

Marty & Matt's Small College Scouting Report



COREY BROWN

ADAMS STATE

5-11 205 RB/

2017: Good reliable back. Lost only 12 yards in 157 carries. Gained 823 yards for a 5.2 average and 6 TDs. Caught 25 passes for 134 yards, a 5.36 average and a TD.

JAHAAN BROWN

FERRIS STATE

6-0 215 RB/

2017: Honorable Mention All-GLIAC. Strong, quick runner who sets up play action beautifully. Had 121 carries for 692 yards, 5.7 avg, 5 TDs. Caught 12 passes, 111 yards, 9.3 yds/rec, TD. 2016: Second team All-GLIAC.

ROMELLO BROWN

WAYNE STATE (MD)

5-11 243 RB/

2017: All-GLIAC Second Team. Started all 11 games, finished seventh in the GLIAC with 827 rushing yards, while his 75.2 rushing yards per game was also seventh. This is the third straight season Brown has received All-GLIAC honors after being named to the Second Team in 2015 and the First Team in 2016. 2016: Selected to the D2Football.com All-America Second Team and the Don Hansen All-America Third Team; voted to the D2CCA All-Super Region 4 Second Team; was a regional semifinalist for the Harlon Hill Award; named to the Don Hansen All-Super Region 4 Second Team; earned First Team All-GLIAC honors; selected as WSU's Offensive Most Valuable Player for the second straight season after rushing for a career-best 1,564 yards.

CALEN CAMPBELL**LINDENWOOD****5-9 185 RB/**

2017: 3rd Team All-MIAA. Rushed for 631 yards and had 92 receiving yards this past season. He averaged 5.7 yards per carry and had nine rushing touchdowns, the third-best mark in the MIAA. 2016- Honorable mention all-MIAA. Transfer from Jacksonville State.

KAMAL CASS**EASTERN NEW MEXICO****5-11 185 RB/**

Concluded one of the greatest careers in program history and his performance propelled the Hounds to their best season in decades. Over Cass' four seasons, the Greyhounds have posted a 28-17 record with a 12-5 mark in Lone Star Conference play over the last two years. Over that span, Eastern made its first appearance in the American Football Coaches Association top-25 since the 2003 season and appeared in the C.H.A.M.P.S. Heart of Texas Bowl twice. Cass is a two-time All-American and two-time LSC Offensive Back of the Year. In his final season, Cass became ENMU's all-time leader in rushing yards. The senior led the league in rushing in each of the last three seasons and claimed the 2017 LSC rushing crown by a 586-yard margin. Cass reached the century mark seven times as a senior to bring his career total to 20 games. He entered the season finale needing 178 yards against fourth-ranked Midwestern State to become ENMU's all-time leader in rushing yards and registered a career-best 276-yard performance to go along with three touchdowns. The league's preseason Co-Offensive Player of the Year concludes his Greyhound career with 4,301 rushing yards, 50 touchdowns (rushing), 15 receptions for 287 yards and three scores. He also has been a key special-teams player with 33 kick returns and 10 punt returns. Cass accumulated 5,322 all-purpose yards over 44 games.

TERRELL CHARLES**FAIRMONT STATE****5-8 190 RB/**

Second Team All-MEC. Wrapped up his FSU career in 10th place in school history with 2,136 yards during his four-year FSU career. Charles went over 100 yards rushing in two of the final three games of the 2017 season. Charles totaled 701 yards on 170 carries this season (averaged 4.1 yards per carry). Charles also ended his career in a tie for 10th place in total rushing touchdowns with 20 during his four-year FSU career.

COLE CHIAPPIALLE**SHIPPENSBURG****5-10 210 RB/**

2017: Don Hansen Football Gazette NCAA Division II All-Super Region 3rd Team. 2017 All-PSAC Second Team selection, has rushed for 688 yards and nine touchdowns while hauling in 26 receptions for 186 yards. He ranks ninth in the PSAC in rushing despite missing two full games due to injury. Chiappialle ranks fourth in the PSAC in rushing touchdowns and has averaged more than 75 yards per game on the ground this season. In 20 career games as a Red Raider, Chiappialle has totaled 1,262 rushing yards and 20 rushing touchdowns, averaging 4.9 yards per carry. He also has 55 receptions for 478 yards and a receiving touchdown. As a return specialist, Chiappialle has 396 punt-return yards and two punt-return touchdowns. He has amassed 2,711 all-purpose yards (135.6 yards per game) in an SU uniform. Transfer from Penn State.

DORIAN COWART**SOUTH DAKOTA MINES****5-8 190 RB/**

2017: All-RMAC Honorable Mention. Was a threat both running and catching the ball. He finished second on the team rushing, with 627 yards on 117 carries and five rushing TDs --- and was third on the team with 38 receptions for 362 yards and one score.

JARED DILLINGHAM**CARSON-NEWMAN****6-0 200 RB/**

2017: First Team All-SAC. Became the 25th player in Carson-Newman football history to rush for 1,000 yards in a year and became just the sixth player in C-N history to rush for 100 yards in three consecutive games. Finished the year third in the South Atlantic Conference in rushing with 1,028 yards on 176 carries. He averaged 5.8 yards a tote and finished with 93.5 yards rushing per game. Dillingham found the end zone 10 times on the year, including a career-best three in the regular season finale against UNC Pembroke.

JUAWAN ETHEREDGE**WEST VIRGINIA STATE****5-9 200 RB/**

2017: Honorable mention All-MEC. Tied the WVSU single season record with 10 rushing touchdowns. Carried the ball just 87 times for 404 yards, a 4.6 avg and 10 TDs.

JAKE GANDARA**CENTRAL OKLAHOMA****5-10 201 RB/**

2017: INJURED AFTER 2 GAMES. Bounced back from a crushing leg injury in 2015 to have a big year in 2016, Quick and shifty running back that can make any defender miss, Has the speed and agility to break a big run at any moment, Ability to catch the ball out of the backfield adds a dimension to the Broncho offense, Also can be dangerous in the return game.

JA'QUAN GARDNER**HUMBOLDT STATE****5-7 205 RB/**

2017: Great Northwest Athletic Conference Offensive Player of the Year. Led the GNAC this year with 125.9 rushing yards per game, while ranking fourth nationally with 19 rushing touchdowns. He paced the GNAC and ranked fourth nationally with 192.6 yards per game. Gardner is the career GNAC leader in touchdowns (75), points scored (450), all-purpose yards (6,979), all-purpose yards per game (170.2), rushing attempts (878), rushing yards (5,426), and rushing touchdowns (70). The running back was tabbed a First Team D2CCA and Second Team AP All-American. 2016: Unanimous All-GNAC First Team selection, Earned D2CCA All-Region and Second Team All-America honors, Shattered the GNAC's single-game, all-purpose yards record with 375 in the Western State game, Became the program's all-time leading rusher and leading scorer; 2015: Was the Harlon Hill Trophy Runner-up, Collected AFCA, Associated Press, Don Hansen and D2CCA All-American honors, Don Hansen All-Super Region Three selection, Unanimous All-GNAC First Team selection, Was the national leader in rushing yards per game (188.8) and rushing touchdowns (25); 2014: Named to the All-GNAC Second Team

JORDAN GERMANY**VALDOSTA STATE****5-10 210 RB/**

2017: Invited to compete in the annual FCS Bowl. Team's #2 back but proved to be a tough ground-gainer. Lost just 4 yards in 55 attempts while gaining 319 yards for a 5.8 average carry and 3 TDs. As a receiver out of the backfield, he caught 10 passes for 67 yards, 6.70 average and a TD.

DOMINIQUE GIBSON**GLENVILLE STATE****5-11 210 RB/**

Transfer from Wake Forest. 2017: All-MEC Second Team. Carried the ball 205 times for 1033 yards, a 5.0 average, 10 TDs; caught 4 passes for 21 yards and 5.25 average.

KALVIN GORDON WALSH

5-11 193 RB/

2017: All-Conference Second Team. Provided the bulk of the Walsh offense on the ground as he rushed for 939 yards on 154 attempts in 11 games. His average of 85.4 yards per game was third in the conference and his 6.1 yards per carry were fifth in the conference amongst running backs with at least 85 carries. Gordon went over the century mark in four games. Overall, he had 1,081 all-purpose yards on the season.

JORDAN GROVE NORTHWEST MISSOURI

6-0 219 RB/

2017: All-MIAA 2nd Team. Caught 46 passes this season for 462 yards and three touchdowns. He also ran the ball 49 times for 194 yards and a touchdown. 2015, 2016 First Team All-MIAA. Very good receiver out of the backfield.

BLAKE HAYES WINGATE

5-11 255 RB/

2017: Second team All-SAC. Hayes started the 2017 season with huge 152-yard performance in a victory at Johnson C. Smith. He posted a season-high 154 yards on 13 carries (with two touchdowns) in a Homecoming triumph over Limestone. Hayes' 2017 stat ledger includes 134 carries for 730 yards and five touchdowns. In addition, he caught three passes on the 2017 campaign with two grabs in a home victory over UNC Pembroke.

KENNETH IHEME FORT HAYS STATE

5-8 180 RB/

2017: Finished the year with 1,380 on 230 carries. He averaged 6.0 yards per carry for the season and 115 rushing yards per game. He produced seven 100-yard rushing games, with 189 as his season high against Pittsburg State. Iheme was one of 34 candidates considered for the Harlon Hill Trophy (Division II Player of the Year), finishing the season with 1,690 all-purpose yards. With 2,569 rushing yards in his career, Iheme finished seventh on the all-time rushing list at FHSU. He is eighth all-time in all-purpose yards with 3,458. Iheme

was a unanimous All-MIAA First Team selection this season. Theme was also a D2CCA All-Super Region 3 First Team selection.

DEREK JACKSON

CHADRON STATE

5-9 190 RB/

2017: Rushed for more than 100 yards in five of Chadron State's final six games as he finished with 1,058 yards and 14 touchdowns. Was CSC's top rusher in 2016 with 564 yards. But he nearly doubled that total this season, scoring multiple touchdowns five times. 2016: Omaha World-Herald All-Nebraska DII. 2015 Omaha World-Herald All-Nebraska DII, Team Offensive Co-MVP.

JABRE LOLLEY

SHEPHERD

6-0 220 RB/

2017: All-Super Region 1 Team. Led the Shepherd ground attack as he rushed 176 times for 1,115 yards and 15 touchdowns. He added 12 receptions for 172 yards and three scores.

TREJUAN MASK

WILLIAM JEWELL

5-11 215 RB/

2017: All-GLVC second team. Returned to form in 2017 after recovering from an injury to lead the Cards with 491 receiving yards and was second on the team with 463 rushing yards for an average of more than 42 per game. In total, the senior collected ten touchdowns in his final campaign. 2015: All-GLVC second team, 2014: Freshman All-American

JARVIS MCCLAM

SETON HILL

6-1 190 RB/ATH

In his college career, saw time as a quarterback, running back, kick returner and wide receiver. 2017: Don Hansen Super Region I Second Team. Finished as the Griffins leading rusher. He had 905 on 137 carries with 9 rushing touchdowns. He broke the Seton Hill single game record for rushing yards with 291 on Senior Day against Slippery Rock. He also had 34 catches for 396 yards and two touchdowns. Jarvis was seventh in the PSAC in rushing yards and rushing touchdowns.

CLAY MCKENZIE**CENTRAL OKLAHOMA****5-9 215 RB/**

2017: INJURED AFTER 2 GAMES. Ranked as one of the top offensive threats in NCAA Division II. Capable of charging through the line for big plays and valued also as a threat to catch the ball out of the backfield. Can do damage in the return game as well. 2016: Earned All-MIAA honors for the second year in a row. 2015: Led the league in rushing, scoring and all-purpose yards in garnering a variety of post-season accolades, Was a first-team All-MIAA pick, gained first- and second-team All-Region recognition, claimed oklahomasports.net Offensive Player of the Year honors and was an honorable mention All-American by d2football.com

MAX MICKEY**SIOUX FALLS****5-9 190 RB/**

2017: Named to three preseason All-American teams, including College Football America 2017 Yearbook, Lindy's Magazine and D2Football.com. Selected NSIC South Division Offensive Player of the Year. Named Academic All-District for the first time with 3.31 grade point average. Was named to the All-NSIC for the second time, earning second team honors after playing just five games. Was off to a fast start to 2017 with 873 yards (2nd, nationally) on 146 carries and eight TDs in five games. Before he sat out the final five games of the regular season due to an injury, led the league with 174.6 yards per game. 2016: Named All-NSIC First Team, selected to five All-American teams (see above), one of 42 for the Harlon Hill Award as DII top player, named USF Team Most Valuable Player and Offensive Player of the Year, ranked in the top-six nationally in six different statistical categories in 2016, including finishing first in NCAA DII in rushing yards per carry at 8.6, was fifth nationally in rushing yards per game at 135.7 per game while sitting second in DII and first in the NSIC in rushing yards with a school record 1,764, was fifth in total TDs (22), and sixth in points scored (132) and rushing TDs (19).

ISAIAH NEELEY**SLIPPERY ROCK****5-9 185 RB/**

2017: Earned his second straight All-PSAC honor after rushing for a career-high 754 yards and 12 touchdowns. He ran for 2,023 yards in his career, topping the 2,000-yard mark in his final career game after rushing for 68 yards and a touchdown. That touchdown rush was the 22nd of his career, moving him up to 11th all-time in SRU program history. 2016: A second team All-PSAC West honoree.

TAHI NOMANE**BEMIDJI STATE****5-11 214 RB/**

2017: Was named to the All-NSIC Honorable Mention Team. Played in all 11 games for Bemidji State. Ran for 618 yards and five touchdowns on 116 carries. Averaged 5.3 yards per rush to go along with 57.4 all-purpose yards per game. Set a career high with a 48 yard run vs Concordia-St. Paul (Sept. 9) and tied his career high with two touchdowns at Minot State (Oct. 14). Finished career sixth all-time at BSU with 2,351 rushing yards and 521 rushing attempts. Tied for fifth all-time at BSU with 27 rushing touchdowns. 2015: Was named to the 2015 NSIC North Division All-Conference Second Team Offense.

MICHAEL NUNNERY**SOUTHERN ARKANSAS****5-10 243 RB/**

2017: Capped his Mulerider career with his second All-GAC award, this time taking home first-team honors. Following up a junior season in which he ran for over 1,100 yards on 213 carries and 12 touchdowns in 12 games played, Nunnery nearly matched that production this year in one less game with 937 yards on 173 carries while also scoring 12 touchdowns. Nunnery also added 12 receptions for 124 yards and a score as he ended with over 1,000 all-purpose yards. His rushing yards ranked second in the GAC, while his 12 rushing touchdowns were the most by a primary running back in the league. His 13 total TDs were tied for the fourth-most in the conference. 2016: All-GAC Second-Team selection.

JEREMIAH ORTIZ**WEST LIBERTY****5-9 200 RB/**

2017: Second-team All-Region. Became only the sixth West Liberty running back ever to surpass the 1,000-yard rushing mark in a season. The workhorse tailback led the MEC with 222 carries and ranked third in the conference with 1,031 rushing yards. It was the ninth 1,000-yard rushing season in more than 90 years of football on the hilltop. 2015: Honorable mention All-MEC.

LARRY OVERSTREET**MINOT STATE****5-10 220 RB/**

2017: Honorable mention all-conference. Led the Beavers with 722 rushing yards and ranked ninth in the NSIC averaging 72.2 yards per game. Rushed for six touchdowns on the season including three touchdown runs against Mary. The senior also ranked second on the

team with 25 catches and had a touchdown reception and he threw a touchdown pass against Bemidji State. Overstreet topped 100 yards rushing in three games and had a career-high 190 yards rushing against Mary.

RAMSES OWENS **LINCOLN (PA)**

6-2 228 RB/

2017: Led the Lions in rushing last season with 447 yards while scoring five touchdowns. He also had nine catches for 62 yards. Participated in the FCS Bowl.

DYLAN OXSEN **ASSUMPTION**

5-10 200 RB/

2017: Was a second-team All-NE10 selection for the second straight year. Led the rushing attack with 814 yards and eight rushing touchdowns. 2016: NE10 Second-Team All-Conference.

PHYDELL PARIS **BLACK HILLS STATE**

5-10 210 RB/

2017: Named All-RMAC Second Team. Finished with over 1,000 yards rushing for the third-consecutive year. Holds the BHSU career rushing record, single season rushing record, and single game rushing record, finishes his time as a Yellow Jacket with 4,144 total rushing yards. He recorded 1,048 of them this year, averaging 104.8 yards per game, good for third in the RMAC. He also tallied 13 touchdowns, scoring 7.8 points per game, which ranked fifth in the league. 2016: Don Hansen Second Team All-Region, Super Region 4 CoSIDA Academic All-District, First Team All-RMAC, First Team RMAC All-Academic. 2015: RMAC All-Academic. 2014: RMAC Academic Honor Roll.

TUWAN PAYTON **INDIANAPOLIS**

5-8 180 RB/RS

Dynamic athlete who contributes in the running, passing and return game. 2016: All-GLVC Second Team.

AUSTIN PERNELL**CENTRAL WASHINGTON****5-9 215 RB/**

Transfer from Washington State. 2017: Honorable Mention All-GNAC. Very good back, strong runner does not give tacklers much of a target. 174 carries, 875 yards, 5.0 avg, 11 TDs. 7 rec for 34 yards.

JAMAL PETTY**CONCORD****5-8 195 RB/**

Talented 3rd down back. Good with the ball in his hands whether it was placed there or thrown there. Carried the ball 116 times for 620 yards, a 5.3 avg and 4 TDs. Out of the backfield, he caught 12 passes 150 yards, 12.5 average/rec and a TD.

LAWRENCE PITTMAN**WINGATE****6-0 225 RB/**

2017: SAC Offensive Player of the Year, leads the SAC with 1262 rushing yards. Pittman also leads the league in rushing yards per game (114.7). He has seven 100+ yard games this year. His 2017 stat ledger includes 263 carries, 1262 yards, 11 rushing TDs, 4.8 yards per rush, 116.3 all-purpose yards per game and 114.7 total offense average per game. Pittman set the Wingate record for touchdowns in a career earlier this season. He had 39 career TDs entering the NCAA Division II play-offs. 2016: Team captain. One the top running backs in college football that no one has heard of. Had a league-best 15 rushing touchdowns while starting only six games for the 'Dogs before missing the remainder of the campaign with a season-ending injury. 2015: was second in the South Atlantic Conference in rushing yards (1227) and rushing yards per game (111.5), All-SAC, first team,

XAVIER QUICK**WINSTON-SALEM****5-9 215 RB/**

Transfer from SC State. 2017: Selected to compete in the annual FCS Bowl despite very limited action at WSSU. Played four years for the Rams and was a member of back-to-back Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) championship teams. He finished his career at WSSU with 570 total rushing yards and four touchdowns.

CHRIS ROBINSON**DELTA STATE****5-9 196 RB/**

2017: American Football Coaches' Association All-America Team. Named All-Gulf South Conference (Second Team). Played in all 13 games for the Statesmen, making 13 starts at running back. Helped the Statesmen to a 9-4 overall record and a second round appearance in the NCAA Division II Football Championship Playoff. Rushed 268 times for 1,324 yards and 18 touchdowns to lead the GSC in all three categories. Averaged 4.9 yards per rush and 101.8 yards per game. Caught 30 passes for 197 yards and two touchdowns..Led the GSC in scoring for a season straight year. His 1,324 yards ranks fifth on the single season rushing charts at DSU, while his 2,300 career yards are seventh in school history. Tied the Delta State career touchdowns record with 44, which ranks sixth in GSC history. Scored 266 points in his DSU career to rank second in school history. 2016: First Team All-GSC selection, Finalist for C-Spire Charles Conerly Trophy, Led all of NCAA DII in scoring (144 points/14.4 points per game) at the end of the regular season, Established new GSC and Delta State record for touchdowns with 24

MICHAEL ROSE**PITTSBURG STATE****5-11 185 RB/**

2017: Second-team All-Region. Second-team All-MIAA. Ranked third in the MIAA and 18th in NCAA Division II in rushing, averaging 107.3 yards per game. He carried the ball 218 times for 1,180 yards and nine touchdowns in 10 games played.

ZACH SHELLEY**HARDING****5-7 190 RB/RS**

Slotback. 2017: All-GAC second team. 123 rushes, 978 yards, 7.1 avg, 5 TDs. 2016: All-GAC (first team); 2015: All-GAC (second team); 2014: GAC Freshman of the Year.

EAMON SMART**CATAWBA****5-10 215 RB/**

2017: Garnered second team All-SAC honors at running back after putting up 917 yards with six touchdowns on the ground. He averaged 4.5 yards per carry and added nine catches for 63 yards. One of his catches went for a score. He finished his career ranked 13th all-time at Catawba with 1,871 yards.

MIKEEL STEWART**WASHBURN****6-1 220 RB/**

2017: Earned third team all-MIAA honors this season. Stewart led the Ichabods with 624 rushing yards with a team-high seven touchdowns.

DEMETRIUS STINSON**WAYNE STATE (MD)****5-11 217 RB/KR**

Transfer from Ferris State. 2017: Selected as the team's 2017 Offensive Most Valuable Player. He was named to the All-GLIAC Honorable Mention Team after rushing for 798 yards and a team-leading seven rushing touchdowns. Stinson also averaged a team-best 5.7 yards per carry, while leading the squad with 984 all-purpose yards. Stinson will enter his redshirt senior season (2018) needing 42 rushing yards to become the 13th player in school history with over 2,000 rushing yards. He is tied-for-seventh in program history with 25 rushing touchdowns. Only five players in school history have a higher yards per carry average with more rushing attempts. Stinson also ranks in the top 10 all-time in rushing yards per game, and is tied-for-21st in all-purpose yards with 2,400. 2016: Named to the GLIAC All-Academic Team; named to the All-GLIAC Honorable Mention Team; played in the first eight games, before missing the final three contests with an injury.

DAOUDA SYLLA**FINDLAY****5-9 210 RB/**

2017: A first team all-conference pick and Harlon Hill nominee, carried the ball 243 times for 1,554 yards and scored 19 touchdowns this season, both the fifth-best single-season marks in school history. Sylla led the G-MAC in attempts, yards, yards per carry, and touchdowns. He was a major factor in the Oilers playoff win over no. 2 Shepherd when he rushed for 205 yards.

DAVID TANN**COLORADO-MESA****5-10 210 RB/**

2017: Garnered All-RMAC first team after rushing for 1,299 yards and 19 touchdowns. Tann finished his career with 2,734 yards rushing and 44 rushing touchdowns. The Cedar Rapids, Iowa product finished with 51 total touchdowns in his career. 2016: All-RMAC Second Team, National Football Foundation Colorado Chapter First Team, Started all 12

games at running back, Led the team in rushing with 1,061 yards on 191 carries (5.6 ypc), Led the team in touchdowns with 25 (20 rushing, five receiving), Led the team in scoring.

LAKENDRICK THOMAS **WEST ALABAMA**

5-11 214 RB/

2017: Second team All-GSC. Quick, powerful runner, workhorse who seldom gets caught behind the line. Had 198 carries for 1007 yards, a 5.1 avg, 13 TDs.

KEVIN THOMPSON **SOUTH DAKOTA MINES**

5-7 185 RB/

2017: A threat both running and catching the ball. He finished first on the team rushing, with 775 yards on 164 carries and 7 rushing TDs. Also had 11 receptions for 114 yard, and a 10.36 average/rec.

RASHAD TRIMBLE **WAYNE STATE (NB)**

6-0 215 RB/

2017: collected Honorable Mention All-NSIC recognition after leading the Wildcats in rushing for a second straight season. He accounted for 833 yards on 165 carries (5.0 avg) with six touchdowns this season and ranked sixth in the NSIC in rushing yards per game (75.7). Trimble had two 100-yard games this season, highlighted by a career-best 185 yards and one TD at Minnesota Crookston. He also recorded 159 yards on 25 carries and one score vs. Southwest Minnesota State.

NICHOLAS TRUEN **NORTHERN STATE**

5-11 210 RB/

Four-year starter. 2017: Third team for Super Region Three. Started all 11 games for the Wolves in his senior campaign. He finished the year with 1,061 yards rushing, making him the first Wolf since 2003 to record over 1000 yards in a season. Truen averaged 7.2 yards per carry to lead the team, and added 15 rushing touchdowns and one receiving touchdown. In the final game of the season, notched a career high 252 yards rushing. He broke the single game school record with five rushing touchdowns, and the single season yards per carry record, averaging 7.2. The senior tallied a team leading 96 points for the Wolves. He finished the season ranked third in the league in all-purpose yards with 1,233 and first in

the NSIC averaging 96.5 yards per game, as the only league rusher to tally over 1000 yards. Truen tallied four games with over 100 yards, as was named the NSIC Offensive Player of the Week in the final two weeks of the season. He was named to the NSIC All-Conference honorable mention team a season ago, and this year was the first Northern State running back named to the first team since the 2009 season. 2016: Started all 11 games for the Wolves, Led the Northern State offense with 986 rushing yards and 208 total carries, Fifth overall in the NSIC, averaging 89.6 yards per game and 4.7 yards per rush, Rushed for nine touchdowns on the year and recorded a season long 75-yard rush against Minot State, Second on the team in scoring with 60 total points for the Wolves, Named to the All-Conference Honorable Mention Team.

DERRICK VILLARD MERRIMACK

6-1 220 RB/

2017: NE10 All-Conference Second Team. Was neck-and-neck with the league's rushing leader throughout the season, finished his career as one of Merrimack's top rushers in program history. He surpassed the century mark in four games and finished with over 1,000 yards rushing on the year (1,001), becoming only the third player in program history to finish with over 1,000 yards. His 1,001 yards were the third-most by any player in single-season program history, while his 2,050 career yards also rank fourth all-time in school history. He also finished with 10 touchdowns on the year, becoming just the fourth Warrior to post 10 rushing scores in a single season. He ranked second in the league in rushing average (100.1) and touchdowns (10) and only lost two fumbles all season.

ANDREW WALKER INDIANAPOLIS

5-9 209 RB/

2016: All-GLVC First Team, 2015 All-GLVC First Team. UIndy record holder for most rushing touchdowns in a season – 20 in 2015.

SHAKEEM WHARTON LINDENWOOD

5-9 211 RB/

2017: Made the most of a timshare opportunity. Good strong runner; good receiver. Had 96 carries, 500 yds, 5.2 avg, 6 TDs; 15 rec, 105 yds, 7.0 avg, TD.

JOHN WILLIAMS**MICHIGAN TECH****5-10 195 RB/**

2017: All-GLIAC Honorable mention honoree. Powered the Huskies' rushing attack by covering 842 yards on the ground with a team high 11 touchdowns. He averaged five yards per carry and broke loose for a 68-yard run this season. He had the second most rushing touchdowns in the GLIAC and is 33rd in all of NCAA Division II. Williams finishes his Tech career with 2,087 total rushing yards and 21 touchdowns. He is one of ten players in the history of Tech football to eclipse 2,000 career yards.

EVAN BYRD**SETON HILL****6-1 215 FB/**

Strong, short yardage runner. 2017: Don Hansen Super Region I Second Team. Finished the season with 40 carries for 137 yards and seven touchdowns. His longest rush of the season was 66 yards.

JAMEL HALL**MARS HILL****6-1 250 FB/**

2017: 8 carries, 41 yds, 5.1 avg, 2 TDs; 6 rec, 60 yards, 10.0 avg, 3 TDs. 2016: 2nd Team Don Hansen All Super-Region Two. Does not light up the boards with high-profile stats, but does all the little things that don't show up in a post-game box score; lead blocker.

ZACH OLSTAD**WINONA STATE****5-11 245 FB/**

2017: NSIC South Division All-Conference Honorable Mention. Primarily a blocking back a role he plays well. Ran for a 1 yd TD and caught 5 passes for 44 yards.

GARRETT TURNBULL**SOUTHERN ARKANSAS****6-2 240 FB/**

2017: Was an integral part of an SAU Offense that led the league in total offense (458.4 yards per game), while ranking third in scoring offense (36.4 points per game). As a fullback, Turnbull was the key lead blocker for a Mulerider rushing attack that tallied 1,829 yards at an average of 4.9 yards per carry. Originally recruited to play on the defensive side of the football, Turnbull made a name for himself as a versatile option in the

Mulerider backfield during the past three seasons, boasting the ability to be a bruising blocker as well as pass-catching threat which culminated in him being named an All-GAC Honorable Mention performer. Turnbull concluded his senior season with a dozen catches for a career-high 171 yards and four touchdowns. His best performance came in a Homecoming rout of Southeastern Oklahoma as he hauled in a pair of passes, both of which found the end zone, including a career-long reception of 52 yards. He also ranked third on the team, among players with ten or more receptions, in yards per catch at 14.2. In all, Turnbull caught 34 passes in 36 career games for 391 yards at 11.5 yards per catch with ten touchdowns, while also blocking for a Mulerider rushing attack that has totaled over 5,700 yards combined the past three seasons.
