outscored the Rams 185-78 in the streak) ... The **52** points by CU are the most in the series since 1952, when CU won 61-0 in Boulder; it's also the sixth-most overall (all by Colorado) ... Colorado is now **124-2** all-time when scoring 43 or more points ... The Buffs have now made 102 consecutive PAT kicks dating back to October 2016 ... CU dressed 104 players for tonight, it's most in recent memory.



COLORADO 34 NEBRASKA 31 (OT)

(SEPTEMBER 7, 2019)

FOLSOM FIELD

BOULDER — Colorado staged one of the more improbable comebacks in program history, rallying from a 17-0 halftime deficit to take a 34-31 overtime win over 25th-ranked Nebraska at Folsom Field.

James Stefanou's 34-yard field goal in the first overtime gave the Buffs their first lead of the day and the Buffs then held NU on the ensuing possession. A Mustafa Johnson sack of Nebraska quarterback Adrian Martinez put the Huskers back at the 31-yard line, and an Isaac Armstrong 48-yard field goal attempt on fourth down went wide right.

That triggered a massive Folsom Field celebration as Colorado improved to 2-0 under first-year head coach Mel Tucker. Nebraska dropped to 1-1.

Colorado's Steven Montez finished with 375 yards passing and two touchdowns, with 291 of those yards and both scores coming after halftime as Colorado outscored the Huskers 31-14 after intermission, including a 24-14 count in the fourth quarter. CU junior receiver K.D. Nixon had six catches for 148 yards — including a 96-yard touchdown catch, the longest play from scrimmage in CU history — and Tony Brown added five catches for 60 yards and a score.

Defensively, the Buffs finished with six sacks and once again won the turnover battle, coming up with two fumble recoveries and an interception while the offense turned the ball over twice.

It was CU's first win over a ranked opponent since the end of the 2016 regular season. It was also CU's second come-from-behind win this season, coming on the heels of last week's season opening 52-31 win over Colorado State, and the Buffs' second straight win over Nebraska.

After a tough first half on both sides of the ball, the Buffs came alive in the second half to stage their rally.

The defense set the tone, forcing Nebraska punts on the Huskers' first four possessions of the half. The Buffs offense couldn't take advantage of the first two, but finally got on the board after the third, marching 64 yards in eight plays for their first touchdown of the game. Jaren Mangham capped the drive with an 11-yard run to pull CU to within 17-7 with 2:24 left in the third period.

CU's defense then answered the bell again to force another Nebraska punt — and this time the Buffs needed just one play to score. Montez took a pitch back on a flea flicker play, then heaved a 96-yard touchdown pass to Nixon to cut the margin to 17-14 with 14:22 still to play.

The Huskers then finally answered with a 75-yard scoring pass from Martinez to Maurice Washington for a 24-14 lead.

But the Buffs responded, going 75 yards in five plays for a touchdown on their next drive to pull within 24-21. Montez hit Jaylon Jackson with a 57-yard pass, which set up a 7-yard Mangham run.

That set the stage for another CU defensive big play. Johnson sacked Martinez, forcing a fumble. Nu'umotu Falo recovered — his second of the game — and seven plays later, Stefanou's 20-yard field goal for Colorado tied the game at 24-24.

Nebraska then regained the lead with a 75-yard TD march. But following a CU fumble and another NU punt, Montez guided a 10-play, 71-yard march that culminated with a 26-yard touchdown pass to Brown to tie the game at 31-31 with 46 seconds left.

Nebraska had one more shot in regulation, but a Chris Miller interception ended the possession to send the game into overtime.

In the first half, the Buffs had no answer for Nebraska's Martinez. The NU sophomore was a perfect 9-for-9 for 180 yards while Colorado struggled to just 84 yards offense.

Nebraska.....	7	10	0	14	0	-	31
COLORADO.....	0	0	7	24	3	-	34

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Nebraska — Spielman 65 pass from Martinez (Armstrong kick)	0-7	6:02	1Q
Nebraska — Martinez 5 run (Armstrong kick)	0-14	6:37	2Q
Nebraska — Armstrong 26 FG	0-17	2:47	2Q
COLORADO — Mangham 11 run (Stefanou kick)	7-17	1:42	3Q
COLORADO — Nixon 96 pass from Montez (Stefanou kick)	14-17	14:36	4Q
Nebraska — Washington 75 pass from Martinez (Armstrong kick)	14-24	14:22	4Q
COLORADO — Mangham 7 run (Stefanou kick)	21-24	12:19	4Q
COLORADO — Stefanou 20 FG	24-24	8:30	4Q
Nebraska — Martinez 6 run (Armstrong kick)	24-31	5:49	2Q
COLORADO — Brown 26 pass from Montez (Stefanou kick)	31-31	0:46	4Q
COLORADO — Stefanou 34 FG	34-31	.....	OT1

Attendance: 52,829 **Time:** 3:49
Weather (88°): partly cloudy skies, 18% humidity, 10 mph winds from the west

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	NEBRASKA
First Downs.....	22	19
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	6-17 (2-2)	5-15 (1-1)
Rushes—Net Yards.....	37-89	46-179
Passing Yards.....	375	290
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	41-28-1	26-16-1
Total Offense.....	464	469
Return Yards.....	4	1
Punts: No-Average.....	6-45.2	5-46.2
Fumbles: No-Lost.....	2-1	3-2
Penalties/Yards.....	9/65	7/65
Quarterback Sacks—Yards.....	6-33	3-25
Time of Possession.....	30:28	29:32
Drives/Average Field Position.....	14/C33	15/N26
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points).....	4-4 (20)	3-3 (21)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Mangham 11-44, Fontenot 10-42, Jackson 1-14, Stanley 1-8, Shenault 3-6, Nixon 1-minus 3, Brown 1-minus 4, Montez 8-minus 17, Team 1-minus 1.

Nebraska: Washington 15-77, Martinez 19-66, Mills 8-24, Robinson 2-9, JD Spielman 1-8, Team 1-minus 5.

Passing—Colorado: Montez 41-28-1, 375, 2 td. **Nebraska:** Martinez 26-16-1, 290, 2 td.

Receiving—Colorado: Nixon 6-148, Brown 5-60, Shenault 5-31, Russell 4-31, Fontenot 4-20, Stanley 2-17, Jackson 1-57, Mangham 1-11. **Nebraska:** Spielman 5-112, Washington 4-118, Robinson 3-35, Mills 2-21, Stoll 2-4.

Punting—Colorado: Kinney 6-45.2 (60 long, 5 In20). **Nebraska:** Armstrong 5-46.2 (51 long, 2 In20).

Punt Returns—Colorado: Nixon 1-4. **Nebraska:** none. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Shenault 1-54. **Nebraska:** none.

Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Landman 12, 2—14; Taylor 9, 0—9; Maddox 7, 1—8; Johnson 6, 2—8; Onu 5, 0—5; A.Jones 4, 0—4; Tchangam 3, 1—4; Van Diest 2, 2—4; Blackmon 1, 3—4; Abrams 4, 4—8; Lang 2, 1—3; Abrams 2, 0—2; Falo 1, 0—1. **Nebraska:** Honas 7, 2—9; Barry 6, 0—6; Dismuke 6, 0—6; Miller 6, 0—6; Davis 5, 0—5; Lee 5, 0—5.

Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Johnson 3-21, Tchangam 2-6, Blackmon 1-6. **Nebraska:** Davis 1-12, Barry 1-7, Tannor 1-6.

Interceptions—Colorado: Miller 1-0. **Nebraska:** Jackson 1-1. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Taylor 2, Miller. **Nebraska:** Bootle, Jackson.

GAME NOTES

Mel Tucker became the 10th coach (out of 26) in CU history to win his first two games at the reins of the program ... CU rallied from a 17-point deficit to win, tying its fourth-largest comeback in school history; it's previous large comeback against Nebraska was 12 (down 12-0 entering the fourth quarter at Lincoln in 1990) ... The sellout crowd of 52,829 was the largest (and third of 50,000-plus) since Folsom was reconfigured ahead of the 2015 season ... Colorado improved to 7-8 in overtime games in its history (1-1 vs. Nebraska; in the 1999 OT game won by the Huskers, CU rallied from down 27-3 tie the game but missed a 33-yarder that would have won it; NU held CU to a field goal in OT as it did today, but scored a TD on its possession to win) ... The Buffaloes snapped an 8-game losing streak against (AP) ranked teams, its last win coming over No. 21 Utah in 2016 ... CU has won 13 straight non-conference games in the state's borders (eight in Boulder, five in Denver) ... Colorado gained 258 yards in the fourth quarter after having 193 at the end of three ... Colorado's first 10 plays in NU territory were for net negative 6 yards; the last 21 gained 134 yards ... Colorado had six quarterback sacks in the game, four coming on third downs (all in the second half) ... The Buffs have now made 106 consecutive PAT kicks dating back to October 2016 ... A defensive battle through three quarters (24 points, 509 yards) did a 180 in the fourth, when the teams combined for 38 points and 417 yards ... Nebraska was 7-of-12 on second down in the first half, but was held to 1-of-12 in the second half.



NOTABLE PERFORMANCES: THE LAST TIME

INDIVIDUAL

Kickoff Return For A Touchdown	Colorado: Nelson Spruce vs. Cal in Boulder, Nov. 16, 2013 (onside, 46 yards; otherwise: M. Mosley vs. Utah, Nov. 23, 2012, 100 yds) Opponent: Reggie Dunn, Utah in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2012 (100 yards).
Punt Return For A Touchdown	Colorado: Laviska Shenault vs. Texas State in Boulder, Sept. 9, 2017 (55 yards; on a fumble return). Opponent: Boobie Hobbs, Utah in Boulder, Nov. 26, 2016 (55 yards).
Interception Return For A Touchdown	Colorado: Dante Wigley vs. Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 27, 2018 (27 yards). Opponent: Ashlyn Davis, California at Berkeley, Nov. 24, 2018 (35 yards, TD; second in that game).
Fumble Return/Recovery For A Touchdown	Colorado: Mustafa Johnson vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 30, 2019 (9 yards). Opponent: Tra'Mayne Bondurant, Arizona at Tucson, Nov. 8, 2014 (22 yards).
Blocked Punt Return For A Touchdown	Colorado: Lawrence Vickers vs. Washington State at Seattle, Sept. 11, 2004 (0 yards). Opponent: Grant Perry, Michigan at Ann Arbor, Sept. 17, 2016 (6 yards).
Blocked Field Goal Return For A Touchdown	Colorado: Has not occurred. Opponent: Max Bergen, Stanford at Palo Alto, Oct. 8, 2011 (75 yards; first-ever against Colorado)
Blocked Punt	Colorado: Alex Fontenot vs. California at Berkeley, Nov. 24, 2018 and vs. Utah in Boulder, Nov. 17, 2018. Opponent: Khaylan Thomas, Arizona State at Tempe, Nov. 4, 2017.
Blocked PAT Kick	Colorado: Terrance Lang vs. Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 27, 2018. Opponent: Shemar Smith, Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 1, 2016 (<i>kicker: Chris Graham</i>)
Blocked Field Goal	Colorado: Chidobe Awuzie vs. UCLA in Boulder, Nov. 3, 2016. Opponent: Elu Aydon, Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 27, 2018.
Offensive Lineman To Score A Touchdown	Colorado: Alex Kelley vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 2, 2016 (recovered fumble in end zone). Opponent: Has not occurred.
Defensive Two-Point Conversion	Colorado: Greg Biekert vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 2, 1991. Opponent: Has not occurred.
300 Yards Total Offense	Colorado: 358, Steven Montez vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Sept. 7, 2019 (<i>375 pass, -17 rush</i>). Opponent: 356, Adrian Martinez, Nebraska in Boulder, Sept. 7, 2019 (<i>66 rush, 290 pass</i>).
400 Yards Total Offense	Colorado: 416, Steven Montez vs. Southern California in Boulder, Nov. 11, 2017 (<i>376 pass, 40 rush</i>). Opponent: 481, Khalil Tate, Arizona in Boulder, Oct. 7, 2017 (<i>327 rush, 154 pass</i>).
100 Yards Rushing	Colorado: 125, Alex Fontenot vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 30, 2019 (<i>19 attempts</i>). Opponent: 192, J.J. Taylor, Arizona at Tucson, Nov. 2, 2018 (<i>40 attempts</i>)
200 Yards Rushing	Colorado: 281, Phillip Lindsay vs. Arizona in Boulder, Oct. 7, 2017 (<i>41 attempts</i>). Opponent: 327, Khalil Tate, Arizona in Boulder, Oct. 7, 2017 (<i>14 attempts</i>).
300 Yards Rushing	Colorado: 309, Chris Brown vs. Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 12, 2002. Opponent: 327, Khalil Tate, Arizona in Boulder, Oct. 7, 2017 (<i>14 carries</i>).
Three Touchdowns Rushing	Colorado: 3, Alex Fontenot vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 30, 2019. Opponent: 3, Ryan Nall, Oregon State at Corvallis, Oct. 14, 2017.
Four Touchdowns Rushing	Colorado: 4, Michael Adkins II vs. Charleston Southern in Boulder, Oct. 19, 2013. Opponent: 4, Khalil Tate, Arizona in Boulder, Oct. 7, 2017.
Two 100-Yard Rushers	Colorado: Phillip Lindsay (31-144) and Sefo Liufau (23-108) vs. Washington State in Boulder, Nov. 19, 2016. Opponent: Adrian Martinez (15-117) and Greg Bell (13-104), Nebraska at Lincoln, Sept. 8, 2018.
Three 100-Yard Rushers	Colorado: Jon Keyworth (18-124), Paul Arendt (23-116) and Ward Walsh (15-101), vs. Air Force at USAFA, Nov. 21, 1970. Opponent: David Overstreet (18-258), Darrell Shepard (3-151) and George Rhymes (9-110), Oklahoma in Boulder, Oct. 4, 1980.
300 Yards Passing	Colorado: 375, Steven Montez vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Sept. 7, 2019. Opponent: 374, Collin Hill vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 30, 2019.
400 Yards Passing	Colorado: 455, Sefo Liufau vs. California at Berkeley, Sept. 27, 2014 (<i>46-of-67</i>). Opponent: 458, Jared Goff, California at Berkeley, Sept. 27, 2014 (<i>24-of-42</i>).
Three Touchdowns Passing	Colorado: 3, Steven Montez vs. Arizona at Tucson, Nov. 2, 2018. Opponent: 3, Collin Hill vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 30, 2019.
Four Touchdowns Passing	Colorado: 4, Steven Montez vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 31, 2018. Opponent: 5, Khalil Tate, Arizona at Tucson, Nov. 2, 2018.
Five Touchdowns Passing	Colorado: 7, Sefo Liufau vs. California at Berkeley, Sept. 27, 2014 (school record). Opponent: 5, Khalil Tate, Arizona at Tucson, Nov. 2, 2018.
Three Interceptions Thrown	Colorado: 3, Steven Montez vs. California at Berkeley, Nov. 24, 2018. Opponent: 3, Ryan Burns, Stanford at Palo Alto, Oct. 22, 2016.
Four Interceptions Thrown	Colorado: 4, Nick Hirschman vs. Utah in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2012. Opponent: 4, Graham Harrell, Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
10 Receptions	Colorado: 10, Laviska Shenault vs. Washington State in Boulder, Nov. 10, 2018 (<i>102 yards</i>). Opponent: 11, Isaiah Hodgins, Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 27, 2018 (<i>146 yards</i>).
100 Yards Receiving	Colorado: 148, K.D. Nixon vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Sept. 7, 2019 (<i>6 receptions</i>). Opponent: 118, Maurice Washington, Nebraska in Boulder, Sept. 7, 2019 (<i>4 receptions</i>).
200 Yards Receiving	Colorado: 211, Laviska Shenault vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 31, 2018 (<i>11 receptions</i>). Opponent: 208, Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 30, 2010 (<i>9 receptions</i>).
Two Touchdowns Receiving	Colorado: 2, K.D. Nixon vs. Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 27, 2018. Opponent: 2, Shawn Poindexter, Arizona at Tucson, Nov. 2, 2018.
Three Touchdowns Receiving	Colorado: 3, Shay Fields vs. Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 1, 2016. Opponent: 3, Nelson Agholor, Southern California at Los Angeles, Oct. 18, 2014.
Two 100-Yard Receivers	Colorado: Laviska Shenault (11-211) and K.D. Nixon (6-112) vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 31, 2018. Opponent: Maurice Washington (4-118) and J.D. Spielman (5-1121), Nebraska in Boulder, Sept. 7, 2019.
100-Yard Rusher & Receiver	Colorado: Travon McMillian (20-132) rushing & K.D. Nixon (13-198 receiving) vs. Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 27, 2018. Opponent: Jermar Jefferson (30-135 rushing) & Isaiah Hodgins (11-146 receiving), Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 27, 2018.
100-Yard Rusher & Receiver (same player)	Colorado: Cortlen Johnson (27-172 rushing; 6-105 receiving), vs. Iowa State at Ames, Nov. 10, 2001. Opponent: Has not occurred.



The Last Time, continued...

Four Touchdowns In A Game	Colorado: 4, Laviska Shenault vs. Arizona State in Boulder, Oct. 8, 2017 (2 rushing, 2 receiving). Opponent: 4, Khalil Tate, Arizona in Boulder, Oct. 7, 2017 (4 rushing).
Four Field Goals In A Game	Colorado: 4, Will Oliver vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 1, 2013. Opponent: 4, Jordan Choukair, Oregon State at Corvallis, Oct. 14, 2017.
50-Yard Field Goal	Colorado: 53, James Stefanou vs. Arizona State at Tempe, Nov. 4, 2017. Opponent: 51, Matt Gay, Utah in Boulder, Nov. 17, 2018.
Two Interceptions In A Game	Colorado: 2, Mikial Onu vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 30, 2019. Opponent: 2, Ashtyn Davis, California at Berkeley, Nov. 24, 2018.
Three Interceptions In A Game	Colorado: 3, Terrence Wheatley vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007. Opponent: 3, Philip Thomas, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
Four Interceptions In A Game	Colorado: Has not occurred. Opponent: 4, Frank Nelson, Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 2, 1946.
Three Quarterback Sacks In A Game	Colorado: 3 (for 21 yards), Mustafa Johnson vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Sept. 7, 2019. Opponent: 4 (for 31 yards), Vilas Fauonuku, Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 28, 2015.
Four Quarterback Sacks In A Game	Colorado: 4½ (for 46), Ron Woolfork vs. Iowa in Boulder, Sept. 26, 1992. Opponent: 4 (for 31 yards), Vilas Fauonuku, Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 28, 2015.

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Shut Out (Defensive)	Colorado: Game: 48-0, vs. Nicholls State in Boulder, Sept. 26, 2015. Through 3rd Qtr: 37-0, vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 2, 2016. At Half: 28-0, vs. New Hampshire in Boulder, Sept. 15, 2018. Opponent: Game: 0-28, by Washington State at Pullman, Oct. 21, 2017. Through 3rd Qtr: 0-21, by Washington State at Pullman, Oct. 21, 2017. At Half: 0-17, by Nebraska in Boulder, Sept. 7, 2019.
Safety	Colorado: vs. Oregon in Boulder, Oct. 22, 2011 (Terrel Smith tackled Cliff Harris in end zone). Opponent: by Stanford at Palo Alto, Oct. 22, 2016 (Sefo Liufau ran out of back of end zone).
Held To No Offensive Touchdowns	Colorado: by Washington State at Pullman, Oct. 21, 2017. Opponent: Texas State in Boulder, Sept. 9, 2017; Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 1, 2017; Stanford at Palo Alto, Oct. 22, 2016.
30 First Downs In A Game	Colorado: 30, vs. Northern Colorado in Boulder, Sept. 16, 2017. Opponent: 30, by Oregon State at Corvallis, Oct. 14, 2017.
Held Under 10 First Downs	Colorado: 9, by Washington at Santa Clara, Pac-12 Championship Game, Dec. 2, 2016. Opponent: 7, vs. Arizona State in Boulder, Oct. 15, 2016.
500 Yards Total Offense In A Game	Colorado: 536, vs. Oregon State in Boulder, Oct. 27, 2018 (217 rush, 319 pass). Opponent: 505, by Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 30, 2019 (131 rush, 374 pass).
600 Yards Total Offense In A Game	Colorado: 603, vs. Washington State in Boulder, Nov. 19, 2016 (258 rush, 345 pass). Opponent: 616, by Arizona in Boulder, Oct. 17, 2015 (291 rush, 325 pass).
Held Under 200 Yards Total Offense In A Game	Colorado: 196, by Utah in Boulder, Nov. 17, 2018 (34 rush, 162 pass). Opponent: 199, Arizona State in Boulder, Oct. 15, 2016 (50 rush, 149 pass).
Held Under 100 Yards Total Offense In A Game	Colorado: 76, by Stanford in Boulder, Nov. 3, 2012 (-21 rush, 97 pass). Opponent: 96, Idaho State in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2016 (29 rush, 67 pass).
300 Yards Rushing In A Game	Colorado: 311, vs. New Hampshire in Boulder, Sept. 15, 2018. Opponent: 329, by Nebraska at Lincoln, Sept. 8, 2018.
400 Yards Rushing In A Game	Colorado: 427, vs. Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 12, 2002. Opponent: 413, by Arizona in Boulder, Oct. 7, 2017.
500 Yards Rushing In A Game	Colorado: 502, vs. Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 11, 2000. Opponent: 516, by Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 6, 1984.
Held Under 100 Yards Rushing In A Game	Colorado: 89, by Nebraska in Boulder, Sept. 7, 2019 (37 attempts; included three sacks for 25 yards). Opponent: 95, vs. California at Berkeley, Nov. 24, 2018 (38 attempts; included three sacks for 12 yards).
400 Yards Passing In A Game	Colorado: 401, vs. Arizona State at Tempe, Oct. 10, 2015. Opponent: 458, by California at Berkeley, Sept. 27, 2014.
500 Yards Passing In A Game	Colorado: 533, vs. NE Louisiana in Boulder, Sept. 16, 1995. Opponent: 523, by Fresno State at Honolulu, Dec. 25, 1993 (Aloha Bowl; only time ever vs. Colorado)
Held Under 100 Yards Passing In A Game	Colorado: 94, by Washington State at Pullman, Oct. 21, 2017. Opponent: 67, vs. Idaho State in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2016.
Averaged Over Eight Yards Per Play	Colorado: 9.17, vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 31, 2018 (65-596). Opponent: 8.20, by Arizona at Tucson, Nov. 2, 2018 (69-566).
Held Under Three Yards Per Play	Colorado: 2.93, by Utah in Boulder, Nov. 17, 2018 (67-196). Opponent: 1.75, vs. Idaho State in Boulder, Sept. 26, 2015 (55-96).
Four Interception Game	Colorado: 4, vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007. Opponent: 4, by Utah in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2012.
Five Interception Game	Colorado: 5, vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Nov. 1, 2003. Opponent: 5, by Oklahoma in Boulder, Oct. 17, 1992.
Six Quarterback Sacks	Colorado: 6 (for 33 yards), vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Sept. 7, 2019. Opponent: 7 (for 43 yards), by Nebraska at Lincoln, Sept. 8, 2018.
Forced Six (Five) Lost Opponent Fumbles	Colorado: 6, vs. Kansas State in Boulder, Oct. 22, 1983 (5 vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 26, 1999) Opponent: 6, by Nebraska at Lincoln, Oct. 25, 1975 (5 by Oklahoma State at Stillwater, Nov. 8, 1980).
Forty-Minute Time of Possession Game	Colorado: 41:05, vs. UCLA at Pasadena, Oct. 31, 2015. Opponent: 41:46, by Washington State in Boulder, Nov. 10, 2018.
Turnover-Free Game	Colorado: vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 30, 2019. Opponent: by California at Berkeley, Nov. 24, 2018.
Did Not Punt	Colorado: vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 19, 1994. Opponent: by Washington at Seattle, Nov. 9, 2013 (just second time since 1983; Baylor in 2010).
Recovered Own Onside Kick	Colorado: vs. Southern California at Los Angeles (Kyle Trego); 1-of-last-1 (2-of-last 7 back to 2014). Opponent: by California in Boulder, Nov. 16, 2013; 0-of-last-4.



CAREER SINGLE GAME BESTS

(for those who have regularly appeared in games)

DELRIK ABRAMS, CB

Total Tackles—9, at Nebraska, 9/8/18
Solo Tackles—6, twice (last: at Nebraska, 9/8/18)
Interceptions—N/A
Pass Deflections—3, vs. New Hampshire, 9/15/18

DANIEL ARIAS, WR

Receptions—1, at Washington, 10/20/18
Receiving Yards—37, at Washington, 10/20/18
Long Reception—37, at Washington, 10/20/18 (TD)
Receiving TDs—1, at Washington, 10/20/18

MAURICE BELL, WR

Receptions—N/A
Receiving Yards—N/A
Long Reception—N/A
Receiving TDs—N/A

BEAU BISHARAT, TE (TB)

Rushing High—13-92, vs. New Hampshire, 9/15/18
Long Run—47, vs. New Hampshire, 9/15/18
Receptions—1, twice (last: vs. Colorado State, 8/31/18)
Receiving Yards—6, vs. California, 10/28/18
Receiving TDs—1, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/18

MEHKI BLACKMON, CB

Total Tackles—4, twice (last: vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19)
Solo Tackles—4, twice (last: vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19)
Interceptions—N/A
Pass Deflections—1, thrice (last: at California, 11/24/18)

JAREK BROUSSARD, TB

Rushing Attempts—N/A
Rushing Yards—N/A
Long Run—N/A
Rushing TDs—N/A

TONY BROWN, WR

Receptions—6, vs. UCLA, 9/28/18
Receiving Yards—80, vs. New Hampshire, 9/15/18
Long Reception—53, twice (vs. New Hampshire, UCLA)
Receiving TDs—1, twice (last: vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19)

JACOB CALLIER, OLB

Total Tackles—3, vs. New Hampshire, 9/15/18
Solo Tackles—3, vs. New Hampshire, 9/15/18
QB Sacks—1, twice (last: vs. New Hampshire, 9/15/18)
Third Down Stops—2, vs. Colorado State, 9/01/17

NU'UMOTU FALO, Jr., OLB

Total Tackles—4, twice (last: vs. Arizona, 10/17/15)
Solo Tackles—4, vs. Arizona, 10/17/15
QB Sacks—1, at Arizona, 11/12/16
Third Down Stops—1, five times (last: vs. Utah, 11/26/16)
Pass Deflections—2, vs. UCLA, 11/3/16

ALEX FONTENOT, TB

Rushing Attempts—19, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Rushing Yards—125, Colorado State, 8/30/19
Long Run—32, Colorado State, 8/30/19 (TD)
Rushing TDs—3, Colorado State, 8/30/19

TYLER FRANCIS, PK

Field Goals Made—2, at Arizona, 11/02/18
Field Goals Attempted—2, at Arizona, 11/02/18
Long Field Goal—4, at Arizona, 11/02/18
PAT Made—4, at Arizona, 11/02/18

JALEN HARRIS, TE

Receptions—2, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Receiving Yards—24, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Long Reception—23, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Receiving TDs—1, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19

JAYLON JACKSON, WR

Receptions—6, at Arizona, 11/02/18
Receiving Yards—57, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
Long Reception—57, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
Receiving TDs—N/A

MUSTAFA JOHNSON, DE

Total Tackles—10, twice (last: vs. Arizona State, 10/06/18)
Solo Tackles—8, twice (last: vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18)
QB Sacks—3, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
Third Down Stops—3, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19

AKIL JONES, ILB

Total Tackles—3, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
Solo Tackles—3, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
Third Down Stops—1, twice (last: vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19)

JANAZ JORDAN, DT

Total Tackles—2, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Solo Tackles—N/A
QB Sacks—N/A
Third Down Stops—N/A

ALEX KINNEY, P

Punts—10, at Washington State, 10/21/17
Average (min. 5 punts)—51.2, at Arizona State, 11/04/17 (5)
Long Punt—70, vs. Texas State, 9/09/17
50-Plus—3, at Utah, 11/25/17
Inside-the-20—5, twice (last vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19)

NATE LANDMAN, ILB

Total Tackles—19, vs. Utah, 11/17/18
Solo Tackles—12, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
QB Sacks—2, vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18
Third Down Stops—3, at Nebraska, 9/8/18 (2 4th down)
Pass Deflections—3, at California, 11/24/18
Interceptions—1, twice (last: at Nebraska, 9/8/18)

TERRANCE LANG, DE

Total Tackles—3, twice (last: vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19)
Solo Tackles—3, vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18
QB Sacks—1, twice (last: vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19)
Third Down Stops—2, twice (last: at California, 11/24/18)

TYLER LYTLE, QB

Pass Attempts—5, vs. Utah, 11/17/18
Pass Completions—4, vs. Utah, 11/17/18
Passing Yards—55, vs. Utah, 11/17/18
TD Passes—N/A

LONG PASS—33, vs. Utah, 11/17/18

Interceptions—1, vs. Utah, 11/17/18
Rating (min 10 att.)—132.4, vs. Utah, 11/17/18

AARON MADDOX, S

Total Tackles—12, vs. Washington State, 11/10/18
Solo Tackles—11, vs. Washington State, 11/10/18
Interceptions—N/A
Pass Deflections—N/A

JAREN MANGHAM, TB

Rushing Attempts—11, twice (last: vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19)
Rushing Yards—44, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
Long Run—12, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Rushing TDs—2, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19

CHRIS MILLER, CB

Total Tackles—4, at Southern California, 10/13/18
Solo Tackles—3, at Southern California, 10/13/18
Interceptions—1, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
Pass Deflections—1, at Washington, 10/20/18

STEVEN MONTEZ, QB

Pass Attempts—50, at Nebraska, 9/08/18
Pass Completions—33, at Nebraska, 9/08/18
Passing Yards—376, vs. Southern California, 11/11/17
TD Passes—4, twice (last: vs. Colorado State, 8/31/18)
Long Pass—96, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19 (TD)
Interceptions—3, vs. Washington, 9/23/17
Rating (min 10 att.)—246.4, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/18
Rushing Attempts—21, at Oregon, 9/24/16
Rushing Yards—135, at Oregon, 9/24/16
Long Run—38, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/18 (TD)
Rushing TDs—2, vs. UCLA, 9/28/18

K.D. NIXON, WR

Receptions—13, vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18
Receiving Yards—198, vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18
Long Reception—96, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19 (TD)
Receiving TDs—2, Oregon State, 10/27/18

SAM NOYER, S

Total Tackles—N/A
Solo Tackles—N/A
Interceptions—N/A
Passing Highs—7-of-18, 53 yards, at Wash. St. 10/21/17

MIKIAL ONU, CB

Total Tackles—5, twice (last: vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19)
Solo Tackles—5, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
Interceptions—2, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Pass Deflections—N/A

DAVIS PRICE, P/PK

Field Goals Made—2, vs. Oregon State, 10/01/16
Field Goals Attempted—2, vs. Oregon State, 10/01/16
Long Field Goal—54, vs. Oregon State, 10/01/16
PAT Made—7, at Arizona, 11/12/16
Punts—9, at Southern California, 10/13/18
Average (min. 5 punts)—41.9, at Southern Cal, 10/13/18
Long Punt—58, vs. UCLA, 9/28/18
50-Plus—1, twice (last: at Southern California, 10/13/18)
Inside-the-20—4, thrice (last: vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18)

EVAN PRICE, PK

Field Goals Made—2, twice (last: vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18)
Field Goals Attempted—3, vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18

Long Field Goal—37, at Washington, 10/20/18
PAT Made—4, vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18

DERRION RAKESTRAW, S

Total Tackles—7, at Arizona State, 11/02/18
Solo Tackles—6, at Arizona State, 11/02/18
Interceptions—1, at Arizona, 11/02/18
Pass Deflections—1, on two occasions

NA'IM RODMAN

Total Tackles—1, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
Solo Tackles—N/A
QB Sacks—N/A
Third Down Stops—N/A

BRADY RUSSELL, TE

Receptions—4, twice (last: vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19)
Receiving Yards—44, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Long Reception—27, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Receiving TDs—N/A

JALEN SAMI, DT

Total Tackles—1, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Solo Tackles—N/A
QB Sacks—N/A
Third Down Stops—N/A

DEION SMITH, TB

Rushing Attempts—2, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Rushing Yards—4, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Long Run—N/A
Rushing TDs—N/A

LA'VONTAE SHENAULT, WR

Receptions—N/A
Receiving Yards—N/A
Long Reception—N/A
Receiving TDs—N/A

LAVISKA SHENAULT, WR

Receptions—13, vs. Arizona State, 10/6/18
Receiving Yards—211, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/18
Long Reception—89, vs. Colorado State, 8/31/18 (TD)
Receiving TDs—2, vs. Arizona State, 10/6/18
Rushing Attempts—5, twice (last: vs. Arizona St, 10/06/18)
Rushing Yards—46, at Southern California, 10/13/18
Long Run—49, at Southern California, 10/13/18 (TD)
Rushing TDs—2, vs. Arizona State, 10/6/18

DIMITRI STANLEY, WR

Receptions—3, twice (last: vs. Washington St., 11/10/18)
Receiving Yards—24, at Washington, 10/20/18
Long Reception—16, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Receiving TDs—N/A

JAMES STEFANOU, PK

Field Goals Made—3, 4 times (last: at Arizona St., 11/04/17)
Field Goals Attempted—4, at Nebraska, 9/08/18
Long Field Goal—53, at Arizona State, 11/04/17
PAT Made—7, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
PAT Attempts—7, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Points—14, vs. California, 10/28/17

DAVION TAYLOR, S/OLB

Total Tackles—13, vs. Washington State, 11/10/18
Solo Tackles—12, vs. Washington State, 11/10/18
QB Sacks—1, vs. UCLA, 9/28/18
Third Down Stops—3, twice (last: at California, 11/24/18)

ALEX TCHANGAM, DE

Total Tackles—5, vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18
Solo Tackles—3, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
QB Sacks—2, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19
Third Down Stops—2, vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19

TREY UDOFFIA, S

Total Tackles—10, vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18
Solo Tackles—9, twice (last: vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18)
Interceptions—1, vs. Colorado State, 9/01/17
Pass Deflections—3, at Washington State, 10/21/17

JONATHAN VAN DIEST, ILB

Total Tackles—6, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Solo Tackles—5, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
QB Sacks—1, twice (last: vs. Nebraska, 9/07/19)
Third Down Stops—1, twice (last: vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19)

CARSON WELLS, OLB

Total Tackles—6, vs. Colorado State, 8/30/19
Solo Tackles—4, vs. Oregon State, 10/27/18
QB Sacks—2, twice (last: at Arizona, 11/02/18)
Third Down Stops—2, vs. Arizona State, 10/06/18



PRESEASON ALL-AMERICAN

- DE **MUSTAFA JOHNSON** (honorable mention: *collegefootballnews.com*)
- ILB **NATE LANDMAN** (second-team: *College Football America*)
- WR **LAVISKA SHENAULT** (first-team: *collegefootballnews.com*; *Phil Steele's College Football*, *Sports Illustrated*; second-team: *CBSSports.com*, *Street & Smith*; third-team: *Athlon*)

PRESEASON ALL-PAC 12

- DE **MUSTAFA JOHNSON** (first-team: *Pac-12 Summer Media Poll*; *Athlon*; *collegefootballnews.com*; *Lindy's College Football*; *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- P **ALEX KINNEY** (second-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*; fourth-team: *Athlon*)
- ILB **NATE LANDMAN** (first-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*; second-team: *Pac-12 Summer Media Poll*; *Athlon*; *Lindy's College Football*)
- OL **TIM LYNOTT, Jr.** (fourth-team: *Athlon*)
- WR **K.D. NIXON** (fourth-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- OG **COLBY PURSELL** (third-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- DT **JALEN SAMI** (fourth-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- WR **LAVISKA SHENAULT** (first-team: *Pac-12 Summer Media Poll*; *Athlon*; *collegefootballnews.com*; *Lindy's College Football*; *Phil Steele's College Football*; *Street & Smith*)
- OT **WILL SHERMAN** (fourth-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*; honorable mention: *Pac-12 Summer Media Poll*)
- LB **DAVION TAYLOR** (fourth-team: *Athlon*)

BUFFALOES ON NATIONAL AWARD LISTS

(Watch Lists/Official Nominations)

- Chuck Bednarik Award** (top defensive player): **DE Mustafa Johnson & ILB Nate Landman** (two of 80 players on official watch list)
- Biletnikoff Award** (nation's top receiver regardless of position): **WR Laviska Shenault** (one of 50 players on official watch list)
- Burlsworth Trophy** (nation's top one-time walk-on performer): **SN J.T. Bale** (will be CU's official nomination)
- William Campbell Trophy** (the academic "Heisman"): **S Lucas Cooper** (CU's official nomination)
- Dick Butkus Award** (top linebacker): **ILB Nate Landman & OLB Davion Taylor** (two of 51 players on official watch list)
- Maxwell Award** (national player of the year): **QB Steven Montez** and **WR Laviska Shenault** (two of 80 players on official watch list)
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award** (outstanding offensive player with ties to state of Texas): **QB Steven Montez & WR Laviska Shenault** (two of 42 on official watch list)
- Ray Guy Award** (top punter): **P Alex Kinney** (one of 26 players on official watch list)
- Ted Hendricks Award** (top defensive end): **DE Mustafa Johnson** (one of 37 players on official watch list)
- Paul Hornung Award** (most versatile player): **WR Laviska Shenault** (one of 44 players on official watch list)
- Patrick Mannelly Award** (top long snapper): **SN J.T. Bale** (one of 25 players on official watch list)
- Manning Award** (top quarterback in the nation, including postseason): **QB Steven Montez** (one of 30 players on official watch list)
- Bronko Nagurski Trophy** (top defensive player): **DE Mustafa Johnson & ILB Nate Landman** (two of 92 players on official watch list)
- Davey O'Brien Award** (nation's best quarterback): **QB Steven Montez** (one of 30 players on official watch list)
- Polynesian Player of the Year** (nation's top player with Polynesian roots): **DT Jalen Sami** (one of 63 players on the official watch list)
- Rimington Award** (nation's top center): **C Tim Lynott, Jr.** (one of 80 players on the official watch list)
- Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award** (nation's top senior or fourth-year quarterback): **QB Steven Montez** (one of 49 players on official watch list)
- Freshman All-America Candidates** (selected by the FWAA): **ILB Mark Perry, WR Dimitri Stanley**

NATIONAL TOP 100 PLAYER RATINGS

- All-Purpose:** Laviska Shenault (No. 2, *Lindy's College Football*)
- Centers:** Tim Lynott, Jr. (No. 31, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Defensive Ends:** Mustafa Johnson (No. 15, *collegefootballnews.com*; No. 30, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Inside Linebackers:** Nate Landman (No. 22, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Offensive Tackles:** William Sherman (No. 31, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Outside Linebackers:** Davian Taylor (No. 22, *Phil Steele's College Football*), Carson Wells (No. 59, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Quarterbacks:** Steven Montez (No. 12, *Phil Steele's College Football*; No. 21 *Lindy's College Football*; No. 41 *Athlon* / No. 4, *Lindy's/NFLDraftScout.com*)
- Tight Ends:** Jalen Harris (No. 51, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Wide Receivers:** Laviska Shenault (No. 2, *USA Today*; *collegefootballnews.com*; *Phil Steele's College Football*; No. 5 *Lindy's College Football*; No. 6, *Sporting News*)

PAC-12 OVERALL PLAYER RATINGS

- DE **MUSTAFA JOHNSON** (No. 24; *collegefootballnews.com*)
- WR **LAVISKA SHENAULT** (No. 1; *collegefootballnews.com*)
- QB **STEVEN MONTEZ** (No. 18; *collegefootballnews.com*)

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- PAUL WARFIELD AWARD** (top receiver in the nation): **WR LAVISKA SHENAULT**

NATIONAL UNIT RATINGS

- Linebackers:** No. 39 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Quarterbacks:** No. 41 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Special Teams:** No. 38 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Wide Receivers:** No. 15 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)

PRESEASON TEAM RANKINGS

Publication	National	P-12 South	Publication	National	P-12 South	Publication	National	P-12 South
Collegefootballnews.com	No. 44	6th	CompughterRankings.com	No. 73	t-5th	Pac-12 Summer Media Poll	.....	6th
ESPN Power Index	*No. 63	6th	Phil Steele's College Football	*No. 80	6th	Arena Fanatic	.....	6th
Athlon Sports	No. 69	6th	CBSSports.com	No. 82	6th	Street & Smith's	.....	6th
The Athletic	No. 73	6th	D-Ratings.com	No. 86	6th	*—power ranking.		
Lindy's Pac-12 Football	No. 73	6th	Collegesportsmadness.com	.....	6th			



HOW THE BUFFS WERE BUILT (2015-present)

FRESHMAN RECRUITS

2015

Nu'umotu Falo
Alex Kinney
Tim Lynott, Jr.
Steven Montez

2016

Beau Bisharat
Akil Jones
†Chance Lytle
Sam Noyer
†Colby Pursell
Derrion Rakestraw
Trey Udoffia
Hunter Vaughn

2017

Maurice Bell
Jacob Callier
Alex Fontenot
#Jaylon Jackson
Nate Landman
Terrance Lang
#Isaiah Lewis
#Tyler Lytle
Chris Miller
Chase Newman
K.D. Nixon
Heston Paige
Jared Poplawski
†Casey Roddick
†Jalen Sami
Laviska Shenault, Jr.
William Sherman
James Stefanou
Jonathan Van Diest
Carson Wells

2018

Daniel Arias
Jarek Broussard
Frank Filip
†Joshka Gustav
Joshua Jynes
Kanan Ray
Ray Robinson
Deion Smith
Dimitri Stanley
Blake Stenstrom
Dylan Thomas

2019

#Joe Davis
Marvin Ham II
Braedin Huffman-Dixon
#Austin Johnson
Tarik Lockett
#Jaren Mangham
Lloyd Murray, Jr.
D.J. Oats
#Alec Pell
Mark Perry
Nikko Pohahau
Na'im Rodman
Valentin Senn
La'Vontae Shenault
Jayden Simon
#K.J. Trujillo
Jake Wiley
Austin Williams

WALK-ONS

2015

*J.T. Bale
Lucas Cooper

2016

Uryan Hudson
Davis Price
Chase Sanders

2017

Curtis Chiaverini
#Josh Goldin
Nico Magri
*Brady Russell

2018

Curtis Appleton
Clayton Baca
John Deitchman
Tyler Francis
Jake Groth
Dustin Johnson
Devin Lynch
Evan Price
C.J. Schmanski
James Townsend

2019

Derek Bedell
#Legend Brumbaugh
Dominick Cate
Grant Ciccarone
Steele Dubar
Nick Nazarian
#Alex Smith
#Dante Sparaco
#Ryan Travis
Hayden Waters

FOUR YEAR TRANSFERS

2017

Tony Brown
Jack Shutack

2019

Nigel Bethel
^Arlington Hambricht
^Jalen Harris
^Mikial Onu

JUNIOR COLLEGE TRANSFERS

2018

#Delrick Abrams
Mekhi Blackmon
#Mustafa Johnson
#Darrion Jones
Kary Kutsch
#Aaron Maddox
#Davion Taylor
Alex Tchangam

2019

*Jash Allen
*Jeremiah Doss
*Janaz Jordan
*Jamar Montgomery
*Quinn Perry
*Va'atofu Sauvao
*Luke Stillwell

*—is on or has since been placed on scholarship;
#—joined team in spring of year listed, otherwise joined in the fall;

^—graduate transfer (graduated from previous four-year institution);
†—grayshirt (signed in that class but delayed enrollment until spring).



Tim Lynott (#56) and Steven Montez (12) are two of 11 fifth-year seniors on the 2019 Buffaloes.



A note about CU's depth: in-season, charts *reflect* change and generally do not announce it unless there are long-term injuries.

OFFENSE

(Multiple)

WIDE RECEIVER (X)

- 2 Laviska Shenault, 6-2, 220, Jr.**
- 22 Daniel Arias, 6-4, 205, Soph.*
- 5 La'Vontae Shenault, 6-2, 190, Fr.
- 84 Clayton Baca, 6-2, 190, Fr.-RS

WIDE RECEIVER (Z)

- 3 K.D. Nixon, 5-8, 185, Jr.** **OR**
- 18 Tony Brown, 6-1, 195, Sr.-5*
- 13 Maurice Bell, 6-0, 180, Soph.*
- 82 Jake Groth, 6-4, 195, Fr.-RS

WIDE RECEIVER (H)

- 14 Dimitri Stanley, 5-11, 185, Fr.-2* **OR**
- 3 K.D. Nixon, 5-8, 185, Jr.**
- 10 Jaylor Jackson, 5-10, 180, Soph.*
- 6 Curtis Chiaverini, 6-1, 195, Soph.*

LEFT TACKLE

- 51 Arlington Hambright, 6-5, 300, Sr./Gr. -5
- 76 Frank Phillip, 6-7, 290, Soph.*
- 77 Hunter Vaughn, 6-7, 310, Jr.**

LEFT GUARD

- 58 Kary Kutsch, 6-5, 310, Jr.*
- 68 Jack Shutack, 6-6, 300, Sr.-5*
- 64 Austin Johnson, 6-4, 300, Fr.

CENTER

- 56 Tim Lynott, Jr., 6-3, 300, Sr.-5***
- 52 Joshua Jynes, 6-3, 300, Fr.-RS
- 79 Heston Paige, 6-5, 300, Soph.*

RIGHT GUARD

- 65 Colby Pursell, 6-4, 305, Soph.*
- 70 Casey Roddick, 6-4, 330, Fr.-RS
- 74 Chance Lytle, 6-7, 320, Soph.*

RIGHT TACKLE

- 78 William Sherman, 6-4, 310, Soph.*
- 54 Kanan Ray, 6-4, 290, Fr.-RS

TIGHT END (Y)

- 38 Brady Russell, 6-3, 255, Soph.*
- 9 Jalen Harris, 6-4, 255, Sr./Gr.-5
- 35 Beau Bisharat, 6-2, 230, Sr.***
- 88 Darrion Jones, 6-6, 255, Sr.*
- 85 Jared Poplawski, 6-4, 250, Soph.*

QUARTERBACK

- 12 Steven Montez, 6-5, 230, Sr.-5***
- 7 Tyler Lytle, 6-5, 220, Soph.* **OR**
- 16 Blake Stenstrom, 6-4, 220, Fr.-RS
- 17 Josh Goldin, 6-2, 190, Sr.*

TAILBACK

- 8 Alex Fontenot, 6-0, 195, Soph.*
- 1 Jaren Mangham, 6-2, 215, Fr.
- 20 Deion Smith, 6-0, 190, Fr.-RS
- 28 Joe Davis, 5-11, 210, Fr.
- 33 Chase Sanders, 6-0, 195, Jr.**

DEFENSE

(3-4 Base; 12 positions listed)

OUTSIDE LINEBACKER

- 52 Alex Tchangam, 6-3, 245, Sr.*
- 58 Jamar Montgomery, 6-2, 240, Jr.
- 44 Jacob Callier, 6-3, 225, Soph.-2**

DEFENSIVE TACKLE

- 34 Mustafa Johnson, 6-2, 290, Jr.*
- 91 Na'im Rodman, 6-2, 295, Fr.
- 18 Jeremiah Doss, 6-4, 255, Soph.

NOSE TACKLE

- 99 Jalen Sami, 6-6, 320, Fr.-RS
- 55 Austin Williams, 6-5, 320, Fr.
- 92 Lloyd Murray Jr., 6-2, 315, Fr.

DEFENSIVE END

- 54 Terrance Lang, 6-7, 280, Soph.*
- 94 Janaz Jordan, 6-4, 305, Soph.*
- 90 Jayden Simon, 6-3, 265, Fr.

INSIDE LINEBACKER

- 53 Nate Landman, 6-3, 230, Jr.**
- 36 Akil Jones, 6-0, 230, Jr.**

INSIDE LINEBACKER

- 31 Jonathan Van Diest, 6-1, 235, Soph.*
- 10 Jash Allen, 6-2, 230, Jr.

OUTSIDE LINEBACKER

- 26 Carson Wells, 6-4, 250, Soph.*
- 42 Nu'umotu Falo, Jr., 6-2, 240, Sr.-5***

STAR BACK (OLB/S HYBRID)

- 20 Davion Taylor, 6-2, 225, Sr.* (N#1)
- 5 Mark Perry, 6-2, 200, Fr.
- 28 Dylan Thomas, 6-2, 185, Fr.-RS.

LEFT CORNERBACK

- 25 Mekhi Blackmon, 6-0, 165, Jr.*
- 17 K.J. Trujillo, 6-0, 165, Fr.
- 16 Tarik Luckett, 6-3, 190, Fr.

FREE SAFETY

- 2 Mikial Onu, 5-11, 205, Sr./Gr.-5
- 4 Sam Noyer, 6-4, 220, Jr.**
- 23 Isaiah Lewis, 6-0, 205, Soph.*

STRONG SAFETY

- 9 Aaron Maddox, 6-1, 205, Jr.*
- 3 Derrion Rakestraw, 6-2, 200, Jr.**

RIGHT CORNERBACK

- 1 Delrick Abrams, Jr., 6-3, 185, Sr.*
- 14 Chris Miller, 6-0, 190, Soph.*

SPECIALISTS

PUNTER

- 89 Alex Kinney, 6-1, 205, Sr.-5****
- 49 Davis Price, 6-2, 205, Sr.***

PLACEKICKER / KICKOFF

- 48 James Stefanou, 6-1, 190, Jr.**
- 49 Davis Price, 6-2, 205, Sr.***
- 43 Evan Price, 6-1, 180, Fr.-2*
- 93 Tyler Francis, 5-11, 170, Fr.-2*

PUNT RETURN

- 14 Dimitri Stanley, 5-11, 185, Fr.-2*
- 3 K.D. Nixon, 5-8, 185, Jr.**

KICKOFF RETURN

- 3 K.D. Nixon, 5-8, 185, Jr.**
- 23 Jarek Broussard, 5-9, 180, Fr.-RS
- 13 Maurice Bell, 6-0, 180, Soph.*

HOLDER

- 89 Alex Kinney, 6-1, 205, Sr.-5****
- 17 Josh Goldin, 6-2, 190, Sr.*

SNAPPER (Short & Long)

- 63 J.T. Bale, 6-2, 215, Sr.-5***
- 45 James Townsend, 6-0, 215, Fr.-RS

COVERAGE/RETURN UNIT REGULARS

- 22 Daniel Arias, 6-4, 205, Soph.*
- 28 Joe Davis, 5-11, 210, Fr.
- 31 Jonathan Van Diest, 6-1, 235, Soph.*
- 35 Beau Bisharat, 6-2, 230, Sr.***
- 37 Lucas Cooper, 5-10, 185, Sr.-5***
- 98 Nico Magri, 6-3, 280, Soph.*

INJURED / OTHER (● OUT FOR SEASON)

- 8 Trey Udoffia, 6-0, 200, Jr.** (personal)
- 21 Jarek Broussard, 5-9, 180, Fr.-RS (knee)

(L)—throws or kicks left-handed/footed.
(N)—nickel back.

Seniors (18): Listing with a (-5) indicates fifth-year senior (11, including three grad transfers); the others (7) are fourth-year seniors.

(-2) indicates a player who played four games or less in 2018 and did not lose a year of eligibility.

OR—indicates those listed are considered even (co-first/second/third team status);

ITALICS—Players listed in *italics* left a previous game with an injury; status is questionable.

*—denotes number of letters earned through 2018; *Injured players listed in italics (status questionable or doubtful—not out for an extended time; probables listed as normal).*

CAPTAINS: will be assigned for each game and named in full at the end of the season.

(Heights and weights as of July 1, 2019)



COLORADO FOOTBALL / ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

(September 9 a.m.)

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
1	ABRAMS, Delrick Jr.	CB	6- 3	185	Sr.	1L	Angie, La. (Varnado/Independence Community College)	S 2/1
10	ALLEN, Jash	ILB	6- 2	230	Jr.	JC	Tigard, Ore. (Tigard/Riverside CC)	S 3/2
30	APPLETON II, Curtis	CB	6- 1	180	So.	TR	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek/Washburn)	WO 3/3
22	ARIAS, Daniel	WR	6- 4	205	So.	1L	Mill Creek, Wash. (Henry M. Jackson)	S 4/3
84	BACA, Clayton	WR	6- 2	190	Fr.	RS	Fort Collins, Colo. (Rocky Mountain)	WO 4/4
63	BALE, J.T.	SN	6- 2	215	Sr.	3L	La Mirada, Calif. (La Mirada)	S 1/1
87	BEDELL, Derek	SN	6- 3	230	Fr.	HS	Bellflower, Calif. (St. John Bosco)	WO 5/4
13	BELL, Maurice	WR	6- 0	180	So.	1L	Murrieta, Calif. (Murrieta Valley)	S 3/3
35	BISHARAT, Beau	TE	6- 2	230	Sr.	3L	Sacramento, Calif. (Jesuit)	S 2/1
25	BLACKMON, Mekhi	CB	6- 0	165	Jr.	1L	East Palo Alto, Calif. (Menlo-Atherton/College of San Mateo)	S 3/2
21	BROUSSARD, Jarek	TB	5- 9	180	Fr.	RS	Dallas, Texas (Bishop Lynch)	S 4/4
18	BROWN, Tony	WR	6- 1	195	Sr.	1L	La Mirada, Calif. (La Mirada/Texas Tech)	S 1/1
15	BRUMBAUGH, Legend	TE	6- 3	230	So.	TR	Jacksonville, Fla. (Trinity Christian/Maryland)	WO 3/3
44	CALLIER, Jacob	OLB	6- 3	225	So.-2	2L	Downey, Calif. (St. John Bosco)	S 3/3
66	CATE, Dominick	OL	6- 3	285	Fr.	HS	Carmel, Ind. (Carmel)	Injured WO 5/4
6	CHIAVERINI, Curtis	WR	6- 1	195	So.	1L	Corona, Calif. (Boulder, Colo./Valor Christian)	WO 3/3
22	CICCARONE, Grant	QB	6- 2	205	Fr.	HS	Aurora, Colo. (Cherokee Trail)	WO 5/4
37	COOPER, Lucas	S	5-10	185	Sr.	3L	Palos Verdes, Calif. (Palos Verdes)	S 1/1
28	DAVIS, Joe	TB	5-11	210	Fr.	HS	Littleton, Colo. (Valor Christian)	S 5/4
57	DEITCHMAN, John	OL	6- 0	260	Fr.	RS	Alamo, Calif. (De La Salle)	WO 4/4
18	DOSS, Jeremiah	DE	6- 4	255	So.	JC	Jackson, Miss. (Northwest Rankin/Hinds Community College)	S 3/3
38	DUBAR, Steele	ILB	6- 0	205	Fr.	HS	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Mater Dei)	WO 5/4
42	FALO, Nu'umotu Jr.	OLB	6- 2	240	Sr.	3L	Sacramento, Calif. (Inderkum)	S 1/1
76	FILLIP, Frank	OL	6- 7	290	So.	1L	Houston, Texas (Clear Lake)	S 4/3
8	FONTENOT, Alex	TB	6- 0	195	So.	1L	Richmond, Texas (George Ranch)	S 3/3
93	FRANCIS, Tyler	PK	5-11	170	Fr.-2	1L	Carlsbad, Calif. (Carlsbad)	WO 4/4
17	GOLDIN, Josh	QB	6- 2	190	Sr.	1L	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Rock Canyon)	WO 2/1
82	GROTH, Jake	WR	6- 4	195	Fr.	RS	Centennial, Colo. (Arapahoe)	WO 4/4
33	GUSTAV, Joshka	OLB	6- 3	240	Fr.	HS	Cherry Valley, Calif. (Aquinas)	S 5/4
7	HAM II, Marvin	ILB	6- 1	225	Fr.	HS	Belleville, Mich. (Belleville)	S 5/4
51	HAMBRIGHT, Arlington	OL	6- 5	300	Gr.	TR	Ypsilanti, Mich. (Belleville/Garden City CC/Oklahoma State)	S 1/1
9	HARRIS, Jalen	TE	6- 4	255	Gr.	TR	Montgomery, Ala. (St. James/Auburn)	S 1/1
13	HUDSON, Uryan	CB	5- 9	160	Jr.	2L	Manvel, Texas (Manvel)	WO 2/2
21	HUFFMAN-DIXON, Braedin	WR	6- 2	180	Fr.	HS	Eastvale, Calif. (Mater Dei)	S 5/4
10	JACKSON, Jaylon	WR	5-10	180	So.	1L	Cedar Hill, Texas (Cedar Hill)	S 3/3
64	JOHNSON, Austin	OL	6- 4	300	Fr.	HS	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Highlands Ranch)	S 5/4
29	JOHNSON, Dustin	S	6- 1	185	Fr.	RS	Denver, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	Joining team after camp WO 4/4
34	JOHNSON, Mustafa	DE	6- 2	290	Jr.	1L	Turlock, Calif. (Turlock/Modesto Junior College)	S 3/2
36	JONES, Akil	ILB	6- 0	230	Jr.	2L	San Jose, Calif. (Valley Christian)	S 2/2
88	JONES, Darrion	TE	6- 6	255	Sr.	1L	Compton, Calif. (Carson/Los Angeles Harbor College)	S 2/1
94	JORDAN, Janaz	DT	6- 4	305	So.	JC	Hampton, Va. (Bethel/Hinds Community College)	S 3/3
52	JYNES, Joshua	C	6- 3	300	Fr.	RS	Cedar Hill, Texas (DeSoto)	S 4/4
89	KINNEY, Alex	P	6- 1	205	Sr.-2	4L	Fort Collins, Colo. (Rocky Mountain)	S 1/1
58	KUTSCH, Kary	OL	6- 5	310	Jr.	1L	Redding, Calif. (Shasta/Butte College)	S 3/2
53	LANDMAN, Nate	ILB	6- 3	230	Jr.	2L	Danville, Calif. (Monte Vista)	S 3/2
54	LANG, Terrance	DE	6- 7	280	So.	1L	Pomona, Calif. (Maranatha)	S 3/3
23	LEWIS, Isaiah	S	6- 0	205	So.	1L	Granite Bay, Calif. (Granite Bay)	S 3/3
16	LUCKETT, Tarik	CB	6- 3	190	Fr.	HS	Lynwood, Calif. (Junipero Serra Catholic)	S 5/4
40	LYNCH, Devin	ILB	6- 1	220	So.	RS	Tarzana, Calif. (Chaminade College Prep)	WO 3/3
56	LYNOTT, Tim Jr.	C	6- 3	300	Sr.	3L	Parker, Colo. (Regis)	S 1/1
74	LYTLE, Chance	OL	6- 7	320	So.	1L	San Antonio, Texas (Churchill)	S 3/3
7	LYTLE, Tyler	QB	6- 5	220	So.	1L	Redondo Beach, Calif. (Servite)	S 3/3
9	MADDOX, Aaron	S	6- 1	205	Jr.	1L	North Augusta, S.C. (North Augusta/Pima Community College)	S 2/2
98	MAGRI, Nico	DT	6- 3	280	So.	1L	Lafayette, Colo., (Monarch)	WO 3/3
1	MANGHAM, Jaren	TB	6- 2	215	Fr.	HS	Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech)	S 5/4
14	MILLER, Chris	CB	6- 0	190	So.	1L	Denton, Texas (Denton)	S 3/3
12	MONTEZ, Steven	QB	6- 5	230	Sr.	3L	El Paso, Texas (Del Valle)	S 1/1
58	MONTGOMERY, Jamar	OLB	6- 2	240	Jr.	JC	Birmingham, Ala. (Parker/Independence Community College)	S 3/2
92	MURRAY, Lloyd Jr.	DT	6- 2	315	Fr.	HS	Wichita Falls, Texas (Hirschi)	S 5/4
46	NEWMAN, Chase	ILB	6- 2	220	So.	1L	La Mirada, Calif. (La Mirada)	S 3/3
3	NIXON, K.D.	WR	5- 8	185	Jr.	2L	DeSoto, Texas (DeSoto)	S 3/2
4	NOYER, Sam	S	6- 4	220	Jr.	2L	Beaverton, Ore. (Beaverton)	S 2/2
15	OATS, D.J.	CB	5-10	180	Fr.	HS	Arlington, Texas (Grace Prep)	S 5/4
2	ONU, Mikial	S	5-11	205	Gr.	TR	Sugarland, Texas (George Ranch/SMU)	S 2/1
79	PAIGE, Heston	C	6- 5	300	So.	1L	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (ThunderRidge)	S 3/3
6	PELL, Alec	OLB	6- 4	240	Fr.	HS	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	S 5/4

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Colorado Alphabetical Roster, continued...

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
5	PERRY, Mark	S	6- 0	200	Fr.	HS	Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. (Rancho Cucamonga)	S 5/4
12	PERRY, Quinn	ILB	6- 2	240	Jr.	JC	Marina Del Ray, Calif. (Palisades/El Camino)	S 3/2
72	POHAHAU, Nikko	OL	6- 5	285	Fr.	HS	Redwood City, Calif. (St. Francis)	S 5/4
85	POPLAWSKI, Jared	TE	6- 4	250	So.	1L	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Saguaro)	S 3/3
49	PRICE, Davis	PK	6- 2	205	Sr.	3L	Evergreen, Colo. (Evergreen)	WO 2/1
43	PRICE, Evan	PK	6- 1	180	Fr.-2	1L	Evergreen, Colo. (Evergreen)	WO 4/4
65	PURSELL, Colby	OL	6- 4	305	So.	1L	Valencia, Calif. (Hart)	S 3/3
3	RAKESTRAW, Derrion	S	6- 2	200	Jr.	2L	Woodstock, Ga. (Sequoyah)	S 2/2
54	RAY, Kanan	OL	6- 4	290	Fr.	RS	Chatsworth, Calif. (Sierra Canyon/UCLA)	S 4/4
32	ROBINSON, Ray	ILB	6- 2	225	Fr.	RS	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Highlands Ranch)	S 4/4
70	RODDICK, Casey	OL	6- 4	330	Fr.	RS	Ventura, Calif. (St. Bonaventure)	S 4/4
91	RODMAN, Na'im	DT	6- 2	295	Fr.	HS	Lakewood, Calif. (St. John Bosco)	S 5/4
38	RUSSELL, Brady	TE	6- 3	255	So.	1L	Fort Collins, Colo. (Fossil Ridge)	S 3/3
99	SAMI, Jalen	DT	6- 6	320	Fr.	RS	Colorado Springs, Colo. (Vista Ridge)	S 4/4
33	SANDERS, Chase	TB	6- 0	195	Jr.	2L	Jupiter, Fla. (Jupiter)	WO 2/2
50	SAUVAO, Va'atofu	DL	6- 3	310	Jr.	JC	Fagatogo, AMERICAN SAMOA (Samoana/Modesto Junior College)	S 2/2
86	SCHMANSKI, C.J.	TE	6- 3	240	Fr.	RS	Louisville, Colo. (Monarch)	WO 4/4
71	SENN, Valentin	OL	6- 7	290	Fr.	HS	Volders, AUSTRIA (BHAK Hall)	S 5/4
2	SHENAULT, Laviska Jr.	WR	6- 2	220	Jr.	2L	DeSoto, Texas (DeSoto)	S 3/2
5	SHENAULT, La'Vontae	WR	6- 2	190	Fr.	HS	DeSoto, Texas (DeSoto)	S 5/4
78	SHERMAN, William	OL	6- 4	310	So.	1L	Allen, Texas (Allen)	S 3/3
68	SHUTACK, Jack	OL	6- 6	300	Sr.	1L	Western Springs, Ill. (Nazareth Academy/Rutgers)	WO 1/1
90	SIMON, Jayden	DT	6- 3	265	Fr.	HS	Tacoma, Wash. (Lincoln)	S 5/4
87	SMITH, Alex	WR	5- 9	185	Fr.	HS	Centennial, Colo. (Arapahoe)	WO 4/4
20	SMITH, Deion	TB	6- 0	190	Fr.	RS	Houston, Texas (Second Baptist)	S 4/4
14	STANLEY, Dimitri	WR	5-11	185	Fr.-2	1L	Aurora, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	S 4/4
48	STEFANOU, James	PK	6- 1	190	Jr.	2L	Melbourne, AUSTRALIA (Rose Hill Secondary College)	S 3/2
16	STENSTROM, Blake	QB	6- 4	220	Fr.	RS	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Valor Christian)	S 4/4
25	STILLWELL, Luke	TE	6- 4	220	So.	JC	Denton, Texas (Guyer/Kilgore Community College)	S 4/3
20	TAYLOR, Davion	S/OLB	6- 2	225	Sr.	1L	Magnolia, Miss. (South Pike/Coahoma Community College)	S 2/1
52	TCHANGAM, Alex	OLB	6- 3	245	Sr.	1L	Doula, Cameroon/John's Creek, Ga. (Chattahoochee/De Anza College)	S 2/1
28	THOMAS, Dylan	CB	6- 2	185	Fr.	RS	Los Angeles, Calif. (Cathedral)	S 4/4
45	TOWNSEND, James	SN	6- 0	215	Fr.	RS	Malibu, Calif. (Crespi Carmelite)	WO 4/4
17	TRUJILLO, K.J.	CB	6- 0	165	Fr.	HS	Buena Park, Calif. (Lutheran)	S 5/4
8	UDOFFIA, Trey	S	6- 0	200	Jr.	2L	Loomis, Calif. (Del Oro)	S 2/2
31	VAN DIEST, Jonathan	ILB	6- 1	235	So.	1L	Louisville, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	S 3/3
77	VAUGHN, Hunter	OL	6- 7	310	Jr.	2L	Parker, Colo. (Legend)	S 2/2
47	WATERS, Hayden	ILB	6- 0	220	Fr.	HS	Hinsdale, Ill. (Hinsdale Central)	WO 5/4
26	WELLS, Carson	OLB	6- 4	250	So.	1L	Bushnell, Fla. (South Sumter)	S 3/3
60	WILEY, Jake	OL	6- 6	290	Fr.	HS	Centennial, Colo. (Eaglecrest)	S 5/4
55	WILLIAMS, Austin	DT	6- 5	320	Fr.	HS	Tifton, Ga. (Tift County)	S 5/4

Heights and weights recorded as of July 1, 2019. **EXPERIENCE KEY:** #L—indicates number of letters earned through 2018; HS—high school; JC—junior college transfer; RS—freshman redshirt in 2018; TR—transfer; VR—varsity reserve performer. **STATUS KEY:** S—scholarship, WO—walk-on; #/#—clock at start of 2019 season, i.e., 2/1: two years to play one in eligibility.

Inactive Roster Players (Injured/Ineligible/Etc.)

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Reason	Status
27	BETHEL, Nigel	CB	6- 0	170	So.	TR	Miami, Fla. (Northwestern/Miami-Fla.)	Transfer	S 4/3
73	MORETTI, Jake	OL	6- 4	280	So.	1L	Arvada, Colo. (Pomona)	Injured (medical)	S 3/3
80	NAZARIAN, Nick	WR	5-10	175	So.	TR	Novato, Calif. (San Marin / Santa Rosa CC)	2-4 Transfer	WO 3/3
21	SPARACO, Dante	DL	6- 5	270	Jr.	1L/TR	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek/IMG/CU/Montana State)	Transfer	WO 3/2
39	TRAVIS, Ryan	S	6- 0	200	So.	TR	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder/Fort Lewis)	Transfer	WO 4/3

2019 COACHING STAFF: **Head Coach:** Mel Tucker (first season at Colorado). **Assistant Coaches:** Darrin Chiaverini (AHC/WR), Jay Johnson (OC/QB), Tyson Summers (DC/S), Jimmy Brumbaugh (DL), Ross Els (ILB/ST), Darian Hagan (RB), Chris Kapilovic (OL), Brian Michalowski (OLB), Al Pupunu (TE), Travares Tillman (CB), Drew Wilson (S&C). **Grad Assistants:** Dalmin Gibson (D), Cordae Hankton (O), Jack Harris (O), Blaine Miller (D). **Quality Control:** William Peagler (O), Bryan Cook (D), Reed Heim (ST). **CAPTAINS:** To be named after the season; will be assigned every game throughout the season.



Colorado Numerical Roster (as of September 9 a.m.):

No.	Player	Pos.	No.	Player	Pos.	No.	Player	Pos.	No.	Player	Pos.
1	ABRAMS, Delrick Jr.	CB	16	STENSTROM, Blake	QB	37	COOPER, Lucas	S	65	PURSELL, Colby	OL
1	MANGHAM, Jaren	TB	16	LUCKETT, Tarik	CB	38	RUSSELL, Brady	TE	68	SHUTACK, Jack	OL
2	SHENAULT, Laviska Jr.	WR	17	TRUJILLO, K.J.	CB	38	DUBAR, Steele	ILB	70	RODDICK, Casey	OL
2	ONU, Mikial	S	17	GOLDIN, Josh	QB	40	LYNCH, Devin	ILB	71	SENN, Valentin	OL
3	NIXON, K.D.	WR	18	BROWN, Tony	WR	42	FALO, Nu'umotu Jr.	OLB	72	POHAHAU, Nikko	OL
3	RAKESTRAW, Derrion	S	18	DOSS, Jeremiah	DE	43	PRICE, Evan	PK	74	LYTLE, Chance	OL
4	NOYER, Sam	S	20	SMITH, Deion	TB	44	CALLIER, Jacob	OLB	76	FILLIP, Frank	OL
5	PERRY, Mark	S	20	TAYLOR, Davion	S/OLB	45	TOWNSEND, James	SN	77	VAUGHN, Hunter	OL
5	SHENAULT, La'Vontae	WR	21	BROUSSARD, Jarek	TB	46	NEWMAN, Chase	ILB	78	SHERMAN, William	OL
6	PELL, Alec	OLB	21	HUFFMAN-DIXON, Braedin	WR	47	WATERS, Hayden	ILB	79	PAIGE, Heston	C
6	CHIAVERINI, Curtis	WR	22	ARIAS, Daniel	WR	48	STEFANOU, James	PK	82	GROTH, Jake	WR
7	LYTLE, Tyler	QB	22	CICCARONE, Grant	QB	49	PRICE, Davis	PK	84	BACA, Clayton	WR
7	HAM II, Marvin	ILB	23	LEWIS, Isaiah	S	50	SAUVAO, Va'atofu	DL	85	POPLAWSKI, Jared	TE
8	FONTENOT, Alex	TB	25	BLACKMON, Mekhi	CB	51	HAMBRIGHT, Arlington	OL	86	SCHMANSKI, C.J.	TE
8	UDOFFIA, Trey	S	25	STILLWELL, Luke	TE	52	TCHANGAM, Alex	OLB	87	SMITH, Alex	WR
9	HARRIS, Jalen	TE	26	WELLS, Carson	OLB	52	JYNES, Joshua	C	87	BEDELL, Derek	SN
9	MADDOX, Aaron	S	28	DAVIS, Joe	TB	53	LANDMAN, Nate	ILB	88	JONES, Darrion	TE
10	JACKSON, Jaylon	WR	28	THOMAS, Dylan	CB	54	LANG, Terrance	DE	89	KINNEY, Alex	P
10	ALLEN, Jash	ILB	30	APPLETON II, Curtis	CB	54	RAY, Kanan	OL	90	SIMON, Jayden	DT
12	MONTEZ, Steven	QB	31	VAN DIEST, Jonathan	ILB	55	WILLIAMS, Austin	DT	91	RODMAN, Na'im	DT
12	PERRY, Quinn	ILB	32	ROBINSON, Ray	ILB	56	LYNOTT, Tim Jr.	C	92	MURRAY, Lloyd Jr.	DT
13	BELL, Maurice	WR	33	GUSTAV, Joshka	OLB	57	DEITCHMAN, John	OL	93	FRANCIS, Tyler	PK
13	HUDSON, Uryan	CB	33	SANDERS, Chase	TB	58	KUTSCH, Kary	OL	94	JORDAN, Janaz	DT
14	MILLER, Chris	CB	34	JOHNSON, Mustafa	DE	58	MONTGOMERY, Jamar	OLB	98	MAGRİ, Nico	DT
14	STANLEY, Dimitri	WR	35	BISHARAT, Beau	TE	60	WILEY, Jake	OL	99	SAMI, Jalen	DT
15	BRUMBAUGH, Legend	TE	36	JONES, Akil	ILB	63	BALE, J.T.	SN			
15	OATS, D.J.	CB				64	JOHNSON, Austin	OL			

2019 COLORADO FOOTBALL ORIGINAL LETTERMAN PICTURE

Colorado has **54** lettermen returning for 2019 (53 from the 2018 team, one from 2017); they break down into 27 on offense, 21 on defense and six specialists; the Buffs lose **36** lettermen off the 2018 squad (15 offense/20 defense/1 specialist). CU returns **11** starters from last season (6 offense/5 defense), losing 13 (6 offense/7 defense); two players started six games each on offense and defense, so the starter count is based off 12 players instead of the standard 11. The 2018 starters are listed in bold (six or more starts); *—denotes letters earned primarily on special teams. The breakdown:

OFFENSE

Position	Returning (27)	Lost (15)
WR (x)	K.D. Nixon , Maurice Bell	Erik Lawson, Griffin Foulk, Derek Coleman
WR (z)	Laviska Shenault , Tony Brown, Daniel Arias	Kabion Ento
WR (y)		Juwann Winfree
WR (h)	Dimitri Stanley, Jaylon Jackson, Curtis Chiaverini	Jay MacIntyre , Donovan Lee
LT	Will Sherman , *Hunter Vaughn	
LG		Aaron Haigler , Brett Tonz , Jake Moretti
C	Colby Pursell , Heston Paige	
RG	Tim Lynott Jr. , *Kary Kutsch, *Chance Lytle	Justin Eggers
RT	Frank Phillip, Jack Shutack	Josh Kaiser
TE/HB	Darrion Jones, Brady Russell, Jared Poplawski (<i>from 2017</i>)	Chris Bounds
QB	Steven Montez , Tyler Lytle, Sam Noyer, *Josh Goldin	
TB	Beau Bisharat (<i>moved to TE</i>), *Alex Fontenot, *Chase Sanders	Travon McMillian , Kyle Evans

DEFENSE

Position	Returning (21)	Lost (20)
OLB	Jacob Callier, Nu'umotu Falo, Jr.	Drew Lewis , Nick Edridge
DE	Terrance Lang	Israel Antwine , Jase Franke, Terriek Roberts
NT	*Nico Magri	Javier Edwards , Lyle Tuiloma, Mo Bandi
DE	Mustafa Johnson	Chris Mulumba
OLB	Carson Wells , Alex Tchangam	
ILB	*Akil Jones, *Chase Newman	Rick Gamboa , Jake Yurachek
ILB	Nate Landman , *Jonathan Van Diest	
BUFF	Davion Taylor	*Daniel Talley
CB	Chris Miller, Mekhi Blackmon	Dante Wigley , *L.J. Wallace, Ronnie Blackmon
SS	Derrion Rakestraw, *Lucas Cooper	Evan Worthington *Hasaan Hypolite
FS	Aaron Maddox, *Isaiah Lewis	Nick Fisher , *Kyle Trego
CB	Delrick Abrams , Trey Udoffia, *Uryan Hudson	*Kevin George

SPECIALISTS

Position	Returning (6)	Lost (1)
P	Alex Kinney	Bailey Landwehr
PK	James Stefanou (PK), Davis Price (KO/P), Evan Price (PK), Tyler Francis (PK)	
SN	J.T. Bale	

2019 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BUFFALO FOOTBALL STATISTICS

Won 2, Lost 0 (0-0 Pac-12)

RESULTS/Attendance (◆—Pac-12 Game)	Result	Time	Attendance
A 30 Colorado State (N; Denver).....	W 52-31	3:19	66,997
S 7 NEBRASKA (OT).....	W 34-31	3:49	52,829
S 14 AIR FORCE.....		11:01 a.m.	
S 21 ◆ at Arizona State (N).....		8:00 p.m.	
O 5 ◆ ARIZONA.....		TBA	
O 11 ◆ at Oregon (N).....		8:00p	
O 19 ◆ at Washington State.....		TBA	
O 25 ◆ SOUTHERN CAL (N).....		7:00p	
N 2 ◆ at UCLA.....		TBA	
N 9 ◆ STANFORD.....		TBA	
N 23 ◆ WASHINGTON.....		TBA	
N 30 ◆ at Utah.....		TBA	

SCORE-BY-QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	—	Total
COLORADO.....	7	17	21	38	3	—	86
Opponents.....	14	24	3	21	0	—	62

TEAM STATISTICS	Colorado	Opponents
FIRST DOWNS	45	46
by rushing.....	19	17
by passing.....	23	26
by penalty.....	3	3
FIRST DOWN PLAYS/YARDS.....	64/491	68/440
average gain on first down.....	7.67	6.47
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY.....	9-26	10-27
percentage.....	34.6	37.0
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY.....	3-3	3-5
percentage.....	100.0	60.0
RUSHING ATTEMPTS	77	77
yards gained.....	384	382
yards lost.....	52	72
NET RUSHING YARDS	332	310
average per rush.....	4.31	4.03
average per game.....	166.0	155.0
PASSING ATTEMPTS	61	73
passes completed.....	41	47
had intercepted.....	1	3
completion percentage.....	67.2	64.4
efficiency rating.....	169.2	155.2
NET PASSING YARDS	607	664
average per attempt.....	9.95	9.09
average per completion.....	14.8	14.1
average per game.....	303.5	332.2
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS	138	150
TOTAL NET YARDS	939	974
AVERAGE GAIN PER PLAY	6.80	6.49
AVERAGE PER GAME	469.5	487.0
FUMBLES-LOST.....	2-1	6-4
PENALTIES/YARDS.....	13/108	13/129
Offensive.....	8/55	6/50
Defensive.....	3/43	3/41
Special Teams.....	2/10	4/38
Bench/Fans/NCAA Unsportsmanlike.....	0/0	0/0
TURNOVERS (Margin: +5/+2.50).....	2	7
TOTAL RETURN YARDS	19	20
Punt Returns: No-Yards.....	2-10	2-19
Interceptions: No-Yards.....	3-0	1-1
Misc. (Fumble/Blk. FG) Returns.....	1-9	0-0
KICKOFF RETURNS: No-Yards.....	2-86	3-61
average per return.....	43.0	20.3
PUNTS	10	6
yards.....	467	290
gross average.....	46.7	48.3
yard deductions: returns/touchbacks.....	19/20	10/0
net yards.....	428	280
net average.....	42.8	46.7
DEFENSIVE/tackles for loss	10-66	13-51
quarterback sacks/yards.....	8/50	3/25
quarterback hurries.....	11	5
passes broken up.....	3	3
forced fumbles (ST).....	5 (0)	1 (1)
BLOCKED KICKS (Special Teams).....	0	0
TIME OF POSSESSION.....	57:33	62:27
average per game.....	29:46	31:14
TIME SPENT IN THE LEAD (tied 24:37).....	43:36	51:47
TIMES PENETRATED OPPONENT 20.....	8	4
scores/td,fg.....	8/6,2	4/3,1
GOAL-TO-GO SITUATIONS.....	4	1
scores/td,fg.....	4/3,1	1/1,0
TOTAL DRIVES	25	28
drives ended by: TD.....	10	8
FG Made/FG Miss.....	3/0	2/1
Punt/Downs.....	10/0	6/1
TO/SAF/Clock.....	1/0/1	7/0/3
TOTAL POINTS	86	62
average per game.....	43.0	31.0

RUSHING	—avg. per—											high	
	Player	G	Att	Gain	Loss	NET	att.	game	TD	Long	20+		10+	5+	game
Alex Fontenot.....	2	29	170	3	167	5.76	83.5	3	22t	2	6	11	125
Jaren Mangham.....	2	22	91	7	84	3.82	42.0	3	12	0	3	9	44
Laviska Shenault.....	2	6	46	5	41	6.83	20.5	0	23	1	1	4	35
Steven Montez.....	2	13	51	29	22	1.69	11.0	0	19	0	2	5	39
Jaylon Jackson.....	2	1	14	0	14	14.00	7.0	0	14	0	1	1	14
Dimitri Stanley.....	2	1	8	0	8	8.00	4.0	0	8	0	0	1	8
Deion Smith.....	2	2	4	0	4	2.00	2.0	0	3	0	0	0	4
K.D. Nixon.....	2	1	0	3	-3	-3.00	-1.5	0	-3	0	0	0	-3
Tony Brown.....	2	1	0	4	-4	-4.00	-2.0	0	-4	0	0	0	-4
Team (k-downs, snaps).....	2	1	0	1	-1	-1.00	-0.5	0	-1	...	...	...	-1

PASSING	—avg. per—											TOTAL OFFENSE		
	Player	G	Att-Com-Int	(T)	Pct.	Yards	att. comp.	TD	Long	HT	Sacked	Att. Yards	Avg.	
Steven Montez.....	2	61-41-1	(0)	67.2	607	10.6	14.8	4	96t	5	3/25	74	629	8.5
Team (spiked passes).....	0-0-0	...	0.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0/0	1	-1	-1.0

NCAA Ratings: Montez 169.2.
 Passes w/o INT: Montez 30, Lytle 0 (T—interceptions that were tipped; HT—hurried throws)

RECEIVING	—avg. per—											high games----	
	Player	G	No.	Yards	rec.	game	TD	Long	20+	10+	5+	rec	yards
K.D. Nixon.....	2	8	177	22.1	88.5	1	96t	2	5	6	6	6-148	
Tony Brown.....	2	8	131	16.4	65.5	1	38	3	4	5	5	3-71	
Laviska Shenault.....	2	8	79	9.9	39.5	1	25t	1	2	5	5	3-48	
Brady Russell.....	2	6	75	12.5	37.5	0	27	1	3	3	3	2-44	
Alex Fontenot.....	2	4	20	5.0	10.0	0	10	0	1	4	4	4-20	
Dimitri Stanley.....	3	3	33	11.0	16.5	0	16	0	2	2	2	2-17	
Jalen Harris.....	2	2	24	12.0	12.0	1	23	1	1	2	2	2-24	
Jaylon Jackson.....	2	1	57	57.0	28.5	0	57	1	1	1	1	1-57	
Jaren Mangham.....	2	1	11	11.0	5.5	0	11	0	1	1	1	1-11	

SCORING	Touchdowns-----				2Pt.		PAT	EP-EPA	FG-FGA	Saf	DEX	PTS
	Player	G	Total	Rush	Rec.	Ret.						
James Stefanou.....	2	0	0	0	0	0-0	11-11	3-3	--	--	20	
Alex Fontenot.....	2	3	3	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	18	
Jaren Mangham.....	2	3	3	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	12	
Tony Brown.....	2	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6	
Jalen Harris.....	2	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6	
Mustafa Johnson.....	2	1	0	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6	
K.D. Nixon.....	2	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6	
Laviska Shenault.....	2	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6	
COLORADO.....	2	11	6	4	1	0-0	11-11	3-3	0	0	86	
Opponents.....	2	8	5	3	0	0-0	8-8	2-3	0	0	62	

PUNTING	In											had	Ret.	Net	Net
	Players	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	20	50+	FC	TB	blk					Yds.	Yds.	Avg.
Alex Kinney.....	2	10	467	46.70	63	6	2	4	1	0	19	428	42.8		
COLORADO.....	2	10	467	46.70	63	6	2	4	1	0	19	428	42.8		
Opponents.....	2	6	290	48.33	59	2	2	0	0	0	10	280	46.7		

FIELD GOALS	G	10-19						20-29		30-39		40-49		50-59		60+		Total	Pct.	Long
		10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+								
James Stefanou.....	2	0-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	3-3	3	100.0	41									
(41) (20-34).....	2	0-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	3-3	3	100.0	41									
COLORADO.....	2	0-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	3-3	3	100.0	41									
Opponents.....	2	0-0	1-1	0-0	1-2	0-0	0-0	2-3	3	66.7	42									

SCORING DRIVES (Game-By-Game)

Opponent	Plays	Yards	Time	Result	Qtr	(Down) How	PAT	Quarterback
Colorado State	10	75	5:30	TD	1	(3) Harris 1 pass from Montez	Stefanou	Montez
Colorado State	8	56	3:14	*FG	2	(4) Stefanou 41 FG	.....	Montez
Colorado State	6	75	3:02	TD	2	(2) Mangham 5 run	Stefanou	Montez
Colorado State	6	75	1:10	TD	2	(2) Shenault 25 pass from Montez	Stefanou	Montez
Colorado State	3	27	0:54	*TD	3	(1) Fontenot 7 run	Stefanou	Montez
Colorado State	9	68	4:20	TD	4	(1) Fontenot 14 run	Stefanou	Montez
Colorado State	6	75	2:57	TD	3	(1) Fontenot 22 run	Stefanou	Montez
Nebraska	8	64	2:24	TD	3	(1) Mangham 11 run	Stefanou	Montez
Nebraska	1	96	0:14	TD	4	(1) Nixon 96 pass from Montez	Stefanou	Montez
Nebraska	5	75	1:50	TD	4	(1) Mangham 7 run	Stefanou	Montez
Nebraska	7	17	2:20	*FG	4	(4) Stefanou 30 FG	.....	Montez
Nebraska	10	71	3:07	TD	4	(1) Brown 26 pass from Montez	Stefanou	Montez
Nebraska	5	8	.....	FG	OT1	(4) Stefanou 34 FG	.....	Montez

(*—scored following a turnover.)

Drive Analysis

DISTANCE Length (minus)	COLORADO		OPPONENT	
	TD	FG	TD	FG
0—9	0	1	0	0
10—19	0	1	0	0
20—29	1	0	0	0
30—39	0	0	0	1
40—49	0	0	0	0
50—59	0	1	0	1
60—69	2	0	0	0
70—79	6	0	4	0
80—89	0	0	1	0
90—99	1	0	3	0

GAME OPENING DRIVES

Game	COLORADO			OPPONENT		
	Pts	FD	Yds	Pts	FD	Yds
Colorado State	7	4	75	7	2	80
Nebraska	0	3	38	7	3	96
Air Force						
Arizona State						
Arizona						
Oregon						
Washington State						
Southern California						
UCLA						
Stanford						
Washington						
Utah						

SECOND HALF OPENING DRIVES

Game	COLORADO			OPPONENT		
	Pts	FD	Yds	Pts	FD	Yds
Colorado State	7	1	27	0*	0	2
Nebraska	0	2	35	0	1	29
Air Force						
Arizona State						
Arizona						
Oregon						
Washington State						
Southern California						
UCLA						
Stanford						
Washington						
Utah						

(*—drive ended by a turnover)

POSSESSIONS AT-A-GLANCE

	No.	Plays	Avg. Snaps	3-Plays & Out*	Snaps/TD
Colorado	25	138	5.52	6	13.8 (10)
Opponent	28	150	5.36	8	18.8 (8)

(*—less if there is a turnover; must not have earned a first down or scored a touchdown.)

POINTS BY DRIVE

Drive (CU/Opp)	COLORADO			OPPONENT		
	Pts	TD	FG	Pts	TD	FG
1 (2/2)	7	1	0	14	2	0
2 (2/2)	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 (2/2)	3	0	1	14	2	0
4 (2/2)	7	1	0	10	1	1
5 (2/2)	7	1	0	0	0	0
6 (2/2)	7	1	0	0	0	0
7 (2/2)	0	0	0	3	0	1
8 (2/2)	14	2	0	7	1	0
9 (2/2)	14	2	0	0	0	0
10 (2/2)	7	1	0	7	1	0
11 (2/2)	3	0	1	0	0	0
12 (1/1)	7	1	0	7	1	0
13 (1/1)	0	0	0	0	0	0
14 (1/1)	3	0	1	0	0	0
15 (0/1)	0	0	0	0	0	0
16 (0/0)	0	0	0	0	0	0
17 (0/0)	0	0	0	0	0	0

COLORADO YARDS PER PLAY— TD Drives: 11.1 (64-710); FG Drives: 4.2 (17-71); Non-Scoring Drives: 2.4 (57-138).

OPPONENT YARDS PER PLAY— TD Drives: 11.2 (57-638); FG Drives: 6.0 (15-90); Non-Scoring Drives: 3.2 (78-246).

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FIRST DOWN PASSING

Player	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	FD	TD	Long	Sacked	Rating
Steven Montez	20-16-0	80.0	292	8	2	96t	1/12	235.6

FIRST DOWN RUSHING

Player	Att.	Yards	Avg.	FD	TD	Long
Alex Fontenot	21	151	7.2	6	3	32
Jaren Mangham	13	42	3.2	1	2	11t
Laviska Shenault	3	25	8.3	1	0	23
Steven Montez	3	1	0.3	0	0	5
K.D. Nixon	1	-3	-3.0	0	0	-3
Tony Brown	1	-4	-4.0	0	0	-4
Team	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-1

FIRST DOWN RECEIVING

Player	No.	Yards	Avg.	FD	TD	Long
Tony Brown	5	104	20.8	3	1	38
K.D. Nixon	3	115	38.3	2	1	96t
Brady Russell	2	25	12.5	1	0	17
Laviska Shenault	2	9	4.5	0	0	8
Alex Fontenot	2	5	2.5	0	0	3
Jalen Harris	1	23	23.0	1	0	23
Jaren Mangham	1	11	11.0	1	0	11

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS (Top 4)

	G	Plays	Rush	Rec.	PR	KOR	Total	Avg.	Avg./G
K.D. Nixon	2	12	-3	177	10	32	216	18.0	108.0
Alex Fontenot	2	33	167	20	0	0	187	5.7	93.5
Laviska Shenault	2	15	41	79	0	54	174	11.6	87.0
Tony Brown	2	9	-4	131	0	0	127	14.1	63.5

QUARTERBACK SACKS (8-50)

Colorado State (2-17): Lang 1-10, Van Diest 1-7. **Nebraska (6-33):** Johnson 3-21, Tchangan 2-6, Blackmon 1-6.
THIRD/FOURTH DOWN SACKS (6/0): Johnson 2, Blackmon 1, Lang 1, Tchangan 1, Van Diest 1.

SACKS BY QTR: CU 0-0-3-4 (1-OT); OPP 2-1-0-0 (0-OT)

THIRD-FOURTH DOWN PASSING

Player	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	FD	TD	Long	Sacked	Rating
Steven Montez	16- 9-0	56.3	84	7	1	27	2/13	121.0

THIRD-FOURTH DOWN RUSHING

Player	Att.	FD/TD	Pct.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Att.-FD
Laviska Shenault	2	2	100.0	9	4.5	0	0-0
Jaren Mangham	1	1	100.0	2	2.0	0	1-1
Steven Montez	5	2	40.0	17	3.4	0	2-2
Deion Smith	1	0	0.0	1	1.0	0	0-0
Alex Fontenot	2	0	0.0	1	0.5	0	0-1

THIRD-FOURTH DOWN RECEIVING

Player	No.	Yards	Avg.	FD	TD	Long
Brady Russell	2	36	18.0	1	0	27
Laviska Shenault	2	14	7.0	2	0	7
Dimitri Stanley	1	12	12.0	1	0	12
Alex Fontenot	1	10	10.0	1	0	10
Tony Brown	1	7	7.0	1	0	7
K.D. Nixon	1	4	4.0	0	0	4
Jalen Harris	1	1	1.0	0	1	1t

2019 COLORADO BUFFALO SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Individual

LONGEST SCORING RUN— 32, Alex Fontenot vs. Colorado State
LONGEST NON-SCORING RUN— 23 Laviska Shenault vs. Colorado State
LONGEST SCORING PASS— 96, Steven Montez to K.D. Nixon vs. Nebraska (*school record*)
LONGEST NON-SCORING PASS— 57, Steven Montez to Jaylon Jackson vs. Nebraska
LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN— 54, Laviska Shenault vs. Nebraska
LONGEST PUNT RETURN— 6, K.D. Nixon vs. Colorado State
LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN— 0, Mikial Onu vs. CSU; Chris Miller vs. Nebraska
LONGEST PUNT— 63, Alex Kinney vs. Colorado State
LONGEST FIELD GOAL— 41, James Stefanou vs. Colorado State
MOST TOUCHDOWNS— 3, Alex Fontenot vs. Colorado State (3 rushing)
MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS— 19, Alex Fontenot vs. Colorado State
MOST RUSHING YARDS— 125, Alex Fontenot vs. Colorado State
MOST PASS ATTEMPTS— 41, Steven Montez vs. Nebraska
MOST PASS COMPLETIONS— 28, Steven Montez vs. Nebraska
MOST INTERCEPTIONS THROWN— 1, Steven Montez vs. Nebraska
MOST PASSING YARDS— 375, Steven Montez vs. Nebraska
MOST TOUCHDOWN PASSES— 2, Steven Montez vs. Colorado State, Nebraska
MOST RECEPTIONS— 6, K.D. Nixon vs. Nebraska
MOST RECEIVING YARDS— 148, K.D. Nixon vs. Nebraska
MOST TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS— 49, Steven Montez vs. Nebraska (41 pass, 8 rush)
MOST TOTAL OFFENSE— 358, Steven Montez vs. Nebraska (*375 pass, -17 rush*)
MOST FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED— 4, James Stefanou vs. Colorado State
MOST FIELD GOALS MADE— James Stefanou vs. Colorado State
MOST TACKLES— 14, Nate Landman vs. Nebraska (12 UT)
MOST SOLO TACKLES— 12, Nate Landman vs. Nebraska (14 TT)
MOST TACKLES FOR LOSS— 3, Mustafa Johnson vs. Nebraska
MOST QUARTERBACK SACKS— 3, Mustafa Johnson vs. Nebraska
MOST QUARTERBACK HURRIES— 2, on two occasions (Johnson, Wells)
MOST INTERCEPTIONS— 2, Mikial Onu vs. Colorado State
MOST PASSES BROKEN UP— 2, Davion Taylor vs. Nebraska
MOST THIRD/FOURTH DOWN STOPS— 3, Mustafa Johnson vs. Nebraska
MOST KNOCKDOWN BLOCKS (OL)— 8, Kary Kutsch vs. Colorado State, Nebraska
MOST SPECIAL TEAM POINTS— 3, Daniel Arias & Ray Robinson vs. Colorado State

Team Bests/Highs

MOST FIRST DOWNS— 23, vs. Colorado State
MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS— 40, vs. Colorado State
MOST RUSHING YARDS— 243, vs. Colorado State
MOST PASS ATTEMPTS— 41, vs. Nebraska
MOST COMPLETIONS— 28, vs. Nebraska
MOST INTERCEPTIONS THROWN— 1, vs. Nebraska
MOST PASSING YARDS— 375, vs. Nebraska
MOST OFFENSIVE PLAYS— 78, vs. Nebraska
MOST TOTAL OFFENSE— 475, vs. Colorado State
FEWEST FUMBLES— 0, vs. Colorado State
MOST FUMBLES— 2, vs. Nebraska
FEWEST TURNOVERS— 0, vs. Colorado State
MOST TURNOVERS— 2, vs. Nebraska
MOST TIME OF POSSESSION— 30:28, vs. Nebraska
LONGEST TOUCHDOWN DRIVE— 96 yards (1 play, vs. Nebraska)
LONGEST FIELD GOAL DRIVE— 56 yards (8 plays), vs. Colorado State

Defensive Bests

FEWEST FIRST DOWNS ALLOWED— 19, by Nebraska
FEWEST RUSHING ATTEMPTS ALLOWED— 31, by Colorado State
FEWEST RUSHING YARDS ALLOWED— 131, by Colorado State
FEWEST PASS ATTEMPTS ALLOWED— 26, by Nebraska
FEWEST PASS COMPLETIONS ALLOWED— 16, by Nebraska
FEWEST PASSING YARDS ALLOWED— 290, by Nebraska
MOST INTERCEPTIONS— 2, vs. Colorado State
FEWEST TOTAL PLAYS ALLOWED— 72, by Nebraska
FEWEST TOTAL YARDS ALLOWED— 469, by Nebraska
MOST FUMBLES FORCED— 2, vs. Colorado State, Nebraska
MOST TURNOVERS GAINED— 4, vs. Colorado State
MOST PASSES BROKEN UP— 3, vs. Nebraska
MOST QUARTERBACK SACKS— 6, vs. Nebraska
MOST QUARTERBACK HURRIES— 6, Colorado State
MOST TACKLES FOR LOSS— 7, vs. Nebraska

GAME-BY-GAME INDIVIDUAL CHARTS / DEFENSE

DEFENSIVE

DELRIK ABRAMS, CB

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	78 4,4-8	0-0	1	1	
Nebraska	72 2,0-2	0-0	0	0	
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

JASH ALLEN, ILB

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	5 0,0-0	0-0	0	0	
Nebraska					ST ONLY
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

MEKHI BLACKMON, CB

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	72 4,0-4	0-0	0	0	
Nebraska	72 1,3-4	1-6	0	62	
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

TERRANCE LANG, DE

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	63 1,2-2	1-10	0	1	QBH
Nebraska	51 2,1-3	0-0	1	0	
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

JACOB CALLIER, OLB

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State					DNP
Nebraska					DNP
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

NU'UMOTU FALO, OLB

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	39 1,0-1	0-0	0	0	
Nebraska	51 1,0-1	0-0	0	1	2-FF
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

MUSTAFA JOHNSON, DE

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	59 1,3-4	0-0	0	0	FR/TD
Nebraska	61 6,2-8	3-21	0	3	3S/FF
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

AKIL JONES, ILB

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	5 0,0-0	0-0	0	0	
Nebraska	13 4,0-4	1-1	0	1	
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

JANAZ JORDAN, DT

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	30 0,2-2	0-0	0	0	
Nebraska	20 0,1-1	0-0	0	0	
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

NATE LANDMAN, ILB

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	72 11,0-11	0-0	0	2	QBH
Nebraska	72 12,2-14	0-0	0	2	1-TZ
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

AARON MADDOX, S

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	59 3,2-5	0-0	0	0	FF
Nebraska	72 7,1-8	0-0	0	1	
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

CHRIS MILLER, CB

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	35 2,0-2	0-0	0	0	
Nebraska	15 0,0-0	0-0	2	1	INT
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

JAMAR MONTGOMERY, OLB

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	6 0,0-0	0-0	0	0	
Nebraska					DNP
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

SAM NOYER, S

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	6 0,0-0	0-0	0	0	
Nebraska					ST ONLY
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

MIKIAL ONU, S

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	72 4,1-5	0-0	0	1	2-INT
Nebraska	72 5,0-5	0-0	0	0	FF
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

DERRION RAKESTRAW, S

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	13 0,1-1	0-0	0	0	
Nebraska					ST ONLY
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

NA'IM RODMAN, DT

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	18 0,0-0	0-0	0	0	
Nebraska	11 0,1-1	0-0	0	1	
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

JALEN SAMI, DT

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	40 0,1-1	0-0	0	0	FR
Nebraska	42 0,1-1	0-0	0	0	QBH
Air Force					
Arizona State					
Arizona					
Oregon					
Washington State					
USC					
UCLA					
Stanford					
Washington					
Utah					

DAVION TAYLOR, S/OLB

Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	PD	3DS	Other
Colorado State	26 4,0-4	1-15	0	2	
Nebraska					

DRIVE ENGINEERING	Drives		Drives Ended By								Points Yielded	Pts./ Drive	Quarterback Drive Efficiency*	**Directing Offense					
	Started	TD	TD	FG	FGA	PNT	DWN	TRN	SAF	CLK				RPL	Plays	Yards	Avg.	3 & Out	
STEVEN MONTEZ	24	10	3	0	9	0	1	0	1	0	0	79	3.29	54.2%	56.5%	134	933	6.96	5
TYLER LYLTE	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.0%	0.0%	3	7	2.33	1
COLORADO	25	10	3	0	10	0	1	0	1	0	(0)	79	3.16	52.0%	54.2%	137	940	6.86	3
OPPONENTS	28	8	2	1	6	1	7	0	3	(0)		62	2.21	35.7%	44.0%	147	995	6.77	8

*—second number is the percentage the QB has put his team in position to score, allowing for missed field goals, minus drives ended by the clock and if replaced.

**—excludes kneel-downs, spiked passes and fake/muffed punt plays when not actually directing offense: Montez 1(-1), Lytle 0(-0); Opponents 3(-21).

KICKOFF ANALYSIS	Kicker	Total	Ret.	Yards	(Avg.)	*Passing										Opp.			OSY			ASY			YARDAGE SUMMARY						
						FC	MF	NA	TB	EZ+	In20/25	OB	OnS	SQB	OSY	Ret.	ASV	Ret.	ASV	Ret.	ASV	Team	Plays	20+	10+	5+	1-4	0	Neg.		
J. STEFANOU	10	0	746	74.6	0	0	0	10	(9)	0	0	0	(0)	(0)	250	O 25	.....	.....	Colorado	138	12	33	66	33	26	13			
D. PRICE	5	3	335	65.0	1	0	0	2	(2)	1	2	0	(0)	(0)	111	O 22	61	O 20	Opponent	150	12	34	67	42	29	12					
OPPONENTS	12	2	872	72.7	0	0	0	10	(6)	0	0	0	(0)	(0)	339	O 28	89	O 45													

ON-SIDE KICKS: Colorado 0-0, Opponents 0-0. KICKOFF KEY: MF—muffed; FC—fair catch; NA—no attempt at a return; EZ+—through or over end zone; OSY—Opponent Starting Yardline; ASV—Average Starting Yardline; Ret—averages using returned kicks only. OnSides (OnS), short squibs (SQB) and free kicks are omitted in figuring the above; out-of-bounds are not; returns may not add to team totals due to those credited on on-side kicks; free kicks following safeties NOT included. FREE KICKS (Punt Style): Colorado 0, Opponents 0.

FIRST DOWN TENDENCIES	Rushing			*Passing			OVERALL			Times Gained				Miscellaneous				Second Half					
	Plays	Yards	Avg.	Plays	Yards	Avg.	Plays	Yards	Avg.	20+	10+	5+	2-	0	Neg.	TD	QBS	TO	FD	2-&10+	Att.	Yards	Avg.
COLORADO	43	211	4.9	21	280	13.3	64	491	7.67	8	16	31	26	8	9	7	1	0	16	18	36	311	8.6
Opponents	33	150	4.5	35	290	8.3	68	440	6.47	4	11	34	23	14	3	2	1	3	11	7	37	291	7.9

*—kept like the NFL in that quarterback sacks are deducted from passing to present the accurate picture.

YARDS GAINED ANALYSIS	1st Down		2nd Down		3rd Down		4th Down		Season			*By Quarter				Opp. Territory			Breakdown						
	Att.	Yards	Att.	Yards	Att.	Yards	Att.	Yards	Att.	Yards	Avg.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Att.	Yards	Avg.	+	0	-				
COLORADO	64	491	7.7	45	347	7.7	26	89	3.4	3	12	4.0	138	939	6.80	155	192	207	372	55	364	6.6	99	26	13
Opponents	68	440	6.5	50	329	6.6	27	1505	5.6	5	55	11.0	150	974	6.49	257	291	125	307	60	338	5.6	109	29	12

*—Overtime Yards: Colorado 13, Opponent -6. Drives In Opponent Territory (minus those with 50+ scores): Colorado 16/25 (64.0%, 22.8 yards per drive); Opponent 14/28 (50.0%; 24.1 ypd)

THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY ANALYSIS	[3rd Down and—]														[4th & -1: Colorado 2-2 (2-2 rush, 0-0 pass), Opponents 1-1 (1-1 rush, 0-0 pass)]				Second Half/OT		TOTAL	PCT.	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11-14	15-19	20+	RUSH	PASS	QBS	TD	OT					
COLORADO	2	3	1	2	0	3	3	6	0	1	0	0	2	3	1	2	8	7-18	2	4-13	9-26	34.7	
Opponents	3	3	1	2	2	3	1	2	0	2	0	3	2	5	0	1	2	5-10	5-17	5	6-20	10-27	37.0

AVERAGE YARDS TO GO: Colorado 6.4 (26/166); Opponents 6.5 (27/176). SECOND DOWN EFFICIENCY: Colorado 16-45 (35.6%; 1-4 yds: 5-10); Opponent 21-50 (42.0; 1-4 yds: 7-14).

TURNOVER ANALYSIS	Opp/CU		Own Territory										Opponent Territory										By Quarter				Last 2 Min./OT**	
	TO	PTS	TD	FG	Pct.(Pts.)	EZ	G-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	49-40	39-30	29-20	19-10	9-G/EZ	=	Total	(TD*)	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	1st-H	2nd-H		
COLORADO	2	3	(0,1)	4.8	(62)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	=	2	(0)	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Opponents	7	20	(2,2)	23.3	(86)	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	=	7	(1)	2	0	2	3	0	0	0	1		

First Play After Gaining TO: Colorado 6-16, 2.7 avg., 10 long, 0 TD (4-6 rush/2-1-0, 10, pass), 1 Ret, TD; Opponent: 2-1, 0.5 avg., 8 long, 0 TD (1-8 rush/0-0-0, 0 pass,QBS-7),0 Ret TD.

*—interception or fumble returns for a touchdown; **—number in parenthesis is number of turnovers in last 2-minutes while team is protecting lead or trying to tie or go ahead.

YARDS LOST DUE TO PENALTIES	Colorado		Opponent		GOAL-TO-GO SITUATIONS													
	Times Penalized After Offensive Gain	Yards Lost Due To Penalties	Touchdowns Cost (Field Goals Cost)	First Downs Lost	Summary										GTG Plays		1-Yard Line	
	3	1	0	0	Team	Total	TD	FG	FGA	TO	DWN	CLK	ROC	Plays	TDs	Pct.	Plays	TDs
COLORADO	4	30	0	0	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	(0)	7	3	42.9	1	0
OPPONENTS	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	(0)	3	2	66.7	0	0

EXPANDED PUNTING	Punts		Avg.	No.	Return	Avg.	Long	Pct. Not	Net	Inside Own 25				Opp. Territory		Adjusted 50 & Out									
	Yards	Avg.								Spot	Ret.	Yards	Return	Returned	Avg.	In20/15/10/5	TB	FC	60+	No.	Yds.	Avg.	No.	Yds.	Avg.
ALEX KINNEY	10	467	46.70	C41	2	19	9.5	13	80.0	43.80	6	4	3	1	1	4	2	0	0	0.0	2-84	(1)	8	383	47.9

Downed At The 1-Yardline: Kinney 0. Average Spot—yardline where punts average from: Kinney 10/410. Left-footed punts: none.

AVERAGE STARTING FIELD POSITION	Colorado		Opponent		FIRST DOWNS EARNED					FUMBLES	
	Drives Started	Cumulative Starting Yardlines	Average Field Position	Drives Started In Plus Territory	Player	Rush	Pass	Rec.	Total (3/4)	Player	No-Lost
Drives Started	25	28	C32	O24	STEVEN MONTEZ	4	23	0	27	RUSSELL	1-0
Cumulative Starting Yardlines	790	669			ALEX FONTENOT	6	0	2	8	SHENAULT	1-1
Average Field Position					LAVISKA SHENAULT	3	0	4	7	TOTALS	2-1
Drives Started In Plus Territory	3	2			TONY BROWN	0	0	5	5		
Scores/TD,FG	3/1,2	1/0,1			JAREN MANGHAM	4	0	1	5		
FGA/Punts/Downs/Clock	0/0/0/0	1/0/0/0			K.D. NIXON	0	0	4	4		
Turnovers/Ran Out Clock	0/0	0/0			BRADY RUSSELL	0	0	3	3		
Points	13	7			DIMITRI STANLEY	1	0	2	3		
Drives Started Inside/At Own 20	6 (5/1)	11 (8/3)			JAYLON JACKSON	1	0	1	2		
Points Scored (TD/FG)	10 (1/1)	31 (4/1)			JALEN HARRIS	0	0	1	1		

SCORING PERCENTAGE INSIDE-THE-20 (Red Zone)	Colorado		Opponent		MISCELLANEOUS		
	Times Penetrated Opponent 20	Total Scores	Touchdowns (Rush/Pass)	Field Goals-Attempts	Points Scored Last 2 Minutes (Total/1st, 2nd)	Colorado	Opponent
Times Penetrated Opponent 20	8	5	6 (6/0)	4 (4/0)	Points Scored Last 2 Minutes (Total/1st, 2nd)	14/7,7	7/7,0
Total Scores	8	5	Field Goals-Attempts	2-2			
Touchdowns (Rush/Pass)	6 (6/0)	4 (4/0)	Turnovers/Downs/Punts/Clock	0/0/0/0			
Field Goals-Attempts	2-2	1-1	Scores From Outside The RZ/TD,FG	5/4,1			
Turnovers/Downs/Punts/Clock	0/0/0/0	0/0/0/0	Scoring Percentage (TD Pct.)	100.0 (75.0)			
Scores From Outside The RZ/TD,FG	5/4,1	5/4,1	Total Red Zone Plays/Yards (Avg.)	19/70 (3.7)			
Scoring Percentage (TD Pct.)	100.0 (75.0)	100.0 (80.0)	Third Down Efficiency	2-4/66.7			
Total Red Zone Plays/Yards (Avg.)	19/70 (3.7)	14/66 (4.7)	Fourth Down Efficiency	0-0/0.0			
Third Down Efficiency	2-4/66.7	2-3/66.7	*Ran Out Clock Not Trying To Score	0			
Fourth Down Efficiency	0-0/0.0	1-1/100.0					

(*—not included in total counts or plays above; the 20 IS NOT in the Red Zone)