



# MICHIGAN STATE SPARTANS



## HEAD COACH



**Name:** Mark Dantonio  
**Hometown:** El Paso, Texas  
**Education:**  
**High School:** Zanesville (Ohio) High School  
**Bachelor's Degree:** South Carolina, education, 1979  
**Master's Degree:** Ohio, education, 1980  
**School Record (years):** 22-17 (3)  
**Big Ten Record (years):** 13-11 (3)  
**Career Record (years):** 40-34 (6)

*Year-by-year records for all current Big Ten coaches are available on pages 39-40 of this PDF.*

*For a full current coach bio, visit the football media guide page at [www.bigten.org](http://www.bigten.org).*

## 2010 ROSTER BREAKDOWN

*For a full, current team roster, visit the football media guide page at [www.bigten.org](http://www.bigten.org).*

**Total Letterwinners Returning:** 40

**Offense:** 21

**Defense:** 17

**Special Teams:** 2

**Total Letterwinners Lost:** 28

**Offense:** 12

**Defense:** 15

**Special Teams:** 1

### Offensive Starters Returning (7)

WR B.J. Cunningham  
 LG Joel Foreman  
 RT D.J. Young  
 TE Charlie Gantt  
 TE Brian Linthicum  
 QB Kirk Cousins  
 RB Larry Caper

### Offensive Starters Lost (4)

LT Rocco Cironi  
 C Joel Nitchman  
 RG Brendon Moss  
 WR Blair White

### Defensive Starters Returning (6)

DT Jerel Worthy  
 DE Colin Neely  
 LB Eric Gordon  
 LB Greg Jones  
 FS Trenton Robinson  
 CB Chris L. Rucker

### Defensive Starters Lost (5)

DE Trevor Anderson  
 NT Oren Wilson  
 LB Brandon Denson  
 CB Jeremy Ware  
 SS Danny Fortener

### Starting Kickers Lost (1)

PK Brett Swenson

### Starting Kickers Returning (1)

P Aaron Bates

## 2009 STATISTICAL LEADERS

PASSING	GP	Eff.	Att-Comp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD
COUSINS	13	142.6	328-198-9	60.4	2,680	19
NICHOL	10	143.16	91-49-3	53.8	764	7

RUSHING	GP	Att	Yds	TD	INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	TD
CAPER	12	120	468	6	Fortener	1	45	1
BAKER	8	85	457	1	Denson	1	20	0
					ROBINSON	1	0	0
					RUCKER	1	0	0
					Ware	1	0	0
					Weaver	1	0	0

RECEIVING	GP	Rec.	Yds	TD	DEFENSE	GP	Tackles	Sacks-Yds
White	13	70	990	9	JONES	13	154	9.0-53
CUNNINGHAM	12	48	641	4	GORDON	13	92	3.5-32
DELL	10	26	449	1	Denson	12	68	2.5-6
					ROBINSON	11	67	0.0-0
					RUCKER	12	58	1.0-12

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	Lg
Swenson	19-22	86.4	52

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Lg
BATES	63	2,621	41.6	59

Returns in ALL CAPS

## QUICK FACTS

### UNIVERSITY FACTS:

**Location:** East Lansing, Mich.  
**Population:** 45,857  
**Founded:** 1855  
**Joined Big Ten:** 1949  
**First Year of Big Ten Football:** 1953  
**Enrollment:** 47,100  
**Nickname:** Spartans  
**Colors:** Green and White  
**Marching Band:**  
 Spartan Marching Band  
**President:** Lou Anna K. Simon  
**Director of Athletics:** Mark Hollis  
**Senior Woman Administrator:**  
 Shelley Appelbaum  
**Faculty Representative:**  
 Michael Kasavana  
**Ticket Office Phone:** 517-355-1610  
**Website:** [www.msuspartans.com](http://www.msuspartans.com)

### TEAM HISTORY:

**First Year of Football:** 1896  
**All-Time Record (Years):**  
 616-425-44 (113)  
**All-Time Big Ten Record (Years):**  
 226-193-9 (57)  
**Big Ten Championships (Last):**  
 6 (1990)  
**All-Time Bowl Record:** 7-13  
**National Championships:** 6  
**Consensus All-America Selections:** 28  
**First Team All-Big Ten Selections:** 143

### STADIUM INFORMATION:

**Name:** Spartan Stadium  
**Capacity:** 75,005  
**Surface:** Grass  
**Largest Crowd/Opponent/Year:**  
 80,401 vs. Notre Dame, 1990  
**Team Record at Home Stadium:**  
 320-142-13

### TEAM FACTS:

**Head Coach:** Mark Dantonio (South Carolina, 1979), 4th year  
**Assistant Coaches:**  
 Don Treadwell (Offensive Coordinator/Wide Receivers)  
 Pat Narduzzi (Defensive Coordinator)  
 Harlon Barnett (Secondary)  
 Ted Gill (Defensive Line)  
 Dan Roushar (Offensive Line)  
 Brad Salem (Running Backs)  
 Mark Staten (Tight Ends/Tackles/ Recruiting Coordinator)  
 Mike Tressel (Linebackers/Special Teams)  
 Dave Warner (Quarterbacks)  
 Tim Allen (Director of Football Operations)  
 Ken Mannie (Head Strength and Conditioning)  
 Tommy Hoke (Assoc. Strength and Conditioning)  
**Offensive Formation:**  
 Multiple  
**Defensive Formation:**  
 Multiple 4-3

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## 2010 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT
9/4	Western Michigan
9/11	vs. Florida Atlantic [1]
9/18	Notre Dame
9/25	Northern Colorado
10/2	Wisconsin
10/9	at Michigan
10/16	Illinois
10/23	at Northwestern
10/30	at Iowa
11/6	Minnesota
11/20	Purdue
11/27	at Penn State

[1] - at Detroit, Mich.

## 2009 RESULTS 6-7, 4-4 Big Ten/T-6th

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
9/5	Montana State	W, 44-3
9/12	Central Michigan	L, 27-29
9/19	at Notre Dame	L, 30-33
9/26	at Wisconsin	L, 30-38
10/3	Michigan	W, 26-20 (OT)
10/10	at Illinois	W, 24-14
10/17	Northwestern	W, 24-14
10/24	Iowa	L, 13-15
10/31	at Minnesota	L, 34-42
11/7	Western Michigan	W, 49-14
11/21	at Purdue	W, 40-37
11/28	Penn State	L, 14-42
1/2	vs. Texas Tech	L, 31-41
	Valero Alamo Bowl	