



CALIFORNIA

2008 Football



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Golden Bears Host Michigan State to Open 2008

California: 0-0 (0-0 Pac-10)

VS.

Michigan State: 0-0 (0-0 Big 10)

5 pm/Memorial Stadium/Berkeley, Calif.

Broadcast Information

TV: ABC - Ron Franklin (PxP), Ed Cunningham (analyst), Heather Cox (sidelines).

Radio: KGO Radio (810 AM) in San Francisco (*Joe Starkey, Troy Taylor, Todd McKim*)

Affiliate stations: KGIL Radio (1260 AM Los Angeles), XSURF Radio (540 AM San Diego), KNTK Radio (102.3 Weed), KCBL Radio (1340 AM Fresno), KESP Radio (970 AM Modesto), KVBL Radio (1400 AM Visalia) and KTKZ Radio (1380 AM Sacramento). The pre-game show begins 30 minutes prior to kickoff.

Before And After: Each broadcast begins with a 30-minute pregame show that leads to the kickoff. The postgame includes reaction from the Bears' locker room and the "Postgame at the Paragon" live program from the Paragon Bar & Cafe at the Claremont Resort & Spa hosted by Lee Grosscup and Kate Scott.

XM Satellite Radio: Cal fans can also track the Bears through XM Satellite Radio, a corporate partner of the Pacific-10 Conference. Football action can be heard on XM channels 193, 194 and 195.

2008 Cal Football Schedule

Date	Opponent (TV)	Time/Result
8/30	Michigan State (ABC)	5 p.m.
9/6	*at Washington St. (CSN West)	3:30 p.m.
9/13	at Maryland (ESPN)	9 a.m.
9/27	Colorado State (CSN West)	3 p.m.
10/4	*Arizona State	TBA
10/18	*at Arizona (CSN West)	7 p.m.
10/25	*UCLA	TBA
11/1	*Oregon	TBA
11/8	*at USC (ABC)	5 p.m.
11/15	*at Oregon State	TBA
11/22	*Stanford	12:30 p.m.
12/6	*Washington	TBA

*Pac-10 games All Times Pacific

Opening Kickoff

The California football team kicks off its 113th season of football on Saturday, Aug. 30 against Michigan State University at Memorial Stadium in Berkeley. Under the direction of head coach **Jeff Tedford**, the Golden Bears are angling for their seventh consecutive winning season – something that has not been achieved at Cal since the dazzling Wonder Teams tallied eight straight winning seasons (with a phenomenal 63-7 record) from 1918-25.

Cal, which has the second-most overall and league wins in the Pac-10 in the last six years, is also one of just three Pac-10 teams to have advanced to bowl games in each of the last five campaigns (joined by USC and UCLA).

The opening match-up with Michigan State is a return-game by the Spartans, who hosted the Bears on Sept. 14, 2002 and lost 46-22 in Tedford's first year as head coach. That game was Tedford's first victory over a ranked team as Michigan State held the No. 15 ranking at the time. Cal has 10 victories over ranked opponents in Tedford's tenure, matching the total number of wins over ranked teams from the 13 years before his arrival.

Cal's offensive lineup will feature quite a few changes as the squad's top running back, top tight end and top three receivers all departed for the NFL. In addition, two offensive linemen headed to the pros and the Bears are in the midst of a quarterback competition between senior **Nate Longshore** and sophomore **Kevin Riley**. Tedford has named Riley the starter for Michigan State, but said that Longshore will also play in the contest.

Defensively, Cal returns seven starters, but is making a shift to a 3-4 alignment to take advantage of its talent and depth at the linebacker position. Seniors **Anthony Felder**, **Zack Follett** and **Worrell Williams** are the top LBs, while senior safety **Bernard Hicks** and junior cornerback **Syd'Quan Thompson** are also defensive players to watch.

Another top story line for Cal is sophomore speedster **Jahvid Best** taking over at tailback – Cal has registered 1,000-yard rushers in each of the last six seasons. Best is a top-level sprinter on the track, having clocked a top time of 10.31 seconds in the 100-meters and 20.65 seconds in the 200 in high school. He suffered a hip injury and missed the final three games of 2007 as well as spring workouts, however, he has looked sensational in preseason camp action.

Following a theme of "Every Game Counts," the Bears have had a focused preseason camp and are counting on another strong season.

For Openers

In Cal's football history, the Golden Bears have posted a 69-39-4 record in season-openers. **Jeff Tedford** has recorded a 4-2 mark in lid-lifters. **Leonard "Stub" Allison**, who was far-and-away the most successful Cal coach in season-opening contests. During his 10-year tenure in Berkeley, Allison posted a 9-1 mark in contests that christened the season. Currently Cal is on a stretch of winning nine of its last 12 opening games.

Cal-Michigan State Series

Michigan State holds a 2-1 season series advantage over the Golden Bears:

9/14/02 - Cal 46, at Michigan State 22

9/27/58 - at Michigan State 32, Cal 12

10/5/57 - Michigan State 19, at Cal 0

2008 California Football Depth Chart

August 25, 2008

OFFENSE

- WR 88 Sean Young (5-11, 181, Sr.)*
85 LaReylle Cunningham (6-1, 205, Sr.)*
- LT 58 Chet Teofilo (6-3, 316, Jr.)*
53 Donovan Edwards (6-5, 285, So.)
- LG 54 Chris Guarnero (6-2, 275, So.)*
70 Mark Boskovich (6-4, 301, So.)*
- C 51 Alex Mack (6-4, 316, Sr.)*
73 Richard Fisher (6-4, 276, So.)*
- RG 55 Noris Malele (6-2, 303, Sr.)*
61 Justin Cheadle (6-2, 303, Fr.)*
- RT 72 Mitchell Schwartz (6-6, 330, Fr.)*
76 Matt Laird (6-7, 305, Jr.)*
- TE 5 Cameron Morrah (6-4, 245, Jr.)*
44 Tad Smith (6-5, 265, Jr.)*
80 Anthony Miller (6-3, 252, Fr.)
- WR 84 Michael Calvin (6-2, 202, Fr.)*
1 Marvin Jones (6-2, 189, Fr.)
- QB 13 Kevin Riley (6-2, 224, So.)*
6 Nate Longshore (6-5, 233, Sr.)*
10 Brock Mansion (6-5, 229, Fr.)*
- FB 23 Will Ta'ufo'ou (5-11, 253, Sr.)*
33 Brian Holley (5-9, 224, Jr.)*
27 Zach Smith (5-10, 215, Sr.)*
- TB 4 Jahvid Best (5-10, 193, So.)
34 Shane Vereen (5-10, 192, Fr.)*
22 Tracy Slocum (5-10, 198, So.)*

SPECIALISTS

- P 19 Bryan Anger (6-4, 196, Fr.)*
35 Ryan Theimer (6-2, 196, Fr.)*
- PK 46 David Seawright (6-3, 220, Fr.)
34 Jordan Kay (5-10, 201, Sr.)*
- KO 46 David Seawright (6-3, 220, Fr.)
OR 34 Jordan Kay (5-10, 201, Sr.)*
- LS 68 Nick Sundberg (6-0, 244, Sr.)
50 Matt Rios (6-1, 230, Fr.)

DEFENSE

- DE 94 Rulon Davis (6-5, 281, Sr.)*
97 Cameron Jordan (6-4, 286, So.)
57 Keith Browner (6-6, 255, So.)*
- NT 76 Derrick Hill (6-2, 298, So.)*
98 Mika Kane (6-2, 311, Sr.)
96 Kendrick Payne (6-2, 288, Fr.)
- DE 44 Tyson Alualu (6-3, 290, Jr.)
95 Ernest Owusu (6-4, 269, Fr.)*
- OLB 56 Zack Follett (6-1, 238, Sr.)
10 Devin Bishop (6-1, 238, Jr.)*
- ILB 1 Worrell Williams (6-0, 250, Sr.)*
13 D.J. Holt (6-1, 255, Fr.)*
33 Matt Russi (5-9, 244, Jr.)*
- ILB 15 Anthony Felder (6-3, 235, Sr.)
18 Mike Mohamed (6-3, 229, So.)*
- OLB 9 Eddie Young (6-0, 230, Jr.)*
43 Charles Johnson (6-1, 241, So.)*
30 Mychal Kendricks (6-0, 224, Fr.)
- CB 26 Darian Hagan (6-0, 181, So.)*
17 Chris Conte (6-3, 198, So.)
15 Bryant Nnabuife (6-1, 186, So.)
- S 2 Bernard Hicks (5-11, 210, Sr.)*
25 Brett Johnson (6-1, 192, Jr.)*
- S 29 Marcus Ezeff (5-11, 208, Jr.)*
11 Sean Cattouse (6-2, 204, Fr.)*
20 Jesse Brooks (5-11, 202, Jr.)*
- CB 5 Syd'Quan Thompson (5-9, 184, Jr.)*
27 Charles Amadi (5-10, 182, So.)*

* indicates redshirt has been used.

- HO 6 Nate Longshore (6-5, 233, Sr.)*
10 Brock Mansion (6-5, 229, Fr.)*
- PR 5 Syd'Quan Thompson (5-9, 184, Jr.)*
88 Sean Young (5-11, 181, Sr.)*
- KR 34 Shane Vereen (5-10, 192, Fr.)*
4 Jahvid Best (5-10, 193, So.)
26 Darian Hagan (6-0, 181, So.)*

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

NO	NAME	POS
96	AIGAMAU, Solomona eye-ING-ah-MOE-ah, SAUL-ih-mona	DE
44	ALUALU, Tyson AH-loo-AH-loo	DT
27	AMADI, Charles ah-MAH-dee	DB
19	ANGER, Bryan ANG-ger	P
50	BEMOLL, Kevin BEE-mole	OL
4	BEST, Jahvid JAH-vid	RB
70	BOSKOVICH, Mark BOSS-kah-vich	OL
11	CATTOUSE, Sean cah-TOOS	CB
17	CONTE, Chris CON-tee	CB
85	CUNNINGHAM, LaReylle lah-RELL	WR
28	DeBOSKIE, Covaughn dih-BOSS-kee, COE-von	RB
71	DeMARTINIS, Sam DEE-mar-TEEN-is	OL
99	ESELU, Savai'i ih-SELL-ew, sah-VAH-ee	TE
29	EZEFF, Marcus EE-zeff	DB
56	FOLLETT, Zack FALL-ett	LB
65	Galas, Dominic GAH-lis	OL
38	GEURTS, Peter Gurts	RB
93	GUYTON, Trevor GUY-ton	DT
98	KANE, Mika KAHN-ay, MEE-kah	DT
82	LAGEMANN, Alex LAH-gah-min	WR
66	LEVY, Eric LEE-vee	OL
55	MALELE, Noris muh-LAY-lay	OL
10	MANSION, Brock MAN-shin	QB
15	NNABUIFE, Bryant nah-BOO-fee	DB
95	OWUSU, Ernest OH-woo-sue	DE
33	RUSSI, Matt RUSS-ee	LB
36	TA'UFO'OU, Will tau-FOE-oh	FB
58	TEOFILO, Chet TAY-oh-fee-low	OL
5	THOMPSON, Syd'Quan SID-quan	DB
1	WILLIAMS, Worrell wor-ELL	LB

Co-Offensive Coordinator/O-Line
Jim Michalczik MAH-hall-check

Big Ten Battles

In addition to Michigan State, the Cal football team has played each of the other 10 Big Ten teams at least once in history (the first was a 28-0 win over Ohio State in the 1920 Rose Bowl). Cal's overall record against the Big Ten is 14-21 while head coach **Jeff Tedford** is 4-0 (the Spartans in 2002, Illinois in 2003 and 2005 and Minnesota in 2006).

August and Everything After

The Golden Bears have played four football games in the month of August, posting a 3-1 record, including a 2-1 mark under **Jeff Tedford**. Tedford's head coaching debut was a 70-22 victory over Baylor on Aug. 31, 2002. Cal opened the 2003 season with a 42-28 loss at Kansas State on Aug. 23 and then defeated Southern Miss at home, 34-2, on Aug. 30, 2003. The Bears also opened the 1985 season on Aug. 31, defeating San Jose State, 48-21.

Cal Offense Quick Notes for 2008

Five starters return on offense, including center **Alex Mack**, tackle **Mike Tepper**, guard **Noris Malele**, quarterback **Nate Longshore** and fullback **Will Ta'ufu'ou** ... Mack, a Playboy Preseason All-American, anchored an offensive line that allowed a Pac-10-low 11 sacks in 2007 ... Longshore has thrown for over 5,000 career yards and his 41 career touchdown passes rank sixth all-time at Cal ... **Jahvid Best** had 21 plays of 10 yards or more and averaged 12.3 yards per touch as a true freshman ... Cal will look for its seventh straight season with a 1,000-yard rusher in 2008 after Justin Forsett ran for 1,546 yards last year ... the Bears have just 13 returning catches by its receivers - 10 by senior **LaReylle Cunningham** ... Cal has not been shut out in a school-record 107 consecutive games dating back to Sept. 11, 1999.

Cal Defensive Quick Notes for 2008

Cal returns nine starters on defense for 2008 ... linebacker **Zack Follett** led the Bears with 12.5 tackles for loss and 5.5 sacks ... **Anthony Felder** (101 tackles) and **Worrell Williams** (105 tackles) joined graduated safety Thomas DeCoud to give Cal three 100-plus tacklers for the second time in school history (1983) ... the 52 tackles by defensive tackle **Tyson Alualu** were the most by a defensive lineman at Cal since 2000 ... cornerback **Syd'Quan Thompson** has started every game in his career and led the team with 10 pass breakups in 2007 ... cornerback **Chris Conte** had 32 tackles, the most by a Cal true freshman since 2002 ... Williams is the fourth-leading returning tackler in the Pac-10 for 2008 ... Cal forced a fumble in 11 of its 13 games and recovered a fumble in 10 of those ... the defense led the nation with three fumble-recovery touchdowns in 2007.

Special Teams Quick Notes for 2008

The Golden Bears lead the Pac-10 in net punting over the last two years at 37.9 net yards per punt ... Cal looks to replace DeSean Jackson, who had six career punt returns for touchdowns ... Cal foes booted 21 field goals in 2007, matching 1983 for the most field goals by an opponent ... **Jordan Kay** was perfect on PAT's (48-of-48) ... snapper **Nick Sundberg**, a three-year starter, was nearly perfect on 128-of-129 (99.2%) snaps last year.

Poll Positions

The 2008 season will mark the first time since 2003 that the Golden Bears are not ranked in the preseason polls - Cal is "Also Receiving Votes" in the AP poll with 59 (28th overall) and No. 32 in the Coaches Poll. Last year, the Bears entered the season No. 12 in both polls - Cal's fourth-highest preseason ranking of all-time. Under **Jeff Tedford**, the Bears have been No. 13 (2004), No. 19 (2005), No. 9 (2006) and No. 12 (2007) in the AP Preseason Polls. Cal was picked No. 4 in the Pac-10 in the preseason media poll for the league.

The Best of Times

Sophomore **Jahvid Best** is expected to take on a major role in 2008 after recording a breakout rookie season last year as a true freshman. The product of nearby Vallejo, Calif., tallied 10 or more yards on 21 of his 57 touches last season, including a 64-yard touchdown run against Colorado State and a 54-yard kick return against UCLA. He ranked second in the Pac-10 with 27.0 yards per kick return and also established himself as one of the top gunners in the nation - a position he will not return to in 2008 with his increased offensive role. Best missed the final three games of 2007 and 2008 spring workouts with a hip injury, but is back at full strength for the upcoming campaign.

CALIFORNIA QUICK FACTS

2008 Record	7-6
Final 2007 Rank.....	NR
Head Coach.....	Jeff Tedford
Alma Mater/Year	Fresno State/1983
Record at Cal/Years	50-26/7
Career Record/Years	Same
Location.....	Berkeley, Calif.
Enrollment.....	34,953
Conference	Pac-10
Colors	Blue and Gold
Stadium	California Memorial
Capacity	71,799
Surface.....	Sportexe
Chancellor	Dr. Robert J. Birgeneau
Athletics Director	Sandy Barbour
Football SID	John Sudsbury
Office Phone	510-643-4723
Cell Phone	510-332-6506
E-Mail.....	sudsbury@berkeley.edu
2nd Football SID.....	Chris DeConna
Office Phone	510-643-4724
Cell Phone	510-439-8396
E-Mail.....	deconna@berkeley.edu
Ticket Info	800-GO-BEARS
Website.....	www.CalBears.com

MICHIGAN STATE QUICK FACTS

2008 Record	7-6 (3-5 Big Ten)
Final 2007 Rank	NR
Head Coach	Mark Dantonio
Alma Mater/Year	S. Carolina/1979
Record at MSU/Years	7-6/One
Career Record/Years	25-23/4
Lettermen R/L (O/D/S)	15/19/3
Starters Ret (O/D/S)	7/7/2
Location.....	East Lansing, Mich.
Enrollment.....	45,520
Conference	Big 10
Colors.....	Green and White
Stadium	Spartan Stadium
Capacity	75,005
Surface	Natural Grass
President	Dr. Lou Anna K. Simon
Athletic Director	Ron Mason
Football SID	John Lewandowski
Office Phone	517-355-2271
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Series	Cal trails, 2-1

CAL HEAD COACH
JEFF TEDFORD



THE TEDFORD FILE

Birthdate..... Nov. 2, 1961
Hometown.....Downey, Calif.
High School..... Warren
College..... Fresno State 1983
 Cerritos College
Family..... wife, Donna
sons, Taylor and Quinn
Career Record 50-26/17 years

Jeff Tedford has not only built the California football program into one of the top programs in the Pacific-10 Conference, but he has also lifted the Golden Bears into the national picture and he has remained true to his ideals of playing with class and excelling in the classroom and in the community.

Under Tedford's leadership, the Golden Bears have climbed into the AP National Top 10 in each of the last four seasons, finishing in the Top-25 three times. The program has advanced to five straight bowl games for the first time in history, winning four of those to make Tedford the first Cal mentor with more than two bowl victories.

Cal's 50 wins in the past six seasons are the most in a six-year stretch by the program in over 50 years; in the six years before Tedford's arrival, the Bears had 18 victories total. In addition, Tedford has also had 61 players recognized as academic all-conference. Of the 126 seniors who have played for Tedford, 112 (89%) have earned their degrees and/or gone on to NFL careers. All of this from a team which won just one game in 2001, the year prior to his arrival. The California football renaissance rates as one of the most impressive turnarounds in college football history.

TEDFORD TRENDS

	'08	'07	'06	'05	'04	'03	'02	Career	Streak
Overall	0-0	7-6	10-3	8-4	10-2	8-6	7-5	50-26	W1
Pac-10	0-0	3-6	7-2	4-4	7-1	5-3	4-4	30-20	L3
Home	0-0	4-2	7-0	4-2	5-0	4-2	4-3	28-9	L1
Away	0-0	2-4	2-3	3-2	5-1	3-4	3-21	8-16	L4
Neutral	0-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	0-1	1-0	0-0	4-1	W3
Aug.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	1-0	2-1	W1
Sept.	0-0	5-0	4-1	4-0	2-0	2-2	2-2	19-5	W9
Oct.	0-0	0-3	3-0	2-2	4-1	1-2	2-2	12-10	L3
Nov.	0-0	1-2	1-2	1-2	3-0	3-1	2-1	11-8	L2
Dec.	0-0	1-1	2-0	1-0	1-1	1-0	0-0	6-2	W1

When The Bears...

Score First.....	34-11
Lead after 1Q.....	30-8
Tied after 1Q.....	10-7
Trail after 1Q.....	10-11
Lead at Half.....	43-11
Tied at Half.....	0-1
Trail at Half.....	7-14
Lead after 3Q.....	42-7
Tied after 3Q.....	4-3
Trail after 3Q.....	4-16
Overtime.....	2-2

Offense...

500+ yards rushing.....	14-1
200+ yards rushing.....	28-4
300-yard passer.....	6-2
100-yard rusher.....	40-10
No turnovers.....	10-3

Defense...

No 100-yard rusher.....	38-15
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Quarterback Depth is Priceless

While Cal quarterbacks Nate Longshore and Kevin Riley continue to push each other to new heights in their competition for the starting role, an under-appreciated bonus is the value of having two experienced quarterbacks ready to go. Here's a look at Pac-10 teams with multiple returning quarterbacks who have started games:

California	G/GS	Yds	TDs	
Nate Longshore	26/26	5732	41	
Kevin Riley	4/1	563	5	
UCLA				
Ben Olson	14/10	1873	12	(injured)
Patrick Cowan	19/13	2478	15	(injured)
Oscar Rasshan	6/2	259	0	
USC				
Mark Sanchez	8/3	695	7	
Mitch Mustain	10/8	894	10	(2006 at Arkansas)
Oregon State				
Sean Canfield	21/9	1996	11	(injured)
Lyle Moevao	9/4	876	2	

3-4 Showcases Linebacker Strength

The California coaching staff has changed its base defense from a 4-3 to a 3-4 to take advantage of its superior talent and depth at linebacker. Recognized among the best linebackers in the nation, the Cal contingent features three returning senior starters in **Anthony Felder** (101 tackles in 2007), **Zack Follett** (two-time All-Pac-10 selection, led team in sacks in 2006 and 2007) and **Worrell Williams** (preseason All-American, 105 tackles in 2007). However, a host of other 'backers are making a case for playing time. Junior **Eddie Young** has climbed to the top at the outside opposite Follett, while sophomore **Mike Mohamed**, who showed his ability in 2007 with 46 takedowns, will play both inside and outside. Junior **Devin Bishop**, the younger brother of former Cal star linebacker Desmond Bishop, has come on strong in camp, while sophomore **Charles Johnson**, redshirt freshman **D.J. Holt** and true freshman **Mychal Kendricks** are also making their cases for playing time.

Focus on Turnovers

Head coach Jeff Tedford has focused on turnovers as the No. 1 key to football since his arrival in 2002 and for this season, he and his staff have taken it a step further. Every practice in preseason camp featured a turnover circuit with each player on the team working on drills related to protecting the football, recovering the football and forcing turnovers. A look at the stats in Tedford's tenure backs up his assertion of the value of turnovers. In his six years at Cal, the Golden Bears are 27-2 (.931) when winning the turnover battle and 11-18 (.357) when losing that statistical comparison (as well as 12-6 when tied). In Pac-10 games, the stats are even more decisive, as Cal is 17-1 (.944) when winning the turnover battle and 6-16 (.272) when losing it (7-3 when turnovers are tied). Cal lost the turnover battle in each of its six losses last year.

Start Me Up

Based on Cal's depth chart as of Aug. 25, seven players are slated to make their first career starts on Saturday against Michigan State, including **Jahvid Best** (TB), **Michael Calvin** (WR), **Chris Guarnero** (LG), **Darian Hagan** (CB), **Mitchell Schwartz** (OT), **Eddie Young** (LB) and **Sean Young** (WR).

Projected Starters with Career Starts Entering Aug. 30

Offense	GS	Defense	GS
QB Kevin Riley	1	DE Rulon Davis	3
TB Jahvid Best	0	NT Derrick Hill	1
FB Will Ta'ufu'o'u	5	DE Tyson Alualu	14
TE Cameron Morrah	6	LB Zack Follett	11
WR Sean Young	0	LB Worrell Williams	23
WR Michael Calvin	0	LB Anthony Felder	19
LT Chet Teofilo	1	LB Eddie Young	0
LG Chris Guarnero	0	CB Syd'Quan Thompson	26
C Alex Mack	26	CB Darian Hagan	0
RG Noris Malele	23	S Bernard Hicks	18
RT Mitchell Schwartz	0	S Marcus Ezeff	4

Early Action Guys

Head coach Jeff Tedford has been very pleased by the performance of many of the newcomers to the squad this year. The Bears played four newcomers in 2007 (**Jahvid Best**, **Chris Conte**, **Cameron Jordan** and **Zach Smith** - a transfer from Duke), but based on preseason performance a number of newcomers could see immediate action in 2008 including true freshmen **Marc Anthony** (DB), **Covaughn DeBoskie** (RB), **Trevor Guyton** (DT), **Josh Hill** (DB), **Marvin Jones** (WR), **Mychal Kendricks** (LB), **Anthony Miller** (TE), **Kendrick Payne** (DT), **Charles Satchell** (WR), **David Seawright** (PK) and **Aaron Tipoti** (DE), as well as junior-college transfers **Bryant Nnabufie** (DB) and **Verran Tucker** (WR).

Forever Young

Cal wide receiver **Sean Young** has been waiting quite a while for this weekend. A high school star at Berkeley High School who was ranked among the top players in California in 2002, Young enrolled at Cal and proceeded to battle injuries for five years. He underwent surgeries on both of his feet (severely sprained ligaments in his big toes) during separate years and appeared in a total of 13 games in five years. After discussing his options with the coaching staff and his teammates (including younger brother Eddie, a junior linebacker), Sean applied and received a sixth year of eligibility from the NCAA. Now after a strong spring and fall camp, he finds himself in line to make his first career start at receiver while also possibly seeing action on punt returns.

Other Brothers

Cal's **Sean Young** (WR) and **Eddie Young** (LB) are not the only brothers currently starting together on the same college football team this season. At the time of this release, eight sets of brothers, including the Youngs, were projected to start together on the same Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly NCAA Division IA) team to begin the 2008 season. Three of the brother tandems are twins. Below is the most recent listing of current brothers starting for the same college team.

School	Brothers (Positions)
California	Eddie Young (Jr., LB) and Sean Young (Sr., WR)
Ole Miss	John Jerry (Jr., OL) and Peria Jerry (Sr., DT)
Rutgers	Twin brothers Devin McCourty (Jr., CB) and Jason McCourty (Sr., CB)
San Jose State	Carl Ihenacho (Jr., DE) and Duke Ihenacho (So., LB)
Temple	Twin brothers Elijah Joseph (So., OLB) and Elisha Joseph (So., DT)
Utah State	Twin brothers Caleb Taylor (Sr., FS) and Joshua Taylor (Sr., CB)
Virginia Tech	Cam Martin (Jr., OLB) and Orion Martin (Sr., DE)
Wyoming	Marcell Gipson (So., CB), Tashaun Gipson (Fr., CB)

Punt Return Posse

With the departure of DeSean Jackson and his Pac-10 record six punt return touchdowns, the Cal coaching staff is evaluating multiple players as replacements. The top candidates appear to be junior cornerback **Syd'Quan Thompson**, who had five punt return TDs in one high school season, senior receiver **Sean Young**, who successfully gained a sixth year of eligibility from the NCAA, redshirt freshman tailback **Shane Vereen**, who scored 89 touchdowns during a three-year high school career, and **Jahvid Best**, the sizzling speedster from nearby Vallejo.

**CAL FOOTBALL
MEDIA SCHEDULE**

SUNDAY

Team practice, 5-6 p.m.
Players and coaches available on field after practice

MONDAY

No Practice; Updated game notes available on www.CalBears.com.

TUESDAY

Pac-10 Coaches Call, 11:20 a.m. - Tedford

Cal Football Media Luncheon

Hall of Fame Room, Memorial Stadium
11:45 a.m. Jeff Tedford
Noon Select players available, specific requests will be met according to class schedule

Team practice, 4-6:00 p.m.

Players and coaches available on field after practice

WEDNESDAY

Team practice, 4-6:00 p.m.

Players and coaches available on field after practice

THURSDAY

Team practice, 4-6:00 p.m.

Coach Tedford available on field after practice
Injury updates from Tedford; No player availability after practice

FRIDAY

No availability
(Broadcast tv arrange with SID)

SATURDAY

Game Day

PAC-10 VIDEO FEED INFO

2008 Pac-10 Football Weekly Satellite Feed
Featuring interviews and highlights
11:30 am - 12:00 pm PT / 2:30 pm - 3:00 pm ET
Galaxy 28 (C) - Transponder 119
Audio 6.2, 6.8
Uplink frequency is 6,305.00-H
Downlink frequency is=2 04,080.00-V

Trouble numbers are:
Dennis Kirkpatrick (310) 779-3467
Jordan Gebhard (310) 200-9907
Michelle Zumalt (925) 932-4411
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**CAL FOOTBALL
2007 FINAL STATS**

SCORING	381
Points Per Game.....	29.3
FIRST DOWNS	271
Rushing.....	117
Passing.....	140
Penalty.....	14
RUSHING YARDAGE	2154
Yards gained rushing	2377
Yards lost rushing	223
Rushing Attempts.....	441
Average Per Rush.....	4.9
Average Per Game	165.7
TDs Rushing	23
PASSING YARDAGE	3143
Att-Comp-Int.....	443-266-14
Average Per Pass	7.1
Average Per Catch	11.8
Average Per Game.....	241.8
TDs Passing	21
TOTAL OFFENSE	5297
Total Plays	884
Average Per Play.....	6.0
Average Per Game	407.5

**MICHIGAN STATE
2007 FINAL STATS**

SCORING	430
Points Per Game.....	33.1
FIRST DOWNS	266
Rushing.....	125
Passing.....	131
Penalty.....	10
RUSHING YARDAGE	2576
Yards gained rushing.....	2867
Yards lost rushing.....	291
Rushing Attempts.....	580
Average Per Rush.....	4.4
Average Per Game.....	198.2
TDs Rushing.....	29
PASSING YARDAGE	2842
Att-Comp-Int.....	393-232-11
Average Per Pass.....	7.2
Average Per Catch.....	12.2
Average Per Game.....	218.6
TDs Passing.....	21
TOTAL OFFENSE	5418
Total Plays.....	973
Average Per Play.....	5.6
Average Per Game.....	416.8

Talent Is Never Enough

Despite having six players selected in the 2008 NFL Draft, the Golden Bears slipped to 7-6 during the 2007 campaign. In the midst of a thorough review of the program, **Jeff Tedford** picked up a book that Athletic Director **Sandy Barbour** had distributed to all of Cal's head coaches and senior staff members - "Talent Is Never Enough" by John C. Maxwell.

"I started reading it and I found myself highlighting half of pages, or full pages. It was so relevant to what our situation was," Tedford told the *Contra Costa Times*. "I felt like we needed to spend time on a lot of the things in the book and go back and redefine who we are."

The book focuses on 13 things which affect talent and allow a team to go beyond its talent: Belief, Passion, Initiative, Focus, Preparation, Practice, Perseverance, Courage, Teachability, Character, Relationships, Responsibility and Teamwork.

Mack is Back

Referenced by **Jeff Tedford** as the program's top recruit for 2008, All-America center Alex Mack announced on Jan. 8 that he will return for his senior season with the California football team. Mack earned All-America honors from multiple entities, including first-team recognition by *The Sporting News*.

"This is a really great opportunity for me to help the team," Mack said. "There is a lot I can do at Cal to improve my game and to further my career. I didn't want to miss the experience of my senior season and helping the team get back on track and finish things right. This also gives me an opportunity to finish my degree and continue my education."

Mack was also a finalist for the Rimington Trophy, which goes to the nation's top center, and was the winner of the Morris Trophy in the Pac-10. The 6-4, 316-pounder's excellence is not limited to the playing field either; a legal studies major, he earned *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District honors for the second straight year in 2007 and was named to the Pac-10 All-Academic first team. He earned his bachelor's degree in legal studies in May and is working on a master's degree.

Running Back Replacements

While replacing running back Justin Forsett and his 1,500+ yards may seem like quite a challenge for the Golden Bears, it has become nearly an annual occurrence for **Jeff Tedford** and running backs coach **Ron Gould**. In 2002, senior Joe Igber became Cal's first 1,000-yard rusher in nine years. With his departure, senior Adimchinobe Echemandu stepped into the primary back role and surpassed Igber's rushing total. For 2004, Cal simply handed the ball to J.J. Arrington, who promptly led the nation in rushing with over 2,000 yards on the ground. After Arrington's early departure to the NFL, local product Marshawn Lynch tallied a pair of 1,000-yard seasons and then jumped to the NFL himself, leaving the Bears to rely on Forsett. Prior to his own move to the NFL, the Texas product produced his big year, recording more rushing yards than any other back in Cal history besides Arrington. For 2008, Cal will look to sophomores **Jahvid Best** and **Tracy Slocum** and redshirt freshman **Shane Vereen** to fill the latest void.

We're Men, We Won 40

The Bears have won 43 games over the past five seasons. It is the most victories by California over a five-year period since the 1948-1949-1950-1951-1952 teams combined to win 44 games.

Uniform Changes

The California football team will have a new look for the 2008 season. Head coach Jeff Tedford, the players and the staff worked with Nike to develop an overall new look, which incorporates aspects of the previous uniforms with new stream-lined patterns.

"I think the new look will help us build a new image," Cal senior linebacker **Worrell Williams** said. "It keeps us up to date and it shows the dedication that our coaches, administration and Nike have to the Cal program. A change in uniform always adds excitement to the team."

Cal, which has changed its uniforms periodically over the years, will still easily be recognized by the script "Cal" logo on the helmets, as it has been in one form or another since 1979. Since World War II, the Bears have sported at least 15 different helmet versions and countless variations on its uniforms. During the 2006 season, Cal unveiled an alternate gold uniform for its crucial home showdown with Oregon and the team responded with an impressive 21-point victory. In two years, the Bears have posted a perfect 5-0 record in the gold-based outfits. Last year, the Golden Bears battled USC in a driving rainstorm while wearing throwback uniforms, replicas of Cal's 1976 uniforms as a tribute to former Bear All-American Joe Roth.

2008 MICHIGAN STATE SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
08/30	at California	8 p.m. ET
09/06	Eastern Michigan	12 p.m. ET
09/13	Florida Atlantic	12 p.m. ET
09/20	Notre Dame	3:30 p.m. ET
09/27	at Indiana	TBA
10/04	Iowa	12:00 p.m. ET
10/11	at Northwestern	TBA
10/18	Ohio State	TBA
10/25	at Michigan	TBA
11/01	Wisconsin	TBA
11/08	Purdue	TBA
11/22	at Penn State	TBA

MICHIGAN STATE HEAD COACH MARK DANTONIO

>> Dantonio became just the third first-year coach in Michigan State history to earn a postseason bowl bid, joining Nick Saban (1995) and John L. Smith (2003).

>> Established himself as one of the nation's up-and-coming coaches during his three-year tenure at Cincinnati. In 2006, Dantonio led the Bearcats to a 7-5 overall record, making Cincinnati bowl eligible for the second time in three years. Dantonio accomplished the feat against the second-toughest schedule in the country. His Bearcats upset then-No. 7 Rutgers, 30-11, on Nov. 18, handing the Scarlet Knights their first loss of the season and marking the highest-ranked opponent ever defeated by UC.

>> Highly respected as one of the top defensive coaches in the country, Dantonio's Bearcats finished the 2006 regular season ranked among the NCAA leaders in six statistical categories, including No. 34 in scoring defense (19.3 points per game).

>> Dantonio compiled an 18-17 overall record in his three years at Cincinnati and led the program in its transition to the BIG EAST Conference. He became the first head coach in 23 years to direct a team to a winning season in his first year at UC. The Bearcats' went 7-5 in 2004, including a 5-3 mark in Conference USA to finish second in the league standings, and defeated Marshall in the Fort Worth Bowl.

Draft Day Records

Cal had a record NFL Draft in 2008 with six players being selected in the two-day event. Six is the largest group of players drafted in seven rounds in school history. In 1977, when the draft included 12 rounds, the Golden Bears also had six selections, while the 30-round 1952 draft had 10 Bear selections. Receiver DeSean Jackson was Cal's first player selected, as he went in the second round (Philadelphia). Tight end Craig Stevens (Tennessee) and safety Thomas DeCoud (Atlanta) followed in the third round and receiver Lavelle Hawkins (Tennessee) was picked in the fourth round. Offensive lineman Mike Gibson (sixth round) went to Philadelphia as well, while running back Justin Forsett was drafted in the seventh round by Seattle.

Tony Gonzalez - Life Saver

Former Cal tight end great, and current Kansas City Chief, Tony Gonzalez, saved a man from choking to death at a restaurant earlier this summer. Gonzalez, a nine-time Pro Bowl selection who has set numerous NFL records, was having dinner with his wife, brother and 5-week-old daughter at Capone's restaurant in Huntington Beach, saw the distressed patron at the table next to his, jumped out of his chair and came up behind the stricken man and began to perform the Heimlich maneuver.

The Tedford Era

Jeff Tedford, now in his seventh year at the helm of the Bears, has quickly brought the program into another "Golden" Age. The Bears' six-year record of 50-26 is among the best-ever at Cal.

Era	Years	Record	Pct.	Highlights
The Wonder Teams	1920-24	44-0-4	.958	Three National Titles
The Thunder Teams	1937-38	20-1-1	.932	One Championship
Pappy's Boys	1947-52	53-9	.855	Three Rose Bowls
The Tedford Era	2002-current	50-26	.658	Five straight bowls
Early 90s	1990-93	30-17	.638	Three bowls
Mike White Era	1972-77	35-30	.538	Pac-8 title in '75

Coaching Changes

The spring season marked the debut of two new coaches for the Golden Bears. **Frank Cignetti** took over as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach and **Al Simmons** returned to the Bears for his second stint as defensive backs coach. Cignetti, who brings 19 years of coaching experience at both the collegiate and professional levels to the program, joined the Bears after coaching the San Francisco 49ers' quarterbacks in 2007. Simmons, a Bay Area product, also served as Cal's cornerbacks coach from 1998-2000. He coached at Arizona State last season.

DeSean Moves On

DeSean Jackson, Cal's All-America receiver and return man, announced on Jan. 15 that he would forego his senior year with the Golden Bears and enter the NFL Draft. He went on to get selected in the second round by the Philadelphia Eagles. In Jackson's three seasons, the speedster finished third all-time at Cal in receiving yards (2,423), third in receiving touchdowns (22) and sixth in total receptions (162). He had 28 touchdowns in 36 career games and 52 career plays of 20 or more yards (23.0 percent of his 226 touches). Jackson also had six punt return touchdowns, the most in Cal and Pac-10 history.

Signing Day Score

Five high school All-Americans highlighted the 21-player recruiting class head coach **Jeff Tedford** announced on National Signing Day Feb. 6. The Golden Bears added 19 high school stars, as well as two junior college transfers. Eleven of the signees will bolster the offensive side of the ball, while nine are defensive players and one is a specialist.

"We are very excited about this class," Tedford said. "It addresses all of our needs. What we look for are young men who will fit in with our program and with the university. We are excited about all of our signees and confident that they all have the potential to succeed as student-athletes at the University of California."

In addition to the All-America signees, 14 of Cal's newcomers were rated in the top 50 in the nation at their respective positions. The recruits include four from the Bay Area, five Central Valley players, three standouts from Southern California and one signee from the northern section of the state. As a group, the receivers are rated in the top 10 in the nation and the tight ends are rated fifth in the country by Rivals.com.

CAL CHART CLIMBERS

Career Passing Yards

- 6. Dave Barr (1992-94) 6305
- 7. **Nate Longshore (2005-)** **5732**

Career Passing Touchdowns

- 4. Dave Barr (1992-94) 48
- 5. Aaron Rodgers (2003-04) 43
- 6. **Nate Longshore (2005-)** **41**

Career Tackles

- 8. Donnie McCleskey (2002-05) 258
- 9. Marquis Smith (1995-98) 247
- 10. Natu Tuatagaloa (1985-88) 240
- Worrell Williams (2005-)** **182**
- Zack Follett (2005-)** **158**
- Anthony Felder (2005-)** **158**

Career Tackles For Loss

- 8. Andy Jacobs (1993-96) 38.5
- 9. Mawuko Tugbenyoh (1996-99) 37
- 10. Rhett Hall (1989-90) 35.5
- Zack Follett (2005-)** **28**

Career Pass Break-Ups

- 9. Kevin Devine (1993-96) 20
- 9. John Sullivan (1980-83) 20
- Syd'Quan Thompson (2005-)** **12**

Early Newcomers

Cal had a few new faces in place for the 2008 spring practice slate. A pair of its 2008 signees graduated high school early and enrolled at Cal in January, taking full part in spring drills. Running back **Covaughn DeBoskie** was a high school All-American for Hamilton HS in Chandler, Ariz., rushing for over 2,000 yards with 42 touchdowns in his last two years. **Kendrick Payne** is a powerful defensive lineman from Houston, Texas, who was his district's co-MVP after leading Klein Forest High to a 9-2 record. In addition, junior wide receiver **Nyan Boateng**, a transfer from Florida who sat out last year, was in action this spring and is eligible for the fall. Linebacker **Robert Mullins** and offensive lineman **Matt Summers-Gavin**, who signed in 2007, did not enroll in school until January and participated in spring action as well.

Bowl Bits

California rallied from a 21-0 deficit behind quarterback **Kevin Riley's** 269 yards and three touchdowns to defeat Air Force, 42-36 in the 2007 Armed Forces Bowl on Dec. 31 in Fort Worth, Texas. The Golden Bears got on the scoreboard in the second quarter when DeSean Jackson made an acrobatic 40-yard grab for Cal's first touchdown. Robert Jordan had an 18-yard touchdown in the third quarter, then a 52-yard catch to set up the go-ahead 1-yard TD run by Justin Forsett with 1:33 left in the third quarter. The Bears put the game away on a 21-yard TD run by Forsett on their next drive. Forsett ran for 140 yards and two TDs on 23 carries. Riley was named the Offensive MVP of the game.

Cal Posts Sixth Straight Winning Season

Cal's sixth straight winning season in 2007 marked the first time the Golden Bears have reached that level of consistency since Pappy Waldorf's juggernaut teams reeled off six straight winning marks from 1947-52. Since posting the worst record at Cal in 104 years (1-10) in 2001, the Golden Bears hired head coach Jeff Tedford and have rolled to marks of 7-5 (2002), 8-6 (2003), 10-3 (2004), 8-4 (2005), 10-3 (2006) and 7-6 (2007).

Bear Tube

In 2007, for the first time in program history, every Cal football game was televised. In **Jeff Tedford's** six years at the helm of the Bears, 60 Cal football games were televised; in the six years prior to his arrival, 35 Cal games were televised. National television broadcasts have more than doubled in that time.

Selling Out

The USC attendance of 72,516 last Nov. 10 was just the seventh non-Big Game sellout in the last 51 years for Cal. The Bears sold out three games in 2006 (Oregon, UCLA and Stanford) and two in 2007 (Tennessee and USC). Cal has now sold out multiple games in each of the last two seasons. The Golden Bears have sold out the Big Game against Stanford 15 times in the last 50 years.

50,000 Fans Again

The USC attendance of 72,516 marked the 24th straight home game with over 50,000 fans - every home game over the last four years. That game was also the 13th game of 60,000+ fans under **Jeff Tedford**; Cal had nine 60,000+ games in the 12 years prior to Tedford's arrival.

Home Cooking

Despite a loss in its final home game of 2007 to USC, Cal enters 2008 with 22 victories in its last 26 home games. Overall, Cal has out-scored opponents 1024-500 in these contests, including 244-128 in the fourth quarter. The only losses suffered in Memorial Stadium were to Oregon State (Oct. 15, 2005 and Oct. 13, 2007) and to USC (Nov. 12, 2005 and Nov. 10, 2007).

Golden Guys

Senior running back Justin Forsett and junior center **Alex Mack** headlined 12 individuals from Cal on the 2007 Pac-10 all-conference football teams. Both Forsett and Mack collected first-team honors, while wide receivers DeSean Jackson and Lavelle Hawkins garnered second-team notice. Freshman **Jahvid Best** earned first-team honors as a special teams player, while Jackson was a second-teamer as a punt returner. **Zack Follett** was also a second-team defensive choice at linebacker. Six Golden Bears were honorable mentions as well: Thomas DeCoud, Brian De La Puente, **Anthony Felder**, Mike Gibson, Robert Jordan, Craig Stevens.