The Buffaloes will open their 133rd season of intercollegiate football on Friday, Sept. 2, at Folsom Field in Boulder against the TCU Horned Frogs; kickoff is set for 8:00 p.m. MDT with ESPN to televise the game nationally ... This fall marks the 99th season in the history of Folsom – the stadium’s 100th anniversary is in the near future (first game was on Oct. 11, 2024) ... Colorado was 4-8 and TCU 5-7 in 2021 and are meeting for the first time ever on the gridiron ... At press time, 18 scouts from 13 NFL teams will be in attendance for the TCU game, the most for a CU opener since 2016 (Colorado State in Denver) ... Colorado enters the 2022 season with an all-time record of 718-525-36 (a .575 winning percentage); the Buffaloes are 27th all-time in the NCAA in wins and 40th in winning percentage ... In 132 previous season openers, Colorado owns an 83-44-5 record (.67), which includes a 55-20-1 mark in Boulder (.750); the Buffaloes have won six straight season lid-lifters ... TCU has won seven of its last eight season openers (only loss was to Iowa State in 2020) ... CU has won three in a row at home (by a 13.3 avg), while TCU has lost four straight road games (by a 30.0 norm) ... Not including the 2020 COVID season when CU opened against UCLA, the last time the Buffs opened against a co-called “Power 5” school was in 1996 against Washington State; CU has won it last four openers against P5 members dating back to 1993 (Texas) ... During the TCU game the Buffs will honor the late Cliff Branch, who became the school’s first inductee of the Pro Football Hall of Fame on August 6 ... Top anniversaries for the CU program in 2022 include the 40th anniversary of the hiring of CU’s all-time winningest coach, Bill McCartney, in 1982 and the 50th anniversary of the 20-14 win over No. 2 Oklahoma in 1972 and the 70th of the 1952 CU game, a 21-all tie which was the Sooners’ only blemish in a 47-0-1 Big Seven Conference game run (full list later in these notes) ... The 12 opponents on CU’s 2022 schedule were a combined 81-71 in 2021 including seven bowl teams ... Colorado was 4-2 at home in 2021, averaging 46,484 per game, which was 92.6 percent of Folsom’s capacity (50,183) ... After the TCU game, CU will play at Air Force for the first time since 1974 and at Minnesota for just the second time (the first was in 1992); the Buffs haven’t played two non-league games in a row since 1994 (at Michigan and Texas) ... CU will honor the late Cliff Branch, who became the school’s first inductee of the Pro Football Hall of Fame on August 6 ... Top anniversaries for the CU program in 2022 include the 40th anniversary of the hiring of CU’s all-time winningest coach, Bill McCartney, in 1982 and the 50th anniversary of the 20-14 win over No. 2 Oklahoma in 1972 and the 70th of the 1952 CU game, a 21-all tie which was the Sooners’ only blemish in a 47-0-1 Big Seven Conference game run (full list later in these notes) ... The 12 opponents on CU’s 2022 schedule were a combined 81-71 in 2021 including seven bowl teams ... Colorado was 4-2 at home in 2021, averaging 46,484 per game, which was 92.6 percent of Folsom’s capacity (50,183) ... After the TCU game, CU will play at Air Force for the first time since 1974 and at Minnesota for just the second time (the first was in 1992); the Buffs haven’t played two non-league games in a row since 1994 (at Michigan and Texas) ...
**Season Interview Schedule.** Dorrell will address the media at his presser and after practice on Wednesdays (Tuesday requests have been mostly for assistants and players). Interviews with players are allowed post-practice Tuesdays and Wednesdays; phone interviews can be coordinated around their class schedules. Monday interviews are at the discretion of the player (and only if selected as a national player of the week), as it being the standard player day off, CU can’t require due to NCAA rules. Assistant coaches are game-planning on Sunday and are also available at their discretion. Note: the interview cutoff for players is roughly 72 hours before games.

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

**The Colorado locker room (home and road) is closed after games; following the customary 10-minute cooling off period, players will be available in a timely manner (requests will be solicited following the game).**

Colorado’s football practices are generally closed, but there is a 20-25 window open early in practice for media photography/video needs on Tuesday and Wednesday (follow parameters list in CU’s media policies). Thursday & Friday practices are open only to network TV talent if in town.

**The standard practice schedule (mountain time):**

- **Sunday:** p.m. walk-through; **Monday:** Off; **Tuesday:** 9:45-11:45; **Wednesday:** 9:45-11:45; **Thursday:** 10:45-11:45 walk-through (IPF); **Friday:** 10:45-11:45 (IPF); **Friday afternoon:** Indoor Practice Facility; **Friday evening:** Lower Fields.

**COVID-19 Protocols.** At present, masks are not required for post-practice interviews, press conferences or game day in the press box.

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

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Phil McGEOUGHAN (mick-gaig-in; gaig as in craig)

**Players**

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- 15 Chase SOWELL (so-well)
- 21 JAYLE Stack (sah-tee)
- 60 Jake WILEY (wee-E)

**ROSTER CHANGES/DUPE I.D.’s**

**Number Changes: none.**

**Dupe Numbers: Those appearing below are in dupe numbers where both likely see action on special teams; jerseys do have name tags, so do look closely.**

**Offense/Linebacker**

- 4 Arias, WR
- 20 Smith, TB
- 64 Offerdahl, TB

**Defense/Specialist**

- 6 Arias, WR
- 20 Smith, TB
- 44 Grant, OLB
GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS (2022)

Here are CU's starters for the 2022 season (bold indicates first career start):

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CONSECUTIVE STARTS—B. Lewis 12, Russell 12, Wiley 12. CAREER STARTS—Russell 28, Lang 27, Sami 24, Roddick 18, Fillip 17.

PLAYER PARTICIPATION (dressed/played): TCU XX/XX.

COLORADO CAPTAINS / GAME-BY-GAME

The coaches select captains for each game; CU’s game-by-game captains in 2022:

Opponent | Captains
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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:

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2022 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):

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ONE OF 15 IN 2022

The Buffaloes are one of just 15 of the 131 FBS schools who will not line up against an FCS team in 2022. CU is joined by USC in the Pac-12 (the Trojans are one of two schools to have yet to play an FCS team along with Notre Dame; the Irish face one in 2023). The remaining dozen this fall are: Georgia State, Houston, Louisville, Maryland, Michigan, Michigan State, Ohio State, Oklahoma, Old Dominion, Penn State, Texas and Texas-El Paso. CU’s next FCS game is the 2024 season opener against North Dakota State; the only other one on future schedules is the 2027 opener against Colgate. (The newest and 131st FBS school is James Madison, moving up from the FCS into the Sun Belt Conference).

NON-CONFERENCE TWO-FERS

Not many teams in the so-called “Power 5” schedule two “Power 5” teams in their non-conference slates. Notre Dame technically leads the way with five, not including the agreement to play four ACC teams in 2022, which then puts it at nine total (but you would have to count all the conference games for the others listed below). There are 11 teams playing two, including Colorado. (For season total, add nine Power 5 opponents to the count below to any Pac-12, Big Ten or Big 12 team, and eight to any ACC or SEC team. Only CU and West Virginia, because the Pac-12 and Big 12 play nine conference games, have 11 Power 5 opponents in 2022.) A look at who is double dipping (or more) in 2022:

- Boston College (2; 0-0): Rutgers (Sept. 3), at Notre Dame (Nov. 19)
- Clemson (2; 0-0): at Notre Dame (Nov. 5), South Carolina (Nov. 26)
- Colorado (2; 0-0): vs. TCU (Sept. 2), at Minnesota (Sept. 17)
- Duke (2; 2-0): at Northwestern (Sept. 10), at Kansas (Sept. 24)
- Florida (2; 0-0): Utah (Sept. 3), Florida State (Nov. 25)
- Florida State (2; 0-0): at LSU (Sept. 4), Florida (Nov. 25)
- Georgia (2; 0-0): vs. Oregon (Sept. 3), Georgia Tech (Nov. 26)
- Georgia Tech (2; 0-0): Mississippi (Sept. 17), at Georgia (Nov. 26)
- Notre Dame (5; 0-0): at Ohio State (Sept. 3), Cal (Sept. 17), BYU (at Las Vegas, Oct. 8), Stanford (Oct. 15), at USC (Nov. 26)
- Pittsburgh (2; 0-0): West Virginia (Sept. 1), Tennessee (Sept. 10)
- Syracuse (2; 0-0): Purdue (Sept. 17), Notre Dame (Oct. 29)
- West Virginia (2, 0-0): at Pittsburgh (Sept. 1), Kansas (Sept. 10)

2022 MAJOR RULE CHANGES

The major rule changes determined by the NCAA Rules Committee this past spring:

- If a ball carrier simulates a feet-first slide, officials will declare the runner down at that spot.
- Targeting Carryover Appeal Process. When a second half targeting foul occurs, the carryover penalty (to sit out the first half of the next game) will be eligible for appeal. The process will begin with a conference submitting a request to the NCAA national coordinator of officials, who would review video. If determined that a player was incorrectly penalized, the call would be overturned, and the player would be cleared to play in the first half of the next game.
- Defensive holding will remain a 10-yard penalty but will always carry an automatic first down.
- Illegal Touching by an originally ineligible player is penalized five yards from the previous spot and now includes loss of down.
- Blocking Below the Waist will be allowed only by linemen and stationary backs inside the tackle box; outside the tackle box on scrimmage plays, blocking below the waist will be prohibited.
- Deceptive Injury Timeout Investigation Process. To address teams that are awarded an injury timeout through deceptive actions, the committee approved a reporting and investigation process. Schools/conferences can report questionable scenarios to the national coordinator of officials, who will review and provide feedback to the conference for further action. Any penalties levied would be up to the conference office or school involved.
- The replay official will address any clock adjustment and status only when a ruling is overturned with less than two minutes in the 2nd or 4th quarter.
PRESEASON ALL-PAC-12 CONFERENCE

PK COLE BECKER (third-team: Athlon)
ILB JOSH CHANDLER-SEMEDO (fourth-team: Athlon)
OT FRANK FILLIP (honorable mention: Pac-12 Media)
DE TERRANCE LANG (third-team: Lindy’s College Football; fourth-team: Phil Steele’s College Football; honorable mention: Pac-12 Media)
S ISAIAH LEWIS (second-team: Athlon; third-team: Lindy’s College Football; fourth-team: Phil Steele’s College Football; honorable mention: Pac-12 Media)
ILB QUINN PERRY (third-team: Athlon)
KR NIKKO REED (honorable mention: Pac-12 Media)
OG CASEY RODDICK (fourth-team: Athlon)
TE BRADY RUSSELL (fourth-team: Athlon, Phil Steele’s College Football)
DT JALEN SAMI (third-team: Athlon, Lindy’s College Football, Phil Steele’s College Football, honorable mention: Pac-12 Media)
WR R.J. SNEED (second-team: Phil Steele’s College Football)

BUFFALOES ON NATIONAL AWARD LISTS

Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award (outstanding offensive player with ties to state of Texas): TB Alex Fontenot (one of 63 players on official watch list)
East-West Shrine Game 1000 (all-star game): OT Tommy Brown, DT Jalen Sami, WR Daniel Arias, WR R.J. Sneed, DL Terrance Lang, ILB Quinn Perry,
TE Brady Russell, ILB Robert Barnes, TB Alex Fontenot.
Rotary Lombardi Award (top down lineman within 10 yards of snap): DE Terrance Lang (CU’s official nomination)
John Mackey Award (top tight end): TE Brady Russell (one of 56 players on official watch list)
Polynesian Player of the Year (top player with Polynesian ancestry): DT Jalen Sami (one of 85 players on official watch list)
Senior Bowl Watch List (postseason all-star game): DE Terrance Lang
Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award (top upperclassmen quarterback): QB Brendon Lewis (one of 76 players on official watch list)
Doak Walker Award (nation’s top running back): TB Alex Fontenot (one of 73 players on official watch list)
Danny Wuerffel Award (community service): OLB Joshua Gustav (one of 115 players on official watch list)

NATIONAL TOP 100 PLAYER RATINGS

Defensive Ends: Terrance Lang (No. 80, Phil Steele’s College Football)
Inside Linebackers: Josh Chandler-Semedo (No. 20, Pro Football Focus); Quinn Perry (No. 55, Phil Steele’s College Football)
Offensive Guards: Tommy Brown (No. 73, Phil Steele’s College Football)
Wide Receivers: Brady Russell (No. 46, Phil Steele’s College Football)

NATIONAL UNIT RATINGS

Special Teams: No. 29 (Phil Steele’s College Football)

RECRUITING CLASS RANKINGS

No. 45 (Rivals.com)
No. 45 (Phil Steele’s College Football)
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TOUGHEST SCHEDULES

Colorado: No. 13 (Phil Steele’s College Football), No. 21 (Pro Football Focus)

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STATS OF THE YEAR: 2021

Turnovers & Interception Marks Set. CU shattered the school mark for fewest turnovers in a season with just seven (four lost fumbles, three interceptions); the old low was way back in 1956 (11; five fumbles, six picked). Also set was a school best for fewest interceptions thrown with just three, topping the previous low of four in 1994. The latter was set with more attempts: CU had 269 passing attempts this season compared to 256 in 1994. Thus, records were also set for lowest interception percentage by the team (0.11) and an individual (QB Brendon Lewis, 3 in 257, 0.12, besting QB Kordell Stewart’s ’94 number, 0.13).

The seven turnovers tied for the fewest in the nation in 2021 (with Toledo), as did the three interceptions thrown.
SEASON OPENERS

Colorado is 83-44-5 in 152 season openers, with a 55-20-1 record at home, 18-19-3 on the road and 10-5-1 at neutral sites (10-5 in Denver, 0-0-1 in Anaheim). This is CU’s first season opener in Boulder since 2009 (CSU). The Buffs have started a season just four times at home since 1997, those coming in 2004, 2005 and 2007 against Colorado State and in 2001 when the Buffs dropped a 24-22 decision to Fresno State in the Jim Thorpe Association Classic. CU was 9-6 in openers as a member of the Big 12 Conference and is 7-4 since joining the Pac-12.

SEASON OPENER BESTS

A QUICK LOOK AT SOME RECORDS IN SEASON OPENERS BY THE BUFFALOES

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OPENERS AN INDICATOR?

As stated previously, Colorado is 83-44-5 in season openers; but have they been foretelling of the season ahead? Take a look:

- The 83 seasons CU has won its opener, the Buffs went on to post winning records 62 times (74.7%), with 20 losing seasons and one even;
- The 44 seasons CU has lost its opener, the Buffs are six under .500: posting winning records 19 times and a losing mark 24 times (with one even);
- The 5 seasons CU tied in its opener, the Buffs had four winning records (including the 1990 national championship year), and one losing record.

Most Touches: 25, Brian Cabral vs. Stanford, 1977
Most Interceptions: 3, Malcolm Miller vs. Kansas, Sept. 24, 1949

Team
Most First Downs: 30, vs. NE Louisiana in 1994
Most Rushes: 79, vs. California in 1975
Most Rushing Yards: 446, vs. Fresno State in 1988
Most Pass Attempts: 51, vs. Fresno State in 2001
Most Pass Completions: 31, vs. Fresno State in 2001
Most Passing Yards: 409, vs. Colorado State in 1992
Most Total Plays: 90, by Colorado Mines in 1942
Most Points: 61, vs. Drake in 1954 (61-0)
Most Points Allowed: 56, by UCLA in 1980 (14-56)
MEMORABLE CU SEASON OPENERS

Quite often, the first career start, or coming out party, is intertwined with making a season opener a memorable one. Perhaps the biggest example of this in CU history came in 1989, when sophomore Darian Hagan made his debut as CU’s starting quarterback; he may or may not have won the job, but with senior Sal Aunese stricken with stomach cancer the previous March, Hagan was handed the keys to the CU offense. On the second play of the game, Hagan raced 75 yards on the option to the Texas 2, starting the Buffaloes on their way to a 27-6 win, the first triumph en route to an 11-0 record in the regular season. Hagan rushed for 116 yards and a touchdown, and passed for 95 yards and another score. Other memorable CU openers and/or game one performances include:

1913 Colorado 7, Wyoming

CU’s first season opener outside the state, occurring in Laramie. The CU yearbook account stated that the “final tally probably would have been greater had not the Varsity been frequently penalized for off-side play.”

1921 Colorado 10, Denver 7

Art Quinlan’s 35-yard field goal gave CU an early 3-0 lead, though Denver, then known as the Ministers, rallied to take a 7-3 halftime lead. With less than seven minutes remaining, Quinlan and Walter Franklin teamed on a 40-yard TD pass.

1937 Colorado 14, Missouri 6

Ev Cheney scores both CU touchdowns, Byron White boots a still-CU record 83 yard punt, and for the first time in school history, there is a charge for parking on the Boulder campus (15 cents a game).

1953 Colorado 21, Washington 20

The Buffs, a two-touchdown underdog, win in Seattle as Homer Jenkins, in his first collegiate game, did it all in CU’s single-wing offense to often fill in for an injured Carroll Hardy. Jenkins threw two TD passes to Gary Knaefel, while Emerson Wilson added 87 yards on the ground and a score.

1963 USC 14, Colorado 0

In Eddie Crowder’s first year as head coach, CU opens for the only time in its history against the No. 1 team in the nation. The Buffs hold their own, limiting the Trojans to 230 yards on 75 plays (but have just 83 yards of its own).

1965 Colorado 0, Wisconsin 13

The Buffs and Badgers battle to a 0-0 tie in Madison, the third-to-last scoreless tie in Division I-A history as the two combine in “hot and sticky” conditions for just 496 yards of total offense.

1971 Colorado 31, LSU 21

Charlie Davis rushes for 174 yards and two TDs in win at No. 9 LSU, the catapult to a 10-2 season and No. 3 rank.

1977 Colorado 27, Stanford 21

Former longtime (1989-2012) CU linebacker coach Brian Cabral goes nuts as he racks up 25 tackles in CU’s win.

1979 Oregon 33, Colorado 19

The Buffs fall in the much ballyhooed first game for new head coach Chuck Fairbanks; it’s also the first game televised by a fledgling sports network named ESPN that went on the air one day earlier.

1981 Colorado 45, Texas Tech 27

Walter Stanley hauled down five catches for a CU record 222 (it still stands today), as CU’s first game after a 1-10 season in 1980 exercises some demons. Randy Essington throws for 345 yards in the win.

1989 Colorado 27, Texas 6

In addition to Hagan’s effort (see above) the CU defense stifled Texas in limiting the Longhorns to 268 yards.

1990 Colorado 31, Tennessee 31

Mike Pritchard subs for Eric Bieniemy at tailback and rushes for a CU season opener record of 217 yards as the Buffs open what would be their national championship season with a tie against Tennessee in Anaheim in the inaugural Disneyland Pigskin Classic.

1992 Colorado 37, Colorado St. 17

Kordell Stewart takes over from Darian Hagan and passes for 409 and 4 TDs in the win over the Rams.

1995 Colorado 43, Wisconsin 7

The NFL plucked off 10 CU ‘94 starters in the April draft, but new coach Rick Neuheisel readied the Buffs in fine fashion as CU drilled Wisconsin in Madison. Roy Determire threw for 267 yards and three TDs as CU built a 26-7 halftime lead.

1998 Colorado 42, Colorado St. 14

Mike Moschetti throws for 257 yards and 3 TDs in the his first CU game and the first contest between the two in-state rivals in Denver at the old Mile High Stadium.

2003 Colorado 42, Colorado St. 35

JoelMatt comes in unsung and exits as the national player-of-the-week as he threw for 402 yards and 4 TDs in a 42-35 thriller over the Rams. CU pulls even late, but Bobby Purify’s 9-yard TD run wins it with :40 left.

2004 Colorado 27, Colorado St. 24

CU led the entire way, but CSU had a chance to steal it at the end; the Rams had a first-and-goal at the CU 1 with just under a minute left, but the Buffalo defense rose to the occasion and stuffed the two plays, the last as time ran out, to seal the win. The Rams had fought back from 17-0 and 27-17 deficits.

2005 Colorado 31, Colorado St. 28

Mason Crosby drilled a 47-yard field goal with four seconds left to rally CU to the win. The Buffs trailed 21-10 early in the fourth quarter, having tied the game at 21 on a 48-yard Crosby kick with 2:32 left. CU turned an interception into the go-ahead touchdown, a 23-yard run by Hugh Charles, with 1:30 remaining, but CSU rallied with an 80-yard TD drive to tie the game with 36 ticks to go on the clock. Stephon Robinson returned the kickoff to the 40 and three plays later, the Buffs were in position for Crosby’s winning kick, as the teams scored 20 points in just 152 seconds.

2007 Colorado 31, Colorado St. 28 (overtime)

It had to happen eventually, as the CU-CSU series had been oh so close but lacked an overtime affair. No longer; Kevin Eberhart’s 22-yard field goal tied the game at 28 with 0:13 left and then made a 35-yard boot in the first OT to lead CU to the win. Cody Hawkins debuted at quarterback and completed 18-of-31 passes for 201 yards and two scores, with another frosh redshirt, Scotty McKnight catching eight of those for 106 yards and a TD. CU rallied from 11 down late in the third quarter and likely sealed the Rams’ fate after Terrence Wheatley’s end zone interception in OT.

2013 Colorado 41, Colorado State 27

Paul Richardson caught 10 passes for 208 yards and two touchdowns and Connor Wood completed 33-of-46 passes for 404 yards to enable Mike MacIntyre to win in his first game as CU’s head coach, just the second to do since 1932.

2020 Colorado 48, UCLA 42

Delayed until Nov. 7 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, CU zooms to a 35-7 second quarter lead and then holds off a UCLA rally. Jarek Broussard rushed for 187 yards and three touchdowns in his CU debut, as he had missed two full seasons after ACL knee surgeries.

SCORING FIRST IN A SEASON? CU IS 27-2 SINCE 1967

Colorado has won 30 of its last 32 season openers when scoring first, which included a 20-game winning streak from 1967 through 2005; the Buffs had that run snapped in 2006 by Montana State (losing 19-10 at home), with the only other loss in 2014 when Colorado State rallied from being down 17-7 to score the game’s final 24 points to take a 31-17 verdict in Denver. Otherwise, you have go back to 1966 to find the last time the Buffs scored first and lost an opener (CU scored its only points of the game on a field goal in a 24-3 loss to Miami, Fla.). The other 23 openers in this span? CU is 4-18-1 when the opponent scored first, with the wins coming in 1969 (a 35-14 win over Tulsa after falling behind 7-0), in 1995 (a 48-13 win over SE Louisiana after trailing 3-0), in 2003 (the 42-35 conquest of CSU after the Rams jumped ahead 7-0) and in 2005 (a 31-28 win over CSU after the Rams got the jump up late in the first quarter by 7-0). CU has currently won its last six season openers.
### FIRST PLAY OF THE YEAR

Here’s a look at what has transpired on the first play of the season for Colorado, dating back to 1950 when play-by-plays are available:

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<td>Rush Anthony Weatherspoon</td>
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Since 1950, CU has averaged 5.1 yards on the first play from scrimmage. Of the 72 plays for 370 yards, CU has passed just 16 times (completing 12). CU has not scored on the first play from scrimmage in this time frame, and has just one turnover (lost fumble) on the first play of the year (in 1990; *—at Anaheim; #—in Denver). **NOTES:** CU did score the first time it touched the ball in the 1975 season opener. The late Mike McCoy returned a California punt 61 yards for a touchdown two minutes into the game. The last time Colorado scored on its first offensive play of any game was at Arizona on Nov. 8, 2014: Shay Fields scored a touchdown on a 75-yard pass from Sefo Liufau just 11 seconds into the game in Tucson.

### SEASON OPENER REVIEW

Statistically speaking, Colorado had one of its best season-opening games in school history in 2018 against Colorado State. CU’s 596 yards of total offense in the contest were the most in a season opener since 1994, when that Buff team (which went 11-1 and finished the year ranked No. 3 in the coaches poll) put up 649 yards of offense in a 48-13 win over Northeast Louisiana. That 1994 season-opening total is the highest yardage gained for any game to begin a season in Colorado Buffalo history, but the 596 yards vs. CSU comes in at No. 2. It was also just the ninth time since 1946 that Colorado has gained more than 500 yards of offense in the season opener. What was equally impressive was the Buff defense allowing just 284 yards of total offense a week after the Rams put 657 in the books against Hawai’i.

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### LARGEST MARGINS OF VICTORY IN SEASON OPENER

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<td>NORTHEAST LOUISIANA</td>
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<td>44-7 37</td>
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### LAST NOTE ON SEASON OPENERS

The Buffaloes are 23-10-1 in their last 33 season openers (dating back to 1988). In those 23 wins, Colorado scored 851 points, or an average of 37.0 per game; in the 10 losses, CU scored 172 points, or 17.2 per (it had 31 in the tie with Tennessee in 1990). In the six-game season opener winning streak, CU has scored 241 points, or 40.2. In the 23 victories, the opponent has scored 392 points, or 17.0 per. The bulk of the games have been against Colorado State (20; CU won 14), but the Buffaloes are 5-0-1 against Power-5 teams.
Here’s a list of Colorado’s first score of the year, dating back to 1929 when play-by-play or newspaper accounts were available, with select previous years taken from newspaper stories (the time is amount remaining in the quarter specified; *—scored on first possession):
This is the first-ever meeting between the two schools located just 667 miles apart; the Horned Frogs are the first opponent for a first-ever game against the Buffaloes since New Hampshire in 2018 (and first-ever FBS one since Texas State in 2017 and first-ever Power-5 foe since West Virginia in 2008).

TCU and West Virginia were the two schools added to the Big 12 Conference in 2012 after CU and Nebraska left after the 2010 season and after Missouri and Texas A&M departed following the 2011 season.

The contract for a home-and-home series was signed back in 2015; each school had the option to take 3,000 tickets (including 300 complimentary) and agreed to a $400,000 guarantee; officials to be assigned by each team’s conference.

Karl Dorrell is 0-0 against TCU; TCU coach Sonny Dykes is 1-1 against Colorado: as head coach at Cal, he lost to the Buffaloes 41-24 in 2015 in Boulder and defeated CU in wild two-overtime affair in 2014, 59-56 in Berkeley.

CU-TCU BY THE NUMBERS

Here’s a look at some numbers-related trivia – or lack thereof -- in the Colorado-TCU series:

- The contract for a home-and-home series was signed back in 2015; each school had the option to take 3,000 tickets (including 300 complimentary) and agreed to a $400,000 guarantee; officials to be assigned by each team’s conference.

- The number of consecutive wins by TCU in Colorado (2008 & 2010 at CSU, 2009 & 2011 at Air Force);

- The number of consecutive games TCU has scored (second longest all-time as well as active streak behind Florida’s 423 in a row);

- The mileage (as the crow flies) between Boulder and Fort Worth;

- The difference in elevation (feet) between Folsom Field (Boulder, 5,345) and Fort Worth (835);

- The number of consecutive games TCU has scored (second longest all-time as well as active streak behind Florida’s 423 in a row);

- The combined population of Boulder (108,777) and Fort Worth (935,508).

CONFERENCE CALLS

Colorado is 201-145-8 all-time versus current Big 12 conference schools (354 games), most of those (307) were against schools when CU was a member of the Big 7 and Big 8 before the Big 12 formed. TCU is the only member of the present 10 Colorado has never played; otherwise the Buffs are 49-15-1 vs. Iowa State; 45-20-1 vs. Kansas State; 42-25-3 vs. Kansas; 26-20-1 vs. Oklahoma State; 9-7 vs. Baylor; 5-5 vs. Texas Tech; 1-1 vs. West Virginia; 7-12 vs. Texas and 17-40-2 against Oklahoma.

TCU is 17-16 all-time versus Pac-12 Conference schools; CU is the last of the 12 the Horned Frogs have yet to play; otherwise, they are 3-0 vs. Stanford; 2-0 vs. Cal; 1-0 vs. Oregon State; 2-1 vs. Oregon; 3-2 vs. USC; 1-1 vs. Arizona; 1-1 vs. Washington State; 3-5 vs. Utah; 1-3 vs. UCLA; 0-1 vs. Washington and 0-2 vs. Arizona State.

THE BUFFS ON FRIDAY

Colorado will open the 2022 season on a Friday (Sept. 2 vs. TCU); the Buffaloes have played 45 times on “TGIF” (Friday), seven times to open the season; the Buffaloes are 19-26 on the last day of the work week (16-25 regular season, 3-1 bowl), 5-9 in Boulder, 7-13 on the road, 7-4 at neutral sites (including 4-2 in Denver), 7-9 since joining the Pac-12 Conference and 10-10 in night games. Colorado opened the 1908, 1964, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2021 seasons on a Friday; CU’s second-ever night game was played on a Friday, against Oklahoma State in Stillwater in 1933. The Buffs have played three Friday night affairs in a season three times, in 2018, 2019 and 2021. The bulk of the games have been played in November (a 6-18 record), and the most common opponent has been Nebraska (15 times; 4-11). Here’s a look at the games:

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<td>Nov. 25, 2011</td>
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<td>W 17-14</td>
<td>Nov. 23, 2012</td>
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^—in Denver. a—Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl at Houston; b—Fiesta Bowl at Tempe, Ariz.; c—Aloha Bowl at Honolulu; d—Insight.com Bowl at Tucson, Ariz.; e—Pac-12 Championship game at Santa Clara, Calif.
For the second straight season, Colorado will open the season in a game that will be first for the opponents’ new head coach; Sonny Dykes was named TCU head coach on Nov 30; he has coached against CU before, as when he was head coach at California (2013-16), he was 1-1 against the Buffaloes, the ’15 win in Berkeley a wild double overtime affair that saw the Bears win, 59-56; CU won the year before in Boulder, 41-24. 

Colorado is 2-2 all-time on September 2, having first played on the date in 1995; at the time, it was the second earliest game in school history to only an August 26 contest against Tennessee in 1990. 1995 —In the first game of the Rick Neuheisel Era at Colorado, the Buffaloes went on the road and crushed No. 21 Wisconsin, 43-7. CU built a 10-0 lead, and after Wisconsin’s only score, reeled off 33 unanswered points in posting the first win by a new CU head coach in 11 tries. 2000 —Colorado State scored the go-ahead touchdown with 10:31 remaining and then thwarted CU twice down the stretch as the Rams came away with the win, 28-24. 2006 —The Buffs could never get untracked in a 19-10 loss to Montana State in Boulder, spoiling the coaching debut of first-year CU head coach Dan Hawkins. It was also Colorado’s ﬁrst-ever game against an FCS opponent since the NCAA split Division I into two groups in 1978. 2016 —As a precursor of things to come (a 10-4 season), the Buffaloes steamrolled Colorado State, 44-7, at Sports Authority Field in Denver. CU outgained the Rams by a whopping 578-225, including a 318-63 margin in the passing game. Sofo Liuiauf completed 23-of-33 passes for 318 yards and a touchdown (with 384 yards of total offense overall), while Phillip Lindsay carried 20 times for 95 yards and two scores. CU’s three-headed monster at receiver all had solid games: Devin Ross (8-97, 1 TD), Bryce Bobo (5-99) and Shay Fields (3-79). Chidobe Awuzie was one of several starts on defense, with a team-high nine tackles (eight solo, four third down stops) and an interception. 

SEPTMBER 2 COLORADO MVP: Koy Detmer. In the win over Wisconsin, he completed 17-of-42 passes for 297 yards and three touchdowns, a 216.03 rating, the 11th best single game ﬁgure in Colorado history.

THIS WEEK’S HISTORICAL NOTE / 1967

Fifty-ﬁve years ago, Colorado, after posting a 7-3 record the year before, opened the 1967 season ranked No. 10 in the preseason (Associated Press); both polls for a time in the 60s reverted to ranking just a top 10; CU was outside the top 10 in the UPI/Coaches poll. It marked the ﬁrst time in school history that the Buffaloes were ranked in the preseason, and CU lived up to the billing. The Buffs won non-league games against Baylor at Folsom Field (27-7) and then spoiled the grand opening of Oregon’s new stadium with a 17-13 win in Eugene en route to reeling off ﬁve straight wins, the last two over Missouri in Boulder (23-9) and at Nebraska (21-16), two schools that were receiving votes but were outside the top 10. The 5-0 Buffaloes rose to No. 5 in both polls, even receiving a ﬁrst place vote from one coach, but would soon be undone by their rivals in the Soonier State. Oklahoma State rolled into Boulder and popped the Buffs, 10-7, in the Buffs annual homecoming game, ending an overall 9-game winning streak for Colorado. The following week, likely still hungover from the loss but still ranked No. 9 in both polls, CU traveled to Norman where the Sooners, also just outside the top 10, laid a 23-0 beating on the Buffs, limiting a potent Colorado offense to just 181 yards on 60 plays. However, the Buffs picked themselves up off the floor and closed the year with four straight wins, including a 51-21 win over Miami-Fla. in the Bluebonnet Bowl. Coach Eddie Crowder’s team featured a pair of brothers, both of whom would eventually be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame: senior safety Dick Anderson (a 1993 inductee) and quarterback Bobby Anderson (pictured at right; enshrined in 2006). The Buffs played a “5-2” on defense, and the “Switching T: Slot-I Triple Option” on offense.
OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR DEBUTS

Dating back to 1969 when CU had its first of 21 assistants designated as the offensive coordinator, the Buffaloes are 10-11 in their first games, but have won the last five in a row. **Mike Sanford** is now the 22nd offensive coordinator in CU history and will make his debut Sept. 2 against TCU. Current head coach **Karl Dorrell** owns one of those wins, as in his first performance as an OC in 1995, the Buffaloes gained 507 yards in a 43-7 romp at Wisconsin (CU had 278 passing yards and 229 on the ground and averaged 7.5 yards on 68 plays). Here are the debuts of CU’s offensive coordinators:

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<td>239 (76)</td>
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<td>Hawai’i</td>
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SEASON OPENERS: UNDERCLASSMEN STARTERS

The depth is always fluid leading up to the first game, but with 10 underclassmen (four freshmen, six sophomores) atop the ’21 opening season depth chart, it was the third most upperclassmen that would start a Colorado opener dating back to 1995. It’s a good chance the 2022 season depth chart, it was the third most upperclassmen that would start underclassmen (four freshmen, six sophomores) atop the ’21 opening makeup will crack this list as well -- the previous four season opener numbers are among the top 10 in this time frame. A look at the most underclassmen starters for the Buffaloes over the last 27 seasons:

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YOUNGINS'

Colorado once again has one of the nation’s youngest teams, as 78.3 percent of the roster (as of August 27) are underclassmen: 60 freshmen and 30 sophomores for a total of 90 underclassmen, tied for the seventh-most in the nation (fifth not including Navy and Army, which traditionally have two of the largest rosters in college football). Percentage-wise, the 78.3 figure is fourth behind only Wyoming (84.2), Georgia Tech (79.4) and Old Dominion (79.3).

Sophomore counts remain high from the NCAA granting all student-athletes an extra year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic (2020 to 2021). CU had 68 freshmen on its 2021 roster; the make-up of the 60 on this year’s squad breaks down into 34 first-year, 14 redshirts, five second-year (played four or fewer games in ’21), four third-year and three transfers. A look at the schools with the most underclassmen:

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<td>117 (65, 52)</td>
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<td>108 (66, 42)</td>
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<td>86 (54, 32)</td>
<td>74.8</td>
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RUSSELL MAKES A TIGHT END HAT TRICK IN 2021

**TE Brady Russell** led the team in both receptions (25) and (307) in 2021. A tight end has led CU in catches 14 times, but just three times in the last 31 years (Daniel Graham in 2001, Riar Geer in 2006). The duo also led the team in yards those seasons, the only two times since 1984, when **TE Jon Embree** topped the list (680).

OUT OF THE GATE

In 2021, there were just six scores by CU or its opponent on the game’s opening possession – four field goals by CU (versus Arizona, Oregon State and Washington at home and Utah on the road), and two scores by the opponent in their home stadiums (field goal by Cal, touchdown by Oregon). In the second half, neither team did so on the first drive of the third quarter until the Arizona State game, when both teams did it: CU marched 75 yards in eight plays to pull to within 14-10, and then ASU returned the favor by driving 71 yards in six plays to go back up by 11. Oregon, UCLA and Utah also scored a TDs on its first drive of the second half; these are only the nine times out of a possible 48 that CU or its opponent scored to open a half. There were 16 three-and-outs (8 for each team).
Colorado leads the all-time series by a 12-5 count, which includes a 7-4 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.
- Karl Dorrell is 0-0 against Air Force (he has never faced the Falcons as an assistant); AFA coach Troy Calhoun is 1-0 against Colorado.
- A look at the entire series:

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<td>20-14 (B)</td>
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Colorado is 132-43-4 all-time versus current Mountain West conference schools (179 games). In addition to the 12-5 mark against Air Force, CU is 67-22-2 vs. Colorado State, 24-2-1 vs. Wyoming, 11-6-1 vs. Utah State, 6-3 vs. New Mexico, 4-0 vs. San Jose State, 4-2 vs. Fresno State, 2-0 vs. San Diego State and 2-3 vs. Hawai’i. The Buffs have not played Boise State, Nevada or UNLV.

Air Force is 46-58-2 all-time vs. Pac-12 Conference schools; in addition to its 5-12 record against Colorado, the Falcons are: 6-2 vs. Washington, 6-3 vs. Arizona, 1-0 vs. Washington State, 14-15 vs. Utah, 3-4 vs. Stanford, 2-3 vs. Arizona State, 4-6-1 vs. UCLA, 3-8-1 vs. Oregon and 2-7 vs. California. AFA has never played Oregon State or Southern Cal.
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);
- **9-2** Colorado’s record against Air Force when scoring 20 or more points;
- **17** The number of games in the CU-AFA series (varsity, CU leads, 12-5); the two played several times on the junior varsity level;
- **48** The total number of games since CU and Air Force last played in football at Falcon Stadium;
- **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;
- **95** The total number of points scored in the 1969 game (AFA, 58-35); the highest scoring game in CU history until 1980 (Oklahoma 82, CU 42);
- **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;
- **761 The combined number of points in the series (or 44.8 per game; Colorado 466, Air Force 295);
- **1,276 The difference in elevation (feet) between Folosm Field (Boulder, 5,345) and Falcon Stadium (USAFA, 6,621);
- **16,039 The number of days between the 1974 CU-AFA football game (Oct. 5) and the one in 2019 (Sept. 14).**

COLORADO-AIR FORCE: SERIES TRENDS

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

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CU INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

- **Most Yards Rushing:** 192, Charlie Davis, Nov. 20, 1971
- **Most Yards Passing:** 234, Bobby Anderson, Nov. 23, 1968
- **Most Receptions:** 8, twice (Monte Huber, Laviska Shenault)
- **Most Yards Receiving:** 124, Laviska Shenault, Sept. 14, 2019

IN COLORADO BUFFALO HISTORY: SEPTEMBER 10

Colorado is 4-2 all-time on September 10, having first played on the date for the first time in 1977 when the Buffs opened as the No. 12 in the nation in the Associated Press poll, coming off winning the 1976 Big 8 Championship. CU defeated Stanford, 27-21 that day, with TB James Mayberry starring on offense (152 yards, 2 TD) and LB Brian Cabral (see below) on defense. 1983—the Buffs led Michigan State for three quarters but let victory slip away in the final 15 minutes, succumbing to the Spartans, 23-17 in the hottest game (89 degrees/75% humidity) played at the tie in Spartan Stadium history. CU took a 7-3 lead late in the first quarter on a 16-yard touchdown pass from QB Steve Vogel to WR Loy Alexander, and added a 35-yard Tom Field field goal in the third quarter to go up, 10-6. But MSU scored 17 points in the fourth, 10 off CU turnovers, to take control of the game. 1988—CU rushed for 446 yards and six different players scored TDs as the Buffs defeated Fresno State in Boulder, 45-3. WR Jeff Campbell’s 74-yard touchdown on a reverse was the top highlight, with TB Eric Bieniemy rushing for 118 yards and a score. 2005—TB Lawrence Vickers scored three TDs and the Buff defense posted their first shutout in three years as Colorado defeated New Mexico State, 39-0, in the latest kickoff (8:10 p.m.) ever at the time at Folsom Field. 2011—in Colorado’s first home game as a member of the Pac-12 Conference, the Buffs fall to California in overtime, 36-33; however, the game was the back-end of a home-and-home series and was not officially a conference game. CU rolled up 582 yards of offense, all but 108 through the air, as QB Tyler Hansen completed 28-of-49 passes for a school record 474 yards; WR Paul Richardson caught 11 of those passes for a school record 374 yards with two scores. PK Will Oliver tied the game in the final minute with a 30-yard field goal, but CU could only muster another Oliver three-pointer in overtime and Cal countered with a Zach Maynard-to-Keenan Allen 5-yard TD pass to win it. 2016—the Buffaloes mauled an outmatched (FCS) Idaho State, 56-7, outgaining the Bengals by 597-96.

SEPTEMBER 10 COLORADO MVP: Brian Cabral. He had a huge game against Stanford to open his senior year in 1977, racking up 25 tackles (13 solo) in CU’s 27-21 win. It tied for the second most tackles in school history at the time (still tied for fourth), with the 13 solo stops tying the most at the time. He also had an interception (in the end zone with CU leading, 20-14 midway through the fourth quarter) and two passes broken up in being named the Big 8’s player of the week.
BOULDER — Colorado came back from a 23-10 deficit to tie the game at 23-23 and force overtime against Air Force, but unlike the previous week, the Buffaloes couldn’t produce a win in the extra period, dropping a 30-23 decision at Folsom Field.

The loss came on the heels of a 34-31 win over Nebraska in overtime, making it the first time in CU history the Buffs have played back-to-back OT games. Colorado dropped to 2-1 while Air Force improved to 2-0.

Colorado scored a touchdown on its first possession of the game and then quickly added a field goal for a 10-0 lead, but after that it was all Air Force until late in the fourth quarter. The Falcons scored three straight touchdowns in the first half to take a 20-10 lead, and it took an interception by CU’s Mikial Onu in the end zone near the end of the first half to prevent the Falcons from making the margin even bigger.

While Air Force did produce 439 yards total offense, Colorado’s defense also continued its takeaway trend, producing three in the game, getting two fumble recoveries to go with Onu’s interception.

Air Force scored the winning touchdown on the first play of overtime, getting a 25-yard run from Kadin Remsberg. The Buffs then managed a first down on the ensuing possession, but a fourth-down pass attempt from Steven Montez to Laviska Shenault Jr. in the end zone fell incomplete.

Colorado trailed 20-10 at the half, then saw Air Force push the lead to 23-10 with a field goal midway through the fourth quarter after a scoreless third period.

The Buffs finally answered with their first touchdown since the opening drive of the game when they went 75 yards in 12 plays for the score. Montez hit Shenault with a key third-down pass to keep the drive alive, then found Dimitri Stanley in the end zone for a 14-yard touchdown with 6:09 left in regulation. The PAT was blocked, however, leaving Colorado trailing by seven, 23-16, with just more than six minutes to play.

The Buffs then forced an Air Force punt and drove 60 yards for the tying touchdown, getting a 2-yard run from Shenault. The PAT tied the game at 23-23 with 28 seconds left and sent the game into overtime.

Colorado’s offense looked good early, taking the opening kickoff and going 75 yards in 11 plays for a score, culminating the drive with a 42-yard Montez pass to Shenault. Shenault also had a 17-yard catch to keep the drive alive on third down, and Jaren Mangham ran for 2 yards on fourth-and-1.

Colorado then pushed its edge to 10-0 with 7:23 still left in the first quarter when the Buffs converted a Davion Taylor fumble recovery into a 36-yard James Stefanou field goal.

But from that point on, the Falcons controlled the tempo and the rest of the half. AFA pulled to within 10-6 after CU’s field goal, driving 75 yards in seven plays, with a Donald Hammond 32-yard pass to Geraud Sanders capping the drive. AFA’s extra point try bounced off the upright, keeping CU’s edge at 10-6.

The Falcons, though, kept punching away. Air Force forced a CU punt, then went 78 yards in 12 plays for the go-ahead score. Hammond capped the drive with a 12-yard pass and the PAT gave the Falcons a 13-10 lead. After another CU punt, AFA needed just two plays to extend its lead to 20-10. Hammond hit Benjamin Waters with an 81-yard touchdown pass and Air Force had a 20-10 lead with 6:37 to go in the half.

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**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**


Receiving—Colorado: Shenault 8-124, Stanley 5-24, Harris 4-22, Nixon 3-20, Brown 2-20, Mangham 2-minus 1, Russell 1-2, Fontenot 1-17.

Air Force: Sanders 7-155, 1 TD receiving, 0 TD rushing, 1-20.

**GAME NOTES**

This marked the first time in CU history the Buffs played back-to-back overtime games (fourth time two in the same season: 1999, 2002, 2014, 2019). Colorado is now 7-9 in overtime games in its history … CU is now 0-2 in black helmet/silver jerseys/black pants (and now 3-17 in black helmets) … Air Force snapped a five-game losing streak to the Buffs … 2022 COLORADO FOOTBALL

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### PAC-12 PLAYER OF THE WEEK (six selected weekly)

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<td>(Oct. 1, Special Teams vs. Arizona; 36-yard blocked punt and 36-yard return for a touchdown)</td>
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### BUFFALOES ON NATIONAL AWARD LISTS

- Chuck Bednarik Award (top defensive player): ILB Nate Landman (one of 90 players on official watch list)
- Bulsworth Trophy (most outstanding player who began career as a walk-on): TE Brady Russell (CU’s official nomination)
- Dick Butkus Award (top linebacker): ILB Nate Landman (one of 16 semifinalists)
- College Football Performance Award (national performer of the year): TB Jarek Broussard (one of 42 players on official watch list)
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award (outstanding offensive player with ties to state of Texas): TB Jarek Broussard & Alex Fontenot (two of 53 on official watch list)
- William C. Campbell Trophy (most outstanding player who began career as a walk-on): CB Mekhi Blackmon (received 3-of-4 FG, 4-of-4 PAT, 13 points; 6 KO/6 TR; game winning 43 FG in second overtime)
- Mayo Clinic Comeback Player of the Year: TB Alex Fontenot (one of 62 on official watch list)
- Bronko Nagurski Trophy (top defensive player): ILB Nate Landman (one of 90 players on official watch list)
- Rimington Award (nation’s top center): OLB Geno Macias (CU’s official nomination)
- Senior Bowl (all-star game): CB Mehki Blackmon, ILB Nate Landman, TE Brady Russell, OLB Carson Wells (on official watch list)
- Doak Walker Award (nation’s top running back): TB Jarek Broussard & Alex Fontenot (two of 83 players on official watch list)
- Danny Wuerffel Award (community service): ILB Nate Landman (one of 93 on official watch list)

### TEAM AWARDS

- BEST INTERVIEW (selected by team beat media): TE Brady Russell
- BUFFALO HEART AWARD (selected by the fans “behind the bench”): ILB Nate Landman

### POSTSEASON ALL-STAR GAMES

- ILB Nate Landman (East-West Shrine)
- OLB Carson Wells (East-West Shrine)

### PAC-12 CONFERENCE FALL ACADEMIC HONOR ROLL (minimum 3.3 grade point average)

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### 2021 COLORADO FOOTBALL TEAM AWARDS

- Defensive Scout Player of the Year: DL Mason Maddox
- Special Teams Scout Player of the Year: TB Charlie Offerdahl
- Dean Jacob Van Ek Award (academic excellence): OLB Geno Macias
- Eddie Crowder Award (outstanding leadership): ILB Nate Landman
- Best Interview (selected by team beat media): TE Brady Russell
- Buffalo Heart Award (selected by the fans): ILB Nate Landman
S. Anthony Lyle was awarded the lone remaining scholarship during the third week of camp, bringing the team total to the maximum 85. Lyle, a senior from nearby Lafayette, Colo. (Legacy High School) has been a standout performer on special teams, finishing third in CU’s special team point standings with 20 in 2021 (on the strength of six tackles – one inside-the-20 – eight knockdown blocks on returns, and one each: forced fumble, downed punt, forced fair catch, first downfield credit and caused penalty. He had seven points in the pandemic-shortened 2020 season, thus has 27 ST points in his Buffalo career.

This-N-That from 2021

In his 78th game as collegiate head coach, Karl Dorrell had his 2,000th point was scored on a 1-yard run by TB Alex Fontenot at UCLA.

Colorado averaged a season-best 8.1 yards on first down plays (29 for 236 yards) against Oregon State; that was the best since 8.9 in the 2019 opener against SU, and the fifth-best over the previous 111 games (high was 10.1 vs. Idaho State in 2016, then 8.3 vs. Arizona State in ’16 and 8.2 vs. OSU in ’18).

Special Teams Spotlight. Prior to the bowl games being added in, Colorado stands second in the Pac-12 in kickoff returns (28.7 average) and third in punt returns (14.2). The last time the Buffs led a conference in those categories was 2001 in the Big 12 (punt returns), 1998 (kickoff returns).

No Turnovers or Sacks. CU is now 20-4 dating back to 1972 when not committing a turnover or allowing a quarterback sack, of which neither happened in the Oregon State win. It was also the first time in 21 games that CU did not allow a sack (since the 2019 Arizona game in Boulder).

Longest Conversion. The 16-yard TD pass from QB Brendon Lewis to WR Montana Lemonious-Craig that gave CU a 27-24 lead over Oregon State in the fourth quarter was the longest third down conversion (3rd-&-15) by Colorado this season.

Injuries. This was the worst season for injuries since 1987, when such data started being maintained. CU lost 133 games by players projected to be or in the two-deep along with a handful that would rotate in; out of 576 possible games, that worked to 23.1 percent of games lost, which is the highest percentage since being tracked back to 1987. See full chart on page 35.

4-of-4 on 4th. The Buffs were 4-for-4 on fourth down at Oregon … the last time CU converted that many was in 2017, when it also went 4-of-4 against Arizona; the most fourth-down conversions in school history came in 1980, when the Buffs were 6-of-8 in a loss to Indiana (the eight is the all-time high for attempts).

Back-to-Back. SS Isaiah Lewis had his first career interception at Oregon and then followed it up with another the next week against Oregon State. The last Buffalo to make picks in back-to-back games was ILB Nate Landman, who did so in the first two games of the 2018 season (versus Colorado State in Denver and at Nebraska). The last Buff to have one in three straight? CB Greg Henderson in 2013 (vs. Central Arkansas, at Oregon State and vs. Oregon).

Freshmen. The assorted classifications of freshmen started 62 games (out of a possible 264 for 12 games); that represents 23.5 percent of the starts in 2021. That was the second-highest percentage of freshmen starters over the last 23 seasons, behind only 28.0 percent in 2012. Upperclassmen (juniors and seniors) started just 49.2 percent, the lowest over the same span, edging 49.6 in 2012 and 50.4 in 2018. See full chart on page 25.

Final Season Attendance. For six home games in 2021, CU’s attendance was 278,906 an average of 46,484.3 per game. CU finished the year 4-2 at home as the 98th season at Folsom Field came to a close.

Buiffs-Utes. As it turned out, CU had one of the more competitive games with the eventual Pac-12 champions. Only BYU (17) and Washington State (24) gave up fewer points to Utah, and UU’s margin of victory (15 points, 28-13) was its third smallest of its 10 wins; and as it often can be the case, the team that beat Utah (Oregon State, 42-34) is a team Colorado beat (37-34 in overtime).

The 100 Club

QB Brendon Lewis set the school record for the most passing attempts without an interception with 132 by a freshman in 2021; he ended the year with the streak active which stands as the fourth-longest in school history going into the 2022 season. It is the 11th such streak of 100 or more in school history; the list:

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)
132 Brendon Lewis (six games, Oct. 23, 2021 to present)
131 Tyler Hansen (four games, Sept. 3 to Oct. 1, 2011)
118 Sefo Liufau (five games, Sept. 3 to Oct. 3, 2015)
115 Steven Montez (three games, Sept. 14 to Oct. 11, 2019)
114 Cody Hawkins (four games, Oct. 9 to Nov. 6, 2010)
104 Craig Ochs (four games, Oct. 14 to Nov. 4, 2000)
100 John Hessler (six games, Sept. 2 to Oct. 7, 1995)

During the streak, Lewis is 90-of-132 for 817 yards and 6 touchdowns (68.2 completion percentage, 135.2 rating).

It Took a Lot of Time

Colorado did not commit a turnover in a season opener for the 11th time in its history (but have never opened with two games turnover-free). The first one in 2021 took place 2:28 into the second game (Texas A&M picked off a deflected Brendon Lewis pass), with the 62-28 into the season the 11th-longest on the clock before CU’s first of a season. It took a similar deflected pass and then an interception by UMass early in the third quarter for CU to have its first in 2014, marking the longest CU had ever played into a season before committing its first (92 minutes, 28 seconds); the 11 season opener turnover-free seasons and when the first occurred:

118  Sefo Liufau (five games, Oct. 10-31, 2015)
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When Cole Becker trotted onto the field to try (and make) CU’s first PAT kick of the season in CU’s 35-7 win over Northern Colorado, he became just the fifth true freshman placekicker in school history to score at least one point in a Buffs season opener. He joined Tom Field (1979 vs. Oregon), Mason Crosby (2003 vs. Colorado State), Will Oliver (2011 at Hawaii) and James Stefanou (2017 vs. Colorado State). He was bidding to tie the second-longest first career field goal made (53 yards), but the kick hit the crossbar. He missed his second try (a 46-yard against Texas AM in Denver that sailed wide right), and also his third try (46 yards at Arizona State that was partially blocked). But when he did make his first kick, a 51-yarder at Arizona State, it registered as the fourth-longest in two different categories at Colorado, in first career field goal made and the longest by a freshman. He would go on later in the year to make the longest by a freshman (56 yards at Utah), and the most 50-yard kicks in a season since 2005, when Crosby made 5-of-7 from 50-plus.

True freshman PK Cole Becker became just the seventh freshman to lead the team in scoring, and also rose to score the second-most points by a Colorado freshman in a single season. He had 23 points in the last three games of the season (six field goals, five PATs) that vaulted him from eighth into second place. A closer look at both lists:

### CU’s Team Scoring Leaders: (Freshmen)

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True freshman PK Cole Becker made CU’s fourth overtime game-winning field goal after the opponent failed to score in school annals when he drilled a 43-yarder to lead to CU to a 37-34 double OT win over Oregon State. In addition to being the longest field goal to win an overtime game for Colorado, it is the fourth-longest to win a game in the final 2 minutes or in overtime. The lists:

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Freshman S Trevor Woods blocked punt was CU’s first since Alex Fontenot blocked punts at Cal (Nov. 24, 2018) and against Utah (Nov. 17, 2018), and his first blocked punt return for a TD since Lawrence Vickers recovered a punt in the end zone against Washington State in Seattle on Sept. 11, 2004.

### CU Coaches vs. Alma Mates

21-13. That’s the record of CU head coaches against their alma maters – five in all – as Karl Dorrell joined the previous four in coaching against the team he played for. And all five have taken the Buffs to the stadium they played in as players for those teams, Dorrell joining the group when CU fell 44-20 to UCLA at Rose Bowl (which made his record 1-1 against the school that awarded him a diploma; his first win at CU was against the Bruins in Boulder). Joe Mills (University of Denver) lost in 1918 at DU but won the next year in Boulder to go 1-1; Eddie Crowder (Oklahoma) lost his first game against the Sooners in 1963 in Norman, and would eventually go 4-7 overall; Bill McCartney (Oklahoma) lost in Columbia in 1982, and after dropping the first three, ended up with a 10-game winning streak to finish up 10-3; and Gary Barnett (Missouri) would go 6-1 against the Tigers; he won the first game in Boulder in overtime in 1999 and then won in his first time back at Columbia’s Faurot Field, 28-18, in 2000 (in a game where CU set a still-school record 14 quarterback sacks).
OPENING DEPTH CHART NOTES

The Buffs released their season-opening depth chart on August 28, and for the seventh time in the last nine seasons, CU has more underclassmen than upperclassmen listed (still some effect from the NCAA granting an extra year of eligibility for the COVID-19 pandemic). Of the 81 players listed on the opening depth, 56 were underclassmen (33 freshmen, 23 sophomores); there are 8 juniors, 12 seniors and 6 graduate transfers (five first-year, one second-year).

► The 33 freshmen breakdown into five categories: true (16), redshirts (8), second-time (4, meaning they played as true freshmen in 2021), third-time (3, which means they played less than four games in 2020 and then qualified for the extra year of eligibility due to the NCAA’s COVID exception) and transfers (2).

► 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. In 2018, true freshmen collectively started 15 games, in 2019, 12 did so, in 2020, true frosh started seven games and in 2021, five true freshmen combined for eight starts, mostly in the secondary (WR Chase Penry 3, CB Kaylin Moore 2, CB Nikko Reed 1, S Tyrin Taylor 1, S Trevor Woods 1). Five true freshmen are in the secondary in the opening depth chart, the most at any position, followed by three at wide receiver.

► 228. That’s the number of career starts by 24 players on the opening depth, led by defensive linemen (60), followed by offensive linemen (48), tight ends (28, all by Brady Russell), defensive backs (21), wide receivers (19), inside linebackers (14), tailbacks (14, all by Alex Fontenot), outside linebackers/edge (12) and quarterbacks (12, all by Brendon Lewis).

CAREER CHART WATCH

Here’s where several Buffaloes rank on some of CU’s all-time lists entering the 2022 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):

⇒ WR DANIEL ARIAS is 99th in receiving yards (424), tied for 102nd in receptions (28), second in forced fair catches (26), is second in first downfield credits (13) and is seventh in special team points (73).

⇒ PK COLE BECKER is 86th in scoring (67 points; 21st in kick scoring) and is tied for 19th in field goals made (14).

⇒ TB ALEX FONTENOT is 40th in rushing yards (1,243), is tied for 79th in scoring (72 points) and is tied for 75th in receptions (40).

⇒ DE TERRANCE LANG is tied for 43rd in quarterback sacks (9%).

⇒ OB BRENDON LEWIS is 244th in passing yards (1,540), is tied for 19th in touchdown passes (10) and is outside the top 50 in total offense (1,728).

⇒ TE BRADY RUSSELL is tied for 48th in receptions (58) and is 61st in receiving yards (646).

AROUND THE NATION

Colorado has traditionally stocked its rosters primarily with players from three states: Colorado, California and Texas (72.2 percent of the entire roster—active and inactive—as of August 28, 83 of 115 players). The roll call of state producers for the Buffaloes: California 32, Texas 26, Colorado 25, Florida 5, Georgia 4, Arizona 3, Mississippi 3, Oregon 3, Alabama 2, Illinois 2, Arkansas 1, Iowa 1, Kansas 1, Massachusetts 1, Michigan 1, North Carolina 1, Ohio 1, Washington 1, Wisconsin 1. That’s 19 states total along with AMERICAN SAMOA (1) that has produced the 2022 Buffaloes.

⇒ BY CLASS: 5 graduate transfers; 13 seniors (12 fifth-year), 8 juniors, 30 sophomores; 60 freshmen (34 true, 19 redshirt/2nd-year, 4 third-time, 3 transfer).

⇒ AROUND THE WORLD: Three Buffaloes were born outside of the United States: WR Daniel Arias (San Domino, D.R.), OLBJoshua Gustav (Hamburg, Germany) and S Oakie Salave’a (Fagau’ala, American Samoa).

AND THE J’S (STILL) HAVE IT

Statistics show that more first names in the U.S. begin with the letter “J,” followed by M, S, D and C. The Buffs take that to the extreme: on the 2022 Colorado roster, about 20 percent on the team has first names that begin with J. 21 players overall who go by 19 different J names. The list:

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POSESESSIONS DOWN IN 2021

Colorado averaged just 11.3 offensive possessions a game, down nearly a full three from 2020 and around two fewer than what the Buffs have traditionally averaged. It was the fewest average possessions per game since 2006, when the Buffs also had 135 total in 12 games, or 11.25 per. We have tracked this statistic at Colorado since 1984; in 37 previous seasons, CU has averaged under 12 possessions per game just twice (2006, 2019). The high average was 15.2 in 1992, when CU had a great defense and got the ball back to the offense more than any other season. A year-by-year look:

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In 1989, CU scored over half of its possessions: 72 of 138 times, or 52.1 percent (with 59 touchdowns). No other team has eclipsed the 50 percent plateau.

STIFLE, EDITH! (I’m so 70s). Since losing in Lincoln on Nov. 12, 1988 against Nebraska by a 7-0 score, the Buffaloes had won 75 straight games when holding the opponent to 13 points or less until dropping a 10-7 decision to Texas A&M in Denver on Sept. 11. CU had also won 29 in a row when the enemy has scored 14 or fewer dating to a 14-13 setback at Georgia in 2006; and 24 straight when the opponent has been held to 17 or fewer points (dating to a 17-10 loss at Iowa State in 2009). Colorado’s last loss at home when allowing 13 points or less remains the 1987 season opener against Oregon, when the Ducks left Boulder with a 10-7 win.
Colorado has installed a new sound system at Folsom Field that will be operational at the Buffaloes’ season opener against TCU on Friday, Sept. 2. The new, state-of-the-art system replaces the old one that was installed in 1996. The main advantages of the new system, designed by WJHW Sound Consultants which cost approximately $1.8 million, will be: significant increase in clarity and definition of voice and music; substantial uniformity improvement throughout the stadium; addition of Subwoofers for increased bass; and it is designed to operate down to minus-4 degrees Fahrenheit.

The old system was powered by 13 dual channel amplifiers (26 channels total) delivering 14,100 watts; the new system is powered by 24 Dynacord IPX series 4 channel amplifiers (96 channels total) delivering 250,000 watts of power. The eighteen JBL VLA (Very Large Array) speakers are mounted on either side of the BuffVision north videoboard to increase the height of the system and to improve coverage and uniformity; two additional VLA’s cover the 200 level seating area operational. They have been installed, but due to global supply chain issues, the amplifiers to power the speakers have not yet been delivered. They are scheduled to be functional before CU’s second home game (Sept. 24 against UCLA).
STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

Here’s where the Buffs ranked statistically in select categories in the Pac-12 and the NCAA for the 2021 season:

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INDIVIDUAL (Top 25 in conference or top CU leader; players must meet NCAA minimum of 75% of team’s games; *— had enough attempts to qualify)

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FUMBLE ME OR FUMBLE ME NOT

Hanging on to the football is one thing that the Colorado Buffaloes have done most of last decade, and they took it up a notch in 2019. The Buffaloes did not fumble the ball in six games, and had just 11 fumbles, and “11” is actually a bit misleading; three were charged to the team on had snaps and a fourth happened on a muffed try at scooping up a punt; the three that were lost were on special teams (two on kickoff returns and that muffed punt); the offense never lost a fumble. The Buffs set a record with four consecutive games without a fumble, which included a stretch of 446 touches (scrimmage plays, punts/placemen kicks, returns, fair catches).

► In 2019, 1,021 touches, that was one fumble for every 92.8 touches. The ones most prone to fumble, running backs, had just three in 367 (rushing, receptions, returns).
► In 2020, 445 touches, that was one fumble for every 75.7 touches. The ones most prone to fumble, running backs, had just one in 185 (rushing, receptions, returns).
► 2021 numbers: 11 fumbles (two of which came on punt return muffs and three on center snaps) in 872 touches (707 scrimmage plays; 4 recoveries; 9 interceptions, 152 special teams; 41 returns, 66 punts and 45 placements)—one for every 73.9 touches;
► Since the start of the 2013 season, Colorado has a total of 131 fumbles (losing 55) – out of 9,330 touches (or 1 in every 71.2 touches).
► CU’s takeaways have just 23 over the last nine seasons in 2,937 carries (or just one in every 127.7 attempts), 0 in 317 carries in 2021;
► CU’s first fumble in 2020 came in 193 minutes and 31 seconds into the season (fourth game), a school record for the longest into a year before losing one;
► CU had no fumbles in six games in 2019, tying the school record set in 2014 and 2017 (and has none in 38 of its last 101 games).
► CU has lost just 22 fumbles (4 this season) dating back into the 2016 season (out of 87 fumbles overall in this 66-game span);
► CU just lost 3 fumbles in 2019, none on offense (two on kickoff returns, one on a muffed punt return); that tied for the third fewest in the NCAA, and lost only 3 again in 2020, and lost just in 2021.

FATHER-SON SCORING

If and when TE Caleb Fauria scores his first career touchdown (or points), he would join his father Christian (*94) as the fifth father-son duo to score points for the Buffs; the list (year is the last season on the Buffs):

Father: Larry Brunson, 1971 (3 TDs)  Son: Matt Brunson, 2001 (2 TDs)  Father: Marc Walters, 1986 (2 TDs)  Son: Ryan Walters, 2006 (1 TD)
Father: Walter Stanley, 1985 (5 TDs)  Son: Dimitri Stanley, 2019-21 (4 TDs)

FONTE NOT A FIRST SINCE 2018 AND LIKELY A FIRST, PERIOD

In CU’s 52-29 loss at Oregon, junior TB Alex Fontenot scored two touchdowns, one on a 2-yard reception from QB Brendon Lewis and the other on a 1-yard run up the middle with a terrific block from TE Alec Pell, among others.

► His 2-yard reception on fourth down for CU’s second TD was the first receiving TD of his career ... and CU’s first receiving TD by a running back since Travon McMillan had a 57-yard one at Arizona on Nov. 2, 2018.
► He became the first Buff to have a rushing and receiving TD in the same game since WR Laviska Shenault had two of each versus Arizona State in 2018.
► It highly likely that he is the first player to score two touchdowns on fourth down in the same game in school history; CU last had two touchdowns on fourth down plays in 2011, and the last player to score TDs on two fourth downs in the same season was WR Scotty McKnight in 2008 (back-to-back against Iowa State and Oklahoma State). TE Tyson DeVree had three coming in back-to-back-to-back games in 2007.” Cody Hawkins was the QB throwing to both McKnight and DeVree.

CAPTAINS SELECTED

For the first time since 2018, CU will have captains at the start of the season (they were selected each game for the 2019-21 seasons). The team voted four players at a team meeting on August 27, and those representing CU in 2022 will be seniors ILB Terrance Lang, ILB Quinn Perry and TE Brady Russell and junior OG Casey Rodrick.
 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 rule 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 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 lost for the season.

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 BENEFITED THE FIRST YEAR? SEVEN BUFFS ... 22 SINCE

In 2018, there were seven Buffaloes who benefited 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).

► In 2019, the rule was applied to 10 players who met the criteria: CB Mehki Blackmon (4), OT Frank Fillip (2), OL Joshka Gustav (3), ILB Marvin Ham (4), DL Austin Johnson (1), OLB Jamar Montgomery (4), OLB Alec Pell (4), ILB Quinn Perry (1), PK Evan Price (4) and WR La’Vontae Shenault (4).

► In 2020, all players in the FBS were granted an extra year of eligibility if they chose to take advantage of it, regardless of number of games played.

► In 2021, there were 9 current players who met the criteria: TE Caleb Fauria (4), C Noah Fenske (2), OLB Devin Grant (3), WR Jaylon Jackson (2), OLB Zion Magalei (1), DL Tyas Martin (1), TE Austin Smith (2), ILB Mister Williams (3) and DL Ryan Williams (2).

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 more minutes in 2016 than 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):

100+ RETURN YARDS NOT THAT COMMON

A key factor in a game can be return yards (punt, interception, fumble, blocked kicks, just not kickoff).

► CU’s has just seven games since 2002 with over 100 return yards in a game (and in 2021 had two in the same season for just the second time since 2002, as the Buffs had 121 yards (71 punt, 50 interception, with two scores) against Arizona and 111 against Washington; the last time with three was 2001). In 2016, CU had 175 against UCLA in its 20-10 win (accounting for one touchdown), 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). In 2017, CU owned two games with 100-plus (116-9 versus Texas State and 126-5 against Cal).

► The opponents’ last 100-plus return yard game was by Michigan in 2016 (the Wolverines had 132); opponents have had seven 100+ games dating back to 2011.

► In 2018, CU had an overall edge of 372-275, which included edges of 87-0 against CSU and 32(-2) at Nebraska.

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 107-15-1 when the opponent fails to reach 100 yards on the ground, and 107-20-1 when the enemy is held under 300 yards overall. CU is 14-1 and 18-0 in each, respectively, dating back to the start of the 2013 season (1-0 in 2021).
COLORADO IN THE POLLS – 2022 WEEK-BY-WEEK

A look at where Colorado has placed weekly in each of the three major polls in 2020 (the College Football Playoff committee first weekly rankings will be on Tuesday, Nov. 1; RV—denotes received votes; number is place outside top 25):

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IN THE POLLS / SOME HISTORY

The last time Colorado re-entered the national polls was on Dec. 6, 2020 (No. 21 AP/No. 22 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 coach’s 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 been ranked 305 times in its history, the 29th most all-time; The Buffs have 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).

47 WINS OVER AP RANKED TEAMS 24TH BEST SINCE ’89

CU’s 47 wins over Associated Press ranked teams dating back to the 1989 season (when the AP expanded to a top 25) are tied for the 24th most in the nation in this time frame (35 seasons). Through the 2021 season, Alabama has the most (106), followed by Ohio State (103), LSU (88), Florida State (84), Oklahoma (82), Florida (81), Southern Cal (73), Georgia (72), Miami, Fla. (65), Auburn (64), Oregon (64), Tennessee (63), Notre Dame (60), Texas (60), Clemson (59), Penn State (58), UCLA (55), Washington (55), Stanford (52), Wisconsin (52), Virginia Tech (50), Michigan State (50), COLORADO (47), Nebraska (47), Texas A&M (44) and Georgia Tech (42).

➢ All-time, Colorado’s 70 wins over ranked teams are the 23rd most in history.
➢ CU is 436-3 against ranked teams the last 12 seasons (2010-21); also 1-33 on road since a win at UCLA in 2002 (other win at ASU in 2019).
➢ 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 (16 straight losses).
➢ Since 1989 (when the Associated Press started ranking a Top 25), Colorado has played the 7th most ranked teams dating back to the 1989 season (when the AP expanded to a top 25) are tied for the 24th most in the nation

THE TRANSFER PORTAL

Since the transfer portal became the NCAA’s version of free agency, Colorado has acquired 14 players, nine as graduate transfers and five who decided to transfer as undergraduates (*—denotes graduate transfer; Status—remaining eligibility clock when arrive at CU, 2/1: two years to play one eligibility):

<table>
<thead>
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<th>Year</th>
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<th>Class</th>
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<td>*Matt Lynch, TE</td>
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<td>1/1</td>
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<td>*Max Wray, OT</td>
<td>Alabama</td>
<td>So-3</td>
<td>2/1</td>
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<td>2021</td>
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<td>Oklahoma</td>
<td>Gr.</td>
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<td>Iowa</td>
<td>Fr. 2</td>
<td>4/4</td>
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<td>*Josh Chandler-Semedo</td>
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<td>James Mott, QB</td>
<td>Chicago</td>
<td>Fr. 3</td>
<td>4/4</td>
<td>2022</td>
<td>Maddox Kopp</td>
<td>Texas</td>
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<td>*J.T. Shroot, QB</td>
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<td>So.</td>
<td>3/3</td>
<td>2022</td>
<td>*Chance Main</td>
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700 CLUB

Colorado became the 25th school to reach the 700-win mark with a 44-28 win over California in 2017; the Buffs have an all-time record of 718-525-36 (a 575 winning percentage). In addition to being 27th 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 August 27:

| Team | Years | Games | Won | Lost | Tied | Pct.  | Team | Years | Games | Won | Lost | Tied | Pct.  | Team | Years | Games | Won | Lost | Tied | Pct.  |
|------|-------|-------|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-----|------|------|------|
| 1 Alabama | 127 | 1,318 | 942 | 333 | 43 | .732 | 11 Georgia | 128 | 1,335 | 853 | 428 | 54 | .659 | 21 Georgia Tech | 129 | 1,313 | 744 | 526 | 43 | .583 |
| 2 Ohio State | 132 | 1,324 | 942 | 329 | 53 | .731 | 12 LSU | 128 | 1,297 | 823 | 427 | 47 | .653 | 22 Arkansas | 128 | 1,294 | 730 | 520 | 45 | .580 |
| 3 Michigan | 142 | 1,364 | 976 | 352 | 36 | .729 | 13 Auburn | 129 | 1,292 | 788 | 457 | 47 | .628 | 23 Syracuse | 132 | 1,342 | 730 | 563 | 49 | .562 |
| 4 Notre Dame | 127 | 1,300 | 929 | 329 | 42 | .731 | 14 Clemson | 126 | 1,288 | 778 | 465 | 45 | .621 | 24 Navy | 141 | 1,370 | 729 | 584 | 57 | .553 |
| 5 Oklahoma | 127 | 1,312 | 928 | 331 | 36 | .728 | 15 West Virginia | 129 | 1,327 | 767 | 515 | 45 | .595 | 25 Wisconsin | 133 | 1,286 | 728 | 505 | 53 | .586 |
| 6 Texas | 129 | 1,346 | 928 | 385 | 33 | .702 | 16 Texas A&M | 127 | 1,305 | 766 | 491 | 48 | .605 | 26 Michigan State | 125 | 1,237 | 711 | 472 | 44 | .600 |
| 7 Penn State | 135 | 1,354 | 909 | 404 | 41 | .686 | 17 Virginia Tech | 128 | 1,299 | 762 | 491 | 46 | .605 | 27 Colorado | 132 | 1,279 | 718 | 525 | 36 | .575 |
| 8 Nebraska | 132 | 1,358 | 908 | 410 | 40 | .683 | 18 Washington | 123 | 1,263 | 750 | 463 | 50 | .614 | 28 Minnesota | 130 | 1,256 | 717 | 533 | 44 | .571 |
| 9 USC | 128 | 1,270 | 856 | 360 | 54 | .696 | 19 Pittsburgh | 132 | 1,338 | 749 | 547 | 42 | .576 | 29 Army | 132 | 1,300 | 715 | 534 | 51 | .570 |
| 10 Tennessee | 125 | 1,317 | 856 | 408 | 53 | .671 | 20 Florida | 115 | 1,218 | 747 | 431 | 40 | .630 | 30 North Carolina | 131 | 1,326 | 713 | 559 | 54 | .558 |
ALMOST PERFECT IN CLOSE

Dating back to nine games into the 2016 season, Colorado has had 96 goal-to-go situations, scoring 94 times (or 97.9 percent of the time); 74 of the scores have been touchdowns to go with 20 field goals. The only non-scores came on a drive ending on downs in 2018 against Oregon State (in overtime) and an interception last year at Oregon. A look at perfect (or near) seasons in this regard since 1984 when the stat was first tracked (18-for-18 in 2021; 14 TDs):

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<td>18</td>
<td>17 (94.4)</td>
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<td>18</td>
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<td>4</td>
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<td>1985</td>
<td>13</td>
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<td>11</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>10 (90.9)</td>
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<td>29 (93.5)</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>96.7</td>
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<td>20</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>15 (75.0)</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>1988</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>16 (84.2)</td>
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RECORD YEAR FOR THE “RED ZONE” OFFENSE

Or as we call it: Scoring Percentage Inside-the-20 Offense. Though the offense struggled at times throughout the season, the 2021 Buffaloes did finish with the best percentage of scoring once it cracked the opponent 20. Colorado scored on 31-of-33 possessions into the red zone, including 20 touchdowns. That worked to a 93.3 percentage, which was the third best figure in the nation (tied in the Pac-12). Oklahoma led with a 96.8 mark (60-of-62), with Iowa State second (47-of-49, 93.9); next best in the Pac-12 was Washington (10th, 35-of-38, 92.1). The old school record was 90.6, set in both 1985 and 1994.

INSIDE-THE-20

(FACT: CU created charting the red zone in 1981 as “Penetrating the 20”; as in the NFL, the 20 is not in the red zone in its stats)

The Buffaloes, after going through a period where they had their frustrations once penetrating the opponent 20-yard line, has been very efficient over the last eight seasons in the stats’ original name, “Scoring Percentage Inside-the-20.” Dating back to the start of the 2014 season, Colorado is 283-of-331 in the “Red Zone” (85.5 percent, 197 touchdowns, 86 field goals). In 2021, the Buffaloes had their best year overall, scoring on 31-of-33 penetrations (20 touchdowns). Here’s a look at CU’s best Red Zone performances on offense in its history; numbers were researched from 1953 to the present (bowl games not included):

RED ZONE OFFENSE (minimum 30 penetrations of the 20)

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<td>31-of-33</td>
<td>(20, 11)</td>
<td>60.6</td>
<td>93.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>1985</td>
<td>29-of-32</td>
<td>(22, 7)</td>
<td>75.9</td>
<td>90.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1994</td>
<td>48-of-53</td>
<td>(40, 8)</td>
<td>83.3</td>
<td>90.6</td>
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<tr>
<td>1997</td>
<td>35-of-39</td>
<td>(25, 10)</td>
<td>71.4</td>
<td>89.7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2016</td>
<td>51-of-57</td>
<td>(37, 14)</td>
<td>72.5</td>
<td>89.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2014</td>
<td>40-of-45</td>
<td>(29, 11)</td>
<td>72.5</td>
<td>88.9</td>
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<td>1988</td>
<td>37-of-42</td>
<td>(30, 7)</td>
<td>81.1</td>
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<td>1989</td>
<td>50-of-57</td>
<td>(42, 8)</td>
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<td>87.7</td>
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And defensively, the Buffaloes enjoyed one of their best seasons as well, the 19th-best (out of 69 years of data) and the fourth-best of a CU team with a losing record:

RED ZONE DEFENSE (minimum 30 penetrations of the 20)

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<td>62.5</td>
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<td>55.3</td>
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<td>1978</td>
<td>23-of-35</td>
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<td>1959</td>
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<td>1968</td>
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<td>72.2</td>
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<td>27-of-37</td>
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<td>62.2</td>
<td>72.2</td>
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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 bowl games, going back to 1994, when CU had a high of 76 plays over 20-yards, almost equal in nature (57 rush, 39 pass):
COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS IN 2021

0 The number of penalties CU had in the first three quarters at California, the first time since the 2016 Utah game.
0-8-3 The Buffs record in Pac-12 road “doubleheaders” (road games in back-to-back weeks: no sweeps, three splits, swept eight times including this year (Cal-Oregon);
2-4-2 The Buffs record in Pac-12 home “doubleheaders” (two sweeps—WSU and Utah in 2016 and Stanford and Washington in 2019; two splits, swept four times);
1 The number of starts at quarterback by all players on the roster at the position entering the season (and that was by the injured J.T. Shroud);
3:15 The average length of CU’s games in 2021 (the quickest—California, 2:59; the longest—Oregon State 3:31). The average in 2020: 3:24;
4 The number of fumbles lost by CU in 2021 after losing just 3 in 2020 and in 2019 (out of 26 total over the three years);
4:25 (a.m.) The time Colorado returned to the Champions Center on campus from its road game at UCLA;
4:40 (a.m.) The time Colorado returned to the Champions Center on campus from its road game at Arizona State;
5-6 Colorado’s record in Pac-12 Conference openers, including this year’s 35-13 loss at Arizona State (3-2 on the road);
74.4 The opponents’ scoring percentage inside-the-20 (red zone; 26 TD/6 FG in 43 trips);
11.25 The number of days between when Dorrell was hired as head coach (Feb. 23) and when he held his first practice (Oct. 9);
45 < The number of days the start of CU’s 2020 season was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic (Sept. 5 to Nov. 7);
89:37 The time Colorado returned to the Champions Center on campus from its road game at Arizona State;
228 The number of days between when Dorrell was hired as head coach (Feb. 23) and when he held his first practice (Oct. 9);
240 The number of touches the Buffaloes had this season before committing its first fumble (on a center snap; included 161 scrimmage plays).

COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS (2020 LEFTOVERS)

4th Karl Dorrell became the fourth coach since 1932 to win his debut at the reins of the CU program with the Buffs’ 48-42 win over UCLA;
5 The number of regular season games played in 2020, the fewest since 1918 (when CU went 2-3, also the year of the last major U.S. pandemic);
8th Time since league players-of-the-week started being selected (in 1963), CU had both offensive (QB Sam Noyer) and defensive (ILB Nate Landman) vs. Stanford;
14 The number of times CU ran at least one play in UCLA territory (out of 16 possessions) in the season opener;
18-22 San Diego State ran 18 plays in plus territory for a net 22 yards, and never penetrated CU’s 20 (red zone).
35+ The number of points Colorado scored in its first two games, the 17th time it has done so in school history and fourth time this century (2005-13-16-20).
45 < The time in hours between when CU found out the USC game was canceled (7 p.m. on Thurs., Nov. 26) and kickoff with San Diego State (3:37 on Sat., Nov. 28);
63 The number of days the start of CU’s 2020 season was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic (Sept. 5 to Nov. 7);
189:37 The time Colorado was in the lead in 2020, or 79 percent of the time;
TB Cortlen Johnson had 172 rushing and 105 receiving at Iowa State. The full list can be found on page 178 of the 2021 CU Media Guide.

LITTLE KNOWN RARITY

In CU history, the Buffaloes have had a 100-yard rusher and receiver in the same game on 49 occasions (38-11 when this occurs). Since CU joined the Pac-12 in 2011, it has occurred 19 times overall (once each in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2019 and now 2020; 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 178 of the 2021 CU Media Guide.
2022 GRADUATES (14)

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*—graduate transfers; GC—Graduate Certificate Program. ^—graduating in December '22 with a degree in Organizational Leadership.; f-no longer on team.
#—student coach. There are 3,052 graduates playing across all divisions of NCAA/NAIA football in 2022 (per NFL survey).

THOSE IN POSITION TO GRADUATE IN DECEMBER (7)

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GRADUATION REVIEW

(Through August 2022) Over the last 21 years, Colorado has had 385 of its 417 seniors graduate, translating to 92.3 percent in this time frame (including all 25 probable graduates in 2021); these are the 2001-2021 senior classes, including those players who received medicals. Over the last 14 years, 269 of the last 287 have graduated (93.7%), with 10 of those 18 either playing in the NFL or attempted 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 is 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 2.738 grade point average for the Spring 2022 semester is its third-highest on record; the top three are in the last three semesters (data collected since 1996); it’s cumulative GPA through the fall of 2.764 is also second only to last fall’s 2.787 mark.

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 Seif LiuFaufu-Nelson Spruce touchdown pass covering 31 yards ended the seven-play march over a gassed ASU defense. The seven:

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A DOzen HAVE DASHED 100 ... OR FURTHER

CB Nikko Reed took the second half kickoff three yards deep and proceeded to race (officially) 100 yards for a touchdown in CU’s 28-13 loss at Utah. It was the 12th 100-yard play in CU history, the eighth kickoff return of that length. Of the dozen, it was just the second by a freshman (joining Marques Mosley’s kickoff return in 2012 against Utah), and the first outside of the state of Colorado. Note: the NCAA seals returns at a 100-yard maximum; if it allowed returns to be scored like the NFL, counting end zone yardage, Nick Fisher’s interception return in 2017 would have been credited as a 109-yard return (CU’s head statistician is also the Broncos’). And there was almost a 13th: 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

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Listed below are the career games played/started for the players on the 2022 Colorado Buffaloes. The players on the opening camp roster collectively have played in 760 games, with just 230 starts. The list (includes the 2020 Alamo Bowl: KEY: G—games; GS—games started; CGS—consecutive games started):

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ReturningHighlights &Lows:

- **MOST GAMES:** 1,080 (2005), 1,072 (2016), 1,053 (2006), 1,027 (2017), 924 (2001).

- **LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START:** CB Kaylin Moore, WR Chase Penry, CB Nikko Reed, CB Tyrin Taylor, S Trevor Woods (2021); CB Christian Gonzalez, WR Brendon Rice (2020); CB TASK Lockett, TB Jaren Mangham, S Mark Perry, DT Na’im Rodman, CB K.J. Trujillo (2019); DE Israel Antwine, OF Nu’umotu Falo, OT Arlington Hambright, OLB Devin Grant (2018).

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**14 MADE FIRST CAREER STARTS IN 2021**

In the 2021 season opener against Northern Colorado, just three Buffaloes made their first career starts: QB Brendon Lewis, WR Quinn Perry and OG Jake Wiley, while in game two, OT Max Wray made his first start as a Buff; in game three, COHOFense was in the starting 11 and in game five (USC), CB Nigel Bethel and LB Jack Lamb were in on the first play. At Cal. and WR Chase Penry and S Trevor Woods made their first starts, and then at Oregon, OLBSasha Gustav and CB Tyrin Taylor were in for the first play.


**EXPERIENCE ANALYSIS**

A look at annual fluctuations in the percentage of upperclassmen starting games over the two decades at Colorado; in 2012, the Buffaloes started their fewest seniors believed ever (17.8%) and a record number of freshmen (28.0%; 21.6% true freshmen). A year-by-year glance at starts by class since 1999:
The participation chart for the 2022 Colorado Buffaloes; KEY: $—started; ✓—played; DNP—dressed, but did not play; INJ—injured/illness; SSP—suspended; —denotes did not dress; ●—saw first action as a Buffalo in 2022:

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**24 PLAYERS SAW FIRST CU ACTION IN 2021**

A total of 24 players have seen their first action in a CU uniform this season (16 against Northern Colorado in the opener; 17 did so against UCLA in 2020; the record in an opener of 34 was set in 2018). Here is the breakdown by class of those players (*—mainly special teams duty):


**REDSHIRT FROSH (7):** OT Gerad Christian-Lichtenhan, TE Caleb Fauria, OL Noah Fenske, WR *Michael Harrison, S Trustin Oliver, DL Jayden Simon, DL *Blayne Toll.

**SOPHOMORES (1):** OT Max Wray.

**GRADUATE TRANSFERS (2):** LB Robert Barnes, ILB Jack Lamb.

Karl Dorrell is now in his third season as the head coach at Colorado, and his eighth as a head coach on the collegiate level; he was named CU’s 27th full-time coach on February 23, 2020; he is 8-10 at Colorado and owns an overall 43-37 record. A true veteran coach with a pedigree second to none, he started as a graduate assistant at his alma mater (UCLA) in 1988 and has spent the last 34 seasons coaching football, with a little more in college (20 years) than in the National Football League (14). He joined the Buffaloes from the Miami Dolphins, where he coached the wide receivers in 2019 and had just been promoted to assistant head coach, but Dorrell was no stranger to Colorado and Boulder. Bill McCartney hired him ahead of the 1992 season as CU’s receivers coach, his first Division I-A/FBS job; he left CU for one year at Arizona State in 1994, but when Rick Neuheisel was named head coach after McCartney retired, he returned for his second stint at the school, this time as offensive coordinator, receivers and quarterbacks coach for the 1995-98 seasons until he accompanied Neuheisel to the University of Washington in 1999. The lure of the state of Colorado calling and named him its head coach. He was 35-27 in five seasons at UCLA (2003-07), and would then go on to spend 12 of the next 13 years in the NFL.

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He is the third African-American head football coach at Colorado, as Mike MacIntyre (CBS-SN; 2013, Colorado State in Denver) and Jon Embree headed the program in 2011-12 and Mel Tucker (2019). He is one of three in the Pac-12 (David Shaw, Stanford; Herm Edwards, Arizona State) and one of 14 in the 131-team FBS.

How much did Dorrell and his family love Colorado? They had a house built here in nearby Lafayette as he decided that when his coaching days were over, they wanted to retire to the state. Thus, this is definitely his dream job and he was actually headed to town for a few days prior to planning to attend the 2020 NFL Combine when he got the call from athletic director Rick George about interviewing for the vacant head coaching position.

In his first two stints at Colorado, he coached three All-Americans (Michael Westbrook in 1992, Charles Johnson in 1993, Rae Carruth in 1996). All-Conference (Big 8 or Big 12) performers on various levels (receivers Westbrook, Johnson, Carruth, Phil Savoy all first-team, along with Darrin Chiaverini, Javon Green and James Kidd and quarterback Mike Moscetti). Johnson, Westbrook and Carruth were all first-round NFL draft picks.

Dorrell is not the first to be hired as an offensive coordinator at the school; in fact, he is the fifth. He joins an impressive list of those who spent time in Boulder as an assistant before being named head coach: Frank Potts (assistant for the 1927-39, 1941-43 and 1946-47 seasons), Rick Neuheisel (1994), Gary Barnett (1984-91) and Jon Embree (1993-2002). Dorrell joined the Buffs the season after Barnett was named head coach at Northwestern, and Neuheisel actually had replaced Dorrell on the Colorado staff under Bill McCartney.

Dorrell is the third CU coach to take over the program after signing day: Chuck Fairbanks arrived in Boulder on April 4, 1979 after a lengthy court battle with the New England Patriots to release him from their contract, and McCartney was hired on June 9, 1982 after Fairbanks left to coach New Jersey in the fledgling United States Football League (USFL).

Dorrell was the seventh Colorado head coach to have their debut at the reins of the program televised nationally (ESPN2), as he joined Chuck Fairbanks (ESPN; 1979 vs. Oregon), Rick Neuheisel (ABC, 1995 at Wisconsin), Gary Barnett (FOX; 1999, Colorado State in Denver), Jon Embree (ESPN2; 2011 at Hawai’i), Mike MacIntyre (CBS-SN; 2013, Colorado State in Denver) and Mel Tucker (ESPN; 2019, Colorado State in Denver).

A 1986 graduate of UCLA, earning his bachelor’s degree in Psychology, also earning a minor in Business Administration. A member of Terry Donahue’s seventh recruiting class at UCLA, he lettered four years at wide receiver for the Bruins (and actually played a game against CU in Boulder in 1982; he caught one pass for 23 yards from Rick Neuheisel). He played his entire Bruin career for Donahue, who would coach UCLA for 20 seasons (1976-95).

Dorrell was officially named CU’s 27th full-time head coach on Feb. 23, 2020, and signed a 5-year contract worth $18 million overall ($500,000 base; $1.2 million radio/TV income & public appearances; $1.2 million with promotions and fundraising income), plus various annual incentives that add to $300,000. The radio/TV income and promotion/fundraising components will increase annually by $100,000; thus $3.2 million for the first year, $3.4 for the second, etc., not including additional income from any of several incentive components. The contract runs through Dec. 31, 2024.

For an in-depth, personal look at Dorrell, CU’s sports video staff did this excellent piece: https://youtu.be/WvhExTPB6uA.
### Karl Dorrell Year-By-Year Coaching Record

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### Career Totals

- Overall: 37 - 538 - 2048 - 2066 - 30 - 25 - .545 - 1443 - 1492
- As a GA at UCLA (Pacific 10; 1 season, 1988): 10 - 2 - 1 bowl (1-0)
- As an assistant at Denver (NHL, 1 season, 2008-09): 31 - 33 - (0-1 playoffs)
- As an assistant at Vanderbilt (SEC, 1 season, 2014): 3 - 9
- As an assistant at Arizona (Pacific 10; 1 season, 1999): 3 - 13 - 1 bowl (0-1)

### COLORADO SUPERLATIVES UNDER KARL DORRELL

- **Most Scoring Drive (TD; Yards):** 59 Arizona State Sept. 25, 2021
- **Most Time of Possession:** 59 San Diego State Nov. 28, 2020
- **Most Total Offense:** 32-45 UCLA Nov. 13, 2021
- **Longest Scoring Drive (TD; Yards):** 90 on 3 occasions (last: vs. Wash., ’21)
- **Feast Total Offense Allowed:** 154 at Arizona Dec. 5, 2020
- **Most Offensive Plays:** 95 at Arizona Dec. 5, 2020
- **Most First Downs:** 525 UCLA Nov. 7, 2020
- **Most Points:** 39-31 UCLA Nov. 7, 2020
- **Most Touchdowns:** 59 at San Diego State Nov. 28, 2020
- **Most Rushing Yards Allowed:** 288 Texas A&M Sept. 11, 2021
- **Most Passing Yards Allowed:** 200 at Rice Sept. 6, 2021
- **Most Total Offense Allowed:** 264 at San Diego State Nov. 28, 2020
- **Least Total Offense Allowed:** 154 at Arizona Dec. 5, 2020
- **Most Rushing Touchdowns Allowed:** 59 at San Diego State Nov. 28, 2020
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- Of the 23 coaches hired to lead new programs in 2020, only one won his first four games: Karl Dorrell; just two others won their first three: Jim Traylor (UTSA) and Jimmy Lake (Washington); see all first-year coaches in 2020 on page 33.
In his first two seasons at Colorado under Bill McCartney (1992-93), he coached the wide receivers; he was tasked with taking over coaching a position that had been returning to the spotlight after the Buffs had been a wishbone (1985-87) and I-Bone (1988-91) team the previous seven years.

He returned as offensive coordinator from 1995-98 under Rick Neuheisel, also coaching the receivers. Neuheisel coached the quarterbacks from ’95 through ’97, then added the quarterbacks to Dorrell’s coaching chores in 1998. When Neuheisel was hired by Washington in January 1999, Dorrell accompanied him and became the Huskies offensive coordinator and receivers coach, where he coached future NFL receiver Dane Looker.

In his first game ever as an offensive coordinator — for Colorado on Sept. 2, 1995 at No. 21 Wisconsin, he called one of the best games by any offensive coordinator on the road against a ranked team in college football history. The Buffs rolled up 507 yards of offense (278 passing, 229 rushing) in a 43-7 win over the Badgers. It remains the most points and yards on the road against any opponent, much less a ranked foe, in the first game by an offensive coordinator in CU history.

In his career he has coached a College Hall of Famer (Michael Westbrook); a Fred Biletnikoff Award finalist (Rae Carruth); three pairs of 1,000-yard receivers in the same season (Westbrook, Charles Johnson at CU; Rod Smith and Ed McCaffrey at the Denver Broncos; Brandon Marshall and Eric Decker at the N.Y. Jets); four Pro Bowl selections (Smith in 2000, 2001; Matt Schaub in 2012; Marshall in 2015); three first round draft picks (Westbrook, No. 4 overall; Johnson, Carruth), and five CU receivers in all being selected (Phil Savoy in ’98 and Darrin Chiaverini in ’99).

In his two previous stints at Colorado, he coached seven receivers who are still among the top 20 in school history in receptions and yards. And of the 18 games at Colorado where two receivers gained 100 or more yards in the same game, he coached in seven of those contests.

Dorrell’s UCLA teams were 24-7 at home (77.4 winning percentage); that included a 6-3 mark against ranked teams. His 2005 team finished with a 10-3 record, as he was selected as the Pacific 10 Conference’s co-coach of the year.

In the history of college football, 660 different head coaches have led their teams to bowl games. Of those, only 26 coached their first six teams into the postseason, and Dorrell is one of those 26, as all five of his teams at UCLA and his first CU played in postseason bowls. His streak is one of only four who are currently active among the 130 FBS head coaches (exceptions made for the pandemic): 14 seasons—Dabo Swinney, Clemson; 10—James Franklin, Vanderbilt/ Penn State; 10—Gus Malzahn, Arkansas State/Auburn; 6—Karl Dorrell, UCLA/Colorado; 6—Kirby Smart, Georgia. Others among the 32 include Tom Osborne, Nebraska (first 25 teams coached earned bowl invitations), Bob Stoops, Oklahoma (18), Lloyd Carr, Michigan (13), Phillip Fulmer, Tennessee (13), Jim Tressel, Ohio State (10); Pete Carroll, USC (9), Mike Leach, Texas Tech/Washington State (9), David Shaw, Stanford (8), Chris Petersen, Boise State (7), Troy Calhoun, Air Force (6), Larry Coker, Miami-Fla. (6) and Jimbo Fisher, Florida State (6). (Twenty-six have coached their first six teams into the postseason; 20 their first seven.)

Developing Players. Throughout his career, Dorrell has been challenged to develop rookies as well as take veterans to the next level; examples:

Charles Johnson & Michael Westbrook, Colorado. Dorrell arrived at CU in an offseason where the Buffaloes were converting from an option offense for the previous seven seasons to a one-back, pro-style passing attack. But CU hadn’t really recruited for that style of an offense so as a young coach, he had great challenge from the get-go. The end result? The pair combined for 133 receptions for 2,209 yards and 13 touchdowns, averaging a 16.6 yards per catch. The pair alone combined for more receiving yards than any of the previous seven CU teams had for a season.

Rae Carruth. Before his well-documented troubles after graduating from CU, Carruth was a first-team All-American receiver in 1996. He emerged from the shadows of former teammates Johnson and Westbrook to have back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons, joining Johnson as the only duo to accomplish the feat in program history at the time. Over his final two seasons, Carruth had monster numbers: 107 catches for 2,124 yards (19.9 yards per) and 17 touchdowns, with 75 of those receptions earning first downs.

Rod Smith, Denver Broncos. In his first five seasons in the NFL, he caught 257 passes for 3,811 yards and 25 touchdowns; with Dorrell as his position coach for three years (2000-02), he had 302 receptions for 3,972 yards and 24 TDs.

Ed McCaffrey, Denver Broncos. McCaffrey was in his 10th NFL season, his sixth with the Broncos, when he first came under the tutelage of Dorrell for the 2000 season. He would post career-high numbers that season: 101 receptions for 1,317 yards (with 9 touchdowns). In 2001, he suffered a broken leg in the season opener, but he would come back under Dorrell’s supervision to start all 16 games in 2002, making 69 grabs for 903 yards and two scores.

Ashley Lelie, Denver Broncos. Dorrell had him for his rookie season in 2002, playing a significant role in his early development, when he emerged with the third-best numbers by the receivers on the team. Two years later, he would become a 1,000-yard receiver teaming with Smith.

Brandon Marshall, N.Y. Jets. Coming off a season with the Chicago Bears that saw him produce the lowest numbers of his career since he became a starter, Marshall rebounded the second time he was under Dorrell’s coaching in 2015 to have his second best season in his 13-year career, catching 109 balls for 1,502 yards and a league-high 14 touchdowns. He had two 1,000-yard seasons with Dorrell earlier in the decade at Miami.

Robby Anderson, N.Y. Jets. Signed by the Jets as an undrafted free agent out of Temple, he started eight games as a rookie and had been a regular ever since. He caught 42 passes for 587 yards (two TDs) as a rookie in 2016, and under Dorrell’s wing, caught 113 the next two seasons for 1,693 yards and 13 touchdowns, averaging a healthy 15.0 yards per catch.

DeVante Parker, Miami Dolphins. Parker at best was an average receiver in his first four years in the NFL. Dorrell coached him in his fifth season in the league, and finished with career highs across the board — 72 receptions for 1,202 yards and nine touchdowns — he really came on during the second half of the year when Dorrell’s coaching really took hold (48 catches for 859 yards and six scores over the final nine games), averaging an “old school” 17.9 yards per catch during that span.

Davone Bess, Miami Dolphins. An undrafted free agent out of Hawaii, Bess would blossom under Dorrell’s coaching. He caught 54 passes as a rookie in 2008, and in four years with Dorrell as his position coach, he would catch 260 passes for 2,669 yards and 11 TDs. In 2010, he teamed with Brandon Marshall to form one of the top pass-catching duos in the league, their 165 combined receptions the most by a tandem in team history

Brian Hartline, Miami Dolphins. A fourth round pick out of Ohio State by the Dolphins in the 2009 draft, he was the fourth receiver on the depth chart while Dorrell was with the club. But he still got his coaching early on in his career, and when the top of the depth cleared due to attrition, he would emerge as a two-time, 1,000-yard receiver in 2012 and 2013.

Matt Moore, Miami Dolphins. Dorrell also parlayed his coaching influences when he has had the opportunity to coach quarterbacks. In 2011, he molded Moore, who had started 13 games in his first three years in the league, into the team’s starter who completed 60.5 percent of his passes for 2,497 yards and 16 touchdowns (his 87.1 rating was the fifth-best in the AFC). Some eight years later, Moore has been one of the league top backup QB’s, playing a key role at times in Kansas City’s run to its first Super Bowl title in 50 years.

Matt Schaub, Houston Texans. In 2012, Schaub led the Texans to a 12-4 record and the AFC South Division title by passing for 4,008 yards and 22 touchdowns. His rating (90.7) was the fourth-best in the AFC and ninth-best overall in the league. It was his second best career among 16 seasons in the NFL (2004-19), and those numbers came in a year after he missed six games due to injury the year before.
CU, Stanford Lead in African-American Head Coaches

CU is one of two schools on the FBS/Division I-A level to have had three African-American head coaches lead their football programs. Since Wichita State hired Willie Jeffries in 1979 as the first black head coach in college football’s top division, just 14 schools have had as many as two full-time African-American head coaches. The list:

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### Colorado a Leading School in Minority Full-Time Coaches

Colorado is one of 22 schools with a minority head coach in the FBS (131 schools overall). Those schools with a minority head coach at the reins:

**African-American Head Coaches (14):** Herm Edwards (Arizona State), Karl Dorrell (Colorado), Jay Norvell (Colorado State), Willie Taggart (Florida Atlantic), Mike Locksley (Maryland), Charles Huff (Marshall), Mel Tucker (Michigan State), Thomas Hammock (Northern Illinois), Marcus Freeman (Notre Dame), James Franklin (Penn State), David Shaw (Stanford), Dino Babers (Syracuse), Stan Drayton (Temple) and Tony Elliott (Virginia). (Note: Freeman is half African-American, half Asian-American.)

**Hispanic Head Coaches (5):** Dave Aranda (Arizona), Andy Avalos (Boise State), Mario Cristobal (Miami), Danny Gonzales (New Mexico), Marcus Arroyo (UNLV).

**Polynesian Head Coaches (2):** Kalani Sitake (BYU), Ken Niumatalolo (Navy).

**Asian/Polynesian Head Coaches (1):** Tommy Chang (Hawai’i).

Colorado is one of 17 schools with six or more full-time minority assistant coaches and one of 44 with five or more (half of the assistant staff). CU, Arizona State, Michigan State and Penn State are among the 11 full-timers comprised of minorities. Schools with the most full-time minority assistants (AA—African American, include bi-racial; H—Hispanic; ME—Middle Eastern; P—Polynesian, includes Pacific Islanders and native Hawaiians):

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### What They’ve Said About Karl Dorrell

**BRIAN FLORES, Miami Dolphins Head Coach (2019-present)**

“The University of Colorado hit a home run hiring Karl as their head coach. I’m excited for him to have this opportunity. He is a great teacher and excellent leader. He is a coach I would want my kids to play for.”

**BILL McCARTNEY, Colorado Head Football Coach (1982-94)**

“Awesome, that’s fabulous. Karl Dorrell is the real deal. He’s genuine, he’s authentic and extremely talented. I’m a Buff to the core, through and through, and this really excites me. This is a big, big deal and I am thrilled and overjoyed. Why? Because you have to get the right people in leadership, everything comes down to leadership. And with CU getting a man like Karl to lead the program, that’s a feather in Rick George’s cap. When Rick came on board for us (as recruiting coordinator in 1987), he improved our recruiting, and 30 years later, he’s still getting it done.”


“Coach Dorrell is a true pro with a wealth of football coaching experience. I enjoyed my time with him as my position coach with the Broncos. His strong communication and intelligent leadership helped us achieve great success as a unit. His return to CU is a good hire for the program and will bring steady hand.”

**MIKE MOSCHETTI, Colorado Quarterback (1998-99)**

“Karl is a smart, hard-nosed football coach who isn’t flashy. When he says something, you will trust it, you will run through a wall for him. He has incredible experience, and he knows the challenges and in is previous stops coaching at Colorado in the 1990s, he has recruited to the academic challenges that coaches face with the high standards academic-wise at the University of Colorado. I was at the game in 2006 when his UCLA team beat No. 2 ranked USC and Pete Carroll that kept them out of the BCS title game. I can’t wait to see what he does with the Buffs – we have been to just one bowl game in the last 12 or so years, and he led UCLA to five straight bowl games. He knows the tradition, and I know he’s grateful for the opportunity to be a head coach again.”

**RICK NEUHEISEL, Colorado Head Football Coach (1995-98)**

(Rick and Karl were teammates at UCLA.) “I’m very happy for Karl. Colorado definitely hit a home run. Karl’s very knowledgeable, very passionate, and I know he loved his time in Boulder. His strong point is organization and leadership. He’s always been an offensive guy, and by spending a lot of time in the NFL, he’s learned even more. This is making me a bit nostalgic about the fun we had coaching together with the Buffs and when we played together at UCLA – he was my go-to guy.” (Neuheisel was a quarterback at UCLA, Dorrell his top receiver).


“I want to say congratulations to Coach Karl Dorrell and the CU Buffaloes. I had personal experience with him. He took my game to a whole new level. I was doing really well, but when I got with him, in three years (under him) I had over 300-plus catches, pro bowls and all that stuff! He’s a technician, he knows what he’s doing, he’s been around and he’s studied with some of the best. I can tell you right now, this team, this program is about to take off. Coach Dorrell, I appreciate you and thank you for everything you’ve done for me and I’m looking forward to the CU Buffaloes go to a whole new level.”
KORDELL STEWART, Colorado Quarterback (1991-94)

“Karl was and is a smart coach, understands all aspects of the game of football. When he was at Colorado when I was there, he had what I would call ‘young energy,’ to where I think Michael (Westbrook), CJ (Charles Johnson), Phil Savoy and the other receivers really respected him. He made them understand the game through the eyes of a quarterback, which isn’t always easy to do. I’m excited about this opportunity for him. With his combination of head coaching experience at UCLA and his time as a position coach in the NFL, he brings a tremendous amount of credibility to the table. I would hope that the players on the team now and the incoming recruits will appreciate that – he’s got the background that should earn him an enormous amount of respect. He understands how CU operates, understands the community, knows the lay of the land. It was important for Rick (George) to hire someone who understands the Colorado way and our tradition. Karl fits that mold of what CU is trying to do and will pick up the pieces that were broken with the last coach and put them back together. In time, he will make this thing really work.”

MICHAEL WESTBROOK, CU All-American Receiver (1991-94)

“I’m glad to hear that someone with Karl’s character will be CU’s new coach. I loved Karl. He was a huge disciplinarian, but in both a good and tough way. It was definitely brought to your attention if you weren’t doing what you’re supposed to do. You come to realize that he’d be tough when he has to be, which is what young kids need, and in the end, that makes you a better player and a better person. He was very much like Bill McCartney in that manner, that was Karl’s thing as well, they are cut from that same cloth. I know him, trust him, the program is in good hands and I’ll enjoy coming back to watch the Buffaloes play under Karl.”

DORRELL’S 1,000-YARD RECEIVERS

Over the course of his career, Karl Dorrell has had a role in coaching 11 different receivers to 18 1,000-yard seasons. The list:

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COACH “DORR-WELL”

The 27 head coach in CU history, Karl Dorrell started 4-0 in his CU coaching career; only Harry Heller (won his first seven in 1894), Willis Kleinholz (six in 1905), T.W. Mortimer (five in 1900) and Rick Neuheisel (five in 1995) won as many or more to open their CU careers (and Dorrell was OC on Neuheisel’s staff). Dorrell was the sixth CU coach to open 3-0 in conference games, but the first since leading a team that many prognosticators were saying would win maybe one if any games (the over/under in Vegas was 1½ wins).

DORRELL: A COLLEGE FOOTBALL FIRST?

Ironically, with the Buffaloes drawing UCLA for their first game, Karl Dorrell coached against the school he served as head coach for five seasons (2003-07). He was 35-27 with the Bruins over those years. Another irony – his first game as head coach at UCLA was in Boulder against CU, a game in which the Buffs rallied to win, 16-14. He had been an assistant with CU twice (1992-93, 1995-98), but played collegiately at UCLA (1983-86). Thus, in his first game as a head coach, he went up against a former team on which he was an assistant, and his first game his second opportunity as a head coach be against his alma mater, where he also had made his head coaching debut. UCLA did win its next game (6-3 over Illinois), which was the school’s 500th at the time.

ONLY A HANDFUL HAVE OPENED AGAINST THEIR ALMA MATER

Karl Dorrell was the ninth known Division I head coach to face his alma mater in his first game at his new school (not necessarily his first game overall):

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In 1995, Rick Neuheisel’s first game as head coach (CU) was at Wisconsin; while he didn’t go there (he is also a UCLA grad), he was born in Madison. Dorrell’s first win as a head coach was in his second game, a 6-3 win over Illinois, which happens to be CU athletic director Rick George’s alma mater; the Bruins won that day with two field goals from Justin Medlock. Bill McCartney’s first win came in his second game in 1982, a 12-0 triumph at Washington State, on the strength of four Tom Field field goals.

DORRELL A FINALIST FOR 2020 FWAA/EDDIE ROBINSON COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD

For the second time in his career, Karl Dorrell was a finalist for the Football Writers Association of America/Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Award in 2020. He was a finalist in 2005 when he was in his third year at UCLA; of the nine finalists this year, he is the only first-year coach at his current school. The other finalists were: Jamey Chadwell, Coastal Carolina, the winner; Tom Allen, Indiana; Brent Brennan, San José State; Matt Campbell, Iowa State; Luke Fickell, Cincinnati; Nick Saban, Alabama; Kalani Sitake, BYU; and Dabo Swinney, Clemson.
COACHES BOOTH: Mike Sanford (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks), Clay Patterson (tight ends/passing game coordinator), Rod Chance (cornerbacks), Michael Downing (QC/defense), Brandon Gibson (QC/ offense), Nick Gilbert (QC/ offense), Jeff Smart (QC/ defense), and graduate assistants Nate Dodson (offense) and Cordale Grundy (defense) and Shannon Turley (strength & conditioning).

Head coach Karl Dorrell (on headset): Phil McGeoghan (assistant head coach; receivers), Chris Wilson (defensive coordinator/inside linebackers), Kyle DeVan (offensive line), Gerald Chatman (defensive line), Darian Hagan (running backs), Brett Maxie (safeties), Mark Smith (inside linebackers), Chris Reinert (QC/special teams), grad assistants Nate Dodson (offense) and Cordale Grundy (defense) and Shannon Turley (strength & conditioning).

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; subject to change game-by-game):

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Ahead of the 2020 season, 24 programs including CU hired new head coaches, 10 of whom ( ^ ) are first-time head coaches on the collegiate level. Here’s a look at those coaches that make up the “class of 2020” and their records through the 2021 season (Note: Old Dominion opted out of the 2020 season):

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<td>Steve Addazio, Colorado State</td>
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BUCKET ALUMNI IN THE FBS COACHING RANKS: Brad Bedell (99), TE; Auburn; Kyle Cefalo (11), PCG/WR, Utah State; Darrin Chiaverini (98), Off. Analyst, UCLA; Paul Creighton (93), Fresno State; TE; David Gibbs (90), Co-DC/Dyb, UCF; Derek Hagan (91), RB, Colorado; Nick Holz (96), OC/WR, UNLV; Anthony Perkins (11), CB, Oregon State; Jeff Smart (99), QC/D, Colorado; Demetrius Sumler (99), San Diego State, CB; Chandler Uzo-Diribe (13), DL, Georgia; Ryan Walters (08), DC, Illinois.

IN THE PCS: Ronnie Bradford (92), Montana AHC/CB, Cha pelle Brown (98), UC Davis, AHC/CB; Cedric Cormier (91), Houston Baptist, I-WR; Cody Hawkins (10), UC Davis, OC/WR; Jay MacIntyre (18), WR, Tennessee-Martin.

IN DIVISION II: Pete Shinnick (86), head coach at West Florida; John Donahoe (03), CSU-Pueblo, WR; Jack Harris (13), West Texas A&M, OL; Chris Symington (87), AHC/OL/RGC at CSU-Pueblo.

IN THE NAIA: Jason Burianek (02), HC, Missouri Baptist. IN THE NFL (see page with Buffs in the Pros).
Karl Dorrell was named the 27th full-time head coach in Colorado history last February 23, the 17th dating back to 1935; after the first 10 CU coaches opened 8-1-1, the next 10 lost all theirs; the last six have gone 3-3. Rick Neuheisel snapped the losing streak when his team defeated Wisconsin in Madison, 43-7 in 1995 (the first to win his opener since Herbert Hoover was U.S. president); 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; and Mel Tucker the third to do so in his inaugural game in 2019 over Colorado State in Denver, 52-31 with Dorrell following in 2020. Overall, Colorado coaches are 12-14-1 in their debut games at the reins of the Buffaloes; here’s a closer look (no head coach 1890-95; number in parenthesis indicates how many games that coach won or lost in a row in first year):

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1948 Dallas Ward New Mexico L 6-9 (1)

AND IN CONFERENCE PLAY

Head coaches have had more success in their first conference game piloting the Buffaloes, going 18-8 including this year when Karl Dorrell’s first CU squad opened with the 48-42 win over UCLA (CU was an independent in 1905 when Willis Kleinholtz coached his lone season). He was the first since Gary Barnett won his Big 12 Conference debut, a 51-17 win over Kansas in Boulder; the last three CU head coaches lost their league lid-lifters. As far as winning their first conference game on the road, Tucker became the sixth to do so (number in parenthesis indicates how many conference games that coach won or lost in a row in first year):

1894 Harry Heller East Denver H.S. W 46-0 (4) 1959 Sonny Grandelius Washington L 12-21 (1)
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200/200 BALANCING ACT

In the 2020 season opening 48-42 win over UCLA, Colorado rushed for 264 yards and passed for 261, improving to 59-11 dating back to the first time it happened in school history in 1960. The three-yard difference tied for the second most-balanced offensive game in CU history. A closer look at all CU games with 200-plus yards rushing and passing that were within 10 yards of each other (*—CU head coach Karl Dorrell was involved in three of the top four and four of the eight games; (Dorrell was an assistant coach at CU in 1993, was the offensive coordinator in 1997):

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<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Opponent</th>
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<td>Nov. 11, 1961</td>
<td>UTAH</td>
<td>210</td>
<td>208</td>
<td>408</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>L 12-21</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sept. 18, 1993</td>
<td>*at Stanford</td>
<td>274</td>
<td>277</td>
<td>551</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>L 37-41</td>
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<tr>
<td>Oct. 10, 1997</td>
<td>*at Texas</td>
<td>208</td>
<td>211</td>
<td>419</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>W 47-30</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 7, 2020</td>
<td>*UCLA</td>
<td>264</td>
<td>261</td>
<td>525</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>W 48-42</td>
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<td>Sept. 10, 2005</td>
<td>NEW MEXICO STATE</td>
<td>238</td>
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<td>471</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>W 39-0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Oct. 7, 1967</td>
<td>IOWA STATE</td>
<td>217</td>
<td>223</td>
<td>440</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>W 34-0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 10, 2001</td>
<td>at Iowa State</td>
<td>257</td>
<td>254</td>
<td>511</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>W 40-27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sept. 4, 1993</td>
<td>*Texas</td>
<td>270</td>
<td>260</td>
<td>530</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>W 36-14</td>
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HIGH SCORING FROM THE GET-GO

The 90 points scored by CU and UCLA in 2020 marked the highest scoring season opener in CU history, eclipsing the 83 points in 2019 (CU’s 52-31 win over Colorado State in Denver). But it was also a conference opener, and it rose to the second highest scoring league lid-lifter in Buff annals (trailing the infamous Oct. 4, 1980 clash between CU and Oklahoma at Folsom Field). A look at the top five in each (home team in CAPS):

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<tr>
<td>90 2020 COLORADO 48, UCLA 42</td>
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<tr>
<td>83 2019 Colorado 52, Colorado State 31 (Denver)</td>
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<tr>
<td>77 2003 Colorado 42, Colorado State 35 (Denver)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>72 1981 COLORADO 45, Texas Tech 27</td>
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<td>68 2013 Colorado 41, Colorado State 27 (Denver)</td>
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HIGHEST SCORING CONFERENCE OPENERS / CU History

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<td>79 1983 Missouri 59, COLORADO 20</td>
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<td>79 2016 Colorado 41, OREGON 38 (Denver)</td>
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<td>72 2003 BAYLOR 42, Colorado 30</td>
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**HISTORICALLY**

Colorado is in its second century of intercollegiate football, as the Buffaloes have completed their 132nd season of competition having played 1,279 games with an all-time record of 718-525-36. CU currently stands 27th on the all-time win list and is 40th in all-time winning percentage (.575). The Buffs are 6th for those schools with 900 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 132 (Cal is the only one who has played more games - 1,287), with only USC (856) and Washington (750) having won more games (CU is sixth in the league in winning percentage).

In Boulder, the Buffs are 412-203-16 (.666) all-time and 324-181-10 (.639) in 98 seasons on the “hilltop” (Folsom Field).

**OVERTIME**

Colorado is 8-9 all-time in overtime games (5-6 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):

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<th>Date</th>
<th>Opponent</th>
<th>Score</th>
<th>Regulation</th>
<th>Coin Toss</th>
<th>Choice</th>
<th>Offense</th>
<th>Defense</th>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 26, 1999</td>
<td>NEBRASKA</td>
<td>L 38-33</td>
<td>27-27</td>
<td>Nebraska</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>CU trailed 37-3 early in 4th</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 9, 2002</td>
<td>at Missouri</td>
<td>W 42-35</td>
<td>35-35</td>
<td>Missouri</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>Ends with Kory Mossoni FR</td>
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<tr>
<td>Oct. 23, 2004</td>
<td>at Texas A &amp; M</td>
<td>L 26-29</td>
<td>26-26</td>
<td>Colorado</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>33</td>
<td>First CU turnover in an OT ends it</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oct. 7, 2006</td>
<td>BAYLOR</td>
<td>L 31-34 (3 OT)</td>
<td>17-17</td>
<td>Colorado</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>72</td>
<td>Ends in 3OT on Baylor INT</td>
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<td>Sept. 18, 2008</td>
<td>WEST VIRGINIA</td>
<td>W 17-14</td>
<td>14-14</td>
<td>Colorado</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>Aric Goodman kicks GWFG (25) after WVU FG miss</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sept. 10, 2011</td>
<td>CALIFORNIA</td>
<td>L 33-36</td>
<td>30-30</td>
<td>Colorado</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>45</td>
<td>CU drives to 41 but drive stalled</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sept. 27, 2014</td>
<td>at California</td>
<td>L 56-59 (2 OT)</td>
<td>49-49</td>
<td>California</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>46</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>CU drives to CA1 but failed on 4th down</td>
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<tr>
<td>Oct. 25, 2014</td>
<td>UCLA</td>
<td>L 37-40 (2 OT)</td>
<td>31-31</td>
<td>Colorado</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>CU rallied from 31-14 down in 4th; two OT FGs</td>
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<td>Oct. 27, 2018</td>
<td>OREGON STATE</td>
<td>L 34-41</td>
<td>34-34</td>
<td>Colorado</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>CU drives to OS7, but four straight plays gain zero yards</td>
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<td>Sept. 7, 2019</td>
<td>NEBRASKA</td>
<td>W 34-31</td>
<td>31-31</td>
<td>Nebraska</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>-6</td>
<td>James Stefanou kicks GWFG (34), NU misses from 48</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sept. 14, 2019</td>
<td>AIR FORCE</td>
<td>L 23-30</td>
<td>23-23</td>
<td>Colorado</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>AFA scores on one play; CU stopped on downs at AFA 16</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 6, 2021</td>
<td>OREGON STATE</td>
<td>W 37-34 (2 OT)</td>
<td>27-27</td>
<td>Oregon State</td>
<td>Defense</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>45</td>
<td>Becker kicks GWFG (43) after OSU FG miss (38)</td>
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**COMEBACK BUFFS**

Over the last 14 seasons, CU has rallied to win from 10 or more points down 14 times. Three of the rallies have come from 17 down: this season, CU spotted Oklahoma a 13-0 lead, but nine consecutive points, and three on the road (the WSU comeback was the largest fourth quarter comeback on the road CU has ever had).

**COLORADO COMEBACKS**

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<th>Date</th>
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<td>Oct. 9, 1999</td>
<td>MISSOURI</td>
<td>W 30-27</td>
<td>40:00, 4Q</td>
<td>27-24</td>
<td>OT; Colorado State (Sept. 19, 2015)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Oct. 7, 2006</td>
<td>BAYLOR</td>
<td>L 31-34 (3 OT)</td>
<td>17-17</td>
<td>Colorado</td>
<td>Defense (42-72)</td>
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**COLORADO NEAR THE TOP IN ALL-TIME 2,000-YARD / 1,000-YARD CAREER RUNNERS**

Colorado is tied for 12th in players who have gained 2,000 or more career rushing yards, as 19 Buffaloes through the years have reached that milestone. **TB Phillip Lindsay** was the last to do it, as he finished his career in 2017 with 3,707 yards (second all-time at the school). Colorado is also in the top 10 (sixth) in all-time 1,000-yard rushers with 56 (Ohio State tops that list with 77, followed by Ohio State 69, Nebraska 65, USC 61, Alabama 60, Colorado 56, Army 53, Texas 51, West Virginia 50, LSU 48). The all-time leaders in players who have reached the career 2K plateau:

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<td>TB Eric Bieniemy</td>
<td>2,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nebraska</td>
<td>TB J.J. Flannigan</td>
<td>2,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Georgia</td>
<td>RB Darian Hagan</td>
<td>2,000</td>
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<td>Texas</td>
<td>RB Erich Kissick</td>
<td>2,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Colorado</td>
<td>FB James Hill</td>
<td>2,000</td>
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(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 Rashaaq Samaa and TB Lamont Warren and in 2015: Christian Powell, Michael Adkins and Phillip Lindsay.)

Historical Note. Colorado was 1-yard away from another 2,000-yard rusher: the late Carroll Hardy (’54) ended his career with 1,999 yards. CU’s SID at the time, Fred Casetti, never forgave himself, especially since his final game came against Kansas State, when he had 10 carries for 238 yards. In that 58-14 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 Roger Maris and Carl Yastrzemski.)
SCORING STEAKS

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 9 straight games overall, as the 30-0 loss to Minnesota snapped a 36-game scoring streak.
- CU had scored in 170 straight games against non-conference opponents (1979-2021, until Minnesota won 30-0 in Boulder on Sept. 18, 2021).
- The home shutout losses to Minnesota (’21), Stanford (’12), Oklahoma in ’86 and LSU in ’79 are the only four times CU has not scored at Folsom Field over the course of the last 340 games (all the way back to 1963).
- CU has been shutout just five times in the last 400 games overall (by Missouri in 2008 and 2010, Stanford in 2012, Washington State in 2017 and Minnesota in 2021).
- CU has been shutout just 12 times in its last 633 games (dating to October 5, 1968), but only seven different schools have administered them: Oklahoma (three times), Missouri (twice), Nebraska (twice), Louisiana State, Michigan, Minnesota and Stanford.

THE BUFFS IN NFL STADIUMS

The Buffaloes have played 26 games to date in seven current NFL venues, owning a record of 16-10 (12-5 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 21-22-1 playing games in stadiums that simultaneously hosted NFL teams (13-7 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).

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 46 seasons. Since the 1976 opener, CU has protected a two-score lead 254 of 292 times, losing 35 and tying three when it blew the lead. Included in those 35 are four leads that were lost of 20-plus points:

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<td>Oregon State</td>
<td>29 (3-3, 3rd Quarter)</td>
<td>L, 34-10 OT</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11/06/10</td>
<td>at Kansas</td>
<td>28 (45-17, 4th Quarter)</td>
<td>L, 45-52</td>
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<tr>
<td>11/10/07</td>
<td>at Iowa State</td>
<td>21 (21- 0, 3rd Quarter)</td>
<td>L, 28-31</td>
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<td>10/10/79</td>
<td>Oklahoma State</td>
<td>20 (20- 0, 4th Quarter)</td>
<td>L, 20-21 (CU has lost a 14-point lead on nine occasions in this time frame).</td>
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Colorado has lost only 36 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 in 2019 (Oct. 25), a 35-31 setback to USC after entering the final stanza with a 31-28 advantage. The ties came against Tennessee in 1990 (31-31, after leading 31-28), Missouri (twice), Nebraska (twice), Louisiana State, Michigan, Minnesota and Stanford.

INJURIES UP IN 2021

Injuries were kept to a minimum over the 2016 and 2017 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. In 2019, the count of full games missed was down again (though an abnormal number of partial games was the case). Below are the worst regular seasons for injuries/illness for the CU program over the last 35 years (KEY: GL—Games lost to injury; GL/2—Games lost by 2-deep scrimmage players; MG—“Man games” as defined by 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 actually, 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):

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<th>Season</th>
<th>G</th>
<th>GL</th>
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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.
BUFFS AGAINST THE BEST

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

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“OUTSIDE THE NINE DOTS”

- Colorado is 92-56 against teams with three or more losses dating back to the 1985 season;
- Colorado is 90-52-1 in its last 143 games against schools that include the word “State” (dating to 1986);
- Colorado is 569-295-25 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 did it 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 Gamboa returned 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, snatching 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 pick 31 yards for a touchdown just one minute into the GSU game. Fresh 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 GSU 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.

- Three did it with their first punt returns: Ben Kelly (vs. Utah State in 1998), Jeremy Bloom (vs CU in 2002) and Laviska Shenault (2017 vs. Texas State).
- And one did so with his first kickoff return: Nikko Reed raced 100 yards (actually 103) at Utah in the 2021 season finale.

BUFFALO DINOSAURS

CU’s longtime radio voice, Larry Zimmerman, 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 (and missed the final six games that year). 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 in his final season; his 400th at OTHER DINOSAURS: Darian Hagan has been a part of 288 Colorado games (139 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 the radio analyst with KOA, has worked 263 (106 as an assistant coach, 87 as head coach and 68 on the radio); Mark Johnson, who succeeded Zimmerman as the voice of the Buffaloes, has called 217 games. SID Dave Plati has worked 483 in person (499 overall; a streak of 401 dating from the ’83 finale came to an end in the sixth game of 2017; streaks of 262 straight home games and 284 in the state of Colorado are intact). Assistant AD/Sports Info Curtis Snyder has also topped the 200 plateau (203 and counting). 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. Jon Burianek, 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). 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 consecutive); former facilities man John Krueger worked 325 (1980s to 2012). CU’s “Super Twins,” Betty Hoover and Peggy Coppon, who have been to all but handful of CU’s home games – since 1940 and every single one – 358 – from 1958 through 2019 (we lost Betty in the summer of 2020; Peggy is 97). And the late F.M. “Dutch” Westerberg is the all-time; he 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) completed 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. The 10th longest person to serve on a stat crew nationally, he decided to retire ahead of the 2021 season.

NFL SCOUT WATCH

Colorado has 16 players in their final year of eligibility on its 2022 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 (12 teams have already planned to scout the TCU game on Sept. 2. In 2021, CU was scouted in person on game days by over three-fourths of the league (27 teams): Arizona, Atlanta, Baltimore, Buffalo, Carolina, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Green Bay, Houston, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Miami, Las Vegas, L.A. Chargers, Miami, Minnesota, New Orleans, N.Y. Jets, N.Y. Giants, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, Seattle, Tampa Bay and Washington. Since the 2000 season, 1,111 NFL scouts have attended Colorado games (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).
There are 15 former Colorado Buffaloes on the current 2022 National Football League rosters (as of August 22); 17 started out in camps, 20 were on final rosters in 2021. Colorado has had 269 players all-time go on to make an active NFL roster and 276 all-time draft picks, which ranks as the fourth most among Pac-12 programs and 23rd 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 including 2022; P—on injured reserve/physically unable to perform; P—practice squad):

### CROSBY WATCH

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<td>Matt Russell</td>
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<td>Duke Tobin</td>
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### 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 Stoltenberg, 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; assuming the top spot in 2015. Through the 2021 season, he has scored 1,806 points in 241 regular season games, now 14th in NFL history, and 163 in 23 playoff games (fourth all-time) for a total of 1,969 (he also made an NFL record 23 straight field goals in the postseason). Crosby also holds both Packers’ field goal marks: 370 regular season (17th all-time) and 31 postseason (fifth all-time); his 696 extra points made are seventh all-time (70 in the postseason are third) and in 2021 had a personal best streak of 31 straight field goals made (regular season and playoffs combined). He is second all-time on the points and field goal (and third on the PATs made) charts 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.

- **NOW #1.** Crosby, with 241 NFL regular season games under his belt (tied for 70th all-time, 11th most by an active player), became the second Buffalo to participate in 200 pro games. On Nov. 20, 2021, he passed OT Stan Brock (’79) for the most-ever by a CU alum. Brock appeared in 234 games (223 starts; 99th and 38th, respectively, all-time) in his career that spanned 16 seasons with New Orleans (1980-92) and San Diego (1993-95). Crosby, of course, has spent his entire NFL career with the Packers.

- **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 (1,875/369); 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.

IT'S BACK ... The USFL surfaced for the first time since 1985; four Buffaloes played this spring: CB Delrick Abrams (Tampa Bay), LB Drew Lewis (Houston), WR Devin Ross (Michigan) and S Evan Worthington (Philadelphia).

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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 a 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, 30 of 47 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 four others who started just one season):

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<td>Victor Rogers</td>
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### One-Year Starters

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<td>Keenan Stevens</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>2009-01</td>
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<td>Pressed into duty in the season opener due to injury, he soon became a fixture and started 10 games.</td>
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<td>Dustin Ebner</td>
<td>WR</td>
<td>2009-01</td>
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<td>Caught 69 balls for 903 yards to finish in top 20 in receiving yards.</td>
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<td>John Torp</td>
<td>P</td>
<td>2009-01</td>
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<td>Finished second for the ’05 ray Guy Award; set a school records with 205 punts, 65 inside the 20.</td>
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<td>Paul Creighton</td>
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<td>TE</td>
<td>1998-99</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Primarily a blocking tight end, played a big role on CU’s 2001 Big 12 title team.</td>
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<td>D.J. Hackett</td>
<td>WR</td>
<td>2001-02</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Walked on after CS-Northridge dropped football; led CU in receiving in ’03, four-year NFL veteran.</td>
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<td>Tom Hubbard</td>
<td>FB</td>
<td>2001-02</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Defensive MVP of the 2004 Houston Bowl with two interceptions.</td>
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<td>Evan Judge</td>
<td>WR</td>
<td>2001-04</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Caught 69 balls for 903 yards to finish in top 20 in receiving yards.</td>
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<td>John Torp</td>
<td>P</td>
<td>2003-04</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Finished second for the ’05 ray Guy Award; set a school records with 205 punts, 65 inside the 20.</td>
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<td>Jason Espinozo</td>
<td>WR</td>
<td>2008-08</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Suffered two breaks to his collarbone in ’08, playing briefly in-between; co-first team WR in ’09.</td>
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<td>Dustin Ebner</td>
<td>WR</td>
<td>2009-04</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Primarily on special teams until his senior year, when he became a regular in the rotation and caught his first TD pass</td>
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<td>Keenan Stevens</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>2009-07</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>In his first season, he was awarded a scholarship after making the game winning FG versus West Virginia.</td>
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<td>Alex Wood</td>
<td>FB</td>
<td>2009-09</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Hybrid tight end/fullback worked exceptionally hard and became the first player from Steamboat to start in decades.</td>
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<td>Scott Fernandez</td>
<td>TE</td>
<td>2010-02</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Ascended to the top of the depth chart his senior year (’13); first career catch was fifth longest (71 yards vs.UA).</td>
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<td>Travis Sandersfeld</td>
<td>DB (N)</td>
<td>2010-04</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>One of the OLs top perennial special teams performers, he emerged as the starting nickel back for 5 games in 2010.</td>
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<td>David Goldberg</td>
<td>DE</td>
<td>2011-03</td>
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<td>Coaches cited him as the most hard worked daily in practice and assumed a starting spot midway through his senior year.</td>
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<td>Darragh O’Neill</td>
<td>P</td>
<td>2011-11</td>
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<td>Had more punts (74) than any other freshman at CU, with his 42.3 average second best by a freshmen in the NCAA.</td>
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<td>Ryan Moeller</td>
<td>FB</td>
<td>2013-14</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Starred at Rifle HS in the middle of the Colorado Rockies, top special teams performer and had 14 UT in first start.</td>
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<td>Colin Johnson</td>
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<td>2015-17</td>
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<td>He earned the holder position in spring drills.</td>
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<td>J.T. Bale</td>
<td>SN</td>
<td>2016-18</td>
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<td>Earned the snapping job (long and short) in August camp.</td>
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<td>Josh Goldin</td>
<td>H (QB)</td>
<td>2018-19</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>He joined the team after serving as a student equipment manager and handled the holding chores for 9 games.</td>
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<td>Brady Shutack</td>
<td>OG</td>
<td>2019-20</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>The nephew of CU’s Butkus Award winning linebacker Matt (’16), he caught the coaches attention early.</td>
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| Derek Bedell          | SN      | 2020-21      | 1       | The nephew of OG Brad Bedell (’98-99), he assumed the top snapping job (long and short) in game 2 in 2020.
Here are some interesting statistical bullets about Colorado football:

**30 points / 3 TDs.** CU has scored 30 or more points in 163 of its last 381 games, posting a 138-24-1 record; the Buffs have scored at least three touchdowns in 247 of these games dating to the start of 1989; in this time frame, CU is 31-116-2 when held to two or fewer touchdowns.

The most common point total CU has scored in winning a game are 27 and 31 (34 times each), followed by 20 (33 times); in losing a game, it’s 0 (92 times, but the bulk of those—63—were prior to the end of World War II); otherwise, it’s 7 (57 times).

Colorado is 126-133-3 in its last 264 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 (1968-1995). Colorado was 25-0-2 during that run.

Colorado, however, is only 26-68 as a member of the Pac-12.

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, the lowest since that 3.5 figure in 1979.

The 2016 Buffs had their best average on first down in years with that 5.98 figure, their best since 2001 (6.7). CU had a strong year in 2019, averaging 5.69 yards on 369 first down plays, but it dropped back down to 4.83 in the pandemic-shortened 2020 campaign.

In 2021, the Buffs are averaging 4.55 yards on first down, bolstered by an 8.1 average it enjoyed against Oregon State. That stopped a 7-game run where CU averaged 3.75 per 160 plays.

Dating back to the fifth game of the 1999 season, an OT win over Missouri, the Buffs have 68 scores by return, or non-offensive scores, in the last 23 seasons (highs of eight in 1998 and 2002). Since the ’95 opener and including postseason, CU has 89 scores by return in 321 games (80 regular season, seven in bowls). The last two came against Arizona this year (TD returns via interception and a blocked punt).

200/200. Colorado has accomplished the 200 “double-double,” that is 200 yards both rushing and passing 55 times in the last 346 games, dating to 1993, having accomplished it 1 time under Dorrell (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 53-8 since 1981 when they have reached the 200 plateaus in both and 61-11 overall. Prior to ’93, CU 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 and only loss was in 2014 when the Buffs had 630 in a 59-36 double overtime loss at California on Sept. 27, 2014. CU is 0-0 under Dorrell; the last two games with 600-plus were against Nicholls State in 2015 and Washington State in 2016.

500+. Colorado is 15-8 in games it gained 500 or more yards on offense since it joined the Pac-12 conference. 8-7 in Pac-12 games. All-time (since 1946 when records are available), the Buffs are 86-14 with at least 500 yards of total offense. CU is 1-0 under Dorrell.

Grass. Colorado is 107-111 in its last 218 games on grass, including a 71-65 mark at home (21-12 in the last 33 games at Folsom), dating back to the 1999 season when Folsom Field converted back to grass.

Artificial Turf. Colorado is 101-71-3 in its last 175 games on non-grass fields dating back to 1989, including a 66-54-3 mark in conference games. CU is 2-4 on the fake stuff under Karl Dorrell.

Goal-to-Go Situations. Over the last seven seasons, the Buffs have scored in 158 out of 172 situations when it has been first-and-goal. This includes 126 touchdowns and 32 field goals, thus the TD percentage is 73.3 and the overall percentage is 91.8. The 14 non-scores: seven fourth down misses, four missed field goals (from 26, 28, 31 and 35 yards) and three turnovers.

No Turns or Sacks. Dating back to 1972, Colorado is 20-4 in games when not allowing a sack or committing a turnover (1-0 under Dorrell, the double OT win over Oregon State in 2021). In these 24 games, the Buffs have outscored the opponent by 942-543 (eight games decided by less than 17 points).

Turnover Free. Colorado has played 96 turnover-free games dating back to the 1946 season (with a record seven in 2021), owning a record of 62-30-4 in those games (2-1 in bowls). Under Dorrell, CU is 5-3.

Time Spent In The Lead. In their last winning season (2016), he Buffaloes held leads in 11 of 14 games, and were ahead for a total of 457:20 on the season. That’s the second-most by a hair in 27 years CU has tracked the stat (CU led for 458:01 in 1996—a 12-game season including the bowl). In 2017 and 2018, CU held the edge up until both season finales, the opponent owning edges of 16:43 in 2017 and 12:32 in 2018. In 2019, CU led just 34.7 percent of the time, over 100 minutes behind the opponent.

In 2021, CU led for 272:30, but went over 200 minutes between leads from the end of the A&M game in week two until Arizona in week six.

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 (last in 2017), with the school record of 495.3 set during the 1994 season. CU was averaging over 400 through 10 games in 2018 and through 11 in 2019 but finished just below both seasons.

CU had six games in 2019 with 400 or more yards (high of 520).

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).

CU rarely folds when the opponent is faced with a 3rd-and-20 or longer. Dating back to 1993, opponents are just 5-of-134 on 3rd-and-20 or more. The Buff defense have had strikes of 51 and 30 in this span (Stanford is the last team to convert one, in 2011; the opponent is now 0-of-25 since). The CU offense is 13-of-158 when it’s faced with 3rd-and-20 plus in the same span (0-of-17 since last converting on a 3rd-&-27 in the ’16 Alamo Bowl against Oklahoma State).

Plus Territory. CU scored 31 times (20 TD/11 FG) in 33 trips into the Red Zone (penetrating the 20); but the other 27 times it has crossed into plus territory ended on downs (11), punts (9), field goals (4), the clock (2) and 1 touchdown.

CU scored in only 27 of 48 quarters this season (20 of 24 in 2020) and in 148 of 216 quarters dating back to the start of the 2017 season.)
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 **236-205-4**; in these 445 games spanning the last 37 seasons, CU has posted the following records (including bowls):

- with 400-plus yards total offense 137-42-2
- when holding opponent to 17 points or less 135-20-1
- with 500-plus yards total offense 66-13-0
- when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing 115-19-1
- when rushing for 200-plus yards 131-19-1
- when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense 109-22-1
- when rushing for 250-plus yards 91- 6-1
- when scoring first 156-62-1
- when rushing for 300-plus yards 57- 2-1
- when leading at halftime 186-40-2
- when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards 51- 8-0
- when leading after three quarters 193-28-3
- when rushing and passing the opponent 204-39-3
- when scoring 30 or more points 151-23-1
- when converting 50 percent or better on 3rd down 94-18-1
- when held to 13 points or less 4-74-0
- when punting three or fewer times 79-30-1
- with a 100-yard rusher and receiver 35-10-0
- when zero turnovers (180-94-2 with two or fewer) 54-27-2
- when not committing a turnover or allowing a sack 20- 4-0
- when scoring 40 or more points (19-2 since joining Pac-12) 84- 3-0
- when holding edge in 1st downs & possession time 135-39-2

**TRENDS II**

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

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| Since Start of 1892 Season (or all-time):  
- with a 100-yard rusher and receiver 38-11  
- when scoring 43 or more points 126- 2 |
| Since Start of 2001 Season:  
- when opponent has under 100 yards rushing (19-4 last 23) 49-17 |
| Scoring Off Turnovers |
| Turnovers Entered Turnovers Forced | +/- |
| PP PA PA +/- |
| 8 WINS | 15 | 5 | +10 | 52 | 10 | +42 |
| 10 LOSSES | 6 | 13 | -7 | 18 | 37 | -19 |
| 18 GAMES | 21 | 18 | +3 | 70 | 47 | +23 |

**TOUCHDOWNS ON FIRST CAREER TOUCH**

Five players in the last seven years have scored a touchdown on their first career touch, with two on the current: 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). S Trevor Woods joined the list when he returned a blocked punt against Arizona this season. Not including those players whose first career interception were returned (elsewhere in these notes)

**STREAKING**

Colorado has active multiple win streaks going against 11 Division I-A/FBS schools. The list: 5—Colorado State; 4—San Jose State; 3—Stanford, Utah State, Wyoming; 2—Arizona, Iowa, Louisiana-Monroe, Massachusetts, Nebraska, Notre Dame, San Diego State and Washington. CU’s longest current losing streaks are to Southern California (15), Texas (6), Missouri (5), Utah (5) and LSU, Michigan, Ohio State, Oklahoma State (3).
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<td>(Feb. 10, 1893) This result was tacked on to the 1892 season: Colorado A&amp;M challenged the University of Colorado to a game … Oops, CU wins big in Fort Collins, 70-6, with it enabling the Silver &amp; Gold to finish with their first winning record (3-2) in year three of their history.</td>
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<td>1897</td>
<td>Every school has years like this and the NCAA counts the wins: in a 7-1 season, CU is 3-0 against DPL school (East, West, Manual), topsplies Mines, an Athletic Club from Littleton and the infamous Denver Wheel Club, though did beat Colorado College before ending the season with a loss to the Denver A.C.</td>
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<td>1902</td>
<td>Fred Folsom coaches the Buffs to a 5-1 mark, including an 11-6 win over Colorado A&amp;M; there’s no available account of the game, but this was in the span of 1898 through 1903 where both touchdowns and field goals were worth five points and a PAT one, so CU had at least one TD/PAT … or three safeties.</td>
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<td>1907</td>
<td>The 115th anniversary of the weirdest score in CU’s football history: on Thanksgiving Day, Mines beats CU in Denver, 5-4 (field goals were back at 4 points, so it was either one of those or two safeties).</td>
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<td>1912</td>
<td>Colorado A&amp;M beats CU, 21-0, six months to the day of the Titanic setting sail; Colorado takes it out on Wyoming a week later, winning 75-0 in Boulder.</td>
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<td>1917</td>
<td>After leading CU to a 1-5-1 mark in his first year, Bob Evans, the successor to Fred Folsom, pilots the team to a 6-2 mark and then leaves the profession.</td>
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<td>1922</td>
<td>CU travels by train to Kansas where it succumbs, 39-6, then travels back for a Thanksgiving Day game just five days later and manages to beat Mines, 16-0.</td>
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<td>1927</td>
<td>(Oct. 8) At the same time the ’27 Yankees defeat Pittsburgh, 4-3, to win the World Series and finish 114-44 on the year, CU falls at Montana State, 12-6.</td>
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<td>1932</td>
<td>William Saunders takes over the coaching reins from Myron Witham (who went 63-26-7 from 1920-31), and CU goes 2-4 in his first season.</td>
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<td>1937</td>
<td>Byron White is named CU’s first All-American in football, captivating the nation with his feats leading CU to an 8-0 regular season record and its first bowl game (Cotton Bowl, where Rice defeats CU, 28-14). White led the nation in rushing, scoring and all-purpose yards.</td>
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<td>1942</td>
<td>The Buffs go 7-2, tie for the Mountain States title with Utah (though losing 13-0 to the Utes) in the last season before World War II brings the sport to a near standstill with many CU players, as was the case nationwide, enlisting to fight; many returned to play and graduate later in the decade.</td>
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<td>1947</td>
<td>CU’s last year in the Mountain States, as the Buffs announced earlier in the summer they were joining the Big 12/Missouri Valley Conference (to make it the Big 7); CU goes 3-3 in league play, but loses the season finale on Thanksgiving at Denver, 26-20, before the largest crowd in the series (28,063).</td>
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<td>1952</td>
<td>(Sept. 27) The only blemish on Oklahoma’s incredible 63-0-1 record in Big Seven and Eight conference play between 1947-1958 came on this day in Boulder: CU’s Zack Jordan was passan the season finale against Colorado at Denver, 26-20, before the largest crowd in the series (28,063).</td>
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<td>1962</td>
<td>Devastated by NCAA penalties, Bud Davis (’51) takes over for Sonny Grandelius as head coach for just the ’62 season to right the program; the team didn’t know he was a one-year wonder until they witnessed the last game of the year, the Buffs go out and upset Air Force, 34-10, to end a 2-8 year.</td>
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<td>1967</td>
<td>Eddie Crowder coaches the Buffs back into the postseason, where CU defeated Miami, Fla., in the Bluebonnet Bowl, 31-21, to finish 9-2. CU was 5-2 in Big 8 play, finishing second to Oklahoma (the Sooners won the head-to-head matchup 23-0 in Norman a week after Oklahoma State tripped up the Buffs in Boulder, 10-7). The Anderson brothers paced CU, senior Dick being named an All-American at safety (sixth nationally with seven interceptions) with sophomore Bobby passing for 733 yards and rushing for 625 more.</td>
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<td>1972</td>
<td>(Sept. 10) Fifty years ago, some had Colorado pegged to be a national champion contender, but a stunning 38-6 loss at Oklahoma State sidetracked the dream; Oklahoma rolled into town ranked No. 2, but behind Gary Campbell and Jon Keyworth, the Buffaloes pull off a 20-14 upset. The latter, played on October 22, drew a then-record 52,022 in attendance for any sporting event in the state of Colorado. The Buffs climb back to No. 7 after the win but back-to-back losses to Missouri and No. 3 Nebraska drop CU back into the teens in the rankings, with the 33-10 loss to Huskers played by 52,128, breaking the state mark set just two weeks earlier versus Oklahoma (Mile High wasn’t expanded over 50,000 until 1976).</td>
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<td>1977</td>
<td>(Oct. 1) Colorado’s last trip to the Northeast for what turned out to be 35 years results in a 31-0 whitewash of Army on a rainy day at West Point; CU finally returned to the area on Sept. 6, 2014, defeating the University of Massachusetts, 41-38, in Foxboro (home of the NFL New England Patriots).</td>
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<td>1982</td>
<td>(Sept. 11) Bill McCartney makes his coaching debut for the Buffaloes, but California wins a rain-soaked game in Boulder, 31-17, to spoil it; he gets in the win column next Saturday (Sept. 18) with a 12-0 win against Washington State in Spokane. McCartney took over the program on June 9 after Chuck Fairbanks resigned on June 1 to become head coach of the New Jersey Generals of the fledgling USFL. He had 73 players on scholarship on his first roster.</td>
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<td>1987</td>
<td>(Oct. 3) Sal Aune makes his starting quarterback debut at Colorado State; in leading CU to a 29-16 win, he rushes 18 times for 83 yards a touchdown and completes 4-of-6 passes for 139 yards and a score. That was a 316.3 quarterback rating for the game (still third best in CU history for a game with five or more attempts). The Buffs rolled to a 26-0 lead early in the second quarter and coasted from there.</td>
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<td>1992</td>
<td>(Oct. 17) Mitch Berger’s 53-yard field goal at the gun completes a furious Colorado rally as the Buffs tie Oklahoma, 24-24, in Boulder; it extends CU’s unbeaten streak in Big Eight Play to 24 games; the streak would reach 25 (23-0-2) before coming to an end with a loss two weeks later at Nebraska.</td>
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<td>1997</td>
<td>Following a 33-29 loss at Oklahoma State, CU drops out of the polls for the first time since the 1988 season; it ends a 143-consecutive week run being ranked, the eighth longest streak of all-time (at the time). The Buffs lose two family members in the offseason, linebacker Tyrone Bussey on January 3 to leukemia and assistant coach (running backs) Ben Gregory on April 10 to a heart attack.</td>
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<td>2002</td>
<td>TB Chris Brown rushes for 1,744 yards, third in the nation, but his Heisman hopes are dashed by a late season ankle injury that forced him to miss the better part of three games. WR Jeremy Bloom makes his CU debut in style, returning a punt 75 yards for a touchdown the first time he touches the ball as a collegian in the season-opener against Colorado State. CU opens 9-3 in defending its Big 12 North Division title, but drops the league title game to Oklahoma and the Alamo Bowl to Wisconsin to finish 9-5, the first of just two seasons in school history with 14 games (joined in 2016 by the 10-4 team).</td>
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<td>2007</td>
<td>CU defeated both Oklahoma and Nebraska in the same season for a record fifth time (1960-61-89-90-2007). CU rallied from 17 down in the third quarter to beat No. 3 Oklahoma, 27-24 (on a 45-yard Kevin Eberhart field goal as time expired) and beat Nebraska in a wild affair, 65-51, with CU’s lineup on ABC introduced by Eric Cartman of South Park fame. CU and Alabama, both with 6-6 records, squared off in the Independence Bowl; the Crimson Tide took a quick 21-0 lead but had to hang on for a 30-24 win.</td>
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<td>2012</td>
<td>Likely the least memorable year in team history, as CU goes 1-11, the win thanks to a QB Jordan Webb short TD run on 4th-and-goal in the final minute for a 35-34 win at Washington State.</td>
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<td>2017</td>
<td>After a 3-0 start, CU would finish 5-7, two close losses at UCLA (27-23) and to Arizona (45-42) thwarting bowl eligibility. TB Phillip Lindsay completed a fine career by setting 24 school records and being named a semifinalist for the Doak Walker Award.</td>
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FIVE CU GAMES IN ESPN’s TOP 150 ALL-TIME

ESPN compiled all kinds of top lists commemorating the 150th anniversary of college football in 2019, and came out with its listing of the top 150 games. Five Buffalo games made the list (all wins); while we might not necessarily agree as in our opinion, the “Fifth Down” game could have been bumped for the 62-36 win over Nebraska in 2001, or the 21-21 tie with Oklahoma in 1952 (the Sooners’ only blemish in Big 7 play). Five out 150 is not too bad; those games:

No. 21 Ann Arbor Sept. 24, 1994 #7 Colorado 27, #4 Michigan 26
No. 64 Miami Jan. 1, 1991 #1 Colorado 10, #5 Notre Dame 9 (Orange Bowl)
No. 87 Columbia Oct. 6, 1990 #2 Colorado 33, Missouri 31
No. 123 Irving Dec. 1, 2001 #9 Colorado 38, #3 Texas 37 (Big 12 Championship)
No. 130 Boulder Nov. 4, 1989 #2 Colorado 27, #3 Nebraska 21

Number one on the list? The true game of the century, Nov. 25, 1971, #1 Nebraska 35, #2 Oklahoma 21.

AND OF THE TOP 150 COACHES …

No. 87 Fred Folsom 107-28-6 (Colorado: 1895-1902 and 1908-15; 78-23-2, Dartmouth: 1903-06; 29-5-4)
Folsom enjoyed four unbeaten seasons at Colorado, including three straight from 1909-11, part of a 21-game winning streak over five seasons. That was his second tenure with the Buffs; Folsom retired from coaching in 1915 at age 42, but he continued at his chief job on the Boulder campus: He taught at the law school until 1943.

No. 144 Bill McCartney 93-55-2 (all at Colorado, 1982-94)
McCartney won seven games in his first three years at Colorado and never had a losing season again. The all-time leader in wins at the school, he won three conference championships, won the school’s only national championship (in 1990) and played for the national championship in 1989. McCartney coached 1994 Heisman Trophy winner Rashaan Salaam and was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 2013.

AND OF THE TOP 150 PLAYERS …

No. 116 Byron "Whizzer" White (RB, Colorado, 1935-37; Rushing yards: 1,864 | Total offense: 2,538 yards | Touchdowns: 24)
White excelled on the field and in the classroom at Colorado. In 1937, the Heisman runner-up led the nation in four major statistical categories: scoring, rushing, total offense and all-purpose yards. White’s record-setting 246 all-purpose yards per game stood until Barry Sanders broke the mark in 1988. White was a Phi Beta Kappa scholar and first in his class at Colorado (180 hours of A, six of B). He became a Rhodes Scholar and was No. 1 in his class at Yale. White won two Bronze Stars in Pacific combat in World War II and in 1962, President John F. Kennedy appointed him to the U.S. Supreme Court, the youngest man at the time (44 years old) to be named to the nation’s highest court (approved by a voice vote).

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).

TRUE FRESHMAN O-LINE STARTERS

It’s pretty rare when a true freshman starts on the offensive line; in fact, in Colorado history current sophomore OT Frank Fillip became just the 12th player to do so when he started for the first time against Oregon State. Those dozen players have combined to make a total of 51 starts; no true freshman has started the entire season on the O-Line. As the late great Keith Jackson would say, here’s a list of CU’s “big uglies” who have started games on the line (total number of starts in last column):

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<th>Player</th>
<th>Pos.</th>
<th>First Start</th>
<th>Opponent</th>
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<td>Leon White</td>
<td>OG</td>
<td>Nov. 10, 1973</td>
<td>at Kansas</td>
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<td>Guy Thurston</td>
<td>OG</td>
<td>Nov. 10, 1979</td>
<td>COLORADO STATE</td>
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<td>Eric Coyle</td>
<td>OG</td>
<td>Oct. 30, 1982</td>
<td>OKLAHOMA</td>
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<td>Clint Moore</td>
<td>OG</td>
<td>Sept. 7, 1991</td>
<td>*WYOMING</td>
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<td>Delyn Jackson</td>
<td>OG</td>
<td>Sept. 21, 1991</td>
<td>MINNESOTA</td>
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<td>Marwan Hage</td>
<td>OG</td>
<td>Oct. 21, 2000</td>
<td>at Kansas</td>
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<td>Brian Daniels</td>
<td>OG</td>
<td>Sept. 20, 2003</td>
<td>at Florida State</td>
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COLD WEATHER GAMES

With the 2020 season commencing on Nov. 7 and seven games on the revised schedule, chances were the Buffaloes would play in at least one game that would crack the school’s coldest list in its history. And that’s exactly what happened, as the Dec. 12 home game against Utah saw a 23 degree temperature at kickoff (which was the same temp at game’s end), with a wind chill of 19 degrees. It snowed all day into the night on Friday, subsiding in the wee hours. Here’s a list of a sub-30 degree weather at kickoff in CU annals (the Buffs are 14-9-1 all-time, including a 12-3-1 mark at home, when the thermometer doesn’t crack 30):

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<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Opponent</th>
<th>Result</th>
<th>Temperature (WC)/Conditions</th>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 11, 1911</td>
<td>COLORADO A&amp;M</td>
<td>W 31-0</td>
<td>7 (-1) / snow flurries</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nov. 21, 1931</td>
<td>COLORADO COLLEGE</td>
<td>W 17-7</td>
<td>10 (7) / light snow</td>
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<td>No. 2, 1991</td>
<td>*NEBRASKA</td>
<td>T 19-19</td>
<td>12 (-8) / cloudy</td>
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<td>Nov. 23, 1918</td>
<td>at Denver</td>
<td>L 0-0</td>
<td>15 (15) / cloudy</td>
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<td>Nov. 16, 1996</td>
<td>*KANSAS STATE</td>
<td>W 12-0</td>
<td>18 (-3) / snow flurries</td>
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<td>Nov. 23, 1991</td>
<td>at Iowa State</td>
<td>W 17-14</td>
<td>17 (-8) / blizzard conditions</td>
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<td>8-9</td>
<td>Colorado’s record in overtime games (last: 1-1 in 2019);</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>The number of Buffaloes enshrined in the College Football Hall of Fame (nine players: Byron White, Joe Romig, Dick Anderson, Bobby Anderson, Alfred Williams, John Wooten, Herb Orvis, Michael Westbrook and Rashaan Salaam this December); and one coach: Bill McCartney).</td>
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<td>16</td>
<td>The number of career interceptions by CU’s all-time leader, S John Stearns (1970-72).</td>
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<td>20-4</td>
<td>Colorado’s record in games since 1972 when not committing a turnover or allowing a quarterback sack (1-0 in 2021).</td>
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<td>26</td>
<td>All-Time CU conference titles (tied for 11th nationally: OU 50, NU 46, Michigan 43, Ohio St. 39, USC 37, Tulsa 35, Alabama 33, Texas 30, Fresno St. 30, Utah 27).</td>
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<td>29</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td>30</td>
<td>The number of tackles by LB Jeff Geiser against Kansas State on Nov. 24, 1973, CU’s single game record (5 solo, 25 assists).</td>
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<td>30</td>
<td>The number of states CU has played a football game in with the most recent addition of Massachusetts in 2014.</td>
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<td>35</td>
<td>The number of career quarterback sacks by CU’s all-time leader, OLB Alfred Williams (1987-90).</td>
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<td>38-1-1</td>
<td>Colorado’s all-time record when rushing for 300-plus yards in a game (last: 407 at Arizona in 2020).</td>
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<td>38-11</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td>42-30</td>
<td>Colorado’s all-time record in games decided by one (27-17) or two (15-13) points.</td>
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<td>56</td>
<td>The number of all-time players who have rushed for 1,000 or more yards in a CU uniform (seventh in the NCAA).</td>
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<td>60</td>
<td>The length of the school record field goal PK Mason Crosby made against Iowa State in 2004.</td>
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<td>62-36</td>
<td>The final score of CU’s 2001 win over BCS No. 1 Nebraska, which earned the Buffs the Big 12 North title.</td>
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<td>64</td>
<td>The length of the pass from QB Kordell Stewart to WR Michael Westbrook (via WR Blake Anderson tip), known as “The Catch” at Michigan.</td>
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<td>67</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td>67</td>
<td>The length of TB Rashan Salaam’s TD run against Iowa State on Nov. 19, 1994, one that put him over the 2,000-yard mark for the season.</td>
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<td>70-25</td>
<td>Colorado’s record in games against unranked teams in the month of November, dating back to 1985.</td>
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<td>70</td>
<td>The number of wins Colorado has over teams ranked in the Associated Press weekly polls (23rd most all-time; 47 since 1989, 20th most).</td>
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<td>72</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td>76.2</td>
<td>The conversion rate by the Buffaloes on 3rd-&amp;-1 since 1984 (579 of 760; highlighted by 30-of-30 in 1989).</td>
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<td>78-15-4</td>
<td>Colorado’s record in games from 1989-96, the nation’s fourth best overall record in the nation during that time frame.</td>
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<td>93</td>
<td>The number of wins by Bill McCartney, CU’s all-time winningest coach (93-55-5, 1982-94).</td>
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<td>188, 6</td>
<td>The number of rushing yards and touchdowns, respectively, by TB Chris Brown against Nebraska on Nov. 23, 2001 in CU’s 62-36 win.</td>
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<td>238-9</td>
<td>Colorado’s all-time record in games when it has scored 35 or more points (331-29-1 with 30 or more points, with 125-2 with 43 or more).</td>
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<td>242</td>
<td>The number of consecutive games Colorado scored in between 1988 and 2008, at the time the ninth-longest all-time in Division I football.</td>
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<td>245</td>
<td>The number of players from CU who have played in the National Football League, a top 20 figure nationally.</td>
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<td>284</td>
<td>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).</td>
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<td>294</td>
<td>The number of career receptions by CU’s all-time reception leader, WR Nelson Spruce (2012-15).</td>
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<td>305</td>
<td>The number of times Colorado has been ranked in the Associated Press weekly poll (26th most all-time).</td>
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<td>306</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td>307</td>
<td>The number of career points by CU’s all-time scoring leader, PK Mason Crosby (2003-06).</td>
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<td>324</td>
<td>The number of wins Colorado has at Folsom Field since it opened on Oct. 1, 1924 (515 games: 324-181-10).</td>
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<td>342</td>
<td>The number of rushing yards by TB Charlie Davis against Oklahoma State on Nov. 13, 1971, CU’s single-game rushing record.</td>
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<td>362</td>
<td>The number of all-purpose yards by TB Rashan Salaam at Texas on Oct. 1, 1994, CU’s single-game record (317 rushing, 45 receiving).</td>
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<td>413</td>
<td>The number of home wins Colorado has in its history (combined between campus fields, Gamble Field and Folsom Field).</td>
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<td>465</td>
<td>The number of passing yards by QB Mike Moschetti against San Jose State on Sept. 11, 1999, CU’s single-game passing record.</td>
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<td>486</td>
<td>The number of games announcer Larry Zimmer called on the radio for the Buffaloes, the most by anyone in CU history (retired after 2015).</td>
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<td>493</td>
<td>The number of career tackles by CU’s all-time leading tackler, ILB Barry Remington (1982-86).</td>
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<td>533</td>
<td>The number of passing yards against Northeast Louisiana on Sept. 16, 1995, CU’s single-game record.</td>
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<td>551</td>
<td>The number of rushing yards at Arizona on Oct. 11, 1958, CU’s single-game record.</td>
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<td>718</td>
<td>The number of wins Colorado has in its history (26th most all-time).</td>
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<td>767</td>
<td>The number of yards of total offense against San Jose State on Sept. 11, 1999, CU’s single-game record.</td>
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<td>1,149</td>
<td>The number of receiving yards by WR Charles Johnson in 1992, CU’s single-season record.</td>
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<td>1,279</td>
<td>The number of games Colorado has played in its history (132 seasons of intercollegiate football).</td>
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<td>2,055</td>
<td>The number of rushing yards TB Rashan Salaam had in 1994 (the fourth at the time with a 2,000-yard season), on his way to the Heisman.</td>
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<td>3,156</td>
<td>The number of passing yards by QB Koy Detmer in 1996, CU’s single-season record.</td>
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<td>3,347</td>
<td>The number of career yards by CU’s all-time receiving leader, WR Nelson Spruce (2012-15).</td>
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<td>3,940</td>
<td>The number of career rushing yards by CU’s all-time leading rusher, TB Eric Bieniemy (1987-90).</td>
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<td>5,345</td>
<td>The elevation in feet of CU’s Folsom Field (field level), the third highest stadium elevation in the FBS (behind Wyoming and Air Force).</td>
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<td>9,649</td>
<td>The number of career passing yards by CU’s all-time passing leader, QB Steven Montez (2016-19).</td>
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<td>10,609</td>
<td>The number of career yards by CU’s all-time total offense leader, QB Steven Montez (2016-19).</td>
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MONTHLY TAB

The Buffs 77-63-1 in its last 141 November games (71-46 against all-comers aside from Nebraska, going 6-16-1 against NU in turkey month, and 70-25 against unranked teams since 1985. Colorado is 60-66-2 in their last 128 October games dating back to 1989. CU is The Buffs are 13-20 all-time in the month of December (5-8 in regular season games) and are 4-3-1 in August games in its history. Colorado is 72-44 in its last 116 September games, a pretty decent record considering the quality of non-conference schedule CU almost annually plays.
Colorado is 325-181-10 in 98 seasons playing its home games at Folsom Field (516 in all). The first game at Folsom was Oct. 11, 1924 (then known as Colorado Stadium, built at a cost of $75,000). Previously, CU was 60-14-6 at Gamble Field and 28-8 on other grass fields of campus; the Buffs are 413-203-16 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 6-3 at home under Karl Dorrell.

**RANKED “UNDEFEATED” FALL AT FOLSOM**

Twelve ranked, undefeated teams have lost their “0” in the loss column at Folsom Field since 1989. The last was No. 25 Nebraska in 2019 (though the Huskers were just 1-0 and left with a 34-31 overtime loss). Otherwise, next was No. 17 Kansas (5-0) in 2009 who lost 34-30. In 2007, Oklahoma State (6-0) fell 62-36 game to the Buffs, as did Texas A&M (5-0), 31-21. In 1998, No. 22 Texas Tech (6-0) lost 19-17; in 1997, No. 25 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.)

**THE PRIMO TWENTY-FOUR**

Colorado is one of just 24 schools in 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**
  - Army 1944-45 1945-46-58
  - Auburn 1957-2010 1971-85-2010
  - Brigham Young 1954 1990
  - Colorado 1990 1994
  - Georgia 1980 1982-82
  - Michigan 1948-97 1940-91-97 UCLA 1954
  - Minnesota 1930-46-60 1941 USC
  - Penn State 1982-86 1973
  - Pittsburgh 1937-76 1976
  - Syracuse 1959 1961
  - Texas A&M 1939 1957-2012
  - UCLA 1954 1967

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 nine different players win 11 trophies over the last 22 seasons (1990-2021), tied for the 16th most nationally when it comes to trophies (and tied for 15th 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, Campbell, Tatupu (defunct), Ray Guy, Rimington, Lott, Hendricks, Hornung, Mayo/Comeback, Bullsworth (player awards only)—no “fad” awards around for a year or two, and No Disney Spirit, Orange Bowl Courage, Wuerffel, Witten, etc. awards. The list of schools that have had winners between 1990 and 2021:

- **School**
- **Players/Trophies**
  - Alabama 30 46
  - Oklahoma 17 28
  - Ohio State 17 28
  - Texas 14 25
  - Florida State 13 23
  - Michigan 12 23
  - Louisiana State 12 20
  - Miami, Fla. 11 19
  - Penn State 11 19
  - Florida 10 19
  - Wisconsin 13 23
  - Nebraska 11 16
  - Notre Dame 9 16
  - Georgia 11 15
  - USC 8 13
  - Iowa 11 11
  - **COLORADO** 9 11
  - Clemson 9 11

- **Players/Trophies**
  - Stanford 7 10
  - Oregon 6 10
  - Pittsburgh 6 10
  - UCLA 8 9
  - Arizona 6 9
  - Texas A&M 7 8
  - Kentucky 6 8
  - Auburn 5 8
  - Louisville 5 8
  - Arkansas 5 7
  - Tennessee 4 7
  - Oklahoma State 6 6
  - Michigan State 5 6
  - Georgia Tech 5 6
  - Boston College 3 6
  - Texas Tech 5 5
  - Louisiana Tech 2 3
  - Utah 5 5

- **Players/Trophies**
  - Washington 4 5
  - Arizona State 3 5
  - Baylor 3 5
  - Brigham Young 2 5
  - Northwestern 2 5
  - Kansas State 4 4
  - Memphis 4 4
  - Virginia 4 4
  - Oregon State 4 4
  - Purdue 4 4
  - Minnesota 3 4
  - Mississippi 3 4
  - N.C. State 3 4
  - Illinois 3 3
  - Wake Forest 2 2
  - West Virginia 2 2
  - Temple 2 2
  - Air Force 2 2
  - Army 1 1
  - Coastal Carolina 1 1
  - Duke 1 1
  - East Carolina 1 1

**ALL-TIME CONSENSUS ALL-AMERICANS**

Through the 2021, Colorado is tied for 24th all-time with 31 consensus All-America selections among FBS schools, the fourth-most among Pac-12 schools (per NCAA guidelines: players need to be named first-team on at least two of the five organizations the NCAA recognizes: AFCA, AP, FWAA, Walter Camp and The Sporting News). The top 25: Notre Dame 106, Ohio State 90, Michigan 85, Alabama 83, Oklahoma 82, USC 82, Texas 61, Nebraska 54, Pittsburgh 54, Florida State 45, Penn State 43, UCLA 41, Tennessee 40, Army 37, Georgia 37, Stanford 37, LSU 36, Miami-Fla. 36, Minnesota 34, Florida 33, Texas A&M 33, Michigan State 32, Wisconsin 32, **COLORADO** 31, Clemson 31, Auburn 31, Iowa 30 (rest of Pac-12: 28, California 29, 32, Washington 23; 38, Arizona State 18, 41, Arizona 16, 55, Utah 10; 58, Oregon, Oregon State & Washington State 8).
The 2022 Colorado schedule combined for an 81-71 record in the 2021 season (a 55.3 winning percentage); CU played seven bowl teams (that combined for a 60-31 mark); three teams won 10 games (AFA, Oregon, Utah), Minnesota won nine and two won eight.

- The 12 opponents on the 2022 Colorado schedule combined for an N 26 O 12 S 17 COLORADO S 10 WESTERN ILLINOIS S 1 NEW MEXICO State at SMU O 1 at Oklahoma O 8 at Utah O 22 at Oregon O 29 at Stanford N 5 at Arizona State N 12 at Arizona N 19 at Arizona State N 26 at California

- The season opener will be on a weeknight for the eighth time in nine years the Buffaloes (2014, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 in Denver, 2015 in Boulder, 2023-24 (Sept. 16 in Boulder and Sept. 14 in Fort Collins), and in March 2021 signed a six-year series to continue what has become known as the Rocky Mountain Showdown. Those games are set for 2022-24 (at Arlington)

- With two Friday night affairs, Colorado will have at least one regular season game on a non-Saturday for the 26th time over the last 27 seasons; the only exception was in the abbreviated 2020 campaign. The Buffs had played the Friday after Thanksgiving from 1996 through 2012, a span of 17 seasons

- The Buffaloes play on a Friday night at least once for the eighth time in nine years (twice this fall); a 2020 Friday game versus Utah was moved to the next day. CU is 19-25 all-time on Fridays (9-10 night; CU is 6-7 on Friday nights since joining the Pac-12, 1-6 in league games).

- The first-ever meeting with TCU will also be the first visit to Boulder by a current Big 12 conference team since Kansas State on Nov. 20, 2010.

- The road game at Minnesota will be CU’s first at a Big Ten school since 2018 (33-28 win at Nebraska); that followed a 2016 visit to Michigan (a 45-28 loss).

- The Buffs have 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 was passed on by the Pac-12’s television partners for Friday airing until FOX showed the 2021 contest.

- Colorado is scheduled to travel approximately 8,990 ground and air miles round-trip for its non-Boulder games in 2022: Air Force (Colorado Springs, 170); Minnesota (Minneapolis, 1,480), Arizona (Tucson, 1,340), Oregon State (Corvallis, 2,010), USC (Los Angeles, 1,790) and Washington (Seattle, 2,200)

- In Pac-12 play, Colorado will miss Stanford and Washington State a second straight year; they return for 2023-24 when Cal and Washington come off.

- CU won’t play a game in an NFL stadium for just the third time since 2009 (44 previous games with a 21-22-1 record; 16-10 in current NFL venues, including 12-5 at Empower Field in Denver).

- The 2020 game canceled at Colorado State was the last in an 11-game series renegotiated and signed in December 2009; the schools will resume the series in 2023-24 (Sept. 16 in Boulder and Sept. 14 in Fort Collins), and in March 2021 signed a six-year series to continue what has become known as the Rocky Mountain Showdown. Those games are set for 2029-30, 2033-34 and 2037-38. The two had played every year since 1995 and 31 times dating back to 1983.
### 2022 PAC-12 COMPOSITE SCHEDULE & RESULTS

#### Week One (Sept. 3)
- Northern Arizona at Arizona State, 8:00p
- Bowling Green at UCLA, 12:30p
- Arizona at San Diego State, 1:30p
- Oregon vs. Georgia, 1:30p (at Atlanta)
- Arizona at San Diego State, 1:30p
- Oregon vs. Georgia, 1:30p (at Atlanta)

#### Week Two (Sept. 10)
- Colorado at Air Force, 1:30p
- Southern California at Stanford, 5:30p
- Oregon at Tennessee, 2:00p
- Washington State at Wisconsin, 1:30p
- Oregon at Tennessee, 2:00p
- Washington State at Wisconsin, 1:30p

#### Week Three (Sept. 17)
- Colorado at Minnesota, 1:30p
- South Alabama at UCLA, 12:30p
- California at Notre Dame, 12:30p
- BYU at Oregon, 1:30p
- Colorado State at Washington State, 3:00p
- Michigan State at Washington, 5:30p
- Montana State vs. Oregon State, 6:00p (at Portland)
- San Diego State at Utah, 8:00p
- Fresno State at Southern California, 8:30p
- Eastern Washington at Oregon State, 6:30p
- Utah at Arizona, 7:00p
- Arizona State at Stanford, 1:00p
- Washington State at Southern California, 8:00p

#### Week Four (Sept. 24)
- *UCLA at Colorado*
- *Arizona at California*
- *Oregon at Washington State*

#### Week Five (Oct. 1)
- *Washington at UCLA*
- *Oregon State at Southern California*
- *California at Washington State*
- *Utah at Arizona State*

#### Week Six (Oct. 8)
- *Oregon at Arizona*
- *Oregon State at Stanford*
- *Utah at UCLA*
- *Washington at Arizona State*

#### Week Seven (Oct. 15)
- *Stanford at Notre Dame*

#### Week Eight (Oct. 22)
- *Colorado at Oregon State*
- *Arizona at Arizona State*
- *California at California*

#### Week Nine (Oct. 29)
- *Utah at Washington State*

### 2023 PAC-12 CONFERENCE STANDINGS

#### South Division (E)

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#—division champion.
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), the divisions were announced later that year (football only): CU and Utah joined Arizona, Arizona State, Southern California and UCLA in the Pac-12 South. In 2022, divisions were done away with, and things will likely change again after USC and UCLA depart in 2024. Here’s a look at the all-time records of each program as listed by the NCAA through the 2021 season (2022 records in parenthesis):

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**Totals**                  |         |       |     |     |     | 14,421 | 8,030 | 5685 | 506 | .574 |

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

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**FOLSOM FIELD #1**

In 2017, LawnStarter.com 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. Lavelle 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. Michelle 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).

**CU IS BLACK & GOLD, BUT FOLSOM WAS FIRST TO GO “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 reduce projects. They anticipated recycling or composting at least 90% of the waste generated at Folsom Field and met those goals. According to U.S.

**U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT TABS BOULDER #1**

In October 2020, U.S. News & World Report released its annual ranking of the top 150 places to live in the United States. In its summary, the publication wrote: “Snug against the foothills where the Great Plains give rise to the Rocky Mountains, Boulder is nothing if not a looker. This city reveals its spectacle at the crest of a hill on U.S. Route 36 from Denver with its iconic sandstone slabs rising from the mountains, prefaced by pine-clad mesas and cradled within the backdrop of the snow-capped Indian Peaks.” Boulder received high scores for desirability, job market and quality of life (also receiving the No. 1 ranking in the latter).

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

The final home attendance figure for 2019 was 297,435, an average of 49,573 for six home games. It marked the 25th straight season that Colorado football was the second largest average draw per game in the state behind the NFL Denver Broncos (and the 43rd time in the last 45 years). The Bedding 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 2021 was 33,589 when adding in 13,990 student holders to 19,599 public tickets (student tickets are purchased, just at a discounted rate). In 2019, CU was again first in the state in college football attendance for the 54th straight year, ahead of Colorado State (23,337) and Air Force (27,084; AFA was the last school top CU’s figure, in 1965); 2020 not figured in due to the pandemic.

In 2021, the Broncos are averaging 76,295 per game (6 games); the Rockies finished at 24,854 (lower than normal as COVID restrictions weren’t lifted until June).
### Rushing

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*Values are approximate and subject to rounding.*
## ACTIVE COLORADO CAREER STATISTICAL CHARTS, CONTINUED

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COLORADO ALL-BLACK UNIFORMS

Colorado has worn its all black uniforms on 56 occasions, when the Buffaloes wear both black jerseys and black pants, owning a 24-31-1 record; the Buffs have also added black helmets to the look, having worn black top-to-bottom on seven occasions (0-8 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 really 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 (24-30-1)

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

BLACK HELMETS: Colorado has worn black helmets on 24 occasions in its history, usually with a gold or sometimes a silver logo, and once with a pink logo; CU is 3-21 in the black headgear. The games (*—matte black; #—worn with a pink logo as part of Blackout Breast Cancer awareness):

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OTHER UNIFORM LOOKS

GOLD HELMET/WHITE UNIS/BLACK PANTS (Colorado’s standard road combination through much of the 1980s/1990s/2000s): Last: 2021 (at Utah; L; at UCLA; L; at Oregon; L; at Arizona State, L; 2020 (at Stanford, W); 2019 (at Oregon, L); 2018 (at Nebraska, W); Last: 2017 (at Oregon, L). 2017 (at Oregon State, W).

GOLD HELMET/WHITE UNIS/GOLD PANTS: Last: 2018 (at USC, L); 2016 (at Arizona, W); 2015 (at Oregon, W); 2014 (at Massachusetts, W); 2013 (at Massachusetts, W); 2012 (at Nebraska, W); 2011 (at Oregon, W); 2010 (at Kansas State, W); 2009 (at Nebraska, W); 2008 (at Texas, L); 2007 (at Iowa State, W); 2006 (at Washington, W); 2005 (at Miami-Fla., W); 2004 (at Nebraska, W).

BLACK HELMET/WHITE UNIS/BLACK PANTS (0-8): 2021 (at California, L); 2019 (at Utah, L); 2018 (at Cal, L); 2014 (at USC, L); 2013 (at UCLA, W; at Arizona State, L); 2012 (at Arizona, L); 2011 at UCLA, L)

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


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

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

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


SILVER HELMET/BLACK UNIS/BLACK PANTS (2-4): 2019 (at Arizona, L); 2018 (at Oregon, W; at Stanford, W); 2017 (at Arizona State, L); 2006 (at Arizona State, L); 2005 (at Miami-Fla., W).

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

BLACK HELMET/WHITE UNIS/SILVER PANTS (2-4): 2019 (at UCLA, W); 2018 (at Arizona, L); 2017 (at Utah, L; 2016 (at Oregon, W; at Washington, L); 2015 (at Colorado, L).

IN-SEASON BIRTHDAYS

Here’s the list of those coaches and players who have birthdays to celebrate during the 2022 season (starting last week of August; *—denotes on a game day):

Aug. 28 Caleb Fauria (21)
Aug. 31 Brady Russell (24)
Sept. 1 Devin Grant (23)
Sept. 1 Kadion Ludwick (19)
Sept. 2 Daniel Arias (24)
Sept. 3 Mac Willis (22)
Sept. 5 Joshia Gustav (23)
Sept. 8 Zion Magaiai (20)
Sept. 12 Tommy Notarainni (21)
Sept. 13 Lance Carly (57)
Sept. 16 Toren Pittman (20)
Sept. 20 Trevor Woods (20)
Sept. 20 Xavier Smith (19)
Sept. 24 Kedge Armorey (20)
Sept. 24 Austin Smith (20)
Oct. 3 Michael Haines (21)
Oct. 11 Jackson Anderson (20)
Oct. 13 JT Smith (20)
Oct. 23 Michael Downing (28)
Oct. 23 Jaylon Jackson (24)
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Oct. 26 Victor Venn (19)
Nov. 9 Chris Reiner (27)
Nov. 10 Joshua Jynes (23)
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Nov. 14 Frank Flynn (23)
Nov. 17 Dylan Dixon (19)
Nov. 19 "Yas Martin (21)
Nov. 22 Jeff Smart (38)
Nov. 27 Kaylin Moore (20)
Dec. 3 Robert Barnes (24)
Dec. 3 Gerald Lichtenhan (21)
Dec. 8 Brendan Lewis (21)
Dec. 8 Tyrin Taylor (21)
Dec. 13 Austin Johnson (22)
Dec. 14 Nigel Bethel (23)
Dec. 15 Justin Jacobson (24)
Dec. 17 Isaiah Lewis (24)
## 2022 SPECIAL GAMES/WEEKENDS
The tentative list of special games/weekends at Folsom Field this fall:

| Sept. 2  | (TCU): Men’s Basketball (1963) and SID Alumni Weekends; Cliff Branch Pro Football Hall of Fame Recognition |
| Sept. 24 | (UCLA): Living Legends; Title IX Women’s Sports Weekend; Extra Yard for Teachers; Rashaan Salaam College FB Hall of Fame Recognition |
| Oct. 15  | (California): Family Weekend; Ski Bowl, Honorary C Award Ceremony. |
| Oct. 29  | (Arizona State): Homecoming, Athletic Hall of Fame Weekend, Volleyball (1992) and Spirit Reunion Weekends |
| Nov. 5   | (Oregon): Football Reunions (1967, 2002); Military Appreciation Volleyball Alumnae Weekend, |
| Nov. 26  | (Utah): Senior Day. |

## PAC-12 BOWL AGREEMENTS FOR 2022
Here are the current Pac-12 Conference bowl agreements (all times mountain; order not definitive):

1. **# 1 CFP/Rose Bowl** (Pasadena; ESPN: Jan. 2, 3:00 p.m.; if in CFP semifinal see below).
2. **# 2 Valero Alamo** (San Antonio; ESPN: Dec. 29 vs. Big 12, 7:00 p.m.)
3. **# 3/4 San Diego Holiday** (San Diego; TBD)
4. **# 3/4 SRS Distribution Las Vegas** (Las Vegas; ESPN: Dec. 17 vs. SEC, 5:30 p.m.)
5. **# 5 Tony the Tiger Sun** (El Paso; CBS: Dec. 30 vs. ACC/Notre Dame; 12:00 p.m.)
6. **# 6 Jimmy Kimmel LA** (Los Angeles; ABC: Dec. 17 vs. Mountain West #1; 1:30 p.m.)
7. **# 7 One of the following ESPN Bowls will be the Pac-12’s 7th (& maybe 8th option):**
   - Lockheed Martin Armed Forces (Fort Worth; ESPN: Dec. 22 vs. At-Large, 5:30 p.m.)
   - Union Home Mortgage Gasparilla (Tampa; ESPN: Dec. 23 vs. At-Large, TBA)
   - SERVPRO First Responder (Dallas; ESPN: Dec. 27 vs. At-Large, 1:15 or 4:45 p.m.)

### Note:
If the Pac-12 champion is in the top four of the College Football Playoff poll following the 2022 regular season it would play in either the Peach or Fiesta bowls (both Dec. 31, at 2 or 6 p.m.) as a participant in the CFP semifinals. If the champion is not among those four, it will play in the Rose.

### WHO IS/HAS BEEN ON OFFENSE & DEFENSE
The last Buff to play on both sides of the ball was OLb Carson Wells, who 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 the 2003, in the process, and both continued to do so for the remainder of the season. Otherwise, you have to go back to the 2008 season, when 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 (DT/OG at Texas on October 15, 2005) and that was the first time it happened other than a gimmick here or there since 1992.

### SUPER BOWL BUFFALOES
In 2020, 247Sports looked at all 108 rosters of the 54 Super Bowls and developed an all-time list of the schools that have the most players appear in the game (results for SB55 were not updated). Colorado came in tied for 10th with LSU and Ohio State with 93 players (Buffs have won a total of 52 Super Bowl rings). Topping the list was Miami-Fla. with 122, followed by USC (120), Michigan (114), UCLA (112), Penn State (110), Notre Dame (105), Tennessee (102), Georgia and Nebraska (96).

The all-time list:

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### WHY CU AND NOT UC?
A question often asked of many former Big 8 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 had always been this way at Colorado dating back to at least the 1920s, for whatever reason and at the others—but seemingly nowhere else in the USA (except for Tulsa, but it’s 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 bought into it. “Nobody would change,” he said. “It’s easier to say than 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 longtime athletic director 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.
RALPHIE VI MAKES HER DEBUT

On September 1, 2021 University of Colorado Ralphie Program Manager Taylor Stratton announced that the school had anointed its newest live Buffalo mascot – Ralphie VI – and she made her debut two days later in the Buffaloes’ season opener against Northern Colorado. The 44,153 in attendance started chanting “Ralphie … Ralphie” prior to her initial run, and Folsom Field exploded in applause and cheers as she completed two runs in CU’s 35-7 win.

The newest Ralphie is a little over two years old, as she was born on May 27, 2020 on a ranch in western Nebraska. An orphan rejected by her mother at birth, she was adopted and raised in part by a beef cow. She now tips the scales at just under 500 pounds; the previous quintet of buffalo mascots eventually weighed around 1,300 pounds, but it is hard to predict just how big VI will grow. Ralphie V was retired after the 2019 season after serving the university for 12 years, matching the tenures of both Ralphies I and IV. She is in good health and is enjoying her “retirement.”

The Backstory of Finding VI

On his ranch just north of Chadron, Neb., Will Isham has been in the buffalo business for the last 20 years. As a CU Boulder graduate (Finance ’80), he has always had a love for these majestic animals. His daughter Drew followed in her father’s footsteps and also attended CU (Communication ’13). After graduation, her close friend and sorority sister Sara Abdulla, began working with CU’s Alumni Association (program manager of student outreach). Drew started attending more alumni events and over time, became friends with Sara’s colleague, Taylor Marie Stratton, who started working with the organization in 2017. Stratton left the alumni office when she was named as the manager of CU’s Ralphie Live Mascot Program. After it was decided for Ralphie V to retire and the need for a new Ralphie arose, she remembered the young woman from all those alumni gatherings who grew up on a bison ranch and gave her a call. Nine months ago, the Isham family formally donated a bison heifer calf to CU and hope to remain a part of the program for years to come. While the ranch may be in northwestern Nebraska, the Ishams are truly CU through-and-through. Five members of the Isham family have attended the university: in addition to Will and Drew, Michael Burns (’67), Glory Isham Burns (’75 and a board member of CU’s prestigious Leeds School of Business) and most recently, Jay Braddock Voss (Graduate School of Banking ‘15).

The History

The six Ralphies in all, dating back to her first appearance on Sept. 16, 1967, have led the Buffaloes on to the field for 356 games (not including spring games or scrimmages). Those break down into 297 home games, 24 bowl games, 19 Rocky Mountain Showdowns in Denver, 12 regular season road games and four Big 12 Championship games. Ralphie I ran the most times (78), with V next (76), followed by IV (75) and III (73); Ralphie II had the shortest tenure – 53 games – but passed away early in the 1987 season. The original Ralphie performed six times at away games and in seven bowls for the most outside the state of Colorado (13); III appeared at the most bowl games (8, including CU’s two Orange Bowl national championship games).

- The Ralphie Live Mascot program is completely funded through private donations; those interested in supporting the program, please visit https://cubuffclub.com/RALPHIEVI.

BRANCH FINALLY MAKES THE PRO HALL

The long wait is over. University of Colorado Athletic Hall of Famer Cliff Branch, who passed away in 2019, finally had his dream come true on February 10 when he was selected for induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in its 2022 class. The NFL announced the full class and Branch was selected by the veteran’s committee along with former Super Bowl-winning head coach Dick Vermeil.

While there will be 10 Buffaloes in the College Football Hall of Fame with the induction of the late Rasham Salaam this December, Branch, a three-time All-Pro, is the first with a CU connection who will be enshrined in the Pro Hall.

Branch, who many say changed the game after he was selected by the Oakland Raiders in the fourth round of the 1972 NFL Draft, as he was deemed a “football player with speed and not a speedster who played football.” And he would become one of the most dynamic receivers of his era as the speedy deep threat who stretched opposing defenses. He caught 501 passes for 8,685 yards and 67 touchdowns in 14 seasons (1972 to ’85) for the franchise, and added 73 receptions for 1,289 yards and five touchdowns in the postseason (only Jerry Rice, Julian Edelman and Michael Irvin have more postseason receiving yards than Branch). He averaged 17.3 yards per reception over his career (17.7 in the postseason). He was a part of three Super Bowl championship teams with the Raiders (two in Oakland, one in L.A.), and led the NFL in touchdown receptions twice, with 13 in 1974 and 12 in 1976. He was a first-team All-Pro in 1974, ’75 and ’76. He will forever be etched into the NFL record book: on Oct. 2, 1983, he co-owns the NFL record for longest pass reception, 99 yards from Jim Plunkett in a 37-35 loss at Washington. The Raiders, which had relocated to Los Angeles the year before, revenged that loss by beating the Redskins later that season in the Super Bowl, 38-9. Branch caught six passes for 94 yards with a TD in that game (he had 14 receptions for 181 yards and three TDs in the three Super Bowls).

He was a rookie in 1971, the same year Hall of Fame Coach Tom Flores began his first assistant coaching job with the Silver and Black. Flores was quoted on raiders.com Thursday on Branch’s selection. “I had him from his first day ever as a Raider. I watched him grow up, watched him make big plays and just watched him grow as a person,” Flores said. “I was so proud of him and what he became. He was a game-changer. He not only had incredible speed, he changed the game. I’m very happy for him. I loved him. My kids loved him. I hope our busts are close by, so we can talk,” Flores said with a laugh.

At Colorado, in two seasons, he caught 36 passes for 665 yards and three touchdowns (averaging 18.5 yards per), while rushing 31 times for 354 yards and five scores (11.4 per carry). He returned eight kicks for touchdowns (six punts, two kickoffs); he averaged 25.2 yards per kickoff return and 16.7 per punt try. He amassed 2,507 all-purpose yards in just 22 games, seventh-most in school history at the time (the six ahead of him all played three years). A member of CU’s All-Century team, he helped the Buffaloes to a 10-2 record and No. 3 final ranking as a senior in 1971 – the school’s first 10-win season and highest ranking at the time.

He died at the age of 71; his sister, Elaine Anderson presented him for induction along with Mark Davis from the Raider organization.
Salaam will become the 10th Buffalo enshrined in the Hall, joining Byron White (inducted in 1952), Joe Romig (1984), Dick Anderson (1995), Bobby Anderson (2006), Alfred Williams (2010), John Wooten (2012), Coach Bill McCartney (2013), Herb Orvis (2016) and Michael Westbrook (2020). Salaam is now the third player who was coached by McCartney to enter the Hall, joining Williams and Westbrook who also played for him during his 13-year tenure as head coach from 1982-94. Salaam passed away on Dec. 5, 2016 at the age of 42.

“Rashaan left five years ago, and it is still difficult to deal with,” said his mother, Khalada Salaam-Alaji. “A lot of attention has been given to Rashaan since he has been gone which the family deeply appreciates. After Rashaan left us, two of his friends who were very close to him and our family also passed away, T.J. Cunningham and John Thierry, and now, several homes in his community of Superior (Colo.) where he lived burned down last week.

“I wish Rashaan was still here so that he could use this wonderful recognition to support mental and physical health issues,” she added. “His going into the College Hall of Fame is a good thing, but there is so much serious social work that has to be done on this side for our children and this planet. If Rashaan was here, I think he would enjoy this honor and celebration of him being inducted into the National Football College Football Hall of Fame.”

A 6-foot-1, 215-pound tailback who played 8-man football at San Diego’s La Jolla Country Day, he would become just the fourth player at the time to gain 2,000 yards rushing in a season, when schools generally played an 11-game schedule and the NCAA did not count bowl statistics into season totals. He ran for 2,055 yards in averaging 6.9 yards per carry, doing so even though he did not play in five fourth quarters and on two other occasions, played only briefly in the third quarter, over half of the yards (1,040) came against ranked opponents. He led the nation in rushing, scoring (24 touchdowns or 144 points) and all-purpose yards (2,549) and reeled off nine consecutive 100-yard games (10 total), including four 200-plus yard games. All the aforementioned set and remain CU records. See the play that put him over 2,000 yards here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Nt6HjqtJt8&t=87s.

In the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 2, 1995, he gained 83 yards and scored three touchdowns against Notre Dame in the Buffaloes’ 41-24 victory, which helped CU to an 11-1 record and a final No. 3 ranking in the polls. After the game, he announced he was foregoing his senior year and declared for the NFL Draft. McCartney had previously announced he was retiring; among Salaam’s postgame comments included, “I’m leaving with Coach Mac.” He would be selected in the first round of the draft (21st overall) by the Chicago Bears, and would go on to win the NFC’s Rookie of the Year honor with a 1,000-yard season.

Injuries would eventually derail his professional career.

There was a three-man race for the Heisman Trophy between Salaam and Penn State’s running back Ki-Jana Carter and quarterback Kerry Collins. On Dec. 10, 1994 at the Downtown Athletic Club in New York City, Salaam was the one who had his named called, in the process becoming the 60th to win the coveted prize. Carter finished second, with Alcorn State’s Steve McNair edging Collins for third. Salaam had won easily by over 800 points and collected almost twice as many first place votes than Carter and Collins combined. He had won the Doak Walker Award as the nation’s top running back the week before and the Walter Camp Player of the Year honor days before the Heisman, in addition to earning unanimous first-team All-America honors.

Back in Boulder, the team was hosting a recruiting dinner at the Dal Ward Athletic Center with all current players and numerous recruits. When Salaam’s name was called by the Heisman’s chairman, there was massive applause and cheers, and the offensive linemen all lit up cigars. When Salaam returned to Denver the following Wednesday, a dozen players greeted him at Stapleton Airport, and were actually allowed down the jetway at to greet him when he exited the United flight with the Heisman in tow, again to the cheering of a hundred strangers on the flight.

Salaam was a member of CU’s highly-ranked 1992 recruiting class and originally was ticketed to redshirt as a freshman. But being so eager to play, he ran onto the field on the kickoff return unit in CU’s third game at Minnesota that fall. He saw limited action on offense that season (27 carries, 158 yards and one touchdown), but as a sophomore the next year (’93), he would split time with Lamont Warren and despite missing two games due to injuries, he rushed for 844 yards and eight TD’s in the regular season, averaging 5.2 yards per carry. In CU’s win over Fresno State in the Aloha Bowl, he carried 23 times for 135 yards and three scores, offering a glimpse of what was to come. When Warren declared early for the NFL Draft, Salaam would assume the featured back role by himself in 1994.

A first-team All-Big Eight performer in both 1993 and 1994, he was the conference’s offensive player of the year as a junior. A three-time league player of the week, he garnered national honors for his final regular season game against Iowa State, when he went over 2,000 with 259 yards. He had ended his sophomore year by being named the player of the game in the ’93 Aloha Bowl, and captured the Fred Casotti Award for the team’s top junior-to-toe after spring ball.

He finished his career with 3,057 rushing yards, second all-time at CU at the time and still fourth, with 33 rushing touchdowns (first and remains third). When tackling on 38 receptions for 412 yards and one kickoff return for 13, his 3,482 all-purpose yards were third (now ninth). His number was officially retired on Oct. 28, 2017; CU had ceased retiring numbers in the 1970s but an exception was made for the school (and the state’s) only Heisman Trophy winner.
“The first thing that always comes to mind when thinking of Rashaan is that he was a complete player,” McCartney said. “Thorough and fast, competitive spirit off the charts. He could run inside, he could run outside, he could catch the ball, he could block with the best of them. When we recruited him, we knew that throughout the process that if we could get him, we would get a diamond – someone really special. He was one of those guys who, if going into a game evenly matched with the team you were playing, once you gave him the ball, you were no longer evenly matched.”

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“I was talking to (former Buff) J.J. Flannigan just the other day and we were discussing the talent that era of CU football had,” said Westbrook, the first and only CU receiver in the Hall. “We know about one in 66 guys make it into the Pro Football Hall of Fame, but in college, it’s something like one in 5,600 hundred to get into the college Hall. It was an honor for me to make it, and now for a teammate I used to block for, bled and cry with in the trenches together to get in is really something special. We always had each other’s back; if you were to ask Rashaan every time he got the ball to the outside, he’d look for number 81 to be mowing people down. Just like if I caught a designed short throw, there was number 19 doing the same for me.”

Salaam was the son of former Buff Teddy Washington (’64), and late CU sports information director Fred Casotti was familiar with the family bloodlines. Though the elder Salaam (Washington later changed his name to Sultan Salaam) transferred after his freshman year and never played a down at CU, Casotti told a few folks after watching his son after just his third day of practice in CU’s 1992 camp, “This kid is really, really good. He’s going to win the Heisman.” True story, and even more prophetic since the Buffs hadn’t practiced in pads yet. Casotti, who was associated with CU for half a century, never predicted that about any other player.

Salaam had previously been inducted into CU’s Athletic Hall of Fame in 2012, and posthumously into the Colorado Sports Hall of Fame in 2018.

There newest members will be officially inducted during the 64th annual NFF Awards dinner on Dec. 6. All will also be honored with a “campus salute” at a home game of their respective schools this fall. Including the newest members of the Hall of Fame Class, it will bring the count to 1,056 players and 226 coaches who will have been inducted. That is out of nearly 5.54 million who have played or coached the game during the past 152 years; that translates into less than two one-hundredths of a percent (.02%) of the individuals who have earned this distinction.

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**The 2022 HOF Class**—Players: LaVar Arrington (LB, Penn State); Champ Bailey (DB, Georgia); Michael Crabtree (WR, Texas Tech); Sylvester Croom (C, Alabama); Mike Doss (S, Ohio State); Kevin Faulk (AP/RB, LSU); Moe Gardner (DT, Illinois); Boomer Grigsby (LB, Illinois State); Mike Hass (WR, Oregon State); Marvin Jones (LB, Florida State); Andrew Luck (QB, Stanford); Mark Messner (DT, Michigan); Terry Miller (RB, Oklahoma State); Rashaan Salaam (TB, Colorado); Dennis Thomas (C, Alcorn State); Zach Wiepert (OT, Nebraska); Roy Williams (DB, Oklahoma). Coaches: John Luckhardt (Washington & Jefferson/California Pa.); Billy Jack Murphy (Memphis); Gary Pinkel (Toledo/Missouri).
## INDIVIDUAL

### Kickoff Return For A Touchdown

**Colorado:** Nikko Reed vs. Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 26, 2021 (100 yards).
**Opponent:**

### Punt Return For A Touchdown

**Colorado:** Brenden Rice vs. Utah in Boulder, Dec. 12, 2020 (81 yards).
**Opponent:**

### Interception Return For A Touchdown

**Colorado:** Carson Wells vs. Arizona in Boulder, Oct. 16, 2021 (50 yards).
**Opponent:**

### Fumble Return/Recovery For A Touchdown

**Colorado:** Jack Lamb vs. Washington in Boulder, Nov. 20, 2021 (88 yards).
**Opponent:**

### Blocked Punt Return For A Touchdown

**Colorado:** Trevor Woods vs. Arizona at Tucson, Nov. 8, 2014 (22 yards).
**Opponent:**

### Blocked Field Goal Return For A Touchdown

**Colorado:** Has not occurred.
**Opponent:**

### Offensive Lineman To Score A Touchdown

**Colorado:** Alex Kelley vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 2, 2016 (recovered fumble in end zone).
**Opponent:**

### Defensive Two-Point Conversion

**Opponent:**

### 300 Yards Total Offense

**Colorado:** 301, Jarek Broussard vs. Arizona at Tucson, Dec. 5, 2020 (301 rush, 0 pass).
**Opponent:**

### 400 Yards Total Offense

**Colorado:** 416, Steven Montez vs. Southern California in Boulder, Nov. 11, 2017 (376 pass, 40 rush).
**Opponent:**

### 100 Yards Rushing

**Colorado:** 151, Jarek Broussard vs. Oregon State in Boulder, Nov. 6, 2021 (29 attempts).
**Opponent:**

### 200 Yards Rushing

**Colorado:** 301, Jarek Broussard vs. Arizona at Tucson, Dec. 5, 2020 (25 attempts).
**Opponent:**

### 300 Yards Rushing

**Colorado:** 301, Jarek Broussard vs. Arizona at Tucson, Dec. 5, 2020 (25 attempts).
**Opponent:**

### Three Touchdowns Rushing

**Colorado:** 3, Jarek Broussard vs. UCLA in Boulder, Nov. 7, 2020.
**Opponent:**

### Four Touchdowns Rushing

**Opponent:**

### Two 100-Yard Rushers

**Colorado:** 211, Laviska Shenault vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 31, 2018.
**Opponent:**

### Three 100-Yard Rushers

**Colorado:** 3, Cameron Rising vs. Oregon State in Boulder, Nov. 6, 2021.
**Opponent:**

### Four Touchdowns Passing

**Colorado:** 4, Steven Montez vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 31, 2018.
**Opponent:**

### Five Touchdowns Passing

**Colorado:** 5, Khalil Tate, Arizona at Boulder, Nov. 2, 2018.
**Opponent:**

### Three Interceptions Thrown

**Colorado:** 3, Steven Montez vs. Oregon at Eugene, Oct. 11, 2019.
**Opponent:**

### Ten Receptions

**Colorado:** 10, Tony Brown vs. Arizona in Boulder, Oct. 5, 2019 (141 yards).
**Opponent:**

### 100 Yards Receiving

**Colorado:** 102, Brennden Rice vs. Oregon at Eugene, Oct. 30, 2021 (5 receptions).
**Opponent:**

### 200 Yards Receiving

**Colorado:** 211, Laviska Shenault vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 31, 2018 (11 receptions).
**Opponent:**

### Two Touchdowns Receiving

**Opponent:**

### Three Touchdowns Receiving

**Colorado:** 3, Tony Brown vs. Arizona State at Tempe, Sept. 21, 2019.
**Opponent:**

### Two 100-Yard Receivers

**Colorado:** Laviska Shenault (11-211) and K.D. Nixon (6-112) vs. Colorado State in Denver, Aug. 31, 2018.
**Opponent:**

### 100-Yard Rusher & Receiver

**Colorado:** Jarek Broussard (27-121) rushing & Dimitri Stanley (6-126 receiving) vs. Stanford at Palo Alto, Nov. 14, 2020.
**Opponent:**

### 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.

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**Opponent:**

- Alex Kelley vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 2, 2016 (recovered fumble in end zone).
- Has not occurred.
The Last Time, continued...

### Four Touchdowns In A Game
- **Colorado:**
- **Opponent:**

### Four Field Goals In A Game
- **Colorado:**
- **Opponent:**

### 50-Yard Field Goal
- **Colorado:**
  - 64, vs. Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 26, 2021.
  - (32 attempts; included four sacks for 32 yards).
  - 84, by Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 26, 2021.
- **Opponent:**
  - 84, by Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 26, 2021.

### Two Interceptions In A Game
- **Colorado:**
  - 3 (for 10 yards), Nate Landman vs. San Diego State in Boulder, Nov. 28, 2020.
- **Opponent:**
  - 6, by Nebraska at Lincoln, Oct. 25, 2019.

### Three Interceptions In A Game
- **Colorado:**
- **Opponent:**

### Four Quarterback Sacks In A Game
- **Colorado:**
- **Opponent:**
### CAREER SINGLE GAME BESTS (for those who have regularly appeared in games)

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0 | MOORE, Kaylon | CB | 5-10 | 180 | So. | 1L | Westlake Village, Calif. (Oak's Christian) | S | 4/3
17 | MOSS III, James | QB | 6-0 | 200 | So. | VR | Laguna Beach, Calif. (St. Margaret's Episcopal/Univ. of Chicago) | WO | 3/3
51 | NOTARAINNI, Thomas | ILB | 6-3 | 220 | Fr. | RS | San Diego, Calif. (Cathedral Catholic) | WO | 4/4
44 | OFFERDahl, Charlie | TB | 5-11 | 185 | Fr. | RS | Littleton, Colo. (Dakota Ridge) | WO | 4/4
25 | OLIVER, Jaxon | CB | 6-0 | 170 | Fr. | HS | Bakersfield, Calif. (Liberty) | S | 5/4
87 | OLSIN, Erik | TE | 6-5 | 245 | Fr. | RS | Littleton, Colo. (Heritage) | S | 4/4
37 | ORTEGA III, Trey | S | 6-0 | 190 | So. | VR | Broomfield, Colo. (Broomfield) | S | 3/3
23 | PAGE, Grant | WR | 6-3 | 190 | Fr. | HS | Boulder, Colo. (Fairview) | S | 4/3
98 | PALAZZO, Cristiano | PK | 5-9 | 185 | Fr. | TR | Littleton, Colo. (Heritage/Oregon) | WO | 4/4
89 | PASSARELLO, Louis | TE | 6-5 | 250 | Fr. | VR | Palo Alto, Calif. (Palo Alto) | S | 4/4
3 | PERRY, Chase | WR | 6-1 | 190 | So. | 1L | Greenwood Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek) | S | 3/3
12 | PERRY, Quinn | ILB | 6-2 | 245 | Sr. | 3L | Marina Del Rey, Calif. (Palisades/El Camino) | S | 1/1
22 | PITTMAN, Toren | CB | 6-4 | 185 | So. | 2L | Frisco, Texas (Lone Star) | S | 4/3
74 | RAMIREZ, John | OL | 6-5 | 265 | Fr. | HS | Placentia, Calif. (El Dorado) | WO | 5/4
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73 | REZNIC, Ben | OL | 6-6 | 310 | Fr. | RS | Deerfield, Ill. (Deerfield) | WO | 4/4
31 | ROBERTSON, Caiden | LB | 6-2 | 220 | So. | 1L | San Clemente, Calif. (San Clemente/Saddleback CC) | WO | 4/3
80 | ROBINSON, Ty | WR | 6-3 | 195 | So. | 1L | Aurora, Colo. (Eaglescrest) | S | 4/3
70 | RODDICK, Casey | OL | 6-4 | 305 | Fr. | 3L | Ventura, Calif. (St. Bonaventure) | S | 2/2
91 | RODMAN, Na'im | DL | 6-2 | 305 | Fr. | 3L | Lake Wildwood, Calif. (St. John Bosco) | S | 3/2
38 | RUSSELL, Brady | TE | 6-3 | 250 | Sr. | 4L | Fort Collins, Colo. (Fossil Ridge) | S | 1/1
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51 | SHIELDS, TJ | QB | 6-0 | 170 | Fr. | VR | Santa Fe, N.M. (Hart Central/Tennessee) | WO | 4/3
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2 | STRIKER, Jeray | S | 6-3 | 200 | Jr. | 1L | Tampa, Fla. (Jefferson/Independence CC) | S | 2/2
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38 | WILLIS, Daniel “Mac” | CB/PK | 6-3 | 190 | So. | 1L | Centennial, Colo. (Cherry Creek) | WO | 3/3
43 | WOODS, Trevor | S | 6-1 | 205 | So. | 1L | Katy, Texas (James E. Taylor) | S | 4/3
18 | WOOLVERTON, Jordan | S | 6-2 | 195 | Fr. | RS | Durango, Colo. (Durango) | WO | 4/4

Heights and weights recorded as of April 23, 2022. EXPERIENCE KEY: #—indicates number of letters earned through 2021; HS—high school; JC—junior college transfer; RS—freshman redshirt in 2020; TR—transfer; VR—varsity reserve performer.

STATUS KEY: S—scholarship, WO—walk-on; #/#—clock at end of 2021 season, i.e., 2/1: two years to play one in eligibility. COVID: Eligibility calculations for all players regained their year of eligibility for the 2020 season; -2 indicates second (class) year, -3 indicates third (class) year.

### Inactive Player Players [Injured (out for extended time)/Ineligible/Entered Transfer Portal, Etc.]

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2022 COACHING STAFF: Head Coach: Karl Dorrell (3rd season at Colorado, 8th overall). Assistant Head Coach: Phil McGeoghan (WR). Assistant Coaches: Mike Sanford (OC/QB), Chris Wilson (OC/OLB), Brett Maxie (DPGC/S), Clay Patterson (TE/PGC), Rod Chance (CB), Gerald Chatman (DL), Kyle Devan (OL), Darian Hagan (RB), Mark Smith (ILB), Shannon Turley (S&C). Grad Assistants: Nate Dodson (O), Kolter Smith (O), John Gardner (D), Cordale Grundy (D). Quality Control: Michael Downing (D), Nick Gilbert (O), Brandon Gibson (O), Chris Reinert (ST), Jeff Smart (D). CAPTAINS: Appointed each game.
### Colorado Football (as of August 25 a.m.):

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