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2008 SCHEDULES & SCOREBOARDS

MICHIGAN STATE (3-1)

Aug. 30	at California (ABC)	L, 31-38
Sept. 6	EASTERN MICHIGAN (BTN)	W, 42-10
Sept. 13	FLORIDA ATLANTIC (ESPN2)	W, 17-0
Sept. 20	NOTRE DAME (ABC)	W, 23-7
Sept. 27	at Indiana (ESPN)	12 p.m.
Oct. 4	IOWA (ESPN or ESPN2)	12 p.m.
Oct. 11	at Northwestern	TBA
Oct. 18	OHIO STATE	TBA
Oct. 25	at Michigan	TBA
Nov. 1	WISCONSIN	TBA
Nov. 8	PURDUE	TBA
Nov. 22	at Penn State	TBA

INDIANA (2-1)

Aug. 30	WESTERN KENTUCKY	W, 31-13
Sept. 6	MURRAY STATE	W, 45-3
Sept. 20	BALL STATE	L, 20-42
Sept. 27	MICHIGAN STATE	12 p.m.
Oct. 4	at Minnesota	12 p.m.
Oct. 11	IOWA	TBA
Oct. 18	at Illinois	8 p.m.
Oct. 25	NORTHWESTERN	12 p.m.
Nov. 1	CENTRAL MICHIGAN	TBA
Nov. 8	WISCONSIN	TBA
Nov. 15	at Penn State	TBA
Nov. 22	at Purdue	TBA

• All times listed: Eastern.

BROADCAST COVERAGE

TELEVISION: ESPN will televise the MSU-Indiana game live to a national audience, with Pam Ward handling the play-by-play and Ray Bentley providing color commentary.

RADIO: The Spartan Radio Network, featuring veteran play-by-play announcer George Blaha, color analyst Jim Miller, sideline reporter Jason Strayhorn and broadcast host Will Tieman, will broadcast the game to 39 affiliates throughout the state. Michigan State football broadcasts can be heard on flagship stations WJIM (AM 1240)/WMMQ (FM 94.9) in Lansing and WJR Radio (AM 760) in Detroit.



GAME

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MICHIGAN STATE (3-1) vs. INDIANA (2-1)

Saturday, Sept. 27 • 12 p.m. EDT • ESPN
Memorial Stadium (49,225/Astro-Play) • Bloomington, Ind.

FIRST-AND-10 (what you need to know about the MSU-Indiana matchup) –

- Saturday's game marks the 57th meeting between Michigan State and Indiana. The Spartans lead the all-time series 39-15-2, including an 18-9-1 record in games played in Bloomington, Ind. Michigan State has won nine of the last 11 meetings overall. The Spartans' last win in Memorial Stadium came on Sept. 25, 2004, 30-20.
- Since 1950, the winner of the Michigan State-Indiana game has been presented the Old Brass Spittoon. The brass spittoon came from one of Michigan's earliest trading posts and is widely believed to be nearly 190 years old. Legend has it that the spittoon was around when both institutions were founded – Indiana in 1820 and MAC in 1855. Since '50, Michigan State leads the series 39-12-1.
- Michigan State enters its 56th season of Big Ten competition with a 29-22-4 record (.563) in league openers. The Spartans are 5-5 in Big Ten openers since 1998.
- Michigan State is 4-1 (.800) in Big Ten openers vs. Indiana, including a 2-1 mark in games played in Bloomington. The Spartans open Big Ten play against the Hoosiers for the first time since 2004.
- Senior running back **Javon Ringer** leads the NCAA in rushing touchdowns (11) and scoring (16.5 points per game). In four games, he has 11 rushing TDs after scoring six all of last season. The 5-foot-9, 202-pound Ringer also ranks second in the nation in rushing (174.8 yards per game) and third in all-purpose yards (234.0 ypg.). He leads the Big Ten in those three statistical categories: rushing, scoring and all-purpose yards.
- For the third week in a row, **Ringer** has been selected Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week after becoming the first Spartan back ever to record back-to-back 200-yard rushing games, gaining 201 yards on 39 carries in Michigan State's 23-7 victory over Notre Dame. He becomes the first offensive player in Big Ten history to earn the award three straight weeks. The only other individual to accomplish that feat was Penn State linebacker Paul Posluszny, who was named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week for three consecutive weeks in 2005 (Sept. 26, Oct. 3 and Oct. 10).
- Over the last three games, **Ringer** has rushed 116 times for 618 yards and nine touchdowns, averaging 206.0 rushing yards per game, including back-to-back 200-yard games against Florida Atlantic (43 carries for 282 yards) and Notre Dame (39 for 201). It marks the highest three-game rushing total by a Spartan back since 1985 when **Lorenzo White** gained 659 yards in games against Indiana (286), Northwestern (150) and Wisconsin (233). Ringer's 618 yards rank as the fourth-best three-game rushing total in MSU history trailing only **Eric Allen** (774 yards in 1971) and White (702 in 1985 and 659 in 1985).
- Sophomore split end **Mark Dell** ranks second in the Big Ten and 15th in the NCAA in receiving yards, averaging 100.0 per game. The 6-foot-2, 188-pound Dell ranks ninth in the Big Ten in receptions, averaging 4.25 per game. He leads the Spartans in receptions (17), receiving yards (400), yards per reception (23.5) and yards after the catch (71). Sixteen of his 17 receptions (94 percent) have resulted in either a first down or a touchdown, including 10 gains of 20 yards or more.
- Senior strong safety **Otis Wiley** leads the Big Ten and NCAA in interceptions (4; 1.0 per game). In addition, he leads the league in passes defensed (10: 6 pass break-ups and 4 interceptions) and ranks third in punt returns, averaging 14.1 yards. The 6-foot-2, 210-pound Wiley ranks second on the team in production points (61) and fifth (tied with linebacker Eric Gordon) in tackles (20).

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MSU's official athletics Web site, msuspartans.com, is the best source for information on the 2008 Michigan State football team. The site includes bios, notes, updated statistics and features. Live stats via Gametracker and game audio will also be available for all 12 games this season.

Multimedia features include videos of press conferences and exclusive interviews through [MSU All-Access](#). All-Access features games streamed live, including football, hockey, men's/women's basketball and women's volleyball. The pass also includes exclusive interviews and features with coaches and student-athletes. The All-Access Monthly pass is \$9.95, while the All-Access Yearly is \$79.95.

Audio interviews are also available to download at the Michigan State Athletics podcast page, [Spartan Sports Podcasts](#). The podcast channel at iTunes, free of charge, will feature weekly interviews with Spartan coaches and student-athletes, coaches' weekly radio shows, and radio highlights from Spartan football, men's and women's basketball and hockey games.

FIRST-AND-10 (continued) –

• Sophomore linebacker **Greg Jones** leads the Spartans in tackles (26 total), tackles for loss (4.5 for 12 yards) and production points (66). The 6-foot-1, 222-pound Jones has led the team in tackles in three of the first four games in 2008. He anchors a defensive unit that has allowed just two touchdowns in the last 12 quarters. In addition, Michigan State has surrendered less than 100 yards rushing in each of the last two games (82 by Florida Atlantic and 16 by Notre Dame).

THE COACHES –

Michigan State's **Mark Dantonio** (South Carolina 1979) is 10-7 (.588) in his second year with the Spartans and 28-24 (.538) in five seasons as a college head coach. In his first season as head coach at Michigan State, Dantonio led the Spartans to a 7-5 regular-season record, securing the program's first bowl bid in four years with a berth against Boston College in the Champs Sports Bowl in Orlando, Fla. He became just the third first-year coach in Michigan State history to earn a postseason bowl bid, joining Nick Saban (1995 Independence Bowl vs. LSU) and John L. Smith (2003 Alamo Bowl vs. Nebraska). Dantonio compiled an 18-17 record (.514) in three seasons at Cincinnati, including two postseason bowl appearances. Prior to accepting his first head coaching position at Cincinnati, he spent three years as defensive coordinator under Jim Tressel at Ohio State (2001-03) where he helped the Buckeyes to a combined record of 32-6 (.842), including the 2002 National Championship. Dantonio previously spent six seasons as secondary coach at Michigan State (1995-2000), including five years under Nick Saban and one under Bobby Williams. His college full-time coaching credits also include stops at Kansas (1991-94), Youngstown State (1986-90) and Akron (1985).

Indiana's **Bill Lynch** (Butler 1977) is 9-7 (.563) in his second year with the Hoosiers and 90-74-3 (.548) in 16 seasons as a college head coach. This marks Lynch's second stint at Indiana, as he previously served as the Hoosiers' quarterbacks coach under Bill Mallory from 1993-94 before returning to join Terry Hoepfner's staff as offensive coordinator and tight ends coach in 2005. He compiled an 81-67-3 record (.546) in 14 seasons as a head coach, including stops at Butler (1985-89), Ball State (1995-2002) and DePauw (2004).

TEAM COMPARISONS –

	Michigan State	Indiana
Basic Offense	Multiple	Multiple
Basic Defense	Multiple 4-3	4-3
Offensive Starters Returning	7	6
Defensive Starters Returning	6	7
Specialists Returning	3	1

AVERAGE HEIGHTS & WEIGHTS (STARTERS) –

	Michigan State	Indiana
Offensive Line & Tight End	6-5, 302	6-6, 298
Offensive Backs & Wide Receivers	6-1, 210	6-0, 193
Defensive Line	6-4, 265	6-3, 283
Linebackers	6-1, 228	6-2, 234
Defensive Backs	6-2, 200	6-1, 198

CLASS BREAKDOWN (STARTERS) –

Michigan State Offense: 4 seniors, 3 juniors, 2 sophomores, 2 freshmen
 Michigan State Defense: 3 seniors, 4 juniors, 4 sophomores
 Indiana Offense: 1 senior, 6 juniors, 4 sophomores
 Indiana Defense: 3 seniors, 6 juniors, 1 sophomore, 1 freshman

WEEKLY MEDIA PLANNER

Monday, Sept. 8	Tuesday, Sept. 9	Wednesday, Sept. 10	Thursday, Sept. 11	Friday, Sept. 12	Saturday, Sept. 13	Sunday, Sept. 14
<u>No practice.</u>	<u>11:30 a.m.</u> Coach Dantonio's Weekly Press Conference (Level 4/Spartan Stadium). Closed practice. <u>Approximately 5:45 p.m.</u> Requested players available for interviews following practice. Interviews on practice field.	Closed practice.	Closed practice. <u>Approximately 6 p.m.</u> Defensive coordinator Pat Narduzzi and quarterbacks coach Dave Warner available for brief interviews following practice in Skandalaris Football Center lobby. <u>7-8 p.m.</u> Coach Dantonio Weekly Radio Show at Reno's East on Abbot Rd. in East Lansing.	Team walk-thru at Memorial Stadium. Closed to media and no interviews.	<u>12 p.m.</u> Game at Indiana on ESPN.	<u>9:30 a.m.</u> Spartan Sports Zone TV show on FSN Detroit. <u>Approximately 6:45 p.m.</u> Coach Dantonio available for brief interviews in Skandalaris Football Center lobby prior to practice. Closed practice.

STAT LEADERS –

Michigan State (after four games):

Rushing – Javon Ringer (143 carries for 699 yards, 4.9 avg., 11 TDs)
 Passing – Brian Hoyer (45 of 101 for 700 yards, 1 TD, 2 INTs)
 Receiving – Mark Dell (17 catches for 400 yards, 23.5 avg., 1 TD)
 Tackles – Greg Jones (26 tackles, 14 solos, 12 assists, 4.5 TFL)

Indiana (after three games):

Rushing – Kellen Lewis (35 carries for 331 yards, 9.5 avg., 3 TDs)
 Passing – Kellen Lewis (43 of 73 for 473 yards, 2 TDs, 3 INTs)
 Receiving – Andrew Means (14 catches for 206 yards, 14.7 avg., 0 TDs)
 Tackles – Jammie Kirlew (17 tackles, 11 solos, 6 assists, 2.5 sacks)

CURRENT SPARTANS vs. INDIANA –

Career Stat Leaders

Rushing – Javon Ringer (2 games: 40 carries for 312 yards, 7.8 avg., 3 TDs)
 Passing – Brian Hoyer (3 games: 25 of 31 for 251 yards, 2 TDs, 0 INTs)
 Receiving – Javon Ringer (2 games: 5 catches for 30 yards, 6.0 avg., 0 TDs)
 Tackles – Otis Wiley (3 games: 13 tackles, 12 solos, 1 assist, 1 interception)

STAT COMPARISON –

	Michigan State	Indiana
Scoring	28.2	32.0
First Downs	19.5	23.3
Total Offense	378.2	447.0
Rushing Yards	195.2	269.0
Passing Yards	183.0	178.0
Time of Possession	32:50	29:36
Third Down Conversions	.373	.366
Points Allowed	13.8	19.3
Total Offense Allowed	323.0	298.0
Rushing Yards Allowed	107.0	105.0
Passing Yards Allowed	216.0	193.0

MSU/INDIANA SERIES NOTES –

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AROUND THE BIG TEN

2008 BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Games	All Games
Minnesota	0-0	.000	4-0 1.000
Northwestern	0-0	.000	4-0 1.000
Penn State	0-0	.000	4-0 1.000
Wisconsin	0-0	.000	3-0 1.000
Michigan State	0-0	.000	3-1 .750
Iowa	0-0	.000	3-1 .750
Ohio State	0-0	.000	3-1 .750
Illinois	0-0	.000	2-1 .667
Indiana	0-0	.000	2-1 .667
Purdue	0-0	.000	2-1 .667
Michigan	0-0	.000	1-2 .333

THIS WEEK'S BIG TEN SCHEDULE

Michigan State at Indiana, 12 p.m. (ESPN)

Northwestern at Iowa, 12 p.m. (ESPN Classic)

Minnesota at Ohio State, 12 p.m. (BTN)

Wisconsin at Michigan, 3:30 p.m. (ABC)

Purdue at Notre Dame, 3:30 p.m. (NBC)

Illinois at Penn State, 8 p.m. (ABC)

All Game Times Eastern

SPARTAN FOOTBALL QUICK FACTS**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Location: East Lansing, Mich.
 Enrollment: 46,045
 President: Dr. Lou Anna K. Simon
 Conference: Big Ten
 Nickname: Spartans
 Colors: Green and White
 Stadium (Capacity): Spartan Stadium (75,005)
 Surface: Natural Grass
 Press Box Number: 517-353-0630
 Athletics Director: Mark Hollis

FOOTBALL STAFF

Head Coach: Mark Dantonio (South Carolina, 1979)
 Record at MSU: 10-7 (second year)
 Career Record: 28-24 (fifth year)
 Offensive Coordinator: Don Treadwell (Miami-Ohio, 1982)
 Defensive Coordinator: Pat Narduzzi (Rhode Island, 1990)
 Secondary: Harlon Barnett (Michigan State, 1990)
 Running Backs: Dan Enos (Michigan State, 1991)
 Defensive Line: Ted Gill (Idaho State, 1973)
 Offensive Line: Dan Roushar (Northern Illinois, 1984)
 Tight Ends/Recruiting Coordinator: Mark Staten (Miami-Ohio, 2001)
 Special Teams/Linebackers: Mike Tressel (Cornell [Iowa] College, 1996)
 Quarterbacks: Dave Warner (Syracuse, 1982)
 Director of Football Operations: Tim Allen (Bethel [Kansas] College, 1986)

FOOTBALL HISTORY

All-Time Record: 604-415-44 (.589)
 2007 Record: 7-6 (3-5 Big Ten/t-7th)
 First Season of Football: 1896
 Bowl Games: 18 (7-11)
 National Championships: 6 (1951, 1952, 1955, 1957, 1965, 1966)
 Big Ten Championships: 6 (1953, 1965, 1966, 1978, 1987, 1990)

SPARTAN OUTLOOK

Offense: Multiple
 Defense: Multiple 4-3
 Lettermen Lost: 20 (11 offense, 9 defense)
 Lettermen Returning: 37 (15 offense, 19 defense, 3 specialists)
 Starters Lost: 11 (5 offense, 6 defense)
 Starters Returning: 16 (7 offense, 7 defense, 2 specialists)
 Offensive Starters Lost (5): LT Pete Clifford, LG Kenny Shane, C John Masters, TE Kellen Davis, WR Devin Thomas.
 Offensive Starters Returning (7): WR Deon Curry, WR Mark Dell, C Joel Nitchman, RG Roland Martin, RT Jesse Miller, QB Brian Hoyer, RB Javon Ringer.
 Defensive Starters Lost (6): DE Jonal Saint-Dic, NT Ogemdi Nwagbuo, DE Ervin Baldwin, LB Kaleb Thornhill, SS Nehemiah Warrick, FS Travis Key.
 Defensive Starters Returning (7): DT Justin Kershaw, LB Greg Jones, LB Eric Gordon, CB Kendall Davis-Clark, FS Otis Wiley, CB Ross Weaver, CB Chris L. Rucker.
 Starting Specialists Returning (3): PK Brett Swenson, P Aaron Bates, KO Todd Boleski.

BATTLE FOR THE OLD BRASS SPITTOON –

Since 1950, the winner of the Michigan State-Indiana game has been presented the Old Brass Spittoon. The trophy was initiated by the junior and senior classes and the MSU student council at Michigan State, and soon accepted by the IU Student Senate. The brass spittoon came from one of Michigan's earliest trading posts and is widely believed to be nearly 190 years old. Legend has it that the spittoon was around when both institutions were founded – Indiana in 1820 and MAC in 1855. Since '50, Michigan State leads the series 39-12-1.

BIG TEN OPENERS –

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Here's a look at Michigan State's results against Indiana in Big Ten openers:

Date	MSU Result	Site
Sept. 25, 2004	W, 30-20	Bloomington, Ind.
Oct. 3, 1992	W, 42-31	Spartan Stadium
Oct. 5, 1991	L, 0-31	Bloomington, Ind.
Sept. 28, 1957	W, 54-0	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 24, 1955	W, 20-13	Bloomington, Ind.

THE LAST MEETING –

Oct. 13, 2007, in East Lansing, Mich.: Javon Ringer rushed for 203 yards and two touchdowns on 29 carries to help Michigan State end a six-game Big Ten losing streak and beat Indiana 52-27. Brian Hoyer was 20-for-23 for 190 yards and a TD for the Spartans, who led by as many as 32 points in the third quarter. Jehuu Caulcrick rushed for three TDs and Devin Thomas caught 13 passes for 148 yards and a TD. Indiana's high-powered offense was kept off the field much of the game by Michigan State, which dominated time of possession. Kellen Lewis ran for a TD and passed for another for the Hoosiers. James Hardy caught six passes for 121 yards and a TD. The Spartans, coming off two straight losses and hoping to fire up themselves and a Homecoming crowd, used a fake field goal on the game's opening possession to set up a 1-yard touchdown run by Caulcrick. Aaron Bates, the team's punter and holder on field goal attempts, took the snap and scampered 14 yards to give the Spartans a first-and-goal inside the 5 yard line. But Indiana answered immediately on its first play from scrimmage. Lewis faked an inside handoff then cut hard to his right, streaking down the sideline 59 yards to tie the game at 7. Then Michigan State took over with a ball-control offense, chewing up clock and keeping the ball away from the explosive Hoosiers. The Spartans had the ball for just over 41 minutes. Ringer's 64-yard TD run early in the second quarter gave the Spartans a 24-10 lead. He started to his right, cut back left all the way across the line of scrimmage, then streaked down the left sideline, aided by receiver Terry Love's key block. Michigan State stretched the lead to 45-13 in the third quarter when Jonal Saint-Dic caused a Lewis fumble deep in Indiana territory. The fumble was scooped up by Ervin Baldwin and returned 12 yards for a touchdown. Indiana crept back to within 45-27 late in the third quarter, which ended with the Hoosiers' Tracy Porter returning a Michigan State fumble 76 yards for a TD.

THE LAST MEETING IN MEMORIAL STADIUM –

Oct. 28, 2006, in Bloomington, Ind.: Kellen Lewis threw five touchdown passes, including four to James Hardy, and ran for another score in leading Indiana past Michigan State 46-21. Michigan State grabbed the lead with a touchdown on the opening drive of the game. But Indiana gave up just 35 yards the rest of the first half and did not allow another first down until the fourth quarter, a span of 12 possessions by the Spartans and 46 straight points by the Hoosiers. Michigan State took a 7-0 lead over the Hoosiers when Drew Stanton threw 38 yards to Devin Thomas for his first career TD reception. Lewis then took control, finishing 15-of-26 for 261 yards. Three of Lewis' four touchdown passes in the first half were to Hardy, including two scores in a span of 37 seconds late in the second quarter. Lewis threw a 2-yard touchdown pass to Hardy with 44 seconds to go, then the Hoosiers got the ball back two plays after the kickoff when Adam McClurg forced and recovered a fumble by Jehuu Caulcrick at the Michigan State 17. Two plays later, Hardy made it 30-7 with a

17-yard TD reception. Hardy also had a 30-yard TD catch in the first quarter. Lewis scored on a 27-yard run and passed 13 yards to Hardy for another TD in the third quarter. The Hoosiers made it 46-7 on a safety when Terry Love fumbled the ball out of the end zone on an Indiana punt. Lewis also threw a 26-yard touchdown pass to Marcus Thigpen in the second quarter. Brian Hoyer replaced Stanton in the fourth quarter and led the Spartans to two scores, a 4-yard TD run by Brett Kahn and a 13-yard pass to Kahn after the interception off Lewis by SirDarean Adams.

MSU/INDIANA COACHING CONNECTION –

Indiana linebackers coach/special teams co-coordinator **George Ricumstrict** spent the 1996 season as a graduate assistant at Michigan State, working under former Spartan head coach **Nick Saban**.

ALAN HALLER NAMED HONORARY CAPTAIN –

Michigan State University Police Lt. **Alan Haller**, who oversees the motorcycle patrol unit, has been selected honorary captain for Saturday's Big Ten opener at Indiana. A four-year letterman as a cornerback for Coach George Perles from 1988-91, Haller earned honorable mention All-Big Ten honors as both a junior and senior. His career totals include 199 tackles, eight pass break-ups and three interceptions. He made three postseason bowl appearances with the Spartans (1989 Gator, 1989 Aloha and 1990 John Hancock).

The former Lansing (Mich.) Sexton star was selected by the Pittsburgh Steelers in the fifth round of the 1992 National Football League Draft. Haller spent three seasons in the NFL, playing for Cleveland (1992), Pittsburgh (1992-93) and Carolina (1995).

BIG TEN/NCAA STAT LEADERS –

Here's a glance at how Michigan State ranks among the Big Ten and NCAA stat leaders in 2008:

Category	Stat Avg.	Big Ten	NCAA
Rushing Offense	195.2	5th	29th
Passing Offense	183.0	8th	91st
Total Offense	378.2	8th	63rd
Scoring Offense	28.2	8th	60th
Rushing Defense	107.0	8th	37th
Passing Defense	216.0	7th	74th
Total Defense	323.0	8th	50th
Scoring Defense	13.8	5th	18th
Passing Efficiency	103.6	11th	98th
Pass Efficiency Defense	103.3	6th	29th
Turnover Margin	+0.5	7th	39th
Net Punting	32.8	9th	87th
Punt Returns	15.3	1st	29th
Kickoff Returns	19.9	7th	82nd

NCAA STAT LEADERS –

Here's a glance at how Michigan State ranks among the NCAA individual stat leaders in 2008:

Individual Statistics (Top 50)

Rushing: Javon Ringer (2nd at 174.8 yards per game)

Receiving Yards: Mark Dell (15th at 100.0 yards per game)

Interceptions: Otis Wiley (t-1st at 1.0 interceptions per game)

Punting: Aaron Bates (45th with 40.9-yard average)

Punt Returns: Otis Wiley (26th at 14.1 yards per return)

Field Goals: Brett Swenson (t-44th at 1.25 field goals made per game)

Scoring: Javon Ringer (1st at 16.5 points per game)

All-Purpose Yards: Javon Ringer (3rd at 234.0 yards per game)

THIS WEEK'S POLLS (SEPT. 21)

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rk.	School	Record
1.	USC (62)	2-0
2.	Oklahoma	3-0
3.	Georgia (2)	4-0
4.	Florida (1)	3-0
5.	LSU	3-0
6.	Missouri	4-0
7.	Texas	3-0
8.	Alabama	4-0
9.	Wisconsin	3-0
10.	Texas Tech	4-0
11.	BYU	4-0
12.	Penn State	4-0
13.	South Florida	4-0
14.	Ohio State	3-1
15.	Auburn	3-1
16.	Wake Forest	3-0
17.	Utah	4-0
18.	Kansas	3-1
19.	Boise State	3-0
20.	Clemson	3-1
21.	Vanderbilt	4-0
22.	Illinois	2-1
23.	East Carolina	3-1
24.	TCU	4-0
25.	Fresno State	2-1

USA TODAY/COACHES

Rk.	School	Record
1.	USC (56)	2-0
2.	Oklahoma (2)	3-0
3.	Georgia (2)	4-0
4.	Florida (1)	3-0
5.	Missouri	4-0
6.	LSU	3-0
7.	Texas	3-0
8.	Wisconsin	3-0
9.	Texas Tech	4-0
10.	Alabama	4-0
11.	BYU	4-0
12.	Penn State	4-0
13.	Ohio State	3-1
14.	South Florida	4-0
15.	Wake Forest	3-0
16.	Auburn	3-1
17.	Utah	4-0
18.	Kansas	3-1
19.	Clemson	3-1
20.	Boise State	3-0
21.	Illinois	2-1
22.	Oregon	3-1
23.	TCU	4-0
24.	Fresno State	2-1
25.	Vanderbilt	4-0

(First-place votes)

Bold indicates MSU opponent

2008 SPARTANS OF THE WEEK

Game.....	Players of the Week
California	Mark Dell (Offense)
.....	Otis Wiley (Defense)
.....	Brandon Denson (Special Teams)
Eastern Michigan.....	Javon Ringer (Offense)
.....	Justin Kershaw (Defense)
.....	Aaron Bates/Todd Boleski/Otis Wiley (Special Teams)
Florida Atlantic.....	Javon Ringer (Offense)
.....	Chris L. Rucker (Defense)
.....	Brandon Denson/Alex Shackleton/Ross Weaver (Special Teams)
Notre Dame	Javon Ringer (Offense)
.....	Otis Wiley (Defense)
.....	Brandon Denson/Brett Swenson (Special Teams)

2008 SCOUT PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Game.....	Players of the Week
California	Chris McDonald (Offense)
.....	Andrew Pendency (Defense)
.....	Nick Bendzuck (Special Teams)
Eastern Michigan.....	Keith Nichol (Offense)
.....	Jerel Worthy (Defense)
.....	Johnathan Strayhorn (Special Teams)
Florida Atlantic.....	Myles White (Offense)
.....	Jesse Johnson (Defense)
.....	Jamihr Williams (Special Teams)
Notre Dame	Glenn Winston (Offense)
.....	Tyler Hoover (Defense)
.....	Drew Stevens (Special Teams)

2008 HONORARY CAPTAINS

Game.....	Honorary Captain
California	Clinton Jones
Eastern Michigan.....	Dave Yarema
Florida Atlantic.....	Dean Altobelli
Notre Dame	Jim Morrissey
Indiana.....	Alan Haller

MSU TOP SINGLE-GAME PERFORMANCES VS. INDIANA

RUSHING		
Player (Att.)	Yards	Year
Lorenzo White (56)	292	1987
Lorenzo White (25)	286	1985
Blake Ezor (44)	250	1988
Javon Ringer (29)	203	2007

PASSING		
Player (C-A)	Yards	Year
Ed Smith (20-30)	369	1978
Jeff Smoker (32-40)	351	2003
Bill Burke (24-37)	324	1998
Jeff Smoker (20-30)	288	2001
Dave Yarema (20-31)	275	1986
Jim Miller (19-30)	274	1992

RECEIVING		
Player (Rec.)	Yards	Year
Andre Rison (11)	196	1988
Devin Thomas (13)	148	2007
Kirk Gibson (3)	146	1978
Herb Haygood (8)	132	2001
Samson Howard (4)	119	1978
Plaxico Burress (7)	113	1998

RINGER EARNS THIRD-STRAIGHT BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONOR –

Senior running back **Javon Ringer** leads the NCAA in rushing touchdowns (11) and scoring (16.5 points per game). In four games, he has 11 rushing TDs after scoring six all of last season. The 5-foot-9, 202-pound Ringer also ranks second in the nation in rushing (174.8 yards per game) and third in all-purpose yards (234.0 ypg.). He leads the Big Ten in those three statistical categories: rushing, scoring and all-purpose yards.

His 143 carries also lead the nation – 30 more attempts than the second running back on the list. According to STATS, the last player to have as many rushing attempts through four games was Iowa State's Troy Davis in 1996.

For the third week in a row, Ringer has been selected Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week after becoming the first Spartan back ever to record back-to-back 200-yard rushing games, gaining 201 yards on 39 carries in Michigan State's 23-7 victory over Notre Dame. He becomes the first offensive player in Big Ten history to earn the award three straight weeks. The only other individual to accomplish that feat was Penn State linebacker Paul Posluszny, who was named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week for three consecutive weeks in 2005 (Sept. 26, Oct. 3 and Oct. 10). This marks the fourth time in Ringer's career that he has won the award, as he garnered the honor once last season after rushing for 202 yards against Indiana.

His 201 rushing yards were the most ever by a Spartan against Notre Dame (previous high: 157 by Dennis Mendyk in 1956). He scored on a pair of 1-yard runs against the Irish. On MSU's final scoring drive, Ringer carried the ball seven straight times for 77 yards, including a 63-yard gain to set up his second TD run. In four career games against Notre Dame, he rushed 83 times for 445 yards and two scores.

Despite playing in a downpour, Ringer set career highs for rushing attempts (43) and rushing yards (282) in Michigan State's 17-0 victory over Florida Atlantic. His 282 rushing yards represent the fourth-best single-game total in Spartan history and the second-highest rushing total in the NCAA Bowl Subdivision thus far this season. Ringer outgained the entire Florida Atlantic team (282 rushing yards vs. 225 total yards for the Owls). He became just the sixth running back in MSU history to eclipse the 3,000-yard career milestone. Ringer scored on runs of 21 and 11 yards against the Owls, and his 32-yard run set up a third-quarter field goal. He accounted for a career-best 308 all-purpose yards against Florida Atlantic, becoming just the eighth player in school history to amass 4,000 career all-purpose yards. His 308 all-purpose yards mark the second-best single-game total in school history, trailing only Eric Allen who produced 397 yards at Purdue in 1971.

Ringer shared Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week honors (with Minnesota quarterback Adam Weber and Penn State running back Evan Royster) after rushing for 135 yards and a career-best five TDs to lead Michigan State to a 42-10 victory over Eastern Michigan. His five rushing TDs represent the second-best single-game total in Spartan history, just one short of the school record held by Blake Ezor (six rushing TDs vs. Northwestern, 1989). Ringer scored on runs of 4, 6, 2, 1 and 2 yards. He rushed a career-best 34 times against the Eagles – the highest single-game total by a Spartan since Marc Renaud had 35 carries for 229 yards against Minnesota in 1995. Ringer accounted for 205 all-purpose yards against EMU (135 rushing, 8 receiving and 62 kickoff return yards).

He accounted for 200 all-purpose yards in the 2008 season opener at California (81 rushing yards, 17 receiving yards and 102 kickoff return yards). Ringer rushed 27 times for 81 yards against the Golden Bears and scored on runs of 1 and 10 yards.

The Dayton, Ohio, native ranks fifth on MSU's all-time rushing list with 3,460 career yards (596 carries), and his 5.81 yards per carry ranks as the sixth-highest rushing average in school history. Ringer also ranks among NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision active career leaders in rushing yards (4th at 3,460 yards), all-purpose yards (5th at 4,311 yards) and rushing yards per carry (8th at 5.81 avg.). He has 15 career 100-yard rushing games and seven career multi-TD games.

Ringer has been nominated for three national awards: Maxwell Award (Player of the Year), Walter Camp Player of the Year and Doak Walker Award (nation's top running back).

RINGER'S THREE-GAME STRETCH RANKS AMONG BEST IN SPARTAN HISTORY –

Over the last three games, Michigan State senior running back **Javon Ringer** has rushed 116 times for 618 yards and nine touchdowns, averaging 206.0 rushing yards per game, including back-to-back 200-yard games against Florida Atlantic (43 carries for 282 yards) and Notre Dame (39 for 201). It marks the highest three-game rushing total by a Spartan back since 1985 when **Lorenzo White** gained 659 yards in games against Indiana (286), Northwestern (150) and Wisconsin (233). Ringer's 618 yards rank as the fourth-best three-game rushing total in MSU history trailing only **Eric Allen** (774 yards in 1971) and White (702 in 1985 and 659 in 1985).

Top Three-Game Rushing Totals

Runner - Year	Yds.	YPG.	Three-Game Stretch
1. Eric Allen - 1971	774	258.0	Wisconsin (247), Iowa (177), Purdue (350)
2. Lorenzo White - 1985	702	234.0	Purdue (244), Minnesota (172), Indiana (286)
3. Lorenzo White - 1985	659	219.7	Indiana (286), Northwestern (150), Wisconsin (223)
4. Javon Ringer - 2008	618	206.0	EMU (135), Florida Atlantic (282), Notre Dame (201)

Top Four-Game Rushing Totals

Runner - Year	Yds.	YPG.	Four-Game Stretch
1. Eric Allen - 1971	853	213.3	Wisconsin (247), Iowa (177), Purdue (350), Ohio State (79)
2. Lorenzo White - 1985	852	213.0	Purdue (244), Minnesota (172), Indiana (286), Northwestern (150)

RINGER GAINS ATTENTION IN HEISMAN RACE –

Senior running back **Javon Ringer**, who is averaging 206.0 rushing yards over the last three games including back-to-back 200-yard games against Florida Atlantic (282) and Notre Dame (201), ranks among the nation's Top 10 Heisman Trophy candidates by CBSSports.com (No. 5), ESPN.com (No. 7 - tied) and Heismanpundit.com/Orlando Sentinel (No. 8 - tied). ESPN.com's Graham Watson listed Ringer fourth on this week's ballot.

In addition, Ringer ranks fourth in CollegeFootballNews.com's Top 10 Player Race (national player of the year).

DELL DELIVERS BIG PLAYS IN PASSING GAME –

Sophomore split end **Mark Dell** ranks second in the Big Ten and 15th in the NCAA in receiving yards, averaging 100.0 per game. The 6-foot-2, 188-pound Dell ranks ninth in the Big Ten in receptions, averaging 4.25 per game. He leads the Spartans in receptions (17), receiving yards (400), yards per reception (23.5) and yards after the catch (71).

Sixteen of his 17 receptions (94 percent) have resulted in either a first down or a touchdown, including 10 gains of 20 yards or more.

Dell had four receptions for 80 yards in Michigan State's 23-7 victory over Notre Dame, including a 28-yard grab early in the fourth quarter that helped set up Brett Swenson's third field goal.

His 47-yard reception against Florida Atlantic helped set up Javon Ringer's 11-yard TD run that gave the Spartans a 17-0 lead.

He caught three passes for 71 yards (23.7 avg.) in MSU's 42-10 victory over Eastern Michigan, including a pair of 29-yard grabs from Brian Hoyer that set up TD runs for Ringer.

Dell recorded career highs in receptions (9) and receiving yards (202) in MSU's 38-31 loss at California. His 202 receiving yards mark the fifth-best single-game total in Spartan history and the fourth-highest total in the NCAA Bowl Subdivision thus far this season. He became the first Spartan to post a 200-yard receiving game since Charles Rogers (10 catches for 270 yards) against Fresno State in the 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic.

Eight of his nine receptions in the 2008 season opener resulted in either a first down or a TD, including five gains of 20 yards or more.

**2008 SPARTAN NETWORK
RADIO AFFILIATES**

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Adrian	WABJ (AM 1490)
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Benton Harbor.....	WCSY (FM 103.7)
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Detroit.....	WJR (AM 760)
Escanaba.....	WDBC (AM 680)
Flint.....	WWCK (AM 1570)
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Grand Haven.....	WGHN (FM 92.1)
Grand Rapids.....	WBBL (AM 1340)
Greenville.....	WSCG (AM 1380/FM 106.3)
Hastings.....	WBCH (AM 1220/FM 100.1)
Holland.....	WPNW (AM 1260)
Iron Mountain.....	WMIQ (AM 1450)
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Manistee.....	WMTE (AM 1340)
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Mt. Pleasant.....	WMMI (AM 830)
Muskegon.....	WMRR (FM 101.7)
Newberry.....	WIHC (FM 97.9)
Ontonagon.....	WUPY (FM 101.1)
Petoskey.....	WJML (AM 1110)
Port Huron.....	WPHM (AM 1380)
Saginaw.....	WNEM (AM 1250)
St. Ignace.....	WIDG (AM 940)
Sturgis.....	WMSH (AM 1230)
Tawas City.....	WKJC (FM 104.7)
Traverse City.....	WCCW (AM 1310)

THE MARK DANTONIO SHOW

The Spartan Radio Network will produce and distribute Mark Dantonio's weekly radio show call-in show Thursdays from 7-8 p.m. The Spartan Radio Network, featuring 39 affiliates throughout the state, will broadcast the show live from Reno's East, located at 1310 Abbot Road in East Lansing. Spartan play-by-play announcer George Blaha and Terry Braverman co-host this live show, featuring insight from Coach Dantonio, special guests and phone calls. The Mark Dantonio Show can be heard locally on flagship station WJIM Radio (AM 1240) and WMMQ (FM 94.9).

TOP SINGLE-GAME PERFORMANCES

Kendell Davis-Clark Tackles

TM	Opponent (S-A)	Date
12	Bowling Green (6-6)	9/8/07

Mark Dell Receiving

Yds.	Opponent (Rec.)	Date
202	California (9)	8/30/08

Eric Gordon Tackles

TM	Opponent (S-A)	Date
10	Iowa (4-6)	10/27/07

Brian Hoyer Passing

Yds.	Opponent (C-A)	Date
330	Minnesota (26-50)	11/11/06
323	Wisconsin (22-36)	9/29/07
321	California (20-48)	8/30/08
308	Iowa (25-42)	10/27/07
291	Penn State (30-61)	11/18/06
266	Purdue (22-31)	11/10/07
257	Penn State (16-21)	11/17/07
250	Bowling Green (17-29)	9/8/07
201	UAB (14-17)	9/1/07

Greg Jones Tackles

TM	Opponent (S-A)	Date
14	Ohio State (7-7)	10/20/07
11	Iowa (5-6)	10/27/07

Javon Ringer Rushing

Yds.	Opponent (Att.)	Date
282	Florida Atlantic (43)	9/13/07
203	Indiana (29)	10/13/07
201	Notre Dame (39)	9/20/08
194	Illinois (13)	9/24/05
185	Northwestern (12)	10/6/07
156	Pittsburgh (15)	9/16/06
145	Wisconsin (10)	9/29/07
144	Notre Dame (26)	9/22/07
135	Eastern Michigan (34)	9/6/08
130	Eastern Michigan (15)	9/9/06
128	Michigan (15)	11/3/07
109	Indiana (11)	10/29/05
104	Northwestern (18)	10/22/05
103	Iowa (23)	10/27/07
101	Boston College (21)	12/28/07

Otis Wiley Tackles

TM	Opponent (S-A)	Date
12	Idaho (6-6)	9/2/06
11	Illinois (4-7)	9/30/06
10	Ohio State (7-3)	10/14/06

Dell had five catches for 141 yards in the fourth quarter against the Golden Bears. His 29-yard TD reception from Hoyer with 3:09 left in the game cut MSU's deficit to seven (38-31). Earlier in the fourth quarter, his 52-yard grab set up a Spartan field goal.

Heading into the 2008 season, MSU's biggest challenge on offense was filling the shoes of NFL second-round draft pick **Devin Thomas** (Washington Redskins), who set Spartan single-season records for receptions (79) and 100-yard receiving games (7). His 1,260 receiving yards represented the third-best single-season total in school history.

In 13 games as a true freshman last year, Dell had 20 catches for 220 yards (11.0 avg.).

After four games, here's how Dell's 2008 production stacks up against Thomas' 2007 numbers:

Receiving Comparison	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
Mark Dell - 2008	4	17	400	23.5	1
Devin Thomas - 2007	4	16	370	23.1	3

HOYER LISTED AMONG TOP PRESEASON CANDIDATES FOR UNITAS AWARD –

Fifth-year senior quarterback **Brian Hoyer** ranks among the Big Ten leaders in passing (No. 7 at 175.0 yards per game) and total offense (No. 9 at 173.8 ypg.). He has completed 45-of-101 throws (.446) for 700 yards, one touchdown and two interceptions.

In Michigan State's 42-10 victory over Eastern Michigan, Hoyer completed 8-of-12 passes for 148 yards. His 29-yard completion to Mark Dell sparked a six-play, 50-yard scoring drive late in the first half as the Spartans built a 21-7 halftime lead, and his 46-yard strike to B.J. Cunningham late in the third quarter set up Javon Ringer's fourth touchdown run.

The 6-foot-3, 215-pound Hoyer recorded his fourth career 300-yard passing game, completing 20-of-48 passes for 321 yards in the 2008 season opener at California. He threw for 186 yards (9-23) in the fourth quarter against the Golden Bears, including a 29-yard TD strike to Dell as the Spartans pulled to within 38-31 with 3:09 to play.

The North Olmsted, Ohio, native already ranks among MSU's career leaders in TD passes (tied for No. 6 with 27), pass completions (No. 7 at 365), pass attempts (No. 8 at 644), completion percentage (No. 9 at .567) and passing yards (No. 7 at 4,455). He has compiled a 10-8 record in 18 career starts.

Hoyer, an honorable mention All-Big Ten selection by the media in 2007, is listed among 26 preseason candidates for the 2008 Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award, presented annually since 1987 to the nation's top senior quarterback by Transamerica Insurance and Investment Group. Hoyer is one of four Big Ten quarterbacks being considered for the Unitas Golden Arm Award, including Northwestern's C.J. Bacher, Ohio State's Todd Boeckman and Purdue's Curtis Painter.

The award is named in honor of National Football League legend Johnny Unitas, who threw for 40,239 yards and 290 touchdowns during his 18-year pro career (Baltimore Colts, 1956-72; San Diego Chargers, 1973). He threw a TD pass in an NFL-record 47 consecutive games. Unitas, who was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1979, made 10 Pro Bowl appearances, earned All-Pro honors nine times and was selected league MVP on three occasions (1959, 1964 and 1967).

A four-year letterman at Louisville from 1951-54, Unitas passed for more than 3,000 yards and 27 TDs during his collegiate career. He ranks as the only player in Louisville football history to have his jersey number (No. 16) retired.

The 2008 Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award will be presented on Dec. 5 at the Tremont Grand in Baltimore, Md.

WILEY EMERGES AS DEFENSIVE, SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYMAKER –

Senior strong safety **Otis Wiley** leads the Big Ten and NCAA in interceptions (4; 1.0 per game). In addition, he leads the league in passes defended (10: 6 pass break-ups and 4 interceptions) and ranks third in punt returns, averaging 14.1 yards. The 6-foot-2, 210-pound Wiley ranks second on the team in production points (61) and fifth (tied with linebacker Eric Gordon) in tackles (20).

The Flint, Mich., native intercepted two passes and recorded five tackles in Michigan State's 23-7 victory over Notre Dame. His first interception came midway through the first quarter as he outjumped Notre Dame's Duval Kamara in the back of the end zone, preserving MSU's 3-0 lead. Wiley's second interception came midway through the second quarter at the Irish 22 and set up MSU's first touchdown, a 1-yard run by Javon Ringer that gave the Spartans a 10-0 halftime lead. It marked the second time this season that Wiley had two interceptions (vs. California in the season opener).

He posted five tackles and matched his career high with four pass break-ups in the Spartans' 17-0 victory over Florida Atlantic. It marked Michigan State's first shutout since November 1999 (34-0 vs. Northwestern) and its first home shutout since September 1996 (47-0 vs. Eastern Michigan). The Spartans limited Florida Atlantic to nine first downs, 143 passing yards and 225 total yards. The Owls came into the game averaging 19.0 first downs, 306.5 passing yards and 423.0 total yards per game.

Wiley amassed 113 punt return yards on five returns (22.6 avg.) against Eastern Michigan, tying for the fourth-best single-game performance in Spartan history. Michigan State only managed 126 punt return yards all of last season on 31 attempts (4.1 avg.). Wiley's 78-yard scamper to open the fourth quarter was the 10th-longest in school history. The MSU single-game record is 137 punt return yards on six returns by Derrick Mason against Eastern Michigan in 1996. He also contributed four stops and a pass break-up against the Eagles.

Wiley recorded six tackles, two interceptions – returning one 31 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter – and a pass break-up in MSU's 38-31 loss at California in the 2008 season opener. With the two interception returns for 84 yards, Wiley moved into eighth place on MSU's all-time list with 161 career return yards.

JONES ENJOYING BANNER SOPHOMORE SEASON –

Sophomore linebacker **Greg Jones** leads the Spartans in tackles (26 total), tackles for loss (4.5 for 12 yards) and production points (66). The 6-foot-1, 222-pound Jones has led the team in tackles in three of the first four games in 2008. He anchors a defensive unit that has allowed just two touchdowns in the last 12 quarters. In addition, Michigan State has surrendered less than 100 yards rushing in each of the last two games (82 by Florida Atlantic and 16 by Notre Dame).

In MSU's 23-7 victory over Notre Dame, Jones recorded a season-high nine tackles, including one for a 1-yard loss. With nine stops against the Irish, he surpassed the 100-tackle career milestone. Jones totaled 21 production points against the Irish.

The Cincinnati, Ohio, native posted six tackles, including one for a 5-yard loss, in the Spartans' 17-0 victory over Florida Atlantic. It marked Michigan State's first shutout since November 1999 (34-0 vs. Northwestern) and its first home shutout since September 1996 (47-0 vs. Eastern Michigan). In the first half, the Owls managed just four first downs and 90 total yards.

Jones produced eight stops in the season opener at California, including two behind the line of scrimmage (6 yards).

BIG TEN TELECONFERENCE

The Big Ten teleconference is every Tuesday during the regular season from 12-2 p.m. (Eastern). To participate on the weekly teleconference, media members should call the Big Ten Communications Office at 847-696-1010 to receive access information. The calls will be available for play-back roughly two hours after each teleconference. The calls will also be available at www.bigten.org.

Order of appearance:

- 12 p.m. - Jim Tressell, Ohio State
- 12:10 p.m. - Rich Rodriguez, Michigan
- 12:20 p.m. - Bill Lynch, Indiana
- 12:30 p.m. - Mark Dantonio, Michigan State**
- 12:40 p.m. - Kirk Ferentz, Iowa
- 12:50 p.m. - Bret Bielema, Wisconsin
- 1 p.m. - Ron Zook, Illinois
- 1:10 p.m. - Joe Tiller, Purdue
- 1:20 p.m. - Joe Paterno, Penn State
- 1:30 p.m. - Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern
- 1:40 p.m. - Tim Brewster, Minnesota
- 1:50 p.m. - Players of the Week (if available)

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

- Todd Boleski: bo-LESS-ski
- Garrett Celek: SELL-ick
- Rocco Cironi: ROCK-oh
sir-ROAN-ee
- Danny Fortener: FORT-ner
- Matt Haughey: HOY
- Jared McGaha: muh-GAH-ha
- Jeff McPherson: mick-FUR-son
- Josh Rouse: (Rhymes with HOUSE)
- John Stipek: STEE-peek

MSU DEFENSIVE LEADERBOARD

Rk.	Player.....	Production Points
1.	LB Greg Jones.....	66
2.	SS Otis Wiley.....	61
3.	LB Eric Gordon.....	58
4.	LB Adam Decker.....	47
5.	DE Brandon Long.....	46
6.	LB Brandon Denson.....	36
	DT Justin Kershaw.....	36
8.	FS Danny Fortener.....	33
9.	DE Trevor Anderson.....	32
10.	CB Ross Weaver.....	29
11.	CB Jeremy Ware.....	24

SPARTAN HONOR ROLL

DE TREVOR ANDERSON (JR.)

- Preseason second-team All-Big Ten by CollegeFootballNews.com

LB ERIC GORDON (SO.)

- Rated among the nation's top outside linebackers (No. 33) by Phil Steele's College Football Preview
- Preseason third-team All-Big Ten by Phil Steele's College Football Preview

QB BRIAN HOYER (SR.)

- Listed among 26 preseason candidates for Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award (presented to nation's top senior quarterback)

LB GREG JONES (SO.)

- Rated among the nation's top linebackers (No. 40) by Phil Steele's College Football Preview
- Preseason first-team All-Big Ten by Sporting News
- Preseason second-team All-Big Ten by CollegeFootballNews.com
- Preseason second-team All-Big Ten by Phil Steele's College Football Preview

OG ROLAND MARTIN (SR.)

- Rated among the nation's top offensive guards (No. 13) by Phil Steele's College Football Preview
- Preseason second-team All-Big Ten by Phil Steele's College Football Preview

RB JAVON RINGER (SR.)

- Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week vs. Notre Dame (Sept. 20)
- Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week vs. Florida Atlantic (Sept. 13)
- Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week vs. Eastern Michigan (Sept. 6)
- One of 35 players featured on the Walter Camp Player of the Year "Watch List"
- One of 75 players featured on the Maxwell Award "Watch List" (College Player of the Year)
- Listed among 43 preseason candidates for Doak Walker Award (presented to nation's top running back)
- Rated among the nation's top running backs (No. 6) by Phil Steele's College Football Preview
- Preseason third-team All-American by Phil Steele's College Football Preview
- Preseason third-team All-American by Athlon Sports
- Rated among the Big Ten's top 10 players (No. 8) by CollegeFootballNews.com
- Rated the Big Ten's second-best running back by Sporting News
- Preseason first-team All-Big Ten by Sporting News
- Preseason first-team All-Big Ten by CollegeFootballNews.com
- Preseason first-team All-Big Ten by Phil Steele's College Football Preview
- Preseason first-team All-Big Ten by Blue Ribbon College Football Yearbook

K BRETT SWENSON (JR.)

- Listed among 30 preseason candidates for the Lou Groza Award (presented to nation's top placekicker)

SS OTIS WILEY (SR.)

- Rated among the nation's top strong safeties (No. 31) by Phil Steele's College Football Preview
- Preseason first-team All-Big Ten by CollegeFootballNews.com

SWENSON FEATURED ON LOU GROZA AWARD WATCH LIST –

Michigan State junior **Brett Swenson**, who ranks 10th on MSU's all-time scoring list with 205 career points, is listed among 30 preseason candidates for the 2008 Lou Groza Award, which is presented annually to the nation's top collegiate placekicker by the FedEx Orange Bowl and sponsored by the Palm Beach County (Fla.) Sports Commission.

The 5-foot-8, 169-pound Swenson moved into 10th place on MSU's career scoring list by accounting for 11 points in the Spartans' 23-7 victory over Notre Dame. He matched his career high by converting all three field-goal attempts against the Irish, hitting from 45, 26 and 23 yards. Swenson also added two extra points.

He accounted for seven points in the 2008 season opener at California, converting 1-of-2 field-goal attempts and all four PATs. His 34-yard field goal with 4:38 left in the fourth quarter against the Golden Bears pulled the Spartans to within a touchdown at 31-24.

The Pompano Beach, Fla., native already ranks among MSU's all-time leaders in extra points (fifth with 100 made) and field goals (tied for seventh with 35 made). Swenson also ranks among NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision active career leaders in extra points made (12th with 100), field goals made (tied for 14th with 35) and scoring (19th with 205 total points).

The placekicker award is named in honor of former National Football League great Lou Groza, who earned the nickname "The Toe." Groza, who scored 1,608 points in 21 years with the Cleveland Browns (1946-59, 1961-67), was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1974. The former Ohio State Buckeye made nine Pro Bowl appearances as a standout offensive tackle and placekicker.

A national panel of 300-plus voters, including college head coaches, sports writers, sportscasters, conference representatives, professional kickers and previous Lou Groza Award finalists, selects the recipient.

The selection committee will identify 20 semifinalists on Nov. 11, while three finalists will be named on Nov. 26. The winner will be announced during the ESPN College Football Awards Show on Dec. 11 in Orlando, Fla.

SPARTANS FACE ONE OF THE NCAA'S TOUGHEST SCHEDULES DOWN THE STRETCH –

Michigan State's eight remaining opponents comprise the nation's 11th-most difficult schedule (tied with Texas), according to NCAA figures. The Spartans' future opponents have a combined record of 16-6 (.727) against other Bowl Subdivision teams.

Here's a look at teams facing the NCAA's toughest remaining schedules in 2008:

Rank	Team	Combined Opp. Record	Winning Pct.
1.	Kansas	17-3	.850
2.	Georgia	21-4	.840
3.	Iowa	18-4	.818
4.	Baylor	17-4	.810
5.	Ohio State	18-5	.783
6.	Michigan	20-6	.769
	Indiana	20-6	.769
	Illinois	20-6	.769
9.	Oklahoma	18-6	.750
10.	Purdue	20-7	.741
11.	Michigan State	16-6	.727
	Texas	16-6	.727

2008 OPPONENTS UPDATE –**Date vs.**

MSU	Opponent	Last Game Result	Next Game
Aug. 30	@ California (2-1)	@ Maryland (L 27-35)	vs. Colorado State
Sept. 6	Eastern Michigan (1-3)	@ Maryland (L 24-51)	vs. Northern Illinois
Sept. 13	Florida Atlantic (1-3)	@ Minnesota (L 3-37)	@ Middle Tenn. (Sept. 30)
Sept. 20	Notre Dame (2-1)	@ Michigan State (L 7-23)	vs. Purdue
Sept. 27	@ Indiana (2-1)	vs. Ball State (L 20-42)	vs. Michigan State
Oct. 4	Iowa (3-1)	@ Pittsburgh (L 20-21)	vs. Northwestern
Oct. 11	@ Northwestern (4-0)	vs. Ohio (W 16-8)	@ Iowa
Oct. 18	Ohio State (3-1)	vs. Troy (W 28-10)	vs. Minnesota
Oct. 25	@ Michigan (1-2)	@ Notre Dame (L 17-35)	vs. Wisconsin
Nov. 1	Wisconsin (3-0)	@ Fresno State (W 13-10)	@ Michigan
Nov. 8	Purdue (2-1)	vs. Central Michigan (W 32-25)	@ Notre Dame
Nov. 22	@ Penn State (4-0)	vs. Temple (W 45-3)	vs. Illinois

Michigan State's 2008 opponents have a combined record of 27-11 (.711). Note: Record doesn't include games played against MSU.

OPENING-DAY STARTING LINEUP FEATURED FIVE FIRST-TIME STARTERS –

Michigan State's starting lineup for the 2008 season opener at California featured five first-time starters, including three on the offensive side of the football and two on defense.

First-time starters on offense included: flanker **B.J. Cunningham** (6-2, 205, R-Fr.) and tight ends **Charlie Gantt** (6-4, 252, So.) and **Garrett Celek** (6-5, 238, R-Fr.). First-time starters on defense included: defensive end **Colin Neely** (6-1, 248, So.) and linebacker **Adam Decker** (6-2, 238, Jr.). In addition, former tight end **Dwayne Holmes** (6-0, 286, Sr.-5) made his seventh career start, his first at defensive end.

TRUE & RED-SHIRT FRESHMEN IMPACT SPARTAN DEPTH CHART –

No fewer than 20 true and red-shirt freshmen are currently listed on Michigan State's depth chart, including 12 on offense, seven on offense and one specialist. Here's a complete breakdown of true and red-shirt freshmen included on the depth chart:

True Freshmen (8): CB Johnny Adams, DE Tyler Hoover, WR Keshawn Martin, CB Trenton Robinson, LB David Rolf, P Kyle Selden, WR Fred Smith and RB Glenn Winston.

Red-Shirt Freshmen (12): RB Andre Anderson, TE Garrett Celek, QB Kirk Cousins, WR B.J. Cunningham, TE David Duran, OG Joel Foreman, RB Ashton Leggett, OG Jared McGaha, DT Kevin Pickelman, WR Chris D. Rucker, DE Johnathan Strayhorn and NT Ryan Wheat.

2008 CAPTAINS ELECTED –

Four Michigan State seniors – quarterback **Brian Hoyer**, defensive tackle **Justin Kershaw**, running back **Javon Ringer** and strong safety **Otis Wiley** – have been elected to serve as captains for the 2008 season. Following a nomination process, members of the team and coaching staff submitted final ballots on Thursday, Aug. 21, and second-year head coach Mark Dantonio formally introduced the captains at the Skandalaris Football Center dedication ceremony.

THE CLOSE CALLS –

Over the last two seasons (2007-08), Michigan State has lost seven games by a combined total of 38, including two in overtime (Northwestern and Iowa in 2007). All seven games have been decided by seven points or less.

FOOTBALL STUDENT-SEASON ADMISSIONS SOLD OUT –

Three days prior to Michigan State's 2008 home opener, the Spartan Ticket Office reported 13,782 student-season admissions sold, an increase of 151 from 2007 and the highest student sales total since 1989 (14,147). It marks the sixth straight year that the Spartan Ticket Office has reported an increase in student-season admissions.

2008 SPRING FOOTBALL GUIDE

Become an expert on Spartan football by ordering a copy of the 2008 Michigan State Spring Football Guide. The 264-page publication features biographies, statistics and photos of the 2008 Spartans. In addition, the brochure includes historical facts and figures plus information on Michigan State's All-Americans and all Spartan teams of the past.

Copies of the 2008 MSU Spring Football Guide are available to the general public for \$20. Please send check or money order payable to Michigan State University to: MSU Athletic Communications, Z-22 Breslin Center, East Lansing, MI 48824-1003.

The 2008 MSU Spring Football Guide is available for over-the-counter sales at the MSU Athletic Communications, located in the Breslin Center (Room Z-22/Mezzanine Level). MSU Athletic Communications is open weekdays from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

2008 POINTS OFF TURNOVERS**MICHIGAN STATE**

<u>Takeaways</u>	<u>Qtr.</u>	<u>MSU Result</u>
Interception vs. CAL (Wiley)	2	Punt
Interception vs. CAL (Wiley)	2	*TD
Fumble Recovery vs. FAU (Jordan)	2	Interception
Fumble Recovery vs. FAU (Fortener)	4	Punt
Interception vs. ND (Wiley)	1	Fumble
Interception vs. ND (Wiley)	2	TD
Fumble Recovery vs. ND (Gordon)	3	FG
TOTAL: 7 turnovers for 17 points (3-for-7 scoring)		

OPPONENT

<u>Takeaways</u>	<u>Qtr.</u>	<u>Opp. Result</u>
Interception vs. CAL (Hoyer)	2	End of Half
Fumble vs. EMU (Ringer)	1	Punt
Fumble vs. FAU (Team)	1	Lost on Downs
Interception vs. FAU (Hoyer)	2	Punt
Fumble vs. ND (Ringer)	1	Punt
TOTAL: 5 turnovers for 0 points (0-for-5 scoring)		

MSU: +2 Turnover Margin, +17 Points-off-Turnovers Margin

* TD occurred on same play as turnover

2009 SPARTAN SACKS

<u>Player</u>	<u>Opp.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Qtr.</u>
J. Kershaw/C. Neely	CAL	4	4
CAL Game Totals		1 sack	4 yards
J. Kershaw	EMU	1	3
T. Anderson	EMU	7	3
EMU Game Totals		2 sacks	8 yards
FAU Game Totals		0 sacks	0 yards
B. Long	ND	9	1
B. Long	ND	9	2
T. Anderson/C.L. Rucker	ND	16	3
ND Game Totals		3 sacks	34 yards

2008 TOTALS (6 sacks, 46 yards)

2007 TOTALS (40 sacks, 302 yards)

2006 TOTALS (16 sacks, 135 yards)

UPDATED MSU RECORD BOOK**CAREER RECORDS****RUSHING ATTEMPTS**

1.	Lorenzo White	1,082	1984-87
2.	Tico Duckett	836	1989-92
3.	Blake Ezor	800	1986-89
4.	Sedrick Irvin	755	1996-98
5.	Duane Goulbourne	627	1992-94, 1996
6.	T.J. Duckett	621	1999-2001
7.	Javon Ringer	596	2005-08

RUSHING YARDS

1.	Lorenzo White	4,887	1984-87
2.	Tico Duckett	4,212	1989-92
3.	Blake Ezor	3,749	1986-89
4.	Sedrick Irvin	3,504	1996-98
5.	Javon Ringer	3,460	2005-08

RUSHING AVERAGE

1.	George Guerre	6.75	1946-48
2.	Lynn Chandnois	6.52	1946-49
3.	Sherm Lewis	6.21	1961-63
4.	Sonny Grandellius	6.09	1948-50
5.	Derek Hughes	6.04	1978-81
6.	Javon Ringer	5.81	2005-08

100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

1.	Lorenzo White	23	1984-87
2.	Tico Duckett	16	1989-92
	Blake Ezor	16	1986-89
4.	Javon Ringer	15	2005-08
	Sedrick Irvin	15	1996-98

PASS ATTEMPTS

1.	Jeff Smoker	1,150	2000-03
2.	Drew Stanton	846	2003-06
3.	Ed Smith	789	1976-78
4.	Dave Yarema	767	1982-86
5.	Bill Burke	766	1996-99
6.	Jim Miller	746	1990-93
7.	John Leister	686	1979-82
8.	Brian Hoyer	644	2005-08

PASS COMPLETIONS

1.	Jeff Smoker	685	2000-03
2.	Drew Stanton	543	2003-06
3.	Jim Miller	467	1990-93
4.	Dave Yarema	464	1982-86
5.	Ed Smith	418	1976-78
6.	Bill Burke	416	1996-99
7.	Brian Hoyer	365	2005-08

PASS COMPLETION PERCENTAGE

1.	Drew Stanton (543-846)	.642	2003-06
2.	Jim Miller (467-746)	.629	1990-93
3.	Dan Enos (297-478)	.621	1987-90
4.	Todd Schultz (360-593)	.607	1994-97
5.	Tony Banks (301-496)	.607	1994-95
6.	Dave Yarema (464-767)	.605	1982-86
7.	Jeff Smoker (685-1,150)	.596	2000-03
8.	Clark Brown (82-141)	.582	1983
9.	Brian Hoyer (365-644)	.567	2005-08
10.	Ryan Van Dyke (161-288)	.559	1998-2001

SPARTAN STUDENT SECTION RATED AMONG NATION'S MOST SPIRITED –
Michigan State's student section has been ranked among the nation's "Most Spirited" (No. 5), according to a preseason list compiled by ESPN The Magazine.

SPARTANS TOUGH IN NON-CONFERENCE GAMES –

Michigan State has compiled a 30-10 record (.750) in games played against non-conference opponents since 1999. The Spartans have won 13 of their last 16 non-league games.

Here's a look at Michigan State's non-conference results since 1999:

Date	Opponent	MSU Result	Site
Sept. 20, 2008	Notre Dame	W, 23-7	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 13, 2008	Florida Atlantic	W, 17-0	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 6, 2008	Eastern Michigan	W, 42-10	Spartan Stadium
Aug. 30, 2008	California	L, 31-38	Berkeley, Calif.
Dec. 28, 2007	Boston College	L, 21-24	Orlando, Fla.
Sept. 22, 2007	Notre Dame	W, 31-14	South Bend, Ind.
Sept. 15, 2007	Pittsburgh	W, 17-13	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 8, 2007	Bowling Green	W, 28-17	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 1, 2007	UAB	W, 55-18	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 23, 2006	Notre Dame	L, 37-40	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 16, 2006	Pittsburgh	W, 38-23	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Sept. 9, 2006	Eastern Michigan	W, 52-20	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 2, 2006	Idaho	W, 27-17	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 17, 2005	Notre Dame	W, 44-41 (OT)	South Bend, Ind.
Sept. 10, 2005	Hawaii	W, 42-14	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 3, 2005	Kent State	W, 49-14	Spartan Stadium
Dec. 4, 2004	Hawaii	L, 38-41	Honolulu, Hawaii
Sept. 18, 2004	Notre Dame	L, 24-31	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 11, 2004	Central Michigan	W, 24-7	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 4, 2004	Rutgers	L, 14-19	Piscataway, N.J.
Dec. 29, 2003	Nebraska	L, 3-17	San Antonio, Texas
Sept. 20, 2003	Notre Dame	W, 22-16	South Bend, Ind.
Sept. 13, 2003	Louisiana Tech	L, 19-20	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 6, 2003	Rutgers	W, 44-28	Spartan Stadium
Aug. 30, 2003	Western Michigan	W, 26-21	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 21, 2002	Notre Dame	L, 17-21	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 14, 2002	California	L, 22-46	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 7, 2002	Rice	W, 27-10	Spartan Stadium
Aug. 31, 2002	Eastern Michigan	W, 56-7	Spartan Stadium
Dec. 31, 2001	Fresno State	W, 44-35	San Jose, Calif.
Dec. 1, 2001	Missouri	W, 55-7	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 22, 2001	Notre Dame	W, 17-10	South Bend, Ind.
Sept. 8, 2001	Central Michigan	W, 35-21	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 23, 2000	Notre Dame	W, 27-21	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 16, 2000	Missouri	W, 13-10	Columbia, Mo.
Sept. 9, 2000	Marshall	W, 34-24	Spartan Stadium
Jan. 1, 2000	Florida	W, 37-34	Orlando, Fla.
Sept. 18, 1999	Notre Dame	W, 23-13	South Bend, Ind.
Sept. 11, 1999	Eastern Michigan	W, 51-7	Spartan Stadium
Sept. 2, 1999	Oregon	W, 27-20	Spartan Stadium

SPARTANS TOUGH ON HOME TURF –

Spartan Stadium is in its 85th season as home to Michigan State football. Michigan State has compiled a 313-138-13 record (.689) since taking up residency in Spartan Stadium in 1923. With its 49-14 victory over No. 4 Wisconsin in the 2004 home finale, Michigan State recorded its 300th win in Spartan Stadium. The Spartans have gone undefeated at home 16 times since the stadium opened, including a perfect 6-0 mark in 1999. It marked Michigan State's first undefeated home record since 1966 (5-0-1) and its first unbeaten and untied home slate since 1965 (5-0-0).

ALWAYS A CROWD FAVORITE –

Michigan State has ranked among the NCAA's top 25 in attendance each of the last 52 seasons, including No. 22 in 2007, averaging 70,540 fans per game.

MAGIC NUMBER 24 –

Since 1990, Michigan State is 93-27-1 (.773) when it scores at least 24 points and 16-78-1 (.174) when it scores fewer than 24 points. During that 19-year period, the Spartans have compiled an overall record of 109-105-2 (.509).

SPARTAN TRENDS UNDER DANTONIO –

Here's how Michigan State has fared during head coach Mark Dantonio's tenure (2007-08: 17 games):

	2008	Overall
Games played in Spartan Stadium:	3-0	8-2
Games played on the road/neutral site:	0-1	2-5
When leading at halftime:	3-0	8-1
When trailing at halftime:	0-1	1-6
When tied at halftime:	0-0	1-0
When scoring first:	3-0	9-3
When opponent scores first:	0-1	1-4
When leading after first quarter:	2-0	7-2
When trailing after first quarter:	0-1	0-4
When tied after first quarter:	1-0	3-1
When leading after three quarters:	3-0	9-0
When trailing after three quarters:	0-1	1-5
When tied after three quarters:	0-0	0-2
Overtime games:	0-0	0-2
When gaining more first downs than opponent:	2-1	8-3
When gaining fewer first downs than opponent:	1-0	1-4
When gaining same number of first downs as opponent:	0-0	1-0
When gaining 200+ yards rushing:	3-0	6-2
When opponent gains 200+ yards rushing:	0-1	1-4
When outrushing opponent:	3-0	7-4
When being outrushed by opponent:	0-1	3-3
When gaining 200+ yards passing:	0-1	4-3
When opponent gains 200+ yards passing:	2-1	5-5
When gaining more total yards than opponent:	3-0	9-4
When gaining fewer total yards than opponent:	0-1	1-3
When leading in time of possession:	3-0	7-3
When trailing in time of possession:	0-1	3-4

UPDATED MSU RECORD BOOK**CAREER RECORDS CONTINUED****PASSING YARDS**

1. Jeff Smoker	8,932	2000-03
2. Drew Stanton	6,524	2003-06
3. Dave Yarema	5,809	1982-86
4. Ed Smith	5,706	1976-78
5. Bill Burke	5,463	1996-99
6. Jim Miller	5,037	1990-93
7. Brian Hoyer	4,455	2005-08

TOUCHDOWN PASSES

1. Jeff Smoker	61	2000-03
2. Bill Burke	46	1996-99
3. Dave Yarema	43	1982-86
Ed Smith	43	1976-78
5. Drew Stanton	42	2003-06
6. Brian Hoyer	27	2005-08
Todd Schultz	27	1994-97

PASSING EFFICIENCY RATING

1. Gene Glick	142.3	1946-49
2. Earl Morrall	140.5	1953-55
3. Drew Stanton	138.7	2003-06
4. Jim Ninowski	136.0	1955-57
5. Dave Yarema	135.7	1982-86
6. Jeff Smoker	135.5	2000-03
7. Tony Banks	135.5	1994-95
8. Tom Yewcic	128.4	1951-53
9. Dan Enos	128.1	1987-90
10. Dean Look	126.7	1957-59
-- Brian Hoyer	123.7	2005-08

200-YARD PASSING GAMES

1. Jeff Smoker	23	2000-03
2. Drew Stanton	18	2003-06
3. Bill Burke	12	1996-99
Ed Smith	12	1976-78
5. Todd Schultz	11	1994-97
Tony Banks	11	1994-95
John Leister	11	1979-82
-- Brian Hoyer	10	2005-08

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

1. Lorenzo White	5,152	1984-87
2. Derrick Mason	5,114	1993-96
3. Sedrick Irvin	4,833	1996-98
4. Tico Duckett	4,511	1989-92
5. Blake Ezor	4,475	1986-89
6. Eric Allen	4,446	1969-71
7. Javon Ringer	4,311	2005-08

TOTAL POINTS SCORED

1. Dave Rayner	334	2001-04
2. John Langeloh	308	1987-90
3. Chris Gardner	281	1994-97
4. Morten Andersen	261	1978-81
5. Lorenzo White	258	1984-87
6. Sedrick Irvin	252	1996-98
7. Jehuu Caulcrick	240	2004-07
8. Hans Nielsen	230	1974-77
9. Paul Edinger	213	1996-99
10. Brett Swenson	205	2006-08

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CAREER RECORDS

EXTRA POINTS

1. Dave Rayner (151 att.)	148	2001-04
2. John Langeloh (140)	137	1987-90
3. Morten Andersen (129)	126	1978-81
4. Chris Gardner (132)	125	1994-97
5. Brett Swenson (101)	100	2006-08

FIELD GOALS

1. Dave Rayner (90 att.)	62	2001-04
2. John Langeloh (79)	57	1987-90
3. Chris Gardner (75)	52	1994-97
4. Paul Edinger (58)	46	1996-99
5. Morten Andersen (72)	45	1978-81
6. Hans Nielsen (70)	44	1974-77
7. Brett Swenson (46)	35	2006-08
Ralf Mojsiejenko (53)	35	1982-84

SPARTAN STREAKS

Consecutive Games Started

Jesse Miller, OT	29
Brian Hoyer, QB	18
Justin Kershaw, DT	18

2009 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent
Sept. 5	MONTANA STATE
Sept. 12	CENTRAL MICHIGAN
Sept. 19	at Notre Dame
Sept. 26	at Wisconsin
Oct. 3	MICHIGAN
Oct. 10	at Illinois
Oct. 17	NORTHWESTERN
Oct. 24	IOWA
Oct. 31	at Minnesota
Nov. 7	Western Michigan [1]
Nov. 14	at Purdue
Nov. 21	PENN STATE

[1] Detroit, Mich.

SPARTAN SINGLE-GAME BESTS UNDER DANTONIO –

Here's a look at the top single-game totals produced by Michigan State during head coach Mark Dantonio's tenure (2007-08; 17 games):

Rushing Yards: 368 vs. Indiana, 2007

Passing Yards: 323 vs. Wisconsin, 2007

Total Yards: 593 vs. UAB, 2007

First Downs: 28 vs. UAB and Indiana, 2007

Fewest Rushing Yards Allowed: 12 by UAB, 2007

Fewest Passing Yards Allowed: 53 by Iowa, 2007

Fewest Total Yards Allowed: 193 by Indiana, 2007

Fewest First Downs Allowed: 9 by Florida Atlantic, 2008; by Notre Dame and Indiana, 2007

Sacks By: 7 vs. Bowling Green, 2007

Turnovers Forced: 3 vs. Notre Dame, 2008; vs. Bowling Green, Pittsburgh and Purdue, 2007

Points (Game): 55 vs. UAB, 2007

Points (Half): 45 (1st) vs. UAB, 2007

Points (Quarter): 24 (2nd) vs. UAB and Purdue, 2007

Victory Margin: 37 vs. UAB, 2007



SKANDALARIS FOOTBALL CENTER DEDICATION –

Michigan State University officially dedicated the Skandalaris Football Center, a 25,000-square-foot addition to the Duffy Daugherty Football Building, on Thursday, Aug. 21. The \$15.5 million expansion and renovation project took 14 months to complete.

The addition was made possible through the generous donation of MSU alumni Robert and Julie Skandalaris of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., who donated \$5 million as the lead gift for this \$12.5 million phase of the project. The structure features new team, staff and position meeting rooms, coaches' offices and The Demmer Family Hall of History.

The latest technology is featured throughout the facility. All meeting and staff rooms are equipped with Crestron touch-panel displays that provide full control of all audio/visual equipment as well as telestration of any video source. This allows the coaches to switch between and control the team's XOS computer, DVD player, VHS player, document camera and video channels distributed from the video office. Instead of utilizing projectors, flat-panel displays have been installed, permitting student-athletes and coaches to study video with the room lights on, so they can refer to playbooks and scouting reports during the video session.

The Skandalaris Football Center also houses one of the largest computer servers on campus, allowing the coaches to access on the intranet: footage from every practice, MSU game video from the past five seasons, current opponents' game video as well as video of nearly 1,000 recruits.

The facility also is designed for efficiency, as the full team meeting area can be converted into (offense and defense) unit meeting rooms in a matter of seconds. In addition, the position meeting rooms are located in close proximity to the full team meeting room.

The Demmer Family Hall of History provides a public display for MSU's rich football tradition, highlight-

ing the many accomplishments of its outstanding former players, coaches and teams. The display area is named in honor of John E. Demmer, William and Linda Demmer, Ed and Laura Demmer, all of Lansing, and Brad and Peg Demmer, from San Antonio, Texas, whose family gift is among the most significant made to the football facility project.

Located on the first floor, The Demmer Family Hall of History features four bay displays – each measuring nearly 13x12 feet – depicting: Great Teams, Great Players, Great Moments and a Great Future. This area includes four display cases for MSU's national award winners: Ed Bagdon (Outland Trophy), Brad Van Pelt (Maxwell Award), Percy Snow (Butkus and Lombardi Awards) and Charles Rogers (Biletnikoff Award). Hanging above the national award-winner display cases are banners, honoring MSU's four retired jerseys: No. 78 Don Coleman, No. 90 George Webster, No. 46 former MSU President John Hannah and No. 95 Charles "Bubba" Smith.

The Demmer Family Hall of History recognizes MSU's six National Championship teams (1951, 1952, 1955, 1957, 1965 and 1966) with plaques, featuring a team photo and game-by-game results for each season.

Near the main entrance to the facility are two exhibits that pay tribute to Hugh Duffy Daugherty, who compiled a 109-69-5 record in 19 seasons as Michigan State's head coach (1954-72) and led the Spartans to four National Championships (1955, 1957, 1965 and 1966). Daugherty guided Michigan State to a combined record of 19-1-1 in 1965-66 as the Spartans won back-to-back Big Ten Conference and National Championships. The Duffy Daugherty Memorial Award, presented for outstanding contributions to both college and Michigan high school football, is showcased and previous recipients are recognized as well.

The University's history is depicted on a wallpaper display, measuring 33x7 feet, including a message from President Lou Anna K. Simon to all prospective student-athletes that tour the facility.

Plaques, recognizing MSU's 76 first-team All-Americans, are displayed in the first-floor hallway between the team's locker room and team meeting room. Also in that hallway, a 14x9-foot wallpaper display honors current Spartans in the NFL, including: Plaxico Burress, pictured making the game-winning catch against New England in Super Bowl XLII and hoisting the Lombardi Trophy, Julian Peterson, Flozell Adams, Muhsin Muhammad and Derrick Mason. A 4x9-foot display salutes MSU's NFL Legends: Herb Adderley, Joe DeLamielleure, Bubba Smith, Brad Van Pelt, Earl Morrall, Carl Banks, Billy Joe DuPree and Morten Andersen. MSU's all-time pro roster is listed team-by-team, below half-mini helmets, on the wall outside the team meeting room.

A 12x8-foot display depicts MSU's coaching history, featuring head shots of all 24 head coaches in program history along with biographical sketches of Clarence "Biggie" Munn, Hugh Duffy Daugherty, Darryl Rogers and George Perles – all of whom won Big Ten Championships.

Former Spartan head coach George Perles and his wife Sally contributed \$500,000 for the construction of a \$1 million plaza outside the Duffy Daugherty Football Building.

Barton Malow served as the construction manager for the Skandalaris Football Center, with Integrated Design Solutions (Troy, Mich.) providing architectural services and ZE Design (Centerville, Ohio) creating all graphics and displays.

ARTHUR RAY JR. FUNDRAISER

An account has been established at the MSU Federal Credit Union for Michigan State freshman offensive lineman **Arthur Ray Jr.**, who missed the entire 2007 season after undergoing surgery to remove a cancerous tumor from his left tibia. Per NCAA rules, donated dollars must be designated for specific media purposes (medical bills, purchase of medical equipment, etc.).

A member of MSU's 2007 recruiting class, Ray did not report to campus in the fall 2007 while recovering from successful chemotherapy and surgery. He enrolled for the first time in January 2008, but had to withdraw from school just a few months later after his left leg became infected. Ray underwent more surgery this spring, but rebounded in time to return to campus in August 2008 for the beginning of the fall semester.

Those interested in contributing should send a check payable to "Arthur Ray Fundraiser", c/o MSU Federal Credit Union, 600 East Crescent Road, East Lansing, MI 48823. The MSU Federal Credit Union will accept check-by-phone contributions at 1-800-MSU-4-YOU.

SPARTANS IN THE NFL

Michigan State had 21 former players listed on opening-day rosters for National Football League teams in 2008 (opening-day rosters as of Monday, Sept. 1):

Baltimore Ravens: WR Derrick Mason

Carolina Panthers: WR Muhsin Muhammad

Chicago Bears: TE Kellen Davis

Cincinnati Bengals: C Kyle Cook, DT Domata Peko

Cleveland Browns: DL Robaire Smith

Dallas Cowboys: OT Flozell Adams

Detroit Lions: QB Drew Stanton

Miami Dolphins: P Brandon Fields, S Renaldo Hill

Minnesota Vikings: LB David Herron

New York Giants: WR Plaxico Burress

New York Jets: TE Chris Baker, S Eric Smith

Oakland Raiders: C Chris Morris

St. Louis Rams: DT Clifton Ryan

San Diego Chargers: DT Brandon McKinney

Seattle Seahawks: RB T.J. Duckett, LB Julian Peterson

Tennessee Titans: DT Kevin Vickerson

Washington Redskins: WR Devin Thomas

Three former Michigan State players were listed on NFL practice squads (as of Monday, Sept. 1):

Chicago Bears: DE Ervin Baldwin

Cleveland Browns: DB Travis Key

New York Jets: RB Jehuu Caulcrick

MICHIGAN STATE DEPTH CHART (AS OF SEPT. 23, 2008)

SPARTAN OFFENSE

X	2	MARK DELL (6-2, 188, So.)
	25	Blair White (6-2, 200, Jr.)
	6	Fred Smith (6-2, 218, Fr.)
	19	David Williams (5-9, 179, So.)
LT	57	ROCCO CIRONI (6-6, 308, Jr.)
	64	Brendon Moss (6-6, 287, Jr.)
LG	67	JOEL FOREMAN (6-3, 308, R-Fr.)
	60	Mike Bacon (6-4, 305, Sr.-5)
C	65	JOEL NITCHMAN (6-3, 297, Jr.)
	60	Mike Bacon (6-4, 305, Sr.-5)
RG	73	ROLAND MARTIN (6-5, 330, Sr.-5)
	75	Jared McGaha (6-6, 290, R-Fr.)
RT	79	JESSE MILLER (6-6, 318, Sr.-5)
	76	Mike Schmeding (6-8, 320, Jr.)
TE	83	CHARLIE GANTT (6-4, 252, So.)
	85	Garrett Celek (6-5, 238, R-Fr.)
	81	David Duran (6-5, 240, R-Fr.)
Z	3	B.J. CUNNINGHAM (6-2, 205, R-Fr.)
	84	Deon Curry (6-1, 215, Sr.-5)
	82	Keshawn Martin (6-0, 180, Fr.)
	16	Chris D. Rucker (5-10, 170, R-Fr.)
QB	7	BRIAN HOYER (6-3, 215, Sr.-5)
	8	Kirk Cousins (6-3, 197, R-Fr.)
FB	45	ANDREW HAWKEN (6-2, 238, Jr.)
	35	Jeff McPherson (6-1, 240, Sr.-5)
	44	Josh Rouse (6-3, 235, Jr.)
RB	23	JAVON RINGER (5-9, 202, Sr.)
	20	A.J. Jimmerson (5-10, 208, Jr.) OR
	27	Andre Anderson (5-9, 186, R-Fr.) OR
	32	Ashton Leggett (5-11, 228, R-Fr.)
	41	Glenn Winston (6-2, 218, Fr.)

SPARTAN DEFENSE

DE	47	BRANDON LONG (6-4, 250, Sr.)
	89	Colin Neely (6-1, 248, So.)
	91	Tyler Hoover (6-7, 268, Fr.)
DT	97	JUSTIN KERSHAW (6-5, 273, Sr.-5)
	96	Kevin Pickelman (6-3, 248, R-Fr.)
	93	Antonio Jeremiah (6-5, 318, So.)
NT	70	OREN WILSON (6-3, 288, So.)
	98	Michael Jordan (6-5, 287, Jr.)
	59	Ryan Wheat (6-5, 297, R-Fr.)
DE	58	TREVOR ANDERSON (6-2, 250, Jr.)
	49	Dwayne Holmes (6-0, 286, Sr.-5)
	57	Johnathan Strayhorn (6-0, 252, R-Fr.)
SAM	53	GREG JONES (6-1, 222, So.)
	34	Brandon Denson (5-11, 222, Jr.)
MIKE	55	ADAM DECKER (6-2, 238, Jr.)
	54	David Rolf (6-3, 215, Fr.)
WILL	43	ERIC GORDON (6-0, 224, So.)
	42	Ryan Allison (6-3, 224, Sr.)
BC	29	CHRIS L. RUCKER (6-2, 190, So.)
	9	Jeremy Ware (5-10, 184, Jr.)
	39	Trenton Robinson (5-10, 180, Fr.)
FS	33	DANNY FORTENER (6-1, 199, Jr.)
	28	Mike Bell (5-11, 190, Sr.-5)
	11	Marcus Hyde (6-0, 199, So.)
SS	21	OTIS WILEY (6-2, 210, Sr.)
	33	Danny Fortener (6-1, 199, Jr.)
	11	Marcus Hyde (6-0, 199, So.)
FC	37	ROSS WEAVER (6-1, 202, Jr.)
	31	Ashton Henderson (5-11, 182, Jr.)
	5	Johnny Adams (5-11, 165, Fr.)

SPARTAN SPECIAL TEAMS

KO	15	TODD BOLESKI (6-6, 215, Sr.-5)	KR	23	JAVON RINGER (5-9, 202, Sr.)
	14	Brett Swenson (5-8, 169, Jr.)		20	A.J. JIMMERSON (5-10, 208, Jr.)
PK	14	BRETT SWENSON (5-8, 169, Jr.)		32	Ashton Leggett (5-11, 228, R-Fr.)
	2	Matt Haughey (5-9, 170, Sr.)		41	Glenn Winston (6-2, 218, Fr.)
P	18	AARON BATES (6-0, 188, So.)	PR	21	OTIS WILEY (6-2, 210, Sr.)
	10	Kyle Selden (6-5, 184, Fr.)		2	Mark Dell (6-2, 188, So.)
SN	56	ALEX SHACKLETON (6-2, 242, So.)			
	66	John Stipek (6-5, 298, Jr.)			
HLD	18	AARON BATES (6-0, 188, So.)			
	7	Brian Hoyer (6-3, 215, Sr.-5)			

STARTING LINEUPS/CAREER STARTS

Career Starts by Position

				FB 45-Hawken (4) 35-McPherson (2)					RB 23-Ringer (17)		
					QB 7-Hoyer (18)						
Z 3-Cunningham (4)		TE 83-Gantt (4) 85-Celek (2)	RT 79-Miller (28)	RG 73-Martin (26)	C 65-Nitchman (12)	LG 67-Foreman (3) 60-Bacon (2)	LT 57-Cironi (6)			X 2-Dell (12) 84-Curry (10)	
FC 37-Weaver (9) 31-Henderson (4)			DE 47-Long (5) 89-Neely (2)	DT 97-Kershaw (25)	NT 70-Wilson (5)	DE 58-Anderson (3/24*) 49-Holmes (1/7)				BC 29-Rucker (8)	
				WILL 43-Gordon (14) 36-Misch (2)	MIKE 55-Decker (4)	SAM 53-Jones (11)					
							SS 21-Wiley (23)		FS 38-Davis-Clark (15) 33-Fortener (3)		

+ Double tight end set

* Includes games started at Cincinnati, 2005-06.

2008 OFFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

Game	X	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	Z	QB	FB	RB
at California	Dell	Cironi	Bacon	Nitchman	Martin	Miller	Gantt	Cunningham	Hoyer	Celek+	Ringer
Eastern Michigan	Dell	Cironi	Foreman	Nitchman	Martin	Miller	Gantt	Cunningham	Hoyer	Celek+	Ringer
Florida Atlantic	Dell	Cironi	Foreman	Nitchman	Martin	Miller	Gantt	Cunningham	Hoyer	Hawken	Ringer
Notre Dame	Dell	Cironi	Foreman	Nitchman	Martin	Miller	Gantt	Cunningham	Hoyer	Hawken	Ringer
at Indiana											
Iowa											
at Northwestern											
Ohio State											
at Michigan											
Wisconsin											
Purdue											
at Penn State											

2008 DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

Game	DE	DT	NT	DE	SAM	MIKE	WILL	BC	FS	SS	FC
at California	Holmes	Kershaw	Wilson	Neely	Jones	Decker	Gordon	C.L. Rucker	Davis-Clark	Wiley	Weaver
Eastern Michigan	Neely	Kershaw	Wilson	Tr. Anderson	Jones	Decker	Gordon	C.L. Rucker	Fortener	Wiley	Weaver
Florida Atlantic	Long	Kershaw	Wilson	Tr. Anderson	Jones	Decker	Gordon	C.L. Rucker	Fortener	Wiley	Weaver
Notre Dame	Long	Kershaw	Wilson	Tr. Anderson	Jones	Decker	Gordon	C.L. Rucker	Fortener	Wiley	Weaver
at Indiana											
Iowa											
at Northwestern											
Ohio State											
at Michigan											
Wisconsin											
Purdue											
at Penn State											

THE LAST TIME...

OFFENSE

100-YARD RUSHING GAME

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 201 yards vs. Notre Dame, Sept. 20, 2008 (MSU 23-7)
Opponent: Jahvid Best, 111 yards, Aug. 30, 2008 (CAL 38-31)

150-YARD RUSHING GAME

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 201 yards vs. Notre Dame, Sept. 20, 2008 (MSU 23-7)
Opponent: Albert Young, 179 yards, Oct. 27, 2007 (IOWA 34-27)

200-YARD RUSHING GAME

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 201 yards vs. Notre Dame, Sept. 20, 2008 (MSU 23-7)
Opponent: Chris Wells, 221 yards, Oct. 20, 2007 (OSU 24-17)

150 RUSHING YARDS AT HALFTIME

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 160 yards vs. Indiana, Oct. 13, 2007 (MSU 52-27)

30 OR MORE CARRIES

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 39 vs. Notre Dame, Sept. 20, 2008 (MSU 23-7)

40 OR MORE CARRIES

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 43 vs. Florida Atlantic, Sept. 13, 2008 (MSU 17-0)

TWO PLAYERS WITH 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Spartans: Javon Ringer (156 yards) and Drew Stanton (105 yards), at Pittsburgh, Sept. 16, 2006 (MSU 38-23)
Opponent: Jahvid Best (111 yards) & Shane Vereen (101), Cal, Aug. 30, 2008 (CAL 38-31)

300-YARD PASSING GAME

Spartans: Brian Hoyer, 321 yards (20-for-48) vs. Cal, Aug. 30, 2008 (CAL 38-31)
Opponent: C.J. Bacher, Northwestern, 520 yards (38-for-48), Oct. 6, 2007 (NU 48-41, OT)

400-YARD PASSING GAME

Spartans: Bill Burke vs. Michigan, 400 yards (21-for-36), Oct. 9, 1999 (MSU 34-31)
** School record*
Opponent: C.J. Bacher, Northwestern, 520 yards (38-for-48), Oct. 6, 2007 (NU 48-41, OT)

500-YARD PASSING GAME

Spartans: Not accomplished.
Opponent: C.J. Bacher, Northwestern, 520 yards (38-for-48), Oct. 6, 2007 (NU 48-41, OT)

TWO PLAYERS WITH 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Spartans: Devin Thomas, 139 yards (7 catches) & Kellen Davis, 106 yards (4 catches) vs. Penn State, Nov. 17, 2007 (MSU 35-31)
Opponent: Eric Peterman, 141 yards (9 catches) & Jeff Yarbrough, 104 yards (4 catches), Northwestern, Oct. 6, 2007 (NW: 48-41)

150-YARD RECEIVING GAME

Spartans: Mark Dell, 202 yards (9 catches) vs. Cal, Aug. 30, 2008 (CAL 38-31)

200-YARD RECEIVING GAME

Spartans: Mark Dell, 202 yards (9 catches) vs. Cal, Aug. 30, 2008 (CAL 38-31)
Opponent: Lee Evans, Wisconsin, 258 yards (10 catches), Nov. 15, 2003 (WIS 56-21)

10 STRAIGHT COMPLETIONS TO START GAME

Spartans: Brian Hoyer, 10 vs. UAB, Sept. 1, 2007 (MSU 55-18)
Opponent: Todd Boeckman, Ohio State, 10, Oct. 20, 2007 (OSU 24-17)

40 PASS ATTEMPTS

Spartans: Brian Hoyer, 48 at Cal (20 completions), Aug. 30, 2008 (CAL 38-31)
Opponent: Jimmy Clausen, Notre Dame, 41 (24 completions), Sept. 20, 2008 (MSU 23-7)

30 PASS COMPLETIONS

Spartans: Brian Hoyer, 31 at Penn State (60 attempts), Nov. 18, 2006 (PSU: 17-13)
Opponent: C.J. Bacher, 38, Northwestern, (48 attempts), Oct. 6, 2007 (NU 48-41, OT)

SCORED FOUR TDS

Spartans: Javon Ringer, five vs. Eastern Michigan (5 rush), Sept. 6, 2008 (MSU 42-10)
Opponent: James Hardy, Indiana, four (catches of 30, 2, 17, 13), Oct. 28, 2006 (IND 46-21)

SCORED FIVE TDS

Spartans: Javon Ringer, five vs. Eastern Michigan (5 rush), Sept. 6, 2008 (MSU 42-10)

SCORED THREE RUSHING TDS

Spartans: Javon Ringer, five vs. Eastern Michigan (runs of 4, 6, 2, 1 and 2), Sept. 6, 2008 (MSU 42-10)
Opponent: Dwayne Smith, Wisconsin, three (runs of 3, 14, 26 yards), Nov. 15, 2003 (WIS 56-21)

SCORED FOUR RUSHING TDS

Spartans: Javon Ringer, five vs. Eastern Michigan (runs of 4, 6, 2, 1 and 2), Sept. 6, 2008 (MSU 42-10)

SCORED FOUR RUSHING TDS IN FIRST HALF

Spartans: Jehuu Caulcrick, four vs. UAB (runs of 5, 1, 42 and 5), Sept. 1, 2007 (MSU 55-18)
** tied school record with Blake Ezor (1989 vs. Northwestern)*

THREW FOUR TD PASSES

Spartans: Brian Hoyer, four vs. Penn State, Nov. 17, 2007 (MSU 35-31)
Opponent: Chad Henne, four, Nov. 3, 2007 (MICH 28-24)

THREW FIVE TD PASSES

Spartans: Drew Stanton, five vs. Illinois, Sept. 24, 2005 (MSU 61-14) ** School record*
Opponent: C.J. Bacher, five, Oct. 6, 2007 (NU 48-41, OT)

THREE TD RECEPTIONS

Spartans: Devin Thomas, three vs. Penn State (12, 33, 26 yards from Brian Hoyer), Nov. 17, 2007 (MSU 35-31)
Opponent: James Hardy, Indiana, four (catches of 30, 2, 17, 13), Oct. 28, 2006 (IND 46-21)

80-YARD OR MORE TD RECEPTION

Spartans: Brian Hoyer to Devin Thomas, 80 yards, Wisconsin, Sept. 29, 2007 (WIS 37-34)

80-YARD OR MORE TD RUN

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 80 yards, Northwestern, Oct. 6, 2007
Opponent: Shane Vereen, Cal, 81 yards, Aug. 30, 2008

BACK-TO-BACK 200-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 2008 (Florida Atlantic & Notre Dame)

FIVE STRAIGHT 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Spartans: Blake Ezor, 1989

300 ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 308 yards, Florida Atlantic, Sept. 13, 2008

SPECIAL TEAMS

KICKOFF RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: Demond Williams, 98 yards vs. Indiana, Oct. 29, 2005 (MSU 46-15)
** Believed to be first time in school history MSU returned opening kickoff for touchdown*
Opponent: Jermell Lewis, Iowa, 94 yards, Oct. 12, 2002 (IOWA 44-16)

PUNT RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: Ziehl Kavanaght, 88 yards at Northwestern, Sept. 28, 2002 (MSU 39-24)
Opponent: Ted Ginn Jr., Ohio State, 60 yards, Oct. 14, 2006 (OSU 38-7)

BLOCKED PUNT RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: Kiel Beltinck, 0 yards (recovered in end zone) vs. Minnesota, Nov. 11, 2006 (blocked by Brandon Denson) (MINN: 31-18)
Opponent: Malt Hahn, Penn State, 0 yards (blocked by Donnie Johnson), Nov. 19, 2005 (PSU 31-22)

BLOCKED PUNT

Spartans: Jesse Johnson at Cal, Aug. 30, 2008 (CAL: 38-31)
Opponent: Northwestern blocked Aaron Bates' punt, Oct. 6, 2007 (NU 48-41, OT)

BLOCKED FIELD GOAL

Spartans: Justin Kershaw vs. Ohio State, blocked Ryan Pretorius' 37-yard attempt, Oct. 20, 2007 (OSU 24-17)
Opponent: Tommie Duhart, Pittsburgh, blocked Brett Swenson's 41-yard attempt, Sept. 15, 2007 (MSU 17-13)

DEFENSIVE EXTRA POINT SCORED

Spartans: Ashton Watson, returns blocked PAT, vs. Indiana, Oct. 29, 2005 (MSU 46-15)
Opponent: Not accomplished

INTERCEPTION RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: Otis Wiley, 31 yards at Cal, Aug. 30, 2008 (CAL 38-31)
Opponent: Terrail Lambert, Notre Dame, 19 yards, Sept. 23, 2006 (ND 40-37)

FUMBLE RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: SirDarean Adams, 25 yards vs. Ohio State, Oct. 20, 2007 (OSU 24-17)
Opponent: Craig Terrill, Purdue, 12 yards, Nov. 17, 2001 (PUR 24-14)

70-YARD PUNT

Spartans: Brandon Fields, 73 yards vs. Notre Dame, Sept. 23, 2006 (ND 40-37)
Opponent: Ryan Donahue, Iowa, 82 yards, Oct. 27, 2007

50-YARD FIELD GOAL

Spartans: Dave Rayner, 51 yards at Penn State, Nov. 20, 2004 (PSU 37-13)
Opponent: Mike Nugent, Ohio State., 53 yards, Nov. 6, 2004 (OSU 32-19)

KICKED FOUR FIELD GOALS

Spartans: Dave Rayner, four vs. Louisiana Tech (51, 49, 37, 30 yards), Sept. 13, 2003 (TECH 20-19)
Opponent: Mike Nugent, Ohio State, four (44, 24, 42, 18 yards), Nov. 8, 2003 (OSU 33-23)

DEFENSE

HELD TO 15 OR FEWER YARDS RUSHING

Spartans: 14 yards at Penn State (15 attempts), Nov. 18, 2006 (PSU: 17-13)
Opponent: 12 yards by UAB (32 carries), Sept. 1, 2007 (MSU 55-18)

HELD TO 50 OR FEWER YARDS RUSHING

Spartans: 14 yards at Penn State (15 attempts), Nov. 18, 2006 (PSU: 17-13)
Opponent: 16 yards by Notre Dame (22 carries), Sept. 20, 2008 (MSU 23-7)

HELD TO 10 OR FEWER FIRST DOWNS

Spartans: 9 vs. Ohio State, Oct. 20, 2007 (OSU 24-17)
Opponent: 9 by Florida Atlantic, Sept. 13, 2008 (MSU 17-0)

HELD TO 100 OR FEWER YARDS PASSING

Spartans: 88 yards vs. Florida Atlantic (15-5-1), Sept. 13, 2008 (MSU 17-0)
Opponent: 53 yards by Iowa (15-5-0), Oct. 27, 2007 (IOWA 34-27)

HELD TO 100 OR FEWER YARDS PASSING BACK-TO-BACK GAMES

Opponent: 85 yards by Pittsburgh (20-9-2), Sept. 15, 2007 (MSU 17-13); 86 yards by Notre Dame (20-11-0), Sept. 22, 2007 (MSU 31-14)

SHUTOUT RECORDED

Spartans: vs. Florida Atlantic (17-0), Sept. 13, 2008
Opponent: by Michigan (14-0), Oct. 21, 2000

SHUTOUT RECORDED IN SPARTAN STADIUM

Spartans: vs. Florida Atlantic (17-0), Sept. 13, 2008
Opponent: by Michigan (31-0), Oct. 12, 1985

SAFETY RECORDED

Spartans: Clifton Ryan vs. Minnesota, Nov. 11, 2006 (MINN 31-18)
Opponent: Team safety, UAB, Sept. 1, 2007 (MSU 55-18)

PLAYER HAD THREE SACKS

Spartans: Jonal Saint-Dic, vs. Bowling Green (MSU 28-17)

SCORED TWO DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS

Spartans: Two vs. Ohio State (Wiley interception return; Adams fumble return), Oct. 20, 2007 (OSU 24-17)

TEAM/MISCELLANEOUS

BIGGEST COMEBACK

Spartans: 35 points (down 38-3), beat Northwestern on Oct. 21, 2006 with 38 straight points to win, 41-38.
** NCAA Record*

SCORED 40 POINTS IN FIRST HALF

Spartans: 45 points (led 45-3 at half), beat UAB on Sept. 1, 2007 55-18
** Post-WWII Record.*

600 YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE

Spartans: 715 vs. Illinois (MSU 61-14), Sept. 24, 2005

500 YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE

Spartans: 558 vs. Indiana (MSU 52-27), Oct. 13, 2007

400 YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE IN FIRST HALF

Spartans: 438 vs. UAB (MSU 55-18), Sept. 1, 2007

WON GAME ON FINAL PLAY

Spartans: T.J. Duckett, caught 2-yard pass from Jeff Smoker as time expired vs. Michigan, Nov. 3, 2001 (MSU 26-24)
Opponent: David Wasielewski, Northwestern, kicked 47-yard field goal as time expired, Sept. 29, 2001 (NU 27-26)

PLAYER NOTES • GAME 5 VS. INDIANA • SEPT. 27, 2008**#5 • JOHNNY ADAMS • CB • FR.**

AKRON, OHIO • BUTCHELL • 5-11 • 165

True freshman who enrolled early in the spring semester will see playing time at cornerback...**CAL**: Collected one tackle in his collegiate debut...**EMU**: Recorded his first-career pass break-up...**ND**: Registered two tackles, including a 1-yard loss.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 2, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)
Tackles for loss..... 1, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)
Pass Break-up..... 1, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/6/08)

Adams Season Game-by-Game

2008

Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	INT	PBU
8/30	CAL		1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0
9/6	EMU		0	0	0	0-0	0-0	1
9/20	ND		2	0	2	1-1	0-0	0
TOT		3/0	3	0	3	1-1	0-0	1

#28 • ANDRE ANDERSON • RB • R-FR.

BARRINGTON, ILL. • BARRINGTON • 5-9 • 186

Will see time at running back...redshirted in 2007...**EMU**: Ran for a career-high 75 yards and matched his career high with eight carries...**ND**: Did not have a carry against the Irish.

CAREER HIGHS

Carries..... 8, twice (last vs. E. Mich., 9/6/08)
Rushing Yards..... 75, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/6/08)
Rushing TDs..... 1, vs. UAB (9/1/07)
Catches..... 1, vs. UAB (9/1/07)

Anderson's Career Stats

Rushing	G/GS	ATT.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2007	1/0	8	16	2.0	0	23
2008	4/0	14	72	5.1	0	32
TOT	5/0	22	88	5.1	0	32

Anderson Season Game-by-Game

2008 Rushing

Date	Opp	GS	ATT.	YDS.	TD	LG
8/30	CAL		1	-3	0	-3
9/6	EMU		8	75	0	32
9/13	FAU		5	0	0	8
9/20	ND		0	0	0	0
TOT		4/0	14	72	0	32

#58 • TREVOR ANDERSON • DE • JR.

DETROIT, MICH. • CINCINNATI • 6-2 • 250

Will see significant playing time at defensive end...sat out the entire 2007 season after transferring to Michigan State from Cincinnati...named UC's most outstanding defensive lineman in 2006 after recording 44 tackles and leading the team with six sacks...**CAL**: In his Spartan debut, recorded two tackles, including a half tackle for loss...**EMU**: Collected two tackles, including his first sack as a Spartan (7 yards)...**ND**: Recorded a half sack (8 yards) along with Chris L. Rucker on Irish quarterback Jimmy Clausen in the third quarter.

Anderson's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	FR
2005*	11/8	20	11	31	8.5-34	4-21	0	0
2006*	13/13	28	16	44	13-50	6-32	0	0
2008	4/2	2	3	5	2-16	1.5-15	0	0
TOT	28/23	50	30	80	23.5-101	11.5-68	0	0

* at Cincinnati

Anderson Season Game-by-Game

2008

Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT
8/30	CAL		0	2	2	0.5-1	0-0	0
9/6	EMU	*	2	0	2	1-7	1-7	0
9/13	FAU	*	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0
9/20	ND	*	0	1	1	0.5-8	0.5-8	0
TOT		4/3	2	3	5	2-16	1.5-15	0

#60 • MIKE BACON • LG/C • SR.

LANSING, MICH. • LANSING CATH. CENTRAL • 6-4 • 305

Versatile fifth-year player sees time in the rotation at left guard...also listed as the back-up center...has two career starts to his credit...a former walk-on earned a scholarship each of the last two seasons...**CAL**: Started his first career game at left guard.

#18 • AARON BATES • P • SO.

NEW CONCORD, OHIO • JOHN GLENN • 6-0 • 190

Sophomore enters his second year as the starting punter...averaging 40.9 yards a punt through four games...earned Freshman All-America recognition from The Sporting News in 2007...**CAL**: Averaged 37.8 yards on five punts (189 yards) and had two placed inside the 20...**EMU**: Placed two of his three punts inside the 20...averaged 39.3 yards, including a 50-yarder...**FAU**: Registered career highs in punts (10) and punting yards (408)...**ND**: Averaged a career-high 45.2 yards on five punts, including a 52-yarder and one downed inside the 20.

CAREER HIGHS

Punts..... 10, vs. Florida Atlantic (9/13/08)
Punting Yards..... 408, vs. Florida Atlantic (9/13/08)
Punting Avg. (Min. 4)..... 45.2, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)
Longest Punt..... 67 yards, vs. Michigan (11/3/07)

Bates' Career Stats

Year	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Lg.	120	+50
2007	13	69	2742	39.7	67	23	7
2008	4	23	941	40.9	53	7	6
TOT	17	92	3683	40.0	67	30	13

Bates Season Game-by-Game

2008

Date	Opp	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Lg.	120
8/30	CAL	5	189	37.8	49	2
9/6	EMU	3	118	39.3	50	2
9/13	FAU	10	408	40.8	53	2
9/20	ND	5	226	45.2	52	1
TOT		23	941	40.0	53	7

#85 • GARRETT CELEK • TE • R-FR.

CINCINNATI, OHIO • LASALLE • 6-5 • 238

Red-shirt freshman enters his first season as one of the tight ends in the rotation...has two starts to his credit when team began in two-tight end set...has three catches for 21 yards...**CAL**: Started his first career game...**EMU**: Had one catch for 6 yards in his second start...**ND**: Had two receptions for 15 yards.

CAREER HIGHS

Catches..... 2, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)
Receiving Yards..... 15, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)

Celek Season Game-by-Game

2008 Receiving

Date	Opp	GS	No.	YDS.	TD	LG
8/30	CAL	*	0	0	0	0
9/6	EMU	*	1	6	0	6
9/13	FAU		0	0	0	0
9/20	ND		2	15	0	9
TOT		4/2	3	21	0	9

#57 • ROCCO CIRONI • LT • JR.

WARREN, OHIO • WARREN G. HARDING • 6-6 • 308

Starting left tackle has six career starts to his credit...leads team with 15.5 pancake blocks...has graded out as a winner in each of his last three starts...named to the Big Ten All-Freshman Team in 2006 as selected by The Sporting News...**CAL**: Started his second career game at left tackle...recorded three pancake blocks against the Golden Bears...**EMU**: Recorded a career-high six pancakes.

#8 • KIRK COUSINS • QB • R-FR.

HOLLAND, MICH. • HOLLAND CHRISTIAN • 6-3 • 197

Second-year player will be Brian Hoyer's backup at quarterback...in the first fall scrimmage, completed 13-of-17 passes for 73 yards and a touchdown...**EMU**: In his collegiate debut, completed 3-of-4 passes for 32 yards...completed his first collegiate pass on his first attempt, a 13-yard strike to tight end Charlie Gantt...his first series arrived in the second quarter, and with the game tied at 7, he led the Spartans on a TD drive that gave MSU the lead for good.

Cousins Season Game-by-Game

2008

Date	Opp	ATT	COMP	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
8/30	CAL	-DNP-						
9/6	EMU	4	3	0	.750	32	0	13
9/13	FAU	-DNP-						
9/20	ND	-DNP-						
TOT		4	3	0	.750	32	0	13

PLAYER NOTES • GAME 5 VS. INDIANA • SEPT. 27, 2008**#3 • B.J. CUNNINGHAM • WR • R-FR.****WESTERVILLE, OHIO • WESTERVILLE SOUTH • 6-2 • 205**

Promising second-year player will start at one wide receiver position after redshirting last season...**CAL**: In his Spartan debut, caught five passes for 63 yards...**EMU**: Led MSU with 76 receiving yards on three receptions, including an acrobatic one-handed catch for 46 yards that led to an MSU touchdown...**FAU**: Did not record a reception and had one carry for 18 yards...left the game in the second quarter with a bruised knee...**ND**: Had one catch for 22 yards.

Cunningham Season Game-by-Game

2008 Receiving

Date	Opp	GS	No.	YDS.	TD	LG
8/30	CAL	*	5	63	0	18
9/6	EMU	*	3	76	0	46
9/13	FAU	*	0	0	0	0
9/20	ND	*	1	22	0	22
TOT		4/4	9	161	0	46

#84 • DEON CURRY • WR • SR.**OAKLAND TWP., MICH. • DET. CNTRY. DAY • 6-1 • 208**

Fifth-year senior and three-year letterwinner started 10 games at wide receiver last season...fourth on the team with a career-high 24 receptions in 2007...also had a career-best 200 receiving yards...slowed by a back/hamstring injury during preseason workouts and did not see action until the Notre Dame game...**ND**: In his first action of the season, had one reception for 4 yards.

CAREER HIGHS

Catches 4, three times (last vs. Michigan, 11/3/07)
Receiving Yards..... 45, vs. Wisconsin (9/29/07)

Curry's Career Stats

Receiving	G/GS	No.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2005	4/0	0	0	0	0	0
2006	6/0	1	7	7.0	0	7
2007	13/10	24	200	8.3	1	18
2008	1/0	1	4	4.0	0	4
TOT	24/10	26	211	8.1	1	18

#38 • KENDELL DAVIS-CLARK • S • SR.**ALLIANCE, OHIO • ALLIANCE • 6-0 • 210**

Starting free safety made the transition from boundary corner to safety in preseason camp...second on team in 2007 with 72 tackles...played in all 13 games, starting in 11...led team with eight pass break-ups...has 15 career starts...**CAL**: Recorded six tackles, including a half tackle for loss, despite missing a portion of the game with a shoulder injury...**EMU**, **FAU**, **ND**: Has not seen action the past three games due to a shoulder injury.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 12, vs. Bowling Green (9/8/07)
Sacks..... 1, four times (last vs. Michigan, 11/3/07)
Tackles for losses 1.5, vs. UAB (9/1/07)
Pass Break-ups 2, vs. UAB (9/1/07)

Davis-Clark's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2006	12/3	30	9	39	0.0	0	0	0
2007	13/11	44	28	72	5.5-35	4-33	0	8
2008	1/1	4	2	6	0.5-0	0-0	0	0
TOT	26/15	78	39	117	6-35	4-33	0	8

Davis-Clark Season Game-by-Game

2008

Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT
8/30	CAL	*	4	2	6	0.5-0	0-0	0
TOT		1/1	4	2	6	0.5-0	0-0	0

#55 • ADAM DECKER • LB • JR.**ROCHESTER HILLS, MICH. • BROTHER RICE • 6-2 • 238**

Starting MIKE linebacker sat out all but two games last season due to an injury...second on the team with 25 tackles...**CAL**: Recorded seven tackles in his first career start...**EMU**: Collected four tackles, including a stop on a fake field goal at the MSU 4-yard line that prevented an Eastern Michigan touchdown...**FAU**: Registered six tackles and one for a loss of 2 yards...**ND**: Recorded career highs in tackles (8) and tackles for loss (1.5).

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 8, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)
Tackles for loss..... 1.5, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)

Decker's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2006	12/0	3	7	10	0-0	0-0	0	0
2007	2/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
2008	4/4	9	16	25	3-4	0-0	0	0
TOT	18/4	12	23	35	3-4	0-0	0	0

Decker Season Game-by-Game

2008

Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT
8/30	CAL	*	3	4	7	0.5-1	0-0	0
9/6	EMU	*	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0
9/13	FAU	*	3	3	6	1-2	0-0	0
9/20	ND	*	2	6	8	1.5-1	0-0	0
TOT		4/4	9	16	23	3-4	0-0	0

#6 • MARK DELL • WR • SO.**FARMINGTON HILLS, MICH. • HARRISON • 6-2 • 188**

One of the starting wideouts ranks...second in the Big Ten and 15th in the nation in receiving yards, averaging 100.0 ypg...also ninth in the conference with 4.3 receptions a game...leads the team in receptions (17), receiving yards (400), yards per reception (23.5) and yards after the catch (71)...through four games, has already surpassed last season's total for receiving yards (400 in 2008; 220 in 2007)...also has more yards and catches (400 and 17) at this point in the season than second-round NFL Draft pick Devin Thomas did last year (370 and 16)...**CAL**: Recorded 202 receiving yards, the fifth-highest single-game mark in MSU history...also had a career-best nine receptions...scored on a 29-yard TD catch in the fourth quarter...his 52-yard grab set up a fourth-quarter field goal...became just the fourth Spartan receiver to collect 200 receiving yards in a game (Charles Rogers-twice; Andre Rison; Plaxico Burress)...**EMU**: Hauled in three catches for 71 yards...**FAU**: His one reception for 47 yards late in the third quarter set up MSU's final TD in the fourth quarter in the 17-0 win...**ND**: Led MSU with four catches for 80 yards...had two

receptions for 42 yards on a drive in the fourth quarter that led to an MSU field goal, giving the Spartans a 16-7 lead.

CAREER HIGHS

Catches 9, vs. California (8/30/08)
Receiving Yards..... 202, vs. California (8/30/08)
TD Catches..... 1, three times (last vs. Cal, 8/30/00)

Dell's Career Stats

Receiving	G/GS	No.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2007	13/9	20	220	11.0	2	25
2008	4/4	17	400	23.5	1	52
TOT	17/13	37	620	16.8	3	52

Dell Season Game-by-Game

2008 Receiving

Date	Opp	GS	No.	YDS.	TD	LG
8/30	CAL	*	9	202	1	52
9/6	EMU	*	3	71	0	29
9/13	FAU	*	1	47	0	47
9/20	ND	*	4	80	0	28
TOT		4/4	17	400	1	52

#34 • BRANDON DENSON • LB • JR.**WILLOW RUN, MICH. • WILLOW RUN • 5-11 • 222**

Fourth-year player will see time at linebacker this season...listed second on the depth chart at SAM linebacker...leads the special teams in tackles with eight...**CAL**: Tallied three tackles and recovered a blocked punt that led to an MSU touchdown in the third quarter...**EMU**: Collected four tackles...**FAU**: Recorded three tackles...**ND**: Notched two tackles.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 4, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/6/08)

Denson's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2006	8/0	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0	0
2007	13/0	6	4	10	0-0	0-0	0	0
2008	4/0	8	4	12	0-0	0-0	0	1
TOT	25/0	15	9	24	0-0	0-0	0	1

Denson Season Game-by-Game

2008

Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT
8/30	CAL		3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0
9/6	EMU		1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0
9/13	FAU		2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0
9/20	ND		2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0
TOT		4/0	8	4	12	0-0	0-0	0

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Third-year player is the starter at free safety after injury sidelined Kendall Davis-Clark...third on the team with 23 tackles...**CAL**: Recorded six tackles...**EMU**: In his first career start, matched then-career high with six tackles...**FAU**: Had four tackles and a fumble recovery at the FAU 4-yard line that halted a scoring drive...**ND**: Recorded career bests in tackles (7) and pass break-ups (2).

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 7, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)
Pass Break-Ups..... 2, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)

Fortener's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2006	12/0	6	1	7	0.0	0	0	1
2007	13/0	0	1	1	0.0	0	0	0
2008	4/3	17	6	23	0.0	0	0	2
TOT	29/3	23	8	31	0.0	0	0	3

Fortener Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	PBU
8/30	CAL		5	1	6	0-0	0-0	0
9/6	EMU	*	5	1	6	0-0	0-0	0
9/13	FAU	*	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0
9/20	ND	*	5	2	7	0-0	0-0	2
TOT			4/3	17	6	23	0-0	2

#83 • CHARLIE GANTT • TE • SO.**FARMINGTON HILLS, MICH. • BROTHER RICE • 6-4 • 252**

Third-year player enters his first season as the starting tight end...has started all four games...had eight catches for 125 yards and three touchdowns in two preseason scrimmages...**CAL**: Had two receptions for 18 yards in his first career start...**EMU**: Had one catch for 13 yards...**ND**: Shared Lineman of the Week honors with center Joel Nitchman.

CAREER HIGHS

Catches 2, vs. California (8/30/08)
Receiving Yards..... 18, vs. California (8/30/08)

Gantt Season Game-by-Game

2008 Receiving							
Date	Opp	GS	No.	YDS.	TD	LG	
8/30	CAL	*	2	18	0	16	
9/6	EMU	*	1	13	0	13	
9/13	FAU	*	1	0	0	0	
9/20	ND	*	0	0	0	0	
TOT			4/4	4	31	0	

#43 • ERIC GORDON • LB • SO.**TRAVERSE CITY, MICH. • WEST • 6-0 • 224**

Enters his second season as the starting WILL linebacker...tied for fifth on the team with 20 tackles...rated among the nation's top outside linebackers (No. 33) and preseason third-team All-Big Ten selection by Phil Steele...named to the 2007 All-Big Ten Freshman Team after recording 62 tackles...**CAL**: Recorded six tackles, including a half tackle for loss (2 yards)...**EMU**: Led team with seven tackles, including a stop on a fake field goal at the MSU 4-yard line that prevented an Eastern Michigan touchdown...**FAU**: Tied for team lead with six tackles, including 1.5 for losses of 6 yards...**ND**: With Notre

Dame driving to open the second half, recovered a fumble on the MSU 14-yard line to halt the scoring opportunity...also recorded a career-best two pass break-ups and a tackle.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 10, vs. Iowa (10/27/07)
Tackles for loss..... 1.5, twice (last vs. Fla. Atl., 9/13/08)
Sacks..... 1, vs. Notre Dame (9/22/07)
Pass Break-ups 2, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)

Gordon's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2007	12/10	32	30	62	7.5-22	1-8	1-16	2
2008	4/4	6	17	20	2.5-8	0-0	0-0	2
TOT	16/14	38	44	82	10-30	1-8	1-16	4

Gordon Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	PBU
8/30	CAL	*	5	1	6	0.5-2	0-0	0
9/6	EMU	*	2	5	7	0.5-0	0-0	0
9/13	FAU	*	3	3	6	1.5-6	0-0	0
9/20	ND	*	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	2
TOT			4/4	10	10	20	2.5-8	0-0

#45 • ANDREW HAWKEN • FB • JR.**WYOMING, MICH. • GRANDVILLE • 6-2 • 238**

Converted from linebacker last season to fullback and played in all 13 games...listed No. 1 on the depth chart at fullback...**EMU**: Tied career high with two catches for 6 yards...**FAU**: Caught one pass for 9 yards...**ND**: One reception for 3 yards.

CAREER HIGHS

Carries 1, twice (last vs. Michigan, 11/3/07)
Rushing Yards 4, vs. UAB (9/1/07)
Rushing TDs..... 0
Catches 2, five times (last vs. EMU, 9/6/08)
Receiving Yards..... 22, vs. Purdue (11/10/07)
TD Catches..... 1, vs. UAB (9/1/07)

Hawken's Career Stats

Receiving	G/GS	No.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2007	13/2	10	81	8.1	1	21
2008	4/2	4	18	4.5	0	9
TOT	17/4	14	99	7.1	1	21

#31 • ASHTON HENDERSON • CB • JR.**TALLAHASSEE, FLA. • LINCOLN • 5-11 • 177**

Third-year player at field corner...has five starts to his credit, including the 2007 Champs Sports Bowl vs. Boston College...**ND**: Recorded one tackle.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 4, twice (last vs. Iowa, 10/27/07)
Pass Break-Ups..... 2, vs. Michigan (11/3/07)

Henderson's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2006	8/1	2	0	2	0.0	0	0	0
2007	12/4	10	8	18	0.0	0	0	0
2008	3/0	0	1	1	0.0	0	0	0
TOT	23/5	12	9	21	0.0	0	0	0

Henderson Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT
8/30	CAL		0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0
9/6	EMU		0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0
9/13	FAU	-DNP-						
9/20	ND		0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0
TOT			3/0	0	1	1	0-0	0

#49 • DWAYNE HOLMES • DE • SR.**DETROIT, MICH. • HENRY FORD • 6-0 • 286**

Fifth-year senior will see time at defensive end...transitioned from fullback to defensive end during the early portion of last season...transitioned from tight end to fullback in spring 2007...had six starts at tight end as a freshman and sophomore...**CAL**: Started his first career game at defensive end...recorded two tackles, including a half tackle for loss...**EMU**, **FAU**: Did not record a tackle...**ND**: Credited with a quarterback hurry.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 2, vs. California (8/30/08)
Tackles for loss 0.5, vs. California (8/30/08)

Holmes' Career Stats (Defense Only)

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2008	4/2	1	1	2	0.5-0	0-0	0-0	0
TOT	4/2	1	1	2	0.5-0	0-0	0-0	0

Holmes Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT
8/30	CAL	*	1	1	2	0.5-0	0-0	0
9/6	EMU		0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0
9/13	FAU		0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0
9/20	ND		0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0
TOT			4/1	1	1	2	0.5-0	0-0

#7 • BRIAN HOYER • QB • SR.**NORTH OLMSTED, OHIO • ST. IGNATIUS • 6-3 • 215**

Fifth-year senior enters his second season as the starting quarterback and has 18 starts to his credit (record: 10-8)...named one of four captains by his teammates...ranks among MSU's career leaders in TD passes (No. 7 with 27), passing yards (No. 7 with 4,455), pass completions (No. 7 at 365), pass attempts (No. 8 at 644), and completion percentage (No. 10 at .567)...has four career 300-yard passing games...listed among 26 preseason candidates for the 2008 Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award, presented annually since 1987 to the nation's top senior quarterback by Transamerica Insurance and Investment Group...**CAL**: Tallied his fourth-career 300-yard passing game with 321 yards on 20-of-48 passing with one touchdown...**EMU**: Completed 8-of-12 throws for 148 yards...**FAU**: Due to heavy rain throughout the game, was limited to 5-of-15 passing for 88 yards...**ND**: Completed 12-of-26 throws for 143 yards.

CAREER HIGHS

Pass Attempts..... 61, vs. Penn State (11/18/06)
Pass Completions..... 30, vs. Penn State (11/18/06)
Passing Yards..... 330, vs. Minnesota (11/11/06)
Passing TDs 4, twice (last vs. Penn State, 11/17/07)
Rushing Yards 9, vs. Iowa (10/27/07)

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Passing	G/GS	ATT	COMP	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
2005	5/0	23	15	0	.652	167	2	30
2006	8/1	144	82	3	.569	863	4	49
2007	13/13	376	223	11	.593	2725	20	80
2008	4/4	101	45	1	.446	700	1	52
TOT	30/18	644	365	15	.567	4455	27	80

Hoyer Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	ATT	COMP	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
8/30	CAL	48	20	1	.417	321	1	52
9/6	EMU	12	8	0	.667	148	0	46
9/13	FAU	15	5	1	.333	88	0	47
9/20	ND	26	12	0	.462	143	0	28
TOT		101	45	1	.446	700	1	52

#93 • ANTONIO JEREMIAH • NT • SO.**HILLIARD, OHIO • HILLIARD DERBY • 6-5 • 318**

Listed as the back-up nose tackle...saw action in five games as a true freshman...sees action in goal-line and short-yard-arge situations.

Jeremiah's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	FF	PBU
2007	5/0	4	2	6	1-17	1-17	1	0
2008	4/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
TOT	9/0	4	3	7	1-17	1-17	1	0

#20 • A.J. JIMMERSON • RB • JR.**ST. LOUIS, MO. • HAZELWOOD CENTRAL • 5-10 • 208**

Figures to see his share of playing time at running back in 2008, behind Javon Ringer...also slated to return kicks...rushed for 51 yards on 12 carries (4.2 avg.) last season...**CAL**: Missed the season opener with an ankle injury...**EMU**: Rushed for 10 yards on three carries.

CAREER HIGHS

Carries.....10, twice (last vs. UAB, 9/1/07)
 Rushing Yards.....79, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/9/06)
 Rushing TDs.....1, twice (last vs. N-Western, 10/21/06)
 Catches.....4, vs. N-Western (10/21/06)
 Receiving Yards.....48, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/9/06)
 Kickoff Returns.....2, vs. Indiana (10/13/07)
 Kickoff Return Yards.....50, vs. Indiana (10/13/07)
 Kickoff Return.....26, vs. Indiana (10/13/07)

Jimmerson's Career Stats

Rushing	G/GS	ATT.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2006	10/0	37	140	3.8	2	31
2007	10/0	12	51	4.2	0	27
2008	3/0	4	10	2.5	0	7
TOT	23/0	53	201	3.8	2	31

Receiving	No.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2006	12	63	5.2	2	35
2007	2	14	9.0	0	9
2008	0	0	0.0	0	0
TOT	14	77	5.5	2	35

Jimmerson Season Game-by-Game

2008 Rushing						
Date	Opp	GS	ATT.	YDS.	TD	LG
8/30	CAL	-DNP-				
9/6	EMU		3	10	0	7
9/13	FAU		1	0	0	0
9/20	ND		0	0	0	0
TOT		3/0	4	10	0	7

#53 • GREG JONES • LB • SO.**CINCINNATI, OHIO • ARCHBISHOP MOELLER • 6-1 • 222**

Enters his second season as a starter at SAM linebacker...leads team in tackles (26), tackles for loss (4.5 for 12 yards) and production points (66)...has led the team in tackles three of the first four games...ranked among the nation's top outside linebackers (No. 40) by Phil Steele...could also see reps at MIKE linebacker...preseason first-team All-Big Ten selection by ESPN.com...consensus Freshman All-American led MSU with 78 tackles last season, becoming the first true freshman to lead the Spartans in tackles since 1976...**CAL**: Led the team with eight tackles, including two for losses of 6 yards...**EMU**: Had three stops with a half tackle for loss...**FAU**: Tied for team lead with six tackles and one for a loss of 5 yards...**ND**: Tied for team lead with nine tackles, including one for a loss...also recorded his 100th career tackle in the game.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles.....14, vs. Ohio State (10/20/07)
 Tackles for loss.....2, twice (last at Cal, 8/30/08)
 Sacks.....1, four times (last vs. BC, 12/28/07)

Jones' Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	FF	PBU
2007	13/7	40	38	78	8.5-33	4.5-25	1	1
2008	4/4	14	12	26	4.5-12	0-0	0	0
TOT	17/11	54	50	104	13-45	4.5-25	1	1

Jones Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT
8/30	CAL	*	3	5	8	2-6	0-0	0-0
9/6	EMU	*	1	2	3	0.5-0	0-0	0-0
9/13	FAU	*	4	2	6	1-5	0-0	0-0
9/20	ND	*	6	3	9	1-1	0-0	0-0
TOT		4/4	14	12	26	4.5-12	0-0	0

#98 • MICHAEL JORDAN • DT • JR.**LANSING, MICH. • EASTERN ARIZONA • 6-5 • 287**

Enters his second season as a backup on the defensive line...saw action in six games in 2007 as a sophomore after transferring from Eastern Arizona...**FAU**: Recovered a fumble in the second quarter and registered two tackles...**ND**: Recorded one tackle.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles.....2, twice (last vs. Fla. Atl., 9/13/08)
 Tackles for loss.....0.5, vs. Northwestern (10/6/07)

Jordan's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	FR	PBU
2007	6/0	1	2	3	0.5-0	0-0	0	0
2008	4/0	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	1	0
TOT	10/0	2	4	6	0.5-0	0-0	1	0

Jordan Season Game-by-Game

2008										
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT		
8/30	CAL		0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0		
9/6	EMU		0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0		
9/13	FAU		0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0		
9/20	ND		1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0		
TOT		4/0	0	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0		

#97 • JUSTIN KERSHAW • DT • SR.**COLUMBUS, OHIO • REYNOLDSBURG • 6-5 • 273**

Senior captain enters his second season as the starting defensive tackle and his third as a starter on the defensive line...named one of four captains by his teammates...has appeared in 40 career games, including 25 starts...**CAL**: Recorded two tackles, including a half sack for 2 yards...**EMU**: Collected four tackles with a career-best two tackles for loss (5 yards), including one sack, and was named MSU's Defensive Player of the Week...**FAU**: Registered two tackles...**ND**: Notched two tackles, including a 2-yard loss.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles.....5, twice (last vs. Wisconsin, 9/29/07)
 Tackles for loss.....2, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/6/08)
 Sacks.....1, three times (last vs. EMU, 9/6/08)

Kershaw's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	FR
2005	11/0	3	1	4	1-5	1-5	0	0
2006	12/8	16	10	26	2-3	0-0	0	0
2007	13/13	16	18	34	5-9	1.5-4	0	1
2008	4/4	4	6	10	3.5-9	1.5-3	0	0
TOT	40/25	39	35	74	11.5-26	3-12	0	1

Kershaw Season Game-by-Game

2008										
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT		
8/30	CAL	*	0	2	2	0.5-2	0.5-2	0-0		
9/6	EMU	*	3	1	4	1-1	1-1	0-0		
9/13	FAU	*	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0		
9/20	ND	*	0	2	2	1-2	0-0	0-0		
TOT		4/4	4	6	10	3.5-9	1.5-3	0-0		

#47 • BRANDON LONG • DE • SR.**CANTON, OHIO • GLEN OAK • 6-4 • 250**

Listed as one of the starters at defensive end...appeared in all 13 games with three starts last season...**CAL**: Recorded three tackles in the season opener...**EMU**: Collected one tackle...**FAU**: Notched two tackles...**ND**: Delivered a career game against the Irish, recording career highs in tackles (5), tackles for loss (2.5 for 19 yards) and sacks (2 for 18 yards).

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles.....5, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)
 Tackles for loss.....2.5, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)
 Sacks.....2, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)

Long's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2005	7/0	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0	0
2006	10/0	5	3	8	0.5-1	0-0	0	0
2007	13/3	9	9	18	4-19	2-16	0	0
2008	4/2	5	6	11	2.5-19	2-18	0	0
TOT	34/5	20	20	35	7-39	4-34	0	0

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Long Season Game-by-Game

2008									
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	FF	
8/30	CAL		2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0	
9/6	EMU		0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	
9/13	FAU	*	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0	
9/20	ND	*	2	3	5	2.5-19	2-18	0	
TOT			4/2	5	6	11	2.5-19	2-18	0

#82 • KESHAWN MARTIN • WR • FR. INKSTER, MICH. • JOHN GLENN • 6-0 • 180

True freshman will see time at wide receiver...listed third on the depth chart at Z receiver...CAL: Had one rush for 2 yards in his collegiate debut...EMU: Ran one time for 11 yards.

#73 • ROLAND MARTIN • RG • SR. CHICAGO, ILL. • HARPER • 6-5 • 330

Talented right guard moves into his third season as a starter on the offensive line...has graded out as a winner in each of the first four games...three-year letterman has appeared in 34 career games, including 26 starting assignments (all at right guard)...rated among the nation's top offensive guards (No. 13) by Phil Steele's College Football Preview...CAL: Selected as Lineman of the Week by the coaching staff.

#35 • JEFF McPHERSON • FB • SR. LOWELL, MICH. • LOWELL • 6-1 • 245

Former linebacker is listed as back-up fullback on the depth chart...saw action in all 13 games last season, including two starts.

McPherson's Career Stats

Receiving	G/GS	No.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2007	13/2	4	43	10.8	1	22
2008	4/0	0	0	0.0	0	0
TOT	17/2	10	43	10.8	1	22

#79 • JESSE MILLER • RT • SR. SOMERVILLE, N.J. • SOMERVILLE • 6-6 • 318

Enters his third season as starting right tackle...three-year letterman ranks as the team's most experienced offensive lineman, with 29 (consecutive) career starts to his credit...ranks second on the team with 13.5 pancakes...has graded out as a winner in each of his last three starts...EMU: Selected as Lineman of the Week by the coaching staff...FAU: Recorded a career-best 7.5 pancakes as the Spartans rushed for 259 yards.

#89 • COLIN NEELY • DE • SO. BETHLEHEM, PA. • FREEDOM • 6-1 • 248

Will see time at defensive line...CAL: After an excellent fall camp, earned the start in the season opener and recorded a career-high six tackles...EMU: Talled two tackles with a half tackle for loss...FAU: Recorded two tackles, including a half tackle for loss.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 6, vs. Cal (8/30/08)
Tackles for loss..... 1, vs. Cal (8/30/08)
Sacks..... 0.5, vs. Cal (8/30/08)

Neely's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2007	1/0	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0	0
2008	4/2	4	6	10	2-5	0.5-2	0	0
TOT	4/2	4	9	13	2-5	0.5-2	0	0

Neely Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT
8/30	CAL	*	2	4	6	1-3	0.5-2	0-0
9/6	EMU	*	1	1	2	0.5-1	0-0	0-0
9/13	FAU		1	1	2	0.5-1	0-0	0-0
9/20	ND		0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0
TOT			4/2	4	6	10	2-5	0.5-2

#65 • JOEL NITCHMAN • C • JR. KALAMAZOO, MICH. • HACKETT CATH. CTL. • 6-3 • 297

Enters his second season as the starting center...has graded out as a winner in each of the first four games...has 12 career starts to his credit...appeared in 10 games as a sophomore in 2007, including eight starts...FAU: Selected as Lineman of the Week by the coaching staff...ND: Shared Lineman of the Week honors with tight end Charlie Gantt.

#29 • CHRIS L. RUCKER • DB • SO. WARREN, OHIO • WARREN G. HARDING • 6-2 • 190

Starting boundary corner for the Spartans...fourth on the team with 21 tackles...saw action in eight games last year as a true freshman, including four starts at field corner...sidelined for the last five games of the 2007 regular season (played in Champs Sports Bowl) after undergoing eye surgery to repair two detached retinas...CAL: Talled a seven tackles in season opener, including one for a loss of 3 yards...EMU: Recorded three tackles...FAU: Held leading receiver Cortez Gent, who came into the game averaging 5.5 catches and 102.5 receiving yards, without a reception...also recorded two tackles...ND: Registered a career-high nine tackles, including a half sack (8 yards) and 1.5 tackles for loss (9 yards).

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 9, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)
Tackles for Loss..... 1.5, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)
Interceptions..... 1 vs. UAB (9/1/07)
Pass Break-ups..... 1 vs. Northwestern (10/6/07)

Rucker's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2007	8/4	15	9	24	0-0	0-0	1-10	1
2008	4/4	13	8	21	2.5-12	0-0	0-0	0
TOT	12/8	28	17	45	2.5-12	0-0	1-10	1

Rucker Season Game-by-Game

2007								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT
8/30	CAL	*	5	2	7	1-3	0-0	0-0
9/6	EMU	*	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0
9/13	FAU	*	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0
9/20	ND	*	4	5	9	1.5-9	0.5-8	0-0
TOT			4/4	13	8	21	2.5-12	0.5-8

#6 • FRED SMITH • WR • FR.

DETROIT, MICH. • SOUTHEASTERN • 6-2 • 218

True freshman could see playing time at wide receiver...listed third on the depth chart at X receiver...ranked among the nation's top 75 prospects by Tom Lemming's Football Report (No. 74)...SuperPrep, PrepStar and Tom Lemming's Football Report All-American.

#14 • BRETT SWENSON • PK • JR.

POMPANO BEACH, CALIF. • ST. THOMAS AQUINAS • 5-8 • 160

Is in his third season as starting placekicker...is on the Lou Groza Award Watch List...already ranks among MSU's all-time leaders in extra points (fifth with 100 made) and field goals (tied for seventh with 35 made)...ranks 10th in points scored at MSU with 205 career points...CAL: Made all four PATs and was 1-of-2 in field-goal attempts, making a 34-yarder in the fourth quarter...EMU: Hit all six PAT attempts...FAU: Hit a 22-yarder in the third quarter to give MSU a 10-0 lead...also made both PATs...ND: Tied career high with three field goals (45, 26, 23 yards)...with his 11 points (three field goals, two PATs), he moved into MSU's Top 10 in career points scored.

CAREER HIGHS

Extra Points Made 7, three (last vs. Indiana, 10/13/07)
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Field Goals Made 3, twice (last vs. Notre Dame, 9/20/08)
Field Goals Att 4, vs. Penn State (11/18/06)
Points..... 13, vs. UAB (9/1/07)
Field Goal 46 (twice), last vs. Iowa (10/27/07)

Scoring	PAT (Pct.)	FG (Pct.)	PTS	LG
2006	33-33 (1.000)	15-19 (.789)	78	46
2007	53-54 (.981)	15-22 (.682)	98	46
2008	14-14 (1.000)	5-6 (.833)	29	45
Career	100-101 (.991)	35-47 (.745)	205	45

FG Accuracy	-20	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Total
2006	0-0	6-6	5-8	4-4	0-1	15-19
2007	1-1	6-8	5-5	3-5	0-2	15-22
2008	0-0	2-2	1-2	1-1	0-0	1-2
Career	1-1	15-17	11-15	8-10	0-3	35-47

Swenson Game-by-Game

Scoring	PATs	FGs	LG	PTS
CAL	4-4	1-2	34	7
EMU	6-6	0-0	0	6
FAU	2-2	1-1	22	5
ND	2-2	3-3	45	11
Season	14-14 (1.000)	5-6 (.833)	45	29

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#23 • JAVON RINGER • RB • SR.

DAYTON, OHIO • CHAMINADE-JULIENNE • 5-9 • 202

Explosive runner provides home-run threat in the offensive backfield...nominated for three national awards: the Maxwell Award (Player of the Year), Walter Camp Player of the Year and the Doak Walker Award (nation's top running back)...voted one of four captains by his teammates...described as a "complete back" by running backs coach Dan Enos...ranks first in the nation in scoring (11 rushing TDs)...first in the Big Ten and third in the nation in all-purpose yardage (234.0 ypg)...also first in the Big Ten and second in the nation in rushing (174.8 ypg)...has already rushed for 699 yards this season...leads the nation with 143 carries, 30 more than anyone else in the FBS...the 143 carries are the most by a player in the season's first four games since Iowa State's Troy Davis had 146 carries in 1996...has been named the Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week three straight weeks, becoming the first offensive player in conference history to do so...has recorded multi-TD games in every game this season...ranked the No. 4 player in the nation by CollegeFootballNews.com...preseason third-team All-America and first-team All-Big Ten selection by Phil Steele's College Football Preview...three-year letterman has rushed for 3,460 career yards, which is fifth all-time in the MSU record books...his 596 carries are seventh in school history...also seventh in school history with 4,311 all-purpose yards...his 5.8 yards per carry ranks as the seventh-highest average in school history...rushed for 1,447 yards in 2007 as a junior, the fifth-best single-season total in MSU history...has led the team in rushing his first three seasons...has 15 career 100-yard games (three this season), which is tied for fourth in MSU history...also had three career 200-yard rushing games...has recorded at least 200 all-purpose yards in every game this season...CAL: Recorded 200 all-purpose yards, including a career-best 102 on kickoff returns...tallied the fourth multi-touchdown game of his career...had 81 yards on the ground...EMU: Named Big Ten Tri-Player of the Week after scoring a career-high five touchdowns, all on the ground, representing the second-best single-game total in school history (record: 6 by Blake Ezor, 1989 vs. Northwestern)...rushed for 135 yards on a career-high 34 carries...recorded 205 all-purpose yards (135 rushing; 8 receiving; 62 kick return)...FAU: Named Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week for the second week in a row and for the third time in his career after rushing for a career-high 282 yards - the fourth-best single-game performance in MSU history - and two touchdowns...his 43 carries (6.6 avg.) were the fifth-most ever by a Spartan running back and the most since 1988...compiled 309 all-purpose yards, second most in school history...ND: Named Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week for the third straight week - a conference first - after rushing for 201 yards on 39 carries (5.2 avg.) and two touchdowns against the Irish...became the first Spartan back to record back-to-back 200-yard rushing games...the 201 yards were the most ever by a Spartan against Notre Dame (previous best: 157 by Dennis Mendyk in 1956)...with MSU leading 16-7 late in the fourth quarter, Ringer carried the ball seven straight times, including a 63-yard rush and a 1-yard TD run, to give MSU a commanding 23-7 lead.

CAREER HIGHS

Carries 43, vs. Florida Atlantic (9/13/08)
 Rushing Yards 282, vs. Florida Atlantic (9/13/08)
 Rushing TDs 5, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/6/08)
 Catches 7, vs. Wisconsin (9/29/07)
 Receiving Yards 88, vs. Wisconsin (9/29/07)
 TD Catches 1, vs. Notre Dame (9/23/06)
 All-Purpose Yards 309, vs. Florida Atlantic (9/13/08)
 Kickoff Return Yards 102 vs. Cal (8/30/08)

Ringer's Career Stats

Rushing	G/GS	ATT.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2005	11/0	122	817	6.7	5	59
2006	8/5	86	497	5.8	1	71
2007	13/8	245	1447	5.9	6	80
2008	4/4	143	699	4.9	11	63
TOT	36/17	596	3460	5.8	23	80

Receiving No.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	
2005	19	138	7.3	0	25
2006	14	96	6.9	1	26
2007	35	295	8.4	0	28
2008	4	37	9.2	0	17
TOT	72	566	7.9	1	28

Kickoff Returns No.	YDS.	Avg./R	Avg./G	LG	
2005	0	0	0.0	0	
2006	4	85	21.2	10.6	23
2007	0	0	0.0	0	
2008	9	200	22.2	50.0	33
TOT	13	285	21.9	7.9	33

All-Purpose	Rush	Rec.	PR	KR	TOT	Avg./G
2005	817	138	0	0	955	86.8
2006	497	96	0	85	678	84.8
2007	1447	295	0	0	1742	134.0
2008	699	37	0	200	936	234.0
TOT	3460	566	0	285	4311	119.8

Ringer Season Game-by-Game

2008 Rushing

Date	Opp	GS	ATT.	YDS.	TD	LG
8/30	CAL	*	27	81	2	10
9/6	EMU	*	34	135	5	13
9/13	FAU	*	43	282	2	32
9/20	ND	*	39	201	2	63
TOT		4/4	143	699	11	63

Ringer Season Game-by-Game

2008 Receiving

Date	Opp	GS	No.	YDS.	TD	LG
8/30	CAL	*	1	17	0	17
9/6	EMU	*	1	8	0	8
9/13	FAU	*	1	12	0	12
9/20	ND	*	1	0	0	0
TOT		4/4	4	37	0	25

2008 Kickoff Returns

Date	Opp	No.	YDS.	Avg./R	TD	LG
8/30	CAL	5	102	20.4	0	33
9/6	EMU	2	62	31.0	0	33
9/13	FAU	1	14	14.0	0	14
9/20	ND	1	22	22.0	0	22
TOT		9	200	22.2	0	33

2008 All-Purpose

Date	Opp	Rush	Rec.	PR	KOR	YDS
8/30	CAL	81	17	0	102	200
9/6	EMU	135	8	0	62	205
9/13	FAU	282	12	0	14	309
9/20	ND	201	0	0	22	223
TOT		699	37	0	200	936



WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT JAVON RINGER

"He's a total team player - it's not about him, and you can't say enough about him as a person aside from his athletic abilities. But it's the person in him, it's the intangibles within him that make him the back that he is. There are other guys who are just as explosive and just as fast, but it's the things inside of him that make him special."

-MSU head coach Mark Dantonio

"You can hit him and hit him and hit him and he just keeps on coming. I think that I learned a long time ago that one attribute that great players have is stamina, and he obviously has great stamina."

-Notre Dame head coach Charlie Weis, after Ringer rushed for 201 yards against the Irish, the most ever by a Spartan player against Notre Dame.

"I think he's very good and very blessed to be operating behind those five guys. That's the big problem, having to sort through those five big guys to find where he is. When they all come off at one time they look like a herd of water buffalo stampeding at you and there's a gazelle somewhere in behind them. He's also very persistent and you can see how strong he is."

-Florida Atlantic head coach Howard Schnellenberger, after Ringer ran for a career-high 282 yards in a steady rain in MSU's 17-0 win over the Owls.

PLAYER NOTES • GAME 5 VS. INDIANA • SEPT. 27, 2008**#9 • JEREMY WARE • DB • JR.**

FORT MYERS, FLA. • SOUTH CAROLINA • 5-10 • 184

Has seen time on special teams and in the nickel package...
CAL: DNP...**EMU:** Recorded three tackles, including a 1-yard loss...**FAU:** Tallied one tackle...**ND:** Registered two tackles and a pass break-up.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 3, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/6/08)
 Tackles for Losses..... 1, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/6/08)
 Pass Break-Ups..... 1, vs. Notre Dame (9/20/08)

Ware's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2007	1/0	0	1	1	0-0	0	0	0
2008	3/0	3	3	6	1-1	0	0	1
TOT	4/0	3	4	7	1-1	0	0	1

Ware Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	PBU
8/30	CAL		-DNP-					
9/6	EMU		2	1	3	1-1	0-0	0
9/13	FAU		0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0
9/20	ND		1	1	2	0-0	0-0	1
TOT			4/0	3	3	6	1-1	0-0

#37 • ROSS WEAVER • CB • JR.

SOUTHFIELD, MICH. • SOUTHFIELD • 6-1 • 202

Starter at field corner...ranks second on the team with three pass break-ups...appeared in eight games last season, including five starts...sidelined for five games with a foot injury in 2007...**CAL:** Tallied two tackles in season opener...**EMU:** Recorded two tackles, including a 3-yard tackle for loss...**FAU:** Registered four tackles and a career-high two pass break-ups...**ND:** With the Irish driving into the red zone to open the second half, forced a fumble at MSU's 14-yard line, halting the scoring opportunity...also had four tackles and a pass break-up.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 5, vs. Bowling Green (9/8/07)
 Tackles for Losses..... 1, twice (last vs. EMU, 9/6/08)
 Pass Break-Ups..... 2, vs. Florida Atlantic (9/13/08)

Weaver's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2005	9/0	8	0	8	0-0	0	0	1
2006	DNP-INJ							
2007	8/5	13	6	19	2-3	0	0	0
2008	4/4	10	2	12	1-3	0	0	3
TOT	21/9	31	8	39	3-6	0	0	4

Weaver Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	PBU
8/30	CAL	*	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0
9/6	EMU	*	1	1	2	1-3	0-0	0
9/13	FAU	*	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	2
9/20	ND	*	4	0	4	0-0	0-0	1
TOT			4/4	10	2	12	1-3	0-0

#25 • BLAIR WHITE • WR • JR.

SAGINAW, MICH. • NOUVEL CATH. CENT. • 6-2 • 200

Fourth-year player listed as backup at the X receiver position...also sees action on special teams...third on the team with six catches for 60 yards...saw action in 10 games, primarily on special teams, in 2007...former walk-on awarded a scholarship for 2008...**CAL:** Tied career high with three catches for 21 yards...**FAU:** Hauled in a career-long 20-yard reception...**ND:** Had two catches for 19 yards.

CAREER HIGHS

Catches 3, twice (last vs. Cal, 8/30/08)
 Receiving Yards..... 25, vs. UAB (9/17/07)

White's Career Stats

Receiving	G/GS	No.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2006	4/0	0	0	0	0	0
2007	10/0	3	25	8.3	0	13
2008	4/0	6	60	15.0	0	20
TOT	18/0	9	85	9.4	0	20

White Season Game-by-Game

2008 Receiving						
Date	Opp	GS	No.	YDS.	TD	LG
8/30	CAL		3	21	0	11
9/6	EMU		0	0	0	0
9/13	FAU		1	20	0	20
9/20	ND		2	19	0	12
TOT		4/0	6	60	0	20

#21 • OTIS WILEY • S • SR.

FLINT, MICH. • CARMAN-AINSWORTH • 6-2 • 210

Veteran safety anchors the Spartan secondary for the third year in a row...named one of four captains by his teammates...after starting the last two years at free safety, made the transition to strong safety during spring practice...**leads the Big Ten and ranks tied for first in the nation with four interceptions...also leads the Big Ten and ranks second in the nation in passes defended with 10 (four interceptions; six pass break-ups)...third in the Big Ten and 26th in the nation in punt-return average (14.1 avg.)...ranks second on the team in production points (61) and fifth (tied) in tackles (20)...rated among the nation's top safeties (No. 31) by Phil Steele's College Football Preview...three-year letterman has played in 39 career games, including 23 starts...ranks eighth in MSU history with 161 career interception return yards...with nine career interceptions, he is just one shy of cracking MSU's all-time top 10 in that category...**CAL:** Recorded his first career two-interception game...returned the first pick 53 yards from the Cal end zone...second interception was a 31-yard TD return, his second career touchdown off an interception...also collected six tackles and a pass break-up...**EMU:** Had 113 punt return yards on five returns (22.6 avg.), the fourth-best single-game performance in MSU history...had a 78-yard return to open the fourth quarter, the 10th-longest punt return in school history...also recorded four tackles and a pass break-up...**FAU:** Tied a career high with four pass break-ups, tying for the second-highest single-game total in MSU history...also registered five tackles...**ND:** Recorded two interceptions for the second time this season...first pick came in the back of the end zone to halt an Irish scoring drive in the first quarter...his second pick arrived at the Irish 22-yard line, setting up Javon Ringer's first TD run that made it 10-0 in favor of MSU...also recorded five tackles.**

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 12, vs. Idaho (9/2/06)
 Tackles for loss..... 2, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/9/06)
 Sacks..... 1, twice (last vs. Idaho, 9/2/06)
 Pass Break-Ups..... 4, twice (last vs. Fla. Atl., 9/13/08)
 Interceptions..... 2, twice (last vs. Notre Dame, 9/20/08)
 Punt Return Yards 113, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/6/08)

Wiley's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT	PBU
2005	10/0	12	6	18	1-7	1-7	1-0	0
2006	12/12	58	36	94	6.5-17	1-4	0-0	10
2007	13/7	30	19	49	1-4	0-0	4-77	5
2008	4/4	12	8	20	0-0	0-0	4-84	6
TOT	39/23	112	67	155	8.5-28	2-11	9-161	21

Wiley Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	INT
8/30	CAL	*	4	2	6	0-0	0-0	2-84
9/6	EMU	*	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0
9/13	FAU	*	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0-0
9/20	ND	*	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	2-0
TOT			4/4	12	8	20	0-0	4-84

2008 Punt Returns

Date	Opp	No.	YDS.	Avg./R	TD	LG
8/30	CAL	0	0	0.0	0	0
9/6	EMU	5	113	22.6	0	78
9/13	FAU	5	32	6.4	0	11
9/20	ND	1	10	10.0	0	10
TOT		11	155	14.1	0	78

#70 • OREN WILSON • NT • SO.

TEANECK, N.J. • HARMONY COMMUNITY • 6-3 • 288

Second-year player is the starting nose tackle...**CAL:** Recorded a career-high five tackles in the season opener...**EMU:** Tallied one tackle with a half tackle for loss...**FAU:** Registered one tackle.

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles..... 5, vs. Cal (8/30/08)
 Tackles for Losses.... 0.5, twice (last vs. EMU, 9/6/08)

Wilson's Career Stats

Yr.	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	FF	FR
2007	13/1	1	9	10	0.5-1	0-0	0	1
2008	4/4	0	7	7	0.5-1	0-0	0	0
TOT	17/5	1	16	17	1-2	0-0	0	1

Wilson Season Game-by-Game

2008								
Date	Opp	S	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SK.	FR
8/30	CAL	*	0	5	5	0-0	0-0	0
9/6	EMU	*	0	1	1	0.5-1	0-0	0
9/13	FAU	*	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0
9/20	ND	*	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0
TOT			4/4	0	7	7	0.5-1	0-0

GAME 1 • CALIFORNIA 38, MICHIGAN STATE 31

Game 1 vs. California

Aug. 30, 2008 • Berkeley, Calif.

Memorial Stadium • Att: 62,956

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) - Kevin Riley passed for 202 yards and two second-half touchdowns, and Shane Vereen broke an 81-yard scoring run with 4:21 left in California's 38-31 victory over Michigan State.

Jahvid Best rushed for 111 yards and a score, while tight end Cameron Morrah and fullback Will Ta'ufo'ou caught Riley's TD passes in a solid debut for the Golden Bears' brand-new collection of starting offensive skill players.

Brian Hoyer passed for 321 yards, hooking up with Mark Dell for nine catches and 202 yards, the fifth-biggest yardage total for a receiver in Michigan State history. Javon Ringer rushed for 81 yards and two touchdowns for the Spartans, but they couldn't catch up in a back-and-forth second half featuring 45 total points and 503 yards of total offense.

After struggling on offense for three quarters, Michigan State converted three third downs and got a roughing-the-punter penalty during a 97-yard drive that ended with Ringer's 10-yard TD run with 10:45 to play, pulling within 24-21.

Cal replied with its own lengthy drive, ending in Ta'ufo'ou's scoring catch with 5:45 left. Michigan State trimmed the lead to seven points, but Vereen then broke his impressive scoring run on an innocuous first-down play.

After an apparent interception by Cal's Darian Hagan was overturned by replay, Dell caught a 29-yard TD pass with 3:09 left. Michigan State got one last chance, but Hoyer threw four straight incompletions at midfield.

GAME NOTES

- Mark Dell recorded career highs with nine catches and 202 receiving yards...the 202 yards represent the fifth-highest single-game total in school history...he is only the fourth Spartan to record 200 receiving yards in a game (Charles Rogers-twice; Plaxico Burress; Andre Rison)... he is the first Spartan to record 200 receiving yards since Charles Rogers had 270 in the 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic vs. Fresno State.

- Brian Hoyer threw for 321 yards, marking the fourth time in his career he has recorded a 300-yard passing game.

- Javon Ringer had the fourth multi-touchdown game of his career...he scored on a 1-yard TD in the third quarter to trim Cal's lead to 17-14...he also scored on a 10-yard run early in the fourth quarter...Ringer recorded 200 all-purpose yards, including 102 yards on kickoffs.

- Senior strong safety Otis Wiley recorded his first career two-interception game...both interceptions came in the second quarter against Cal quarterback Nate Longshore...the first interception was a 53-yarder in the second quarter - he caught it in the endzone and returned it to the Cal 47...the second pick he returned 31 yards for a touchdown, marking the second time in his career he has returned an interception for a touchdown...his career long interception return was a 54-yarder for a touchdown last year at Ohio State.

- In his first Spartan debut, B.J. Cunningham had five catches for 63 yards.

- Jesse Johnson recorded his first career blocked punt in the third quarter...Brandon Denson recovered the ball at the Cal 12...it marked MSU's first blocked punt since the Minnesota game in 2006 (Denson block)...the turnover led to an MSU touchdown, cutting Cal's lead to 17-14.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	F
Michigan State (0-1)	0	7	7	17	- 31
California (1-0)	7	10	7	14	- 38

SCORING SUMMARY

FIRST QUARTER

CAL (7-0) Nnabuife 5-yard blocked punt return (Seawright kick), 7:32 left

SECOND QUARTER

CAL (10-0) Seawright 26-yard field goal, 9:48 left
Drive: 13 plays, 66 yards, TOP: 7:11

MSU (7-10) Wiley 31-yard interception return (Swenson kick), 2:30 left

CAL (17-7) Best 2-yard run (Seawright kick), 1:36 left
Drive: 3 plays, 70 yards, TOP: 0:48

THIRD QUARTER

MSU (14-17) Ringer 1-yard run (Swenson kick), 10:43 left
Drive: 4 plays, 12 yards, TOP: 1:37

CAL (24-14) Morrah 4-yard pass from Riley (Seawright kick), 5:58 left
Drive: 8 plays, 76 yards, TOP: 4:41

FOURTH QUARTER

MSU (21-24) Ringer 10-yard run (Swenson kick), 10:45 left
Drive: 14 plays, 97 yards, TOP: 5:06

CAL (31-21) Ta'ufo'ou 5-yard pass from Riley (Seawright kick), 5:45 left
Drive: 9 plays, 59 yards, TOP: 4:53

MSU (24-31) Swenson 34-yard field goal, 4:38 left
Drive: 5 plays, 59 yards, TOP: 1:03

CAL (38-24) Vereen 81-yard run, 4:21 left
Drive: 1 play, 81 yards, TOP: 0:11

MSU (31-38) Dell 29-yard pass from Hoyer (Swenson kick), 3:09 left
Drive: 8 plays, 64 yards, TOP: 1:04

TEAM STATISTICS

	MSU	CAL
First Downs	23	22
Rushes-Yards	31-81	36-203
Passing Yards	321	264
Passes	20-48-1	20-30-2
Total Offense	79-402	66-467
Punts-Avg.	6-31.5	5-38.4
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	8-82	8-67
Possession Time	27:56	31:51

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING

MSU: Ringer 27-81, Martin 1-2, Hoyer 2-1, Anderson 1-(-3); CAL: Best 24-111, Vereen 9-101, Riley 1-(-4), TEAM 2-(-5).

PASSING

MSU: Hoyer 20-48-1-231; CAL: Riley 17-24-0-202, Longshore 3-5-2-62, Vereen 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING

MSU: Dell 9-202, Cunningham 5-63, White 3-21, Gantt 2-18, Ringer 1-17; CAL: Morrah 5-93, Best 5-63, Young 4-81, Vereen 4-16, Cunningham 1-6, Ta'ufo'ou 1-5.

GAME 2 • MICHIGAN STATE 42, EASTERN MICHIGAN 10

Game 2 vs. Eastern Michigan
 Sept. 6, 2008 • East Lansing, Mich.
 Spartan Stadium • Att: 71,789

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) - Javon Ringer rushed for 135 yards and a career-high five touchdowns to lead Michigan State to a 42-10 victory over Eastern Michigan.

Ringer was a workhorse for Michigan State, especially early. He carried 25 times for 105 yards and three touchdowns in the first half, sparking the Spartans to a 21-7 halftime lead. He finished with a career-high 34 carries.

Eastern Michigan's spread offense struggled against a faster, aggressive Michigan State defensive.

The Eagles managed an 80-yard touchdown drive to tie the game at 7 early in the second quarter, capped by quarterback Andy Schmitt's 3-yard TD run. But the Spartans responded with 35 unanswered points.

Michigan State quarterback Brian Hoyer completed 8 of 12 passes for 148 yards. Otis Wiley returned five punts for a combined 113 yards, giving the Spartans good field position much of the game.

Eastern Michigan was able to generate 342 yards of total offense. But the Eagles couldn't cash in on scoring opportunities.

Trailing 21-7 midway through the third quarter, a holding call nullified what would have been a 10-yard Terrence Blevins touchdown run for the Eagles. Eastern lined up for a 22-yard field goal but ran a fake, with holder Ryan Downard stopped on the 1 yard line.

Michigan State responded with a long touchdown drive, capped by a 1-yard Ringer run, to take a 28-7 lead late in the third.

GAME NOTES

- Michigan State improved to 8-0 all-time vs. Eastern Michigan with the victory. MSU is 37-6-2 against current members of the Mid-American Conference.

- The Spartans won their home opener for the 10th-straight season.

- Javon Ringer scored a career-high five touchdowns, marking the second-most rushing touchdowns by a Spartan in a single game...Blake Ezor owns the school record with six against Northwestern in 1989...Ringer scored three touchdowns in the first half.

- Ringer finished with 135 yards on a career-high 34 carries...his previous career high was 29 attempts vs. Indiana last season...it marked his 13th-career 100-yard rushing game.

- Otis Wiley had 113 punt return yards, tying for the fourth-best single-game mark in Spartan history...Wiley had a 78-yard return to start the fourth quarter, leading to Ringer's fifth and final TD, marking the 10th-longest punt return in MSU history...MSU had 126 punt return yards all of last season on 31 returns...the MSU single-game record is 137 punt return yards on six returns by Derrick Mason vs. Eastern Michigan in 1996.

- In his first career appearance, red-shirt freshman Kirk Cousins completed 3-of-4 passes for 32 yards...his first pass attempt was a 13-yard completion to Charlie Gantt...his first drive was capped by a 6-yard TD run by Ringer that put MSU up 14-7 at the 5:37 mark in the second quarter.

- Ashton Leggett scored his first-career TD on a 4-yard run in the fourth quarter.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	F
Eastern Michigan (1-1)	0	7	0	3	- 10
Michigan State (1-1)	7	14	7	14	- 42

SCORING SUMMARY**FIRST QUARTER**

MSU (7-0) Ringer 4-yard run (Swenson kick), 1:46 left
 Drive: 7 plays, 46 yards, TOP: 3:08

SECOND QUARTER

EMU (7-7) Schmitt 3-yard run (Carithers kick), 14:52 left
 Drive: 6 plays, 80 yards, TOP 1:54

MSU (14-7) Ringer 6-yard run (Swenson kick), 5:37 left
 Drive: 5 plays, 28 yards, TOP: 2:22

MSU (21-7) Ringer 2-yard run (Swenson kick), 1:05 left
 Drive: 6 plays, 50 yards, TOP: 2:15

THIRD QUARTER

MSU (28-7) Ringer 1-yard run (Swenson kick), 2:08 left
 Drive: 7 plays, 99 yards, TOP: 3:03

FOURTH QUARTER

MSU (35-7) Ringer 2-yard run (Swenson kick), 13:20 left
 Drive: 3 plays, 7 yards, TOP: 1:21

MSU (42-7) Leggett 4-yard run (Swenson kick), 4:43 left
 Drive: 10 plays, 76 yards, TOP: 4:42

EMU (10-42) Carithers 24-yard field goal, 1:24 left
 Drive: 6 plays, 68 yards, TOP: 3:12

TEAM STATISTICS

	EMU	MSU
First Downs	11	21
Rushes-Yards	28-127	52-238
Passing Yards	215	180
Passes	14-31-0	11-16-0
Total Offense	59-342	68-418
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-45	3-25
Possession Time	27:50	32:10

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**RUSHING**

MSU: Ringer 34-135, Anderson 8-75, Martin 1-11, Jimmerson 3-10, Leggett 2-8, Hoyer 3-2, TEAM 1-(-3); EMU: Blevins 9-54, Schmitt 9-46, Priest 6-21, McMahon 2-2 Downard 1-3, Gage 1-1.

PASSING

MSU: Hoyer 8-12-0-148, Cousins 3-4-0-32; EMU: Schmitt 11-23-0-111, McMahon 3-8-0-104.

RECEIVING

MSU: Cunningham 5-76, Dell 3-71, Hawken 2-6, Gantt 1-13, Ringer 1-8, Celek 1-6; EMU: Jones 5-45, Stone 2-45, Blevins 2-11, Leduc 1-63, Gage 1-26, Bonner 1-19, White 1-6.

GAME 3 • MICHIGAN STATE 17, FLORIDA ATLANTIC 0

Game 3 vs. Florida Atlantic

Sept. 13, 2008 • East Lansing, Mich.

Spartan Stadium • Att: 70.321

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) - On a career day, perhaps Michigan State running back Javon Ringer's most striking accomplishment Saturday was hanging onto the ball.

Over and over again, in a nearly constant rain, with the entire Florida Atlantic defense trying to rip it away from him.

Ringer splashed his way to a career-high 282 yards rushing and scored two touchdowns to lead Michigan State past Florida Atlantic in a non-conference game, 17-0, in a soggy Spartan Stadium.

Ringer did it on a career-best 43 carries.

Michigan State coach Mark Dantonio said dry towels were as important as anything Saturday. Knowing rain was forecast, the Spartans practiced playing in wet conditions by dunking footballs in water before putting them in play.

It wasn't an exact simulation.

Quarterbacks and placeholders bobbed snaps throughout the game. The passing game was nonexistent, except for a few big plays. Quarterbacks slipped, receivers slid.

But not Ringer.

Ringer gave Michigan State (2-1) a 7-0 lead early in the second quarter on a 21-yard run. He ran into traffic up the middle, hid behind his offensive line for a fraction of a second, then darted left and headed to the end zone.

It would be all the points the Spartans needed as the Florida Atlantic (1-2) offense stalled in the deluge. The Michigan State defense was strong, getting its first shutout since 1999.

Ringer's running set up the Spartans' second score, a 22-yard field goal by Brett Swenson midway through the third quarter to give Michigan State a 10-0 lead. Ringer's 11-yard TD run early in the fourth put the Spartans ahead 17-0.

Ringer's previous rushing best was 203 yards, set last year against Indiana. His 282-yard day ranks fourth in school history.

Florida Atlantic had a few scoring chances slip away.

Trailing 17-0 midway through the fourth quarter, Owls quarterback Rusty Smith didn't get a snap cleanly and it was recovered by Michigan State defensive back Danny Fortener inside the Spartan 5-yard line. In the first quarter, a bobbed snap prevented the Owls from getting off a field goal attempt.

GAME NOTES

- The 17-0 win marked Michigan State's first shutout since Nov. 13, 1999, when the Spartans defeated Northwestern 34-0; it also marked the first shutout by MSU at Spartan Stadium since a 47-0 victory over Eastern Michigan on Sept. 28, 1996.

- Javon Ringer recorded a career-high 282 yards rushing, the fourth-highest single-game total in Michigan State history...Eric Allen owns the record with 350 yards at Purdue in 1971... Lorenzo White rushed for 292 yards against Indiana in 1987 and 286 yards vs. Indiana in 1985, the only other marks better than Ringer's performance.

- Ringer had a career-high 43 carries, the fifth-most in Michigan State history...the 43 carries are the most by a Spartan since Blake Ezor had 44 carries against Indiana in 1988.

- Chris L. Rucker held Florida Atlantic's leading receiver Cortez Gent without a reception... Gent entered the game with 11 catches for 205 yards.

- Otis Wiley tied his career high with four pass break-ups.

- Florida Atlantic was limited to nine first downs, tying for the fewest first downs allowed during Coach Dantonio's tenure (Notre Dame and Indiana each recorded nine first downs in 2007).

- Michigan State was limited to under 100 yards passing (88 total) for the first time since Nov. 11, 1995, against Indiana (51 yards).

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	F
Florida Atlantic (1-2)	0	0	0	0	- 0
Michigan State (2-1)	0	7	3	7	- 17

SCORING SUMMARY

SECOND QUARTER

MSU (7-0) Ringer 21-yard run (Swenson kick), 12:05 left
Drive: 6 plays, 67 yards, TOP: 2:55

THIRD QUARTER

MSU (10-0) Swenson 22 yard field goal, 6:26 left
Drive: 6 plays, 40 yards, TOP: 3:13

FOURTH QUARTER

MSU (17-0) Ringer 11-yard run (Swenson kick), 13:15 time left
Drive: 6 plays, 87 yards, TOP: 2:37

TEAM STATISTICS

	MSU	FAU
First Downs	18	9
Rushes-Yards	58-259	27-82
Passing Yards	88	143
Passes	5-15-1	8-34-0
Total Offense	73-347	61-225
Punts-Avg.	10-40.8	10-36.5
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	3-2
Penalties-Yards	5-50	7-53
Possession Time	37:27	22:33

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING

MSU: Ringer 43-282, Cunningham 1-18, Martin 1-4, Jimmerson 1-0, Anderson 5-0, Winston 1-(-1), Hoyer 2-(-14); FAU: Pierre 12-57, Edgecomb 7-37, Rose 4-18, TEAM 2-(-1), Peterson 1-(-6), Smith 1-(-23).

PASSING

MSU: Hoyer 5-15-1-88; FAU: Smith 8-34-0-143

RECEIVING

MSU: Dell 1-47, White 1-20, Ringer 1-12, Hawken 1-9, Gnatt, 1-0; FAU: Grant 3-41, Jean 2-15, Housler 1-71, Bonner 1-18, Rose 1-(-2).

GAME 4 • MICHIGAN STATE 23, NOTRE DAME 7

Game 4 vs. Notre Dame
 Sept. 20, 2008 • East Lansing, Mich.
 Spartan Stadium • Att: 76,366

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) - Javon Ringer is trying to share the spotlight.

He brought a slew of offensive linemen, tight ends and fullbacks to a news conference after running for 201 yards and two touchdowns on 39 attempts, carrying the Spartans to a 23-7 win over Notre Dame on Saturday.

"We were able to win because of these guys," Ringer said. "Not because of me."

Nice try, Ringer.

His speed, power and some spin helped him take advantage of holes, becoming the first player to run for 200 yards in consecutive games in Michigan State history.

Michigan State (3-1) took a 13-0 lead into the fourth quarter, then sealed the victory by handing off to Ringer on all seven plays of a 77-yard drive he capped with a TD with 2:16 left.

The Irish (2-1) turned the ball over three times and missed two field goals, hurting their chances of starting 3-0 for the first time since 2002 and the second time in 12 years.

Jimmy Clausen was 24-of-41 for 242 yards with a TD and two interceptions in the first half, one of which was in the end zone on a play that was overturned by a video review.

Clausen was sacked three times - after not being sacked in the first two games - and was hurried and hit numerous times.

Michigan State shut down the Irish's running game and the sacks led to them finishing with 16 yards rushing and seven points, both of which were among the worst totals in Weis' three-plus seasons.

Michael Floyd caught a 26-yard TD pass early in the fourth quarter, getting Notre Dame within six points, after fumbling at the Michigan State 20 early in the third.

The Spartans got off to a good start, limiting Notre Dame to minus-5 yards on its first two drives and kicking a field goal on their opening possession.

Clausen's up-for-grabs pass in the end zone to a double-covered Duval Kamara was ripped away by safety Otis Wiley on Notre Dame's third drive. It was originally ruled incomplete but overturned by replay.

Clausen threw another poor pass in the second quarter and it was picked off by Wiley at the Notre Dame 22, setting up Ringer's first TD.

Ringer took another step toward stardom with his performance against an Irish team geared to stop him. His highlight of the day was a 63-yard run that set up his second TD.

GAME NOTES

- The win marked MSU's first win over Notre Dame at home since 2000...it also marked the first time a home team has won in the series since 2000...Michigan State has won nine of the past 12 meetings in the series...Michigan State now has 27 victories against Notre Dame, the second most by an Irish opponent (Southern Cal - 32 wins).
- Javon Ringer rushed for 201 yards on 39 carries (5.2 avg.), marking the first time ever a Michigan State running back has rushed for more than 200 yards in back-to-back games... he rushed for 282 yards on 43 carries in game three against Florida Atlantic.
- Ringer's 201 yards against the Fighting Irish are the most ever by a Spartan against Notre Dame...the previous high was 157 yards by Dennis Mendyk in 1956...in his four career games against Notre Dame, Ringer rushed for 445 yards on 83 carries.
- Otis Wiley recorded two interceptions for the second time of the season...his first interception arrived in the first quarter at the back of the end zone, halting an Irish scoring drive...his second pick came in the second quarter at the Irish 22-yard line, setting up a Javon Ringer touchdown.
- Brandon Long recorded a career-high two sacks for 19 yards...he entered the game with two career sacks (16 yards)...he finished with a career-high 2.5 tackles for loss for 19 yards.
- The Spartans registered a season-best nine tackles for loss (41 yards) and three sacks (34 yards)...entering the game, Notre Dame's offensive line hadn't allowed a sack.
- Mark Dantonio improved to 2-0 vs. Notre Dame as a head coach at Michigan State...as an assistant and head coach at MSU, Dantonio is 6-0 vs. Notre Dame.
- Michigan State's defense forced three turnovers, two of them occurring in the red zone (interception by Wiley in the first quarter; forced fumble by Ross Weaver and fumble recovery by Eric Gordon in the third quarter)...the three turnovers ties the most in the Coach Dantonio era (Bowling Green, Pittsburgh, Purdue).

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	F
Notre Dame (2-1)	0	0	0	7	- 7
Michigan State (3-1)	3	7	3	10	- 23

SCORING SUMMARY

FIRST QUARTER

MSU (3-0) Swenson 45-yard field goal, 11:14 left
 Drive: 6 plays, 24 yards, TOP: 1:44

SECOND QUARTER

MSU (10-0) Ringer 1-yard run (Swenson kick), 3:28 left
 Drive: 9 plays, 22 yards, TOP: 3:42

THIRD QUARTER

MSU (13-0) Swenson 26 yard field goal, 5:32 left
 Drive: 12 plays, 77 yards, TOP: 5:18

FOURTH QUARTER

ND (7-13) Floyd 26-yard pass from Clausen (Walker kick), 14:51 left
 Drive: 8 plays, 75 yards, TOP: 2:34

MSU (16-7) Swenson 23-yard field goal, 9:10 left
 Drive: 11 plays, 54 yards, TOP: 5:35

MSU (23-7) Ringer 1-yard run (Swenson kick), 2:16 time left
 Drive: 7 plays, 77 yards, TOP: 3:34

TEAM STATISTICS

	MSU	ND
First Downs	16	18
Rushes-Yards	43-203	22-16
Passing Yards	143	242
Passes	12-26-0	24-41-2
Total Offense	69-346	63-258
Punts-Avg.	5-45.2	5-40.8
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-1
Penalties-Yards	6-65	5-24
Possession Time	33:45	26:15

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING

MSU: Ringer 39-201, Hoyer 2-6, TEAM 2-(-4); ND: Tate 1-24, Aldridge 4-13, Hughes 5-9, Allen 6-8, TEAM 1-(-7), Clausen 5-(-31).

PASSING

MSU: Hoyer 12-26-0-143; ND: Clausen 24-41-2-242

RECEIVING

MSU: Dell 4-80, White 2-19, Celek 2-15, Cunningham 1-22, Curry 1-4, Hawken 1-3, Ringer 1-0; ND: Floyd 7-86, Tate 5-83, Allen 5-20, Parris 4-22, Rudolph 2-29, Yeatman 1-2.

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Team Statistics	MSU	OPP
SCORING	113	55
Points Per Game	28.2	13.8
FIRST DOWNS	78	60
Rushing	36	17
Passing	34	35
Penalty	8	8
RUSHING YARDAGE	781	428
Yards gained rushing	907	542
Yards lost rushing	126	114
Rushing Attempts	184	113
Average Per Rush	4.2	3.8
Average Per Game	195.2	107.0
TDs Rushing	12	3
PASSING YARDAGE	732	864
Att-Comp-Int	105-48-2	136-66-4
Average Per Pass	7.0	6.4
Average Per Catch	15.2	13.1
Average Per Game	183.0	216.0
TDs Passing	1	3
TOTAL OFFENSE	1513	1292
Total Plays	289	249
Average Per Play	5.2	5.2
Average Per Game	378.2	323.0
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	13-259	18-431
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	12-184	11-55
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	4-84	2-28
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	19.9	23.9
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	15.3	5.0
INT RETURN AVERAGE	21.0	14.0
FUMBLES-LOST	6-3	6-3
PENALTIES-Yards	22-222	26-189
Average Per Game	55.5	47.2
PUNTS-Yards	24-941	27-1021
Average Per Punt	39.2	37.8
Net punt average	32.8	31.0
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	32:50	27:10
3RD-DOWN Conversions	22/59	18/54
3rd-Down Pct	37%	33%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	2/3	0/5
4th-Down Pct	67%	0%
SACKS BY-Yards	6-46	1-9
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	14	7
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	5-6	2-5
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	15-19 79%	6-12 50%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	11-19 58%	4-12 33%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	14-14 100%	7-7 100%
ATTENDANCE	218476	62956
Games/Avg Per Game	3/72825	1/62956
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Michigan State	10	35	20	48	0	113
Opponents	7	17	7	24	0	55

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<u>Rushing</u>	<u>gp</u>	<u>att</u>	<u>gain</u>	<u>loss</u>	<u>net</u>	<u>avg</u>	<u>td</u>	<u>lg</u>	<u>avg/g</u>
Ringer, Javon	4	143	734	35	699	4.9	11	63	174.8
Anderson, Andre	4	14	91	19	72	5.1	0	32	18.0
Cunningham, B.	4	1	18	0	18	18.0	0	18	4.5
Martin, Keshawn	3	3	17	0	17	5.7	0	11	5.7
Jimmerson, A.J.	3	4	10	0	10	2.5	0	7	3.3
Leggett, Ashton	4	2	8	0	8	4.0	1	4	2.0
Winston, Glenn	2	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.5
Hoyer, Brian	4	9	29	34	-5	-0.6	0	9	-1.2
TEAM	4	7	0	37	-37	-5.3	0	0	-9.2
Total	4	184	907	126	781	4.2	12	63	195.2
Opponents	4	113	542	114	428	3.8	3	81	107.0

<u>Passing</u>	<u>gp</u>	<u>effic</u>	<u>comp-att-int</u>	<u>pct</u>	<u>yds</u>	<u>td</u>	<u>lg</u>	<u>avg/g</u>
Hoyer, Brian	4	102.08	45-101-2	44.6	700	1	52	175.0
Cousins, Kirk	2	142.20	3-4-0	75.0	32	0	13	16.0
Total	4	103.61	48-105-2	45.7	732	1	52	183.0
Opponents	4	103.29	66-136-4	48.5	864	3	71	216.0

<u>Receiving</u>	<u>gp</u>	<u>no.</u>	<u>yds</u>	<u>avg</u>	<u>td</u>	<u>lg</u>	<u>avg/g</u>
Dell, Mark	4	17	400	23.5	1	52	100.0
Cunningham, B.	4	9	161	17.9	0	46	40.2
White, Blair	4	6	60	10.0	0	20	15.0
Ringer, Javon	4	4	37	9.2	0	17	9.2
Gantt, Charlie	4	4	31	7.8	0	16	7.8
Hawken, Andrew	4	4	18	4.5	0	9	4.5
Celek, Garrett	4	3	21	7.0	0	9	5.2
Curry, Deon	1	1	4	4.0	0	4	4.0
Total	4	48	732	15.2	1	52	183.0
Opponents	4	66	864	13.1	3	71	216.0

<u>Punt Returns</u>	<u>no.</u>	<u>yds</u>	<u>avg</u>	<u>td</u>	<u>lg</u>
Wiley, Otis	11	155	14.1	0	78
Johnson, Jesse	1	29	29.0	0	0
Total	12	184	15.3	0	78
Opponents	11	55	5.0	1	18

<u>Interceptions</u>	<u>no.</u>	<u>yds</u>	<u>avg</u>	<u>td</u>	<u>lg</u>
Wiley, Otis	4	84	21.0	1	53
Total	4	84	21.0	1	53
Opponents	2	28	14.0	0	28

<u>Kick Returns</u>	<u>no.</u>	<u>yds</u>	<u>avg</u>	<u>td</u>	<u>lg</u>
Ringer, Javon	9	200	22.2	0	33
Jimmerson, A.J.	1	25	25.0	0	25
Smith, Kyle	1	6	6.0	0	6
Rouse, Josh	1	1	1.0	0	1
Martin, Keshawn	1	27	27.0	0	27
Total	13	259	19.9	0	33
Opponents	18	431	23.9	0	53

<u>Fumble Returns</u>	<u>no.</u>	<u>yds</u>	<u>avg</u>	<u>td</u>	<u>lg</u>
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0

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Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dpx	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
Ringer, Javon	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66
Swenson, Brett	-	5-6	14-14	-	-	-	-	-	29
Leggett, Ashton	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Dell, Mark	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Wiley, Otis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	14	5-6	14-14	-	-	-	-	-	113
Opponents	7	2-5	7-7	-	-	-	-	-	55

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Ringer, Javon	4	143	699	0	699	174.8
Hoyer, Brian	4	110	-5	700	695	173.8
Anderson, Andre	4	14	72	0	72	18.0
Cousins, Kirk	2	4	0	32	32	16.0
Cunningham, B.	4	1	18	0	18	4.5
Martin, Keshawn	3	3	17	0	17	5.7
Jimmerson, A.J.	3	4	10	0	10	3.3
Leggett, Ashton	4	2	8	0	8	2.0
Winston, Glenn	2	1	-1	0	-1	-0.5
TEAM	4	7	-37	0	-37	-9.2
Total	4	289	781	732	1513	378.2
Opponents	4	249	428	864	1292	323.0

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Swenson, Brett	5-6	83.3	0-0	3-3	1-2	1-1	0-0	45	0

FG Sequence	Michigan State	Opponents
California	39,(34)	(26)
Eastern Michigan	-	41,(24)
Florida Atlantic	(22)	-
Notre Dame	(45),(26),(23)	51,41

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Bates, Aaron	23	941	40.9	53	5	1	7	6	1
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	24	941	39.2	53	5	1	7	6	1
Opponents	27	1021	37.8	59	0	5	9	3	1

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
Boleski, Todd	23	1523	66.2	5	0			
Total	23	1523	66.2	5	0	23.9	43.1	26
Opponents	13	745	57.3	0	0	19.9	37.4	32

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<u>All Purpose</u>	<u>g</u>	<u>rush</u>	<u>rcv</u>	<u>pr</u>	<u>kr</u>	<u>ir</u>	<u>total</u>	<u>avg/g</u>
Ringer, Javon	4	699	37	0	200	0	936	234.0
Dell, Mark	4	0	400	0	0	0	400	100.0
Wiley, Otis	4	0	0	155	0	84	239	59.8
Cunningham, B.	4	18	161	0	0	0	179	44.8
Anderson, Andre	4	72	0	0	0	0	72	18.0
White, Blair	4	0	60	0	0	0	60	15.0
Martin, Keshawn	3	17	0	0	27	0	44	14.7
Jimmerson, A.J.	3	10	0	0	25	0	35	11.7
Gantt, Charlie	4	0	31	0	0	0	31	7.8
Johnson, Jesse	4	0	0	29	0	0	29	7.2
Celek, Garrett	4	0	21	0	0	0	21	5.2
Hawken, Andre	4	0	18	0	0	0	18	4.5
Leggett, Ashton	4	8	0	0	0	0	8	2.0
Smith, Kyle	4	0	0	0	6	0	6	1.5
Curry, Deon	1	0	4	0	0	0	4	4.0
Rouse, Josh	4	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.2
Winston, Glenn	2	-1	0	0	0	0	-1	-0.5
Hoyer, Brian	4	-5	0	0	0	0	-5	-1.2
TEAM	4	-37	0	0	0	0	-37	-9.2
Total	4	781	732	184	259	84	2040	510.0
Opponents	4	428	864	55	431	28	1806	451.5

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Michigan State Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Sep 20, 2008)
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##	Defensive Leaders	gp	Tackles			Sacks tfl/yds	Pass defense		Fumbles		blkd		ff	kick
			ua	a	tot		no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds			
53	Jones, Greg	4	14	12	26	4.5-12	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
55	Decker, Adam	4	9	16	25	3.0-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	Fortener, Dan	4	17	6	23	.	.	.	2	.	1-0	.	.	
29	Rucker, Chris L	4	13	8	21	2.5-12	0.5-8	.	.	.	.	.	.
21	Wiley, Otis	4	12	8	20	.	.	4-84	6	.	.	.	.
43	Gordon, Eric	4	6	14	20	2.5-8	.	.	2	2	1-0	.	.	
34	Denson, Brandon	4	8	4	12	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
37	Weaver, Ross	4	10	2	12	1.0-3	.	.	3	.	.	1	.	
47	Long, Brandon	4	5	6	11	2.5-19	2.0-18	.	.	1	.	.	.	
89	Neely, Colin	4	4	6	10	2.0-5	0.5-2	.	.	1	.	.	.	
97	Kershaw, Justin	4	4	6	10	3.5-9	1.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.
70	Wilson, Oren	4	.	7	7	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
38	Davis-Clark, K.	1	4	2	6	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	Ware, Jeremy	3	3	3	6	1.0-1	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
58	Anderson, T.	4	2	3	5	2.0-16	1.5-15	.	.	.	.	.	.
5B	Strayhorn, J.	3	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
11	Hyde, Marcus	4	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	Jordan, Michael	4	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.
39	Robinson, T.	3	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	Pickelman, K.	4	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
5	Adams, Johnny	3	3	.	3	1.0-1	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
49	Holmes, Dwayne	4	1	1	2	0.5-0	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	
54	Rolf, David	4	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	Dell, Mark	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
42	Allison, Ryan	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
57	Cironi, Rocco	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	McPherson, Jeff	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	Henderson, A.	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Bell, Mike	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
15	Boleski, Todd	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93	Jeremiah, A.	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM	TEAM	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Johnson, Jesse	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
44	Rouse, Josh	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total		4	124	124	248	27-91	6-46	4-84	16	5	3-0	1	1	
Opponents		4	122	204	326	14-48	1-9	2-28	18	2	3-0	1	1	

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Michigan State Team Game-by-Game (as of Sep 20, 2008)
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TEAM STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Aug 30	at California	31	81	2	10	20	321	1	52	20-48-1	321	1	52	7	109	0	33	1	29	0	0	402
Sep 06	EASTERN MICHIGAN	52	238	6	32	11	180	0	46	11-16-0	180	0	46	3	89	0	33	5	113	0	78	418
Sep 13	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	58	259	2	32	5	88	0	47	5-15-1	88	0	47	1	14	0	14	5	32	0	11	347
Sep 20	NOTRE DAME	43	203	2	63	12	143	0	28	12-26-0	143	0	28	2	47	0	25	1	10	0	10	346
Michigan State		184	781	12	63	48	732	1	52	48-105-2	732	1	52	13	259	0	33	12	184	0	78	1513
		113	428	3	81	66	864	3	71	66-136-4	864	3	71	18	431	0	53	11	55	1	18	1292

Games played: 4
 Avg per rush: 4.2
 Avg per catch: 15.2
 Pass efficiency: 103.61
 Kick ret avg: 19.9
 Punt ret avg: 15.3
 All purpose avg/game: 510.0
 Total offense avg/gm: 378.2

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			Blkd kick	PAT Attempts			saf	pts
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv		
Aug 30	at California	39	36	75	7.0-18	1.0-4	0	0-0	2-84	2	1	1	4-4	0	0	0	31
Sep 06	EASTERN MICHIGAN	26	32	58	7.0-18	2.0-8	0	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	6-6	0	0	0	42
Sep 13	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	26	26	52	4.0-14	0.0-0	0	2-0	0-0	0	7	0	2-2	0	0	0	17
Sep 20	NOTRE DAME	33	30	63	9.0-41	3.0-34	1	1-0	2-0	2	6	0	2-2	0	0	0	23
Michigan State		124	124	248	27.0-91	6.0-46	1	3-0	4-84	5	16	1	14-14	0	0	0	113
		122	204	326	14.0-48	1.0-9	1	3-0	2-28	2	18	1	7-7	0	0	0	55

Date	Opponent	Punting							Field Goals			Kickoffs						
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Aug 30	at California	6	189	31.5	49	1	1	0	0	2	1-2	34	0	6	367	61.2	0	0
Sep 06	EASTERN MICHIGAN	3	118	39.3	50	0	1	0	1	2	0-0	0	0	7	475	67.9	3	0
Sep 13	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	10	408	40.8	53	0	2	0	4	2	1-1	22	0	4	270	67.5	1	0
Sep 20	NOTRE DAME	5	226	45.2	52	0	1	1	1	1	3-3	45	0	6	411	68.5	1	0
Michigan State		24	941	39.2	53	1	5	1	6	7	5-6	45	0	23	1523	66.2	5	0
		27	1021	37.8	59	1	0	5	3	9	2-5	26	0	13	745	57.3	0	0

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Michigan State Opponent Game-by-Game (as of Sep 20, 2008)
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OPPONENT STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Aug 30	at California	36	203	2	81	20	264	2	50	20-30-2	264	2	50	6	118	0	35	3	7	1	5	467
Sep 06	EASTERN MICHIGAN	28	127	1	40	14	215	0	63	14-31-0	215	0	63	4	87	0	26	0	0	0	0	342
Sep 13	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	27	82	0	16	8	143	0	71	8-34-0	143	0	71	3	79	0	41	5	25	0	10	225
Sep 20	NOTRE DAME	22	16	0	24	24	242	1	30	24-41-2	242	1	30	5	147	0	53	3	23	0	18	258
Opponents		113	428	3	81	66	864	3	71	66-136-4	864	3	71	18	431	0	53	11	55	1	18	1292
		184	781	12	63	48	732	1	52	48-105-2	732	1	52	13	259	0	33	12	184	0	78	1513

Games played: 4
 Avg per rush: 3.8
 Avg per catch: 13.1
 Pass efficiency: 103.29
 Kick ret avg: 23.9
 Punt ret avg: 5.0
 All purpose avg/game: 451.5
 Total offense avg/gm: 323.0

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			Blkd kick	PAT Attempts				saf	pts
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv			
Aug 30	at California	32	40	72	3.0-10	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	2	10	1	5-5	0	0	0	0	38
Sep 06	EASTERN MICHIGAN	31	58	89	3.0-12	1.0-9	0	1-0	0-0	0	2	0	1-1	0	0	0	10	
Sep 13	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	32	54	86	5.0-10	0.0-0	0	1-0	1-28	0	3	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
Sep 20	NOTRE DAME	27	52	79	3.0-16	0.0-0	1	1-0	0-0	0	3	0	1-1	0	0	0	7	
Opponents		122	204	326	14.0-48	1.0-9	1	3-0	2-28	2	18	1	7-7	0	0	0	55	
		124	124	248	27.0-91	6.0-46	1	3-0	4-84	5	16	1	14-14	0	0	0	113	

Date	Opponent	Punting							Field Goals			Kickoffs						
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Aug 30	at California	5	192	38.4	59	1	0	2	3	3	1-1	26	0	7	369	52.7	0	0
Sep 06	EASTERN MICHIGAN	7	260	37.1	45	0	0	0	0	0	1-2	24	0	3	197	65.7	0	0
Sep 13	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	10	365	36.5	49	0	0	1	0	4	0-0	0	0	1	59	59.0	0	0
Sep 20	NOTRE DAME	5	204	40.8	46	0	0	2	0	2	0-2	0	0	2	120	60.0	0	0
Opponents		27	1021	37.8	59	1	0	5	3	9	2-5	26	0	13	745	57.3	0	0
		24	941	39.2	53	1	5	1	6	7	5-6	45	0	23	1523	66.2	5	0