

# 2008 BAYLOR FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



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## GAME 5

### BAYLOR (2-2, 0-0) vs. #1 OKLAHOMA (4-0, 0-0)

#### GAME INFORMATION

**Date:** Saturday, Oct. 4, 2008  
**Kickoff:** 11:40 a.m. CDT  
**Location:** Waco, Texas  
**Stadium:** Floyd Casey Stadium  
**Capacity:** 50,000  
**Series:** Oklahoma leads 17-0  
**Waco:** Oklahoma leads 8-0  
**Norman:** Oklahoma leads 9-0  
**Neutral:** Never Met  
**First Meeting:** OU 17-6 [Oct. 26, 1901]  
**Last Meeting:** OU 52-21 [Nov. 10, 2007]

#### BAYLOR BEARS

**Record:** 2-2, 0-0 Big 12  
**Ranking:** NR/NR  
**Head Coach:** Art Briles  
**Career Record:** 36-30 (6th season)  
**Baylor Record:** 2-2 (1st season)  
**vs. Oklahoma:** 0-1  
**Statistical Leaders:**  
**Rushing:** Robert Griffin [55-334-5]  
**Passing:** Robert Griffin [47-78-0-756-7]  
**Receiving:** Kendall Wright [15-185-1]  
**Tackles:** Joe Pawelek [11-37-48]

#### OKLAHOMA SOONERS

**Record:** 4-0, 0-0 Big 12  
**Ranking:** 1st/1st  
**Head Coach:** Bob Stoops  
**Career Record:** 101-22 (10th season)  
**Oklahoma Record:** 101-22 (10th season)  
**vs. Baylor:** 9-0  
**Statistical Leaders:**  
**Rushing:** DeMarco Murray [59-335-3]  
**Passing:** Sam Bradford [83-115-2-1293-16]  
**Receiving:** Manuel Johnson [21-376-4]  
**Tackles:** Travis Lewis [19-14-33]

Baylor returns to action Saturday, Oct. 4, hosting top-ranked Oklahoma in the Big 12 Conference opener for both teams. Kickoff between the Bears and Sooners is scheduled for 11:40 a.m. CDT at Floyd Casey Stadium. Saturday's game will be televised nationally on FSN, Baylor's fourth televised game this season.

The Bears (2-2, 0-0 Big 12) enjoyed one of two open dates on their 2008 schedule last weekend. Baylor has not played since a 31-28 loss Sept. 19 at Connecticut. The Bears are 2-1 at home this season, falling to then-No. 23 Wake Forest and defeating Northwestern State and Washington State.

The Sooners (4-0, 0-0 Big 12) defeated then-No. 24 TCU 35-10 at home last Saturday. Oklahoma also defeated Chattanooga, Cincinnati and Washington this season. The Sooners are 1-0 on the road in 2008, winning 55-14 at Washington three weeks ago. Oklahoma is ranked first nationally in both the Associated Press Top 25 and the USA Today Coaches' Poll.

All Baylor football games are broadcast live on the Baylor/ISP Sports Radio Network; Waco's 1660 ESPN Radio is the network's flagship station. Saturday's game also will be carried on Sirius Radio 161. Live streaming audio and GameTracker also are available for all Baylor football games online at [www.BaylorBears.com](http://www.BaylorBears.com), the official website of Baylor Athletics and a member of the CBS College Sports network.

## BAYLOR-OKLAHOMA SERIES

This is the 18th meeting between Baylor and Oklahoma; the Sooners have dominated the series, winning each of the first 17 meetings. Oklahoma's 37-30 double-overtime win at Norman in 2005 was the closest game in the series since the Sooners' 24-23 victory at Norman in 1997.

While Oklahoma has won every game in the series, not all have been handily. In fact, the first three meetings as Big 12 foes were decided by a total of 17 points, including scores of 28-24 and 24-23 in the first two meetings.

Baylor and Oklahoma first met Oct. 26, 1901; the Sooners left Waco that day with a 17-6 victory. The teams did not play again until 1973.

**SERIES NOTES:** Oklahoma is the only Big 12 team Baylor has never defeated. In fact, Oklahoma is the only team Baylor has played at least five times without at least one win. ... This is the eighth time in the last nine meetings that Oklahoma has been ranked when playing Baylor and the third time in that span that the Sooners have been ranked No. 1. Oklahoma is the only top-ranked team Baylor has played since the 2000 Nebraska game. ... When Baylor faced top-ranked Oklahoma in 2000, it was the Bears' second game against the nation's top-ranked team in a 15-day span. Two weeks prior, Baylor played then-No. 1 Nebraska. ... Baylor held Oklahoma to 56 yards rushing in the 2003 meeting, a season low for the Sooners and the fewest yards rushing allowed by a Baylor team since 1995. In fact, Oklahoma had negative rushing yards until late in the third quarter. ... In the 1989 season opener for both teams, then-No. 8 Oklahoma ran the ball on 70 of 72 plays en route to a 33-7 victory at Norman. The Sooners were 0-of-2 passing, the fourth and most recent time a Baylor opponent did not complete a pass. ... **Randy Davis** returned a kickoff 93 yards for a TD against the Sooners in 2001. That still stands as the eighth-longest kickoff return in Baylor history. ... **Pete Rutter's** 81-yard punt against Oklahoma in 1989 still ranks fifth all-time at Baylor.

## BAYLOR COACHING STAFF

**Art Briles**, head coach

**Randy Clements**, co-offensive coord./OL

**Philip Montgomery**, co-offensive coord./QB/RB

**Brian Norwood**, defensive coordinator

**Dino Babers**, recruiting coordinator/WR

**Chris Achuff**, defensive tackles

**Kendal Briles**, inside receivers

**Larry Hoefler**, linebackers

**Kim McCloud**, cornerbacks

**Theo Young**, defensive ends

**Reed Heim**, graduate assistant/defense

**Colin Shillinglaw**, director of operations

**Kaz Kazadi**, strength and conditioning

## SCHEDULE/RESULTS

### AUGUST

28 WAKE FOREST NR-#23 FSN-TV L 13-41

### SEPTEMBER

6 NORTHWESTERN STATE W 51-6

12 WASHINGTON STATE FCS-TV W 45-17

19 at Connecticut ESPN2-TV L 28-31

### OCTOBER

4 • OKLAHOMA NR-#1 FSN-TV 11:40 a.m.

11 • IOWA STATE FCS-TV 6:05 p.m.

18 • at Oklahoma State TBA

25 • at Nebraska TBA

### NOVEMBER

1 • MISSOURI (HC) TBA

8 • at Texas TBA

15 • TEXAS A&M TBA

29 • at Texas Tech TBA

All times Central and Subject to change

## WEEKLY MEDIA AVAILABILITY

### MONDAY, SEPT. 29

Big 12 Football Teleconference

- Art Briles, 11 a.m.

- No player availability

### TUESDAY, SEPT. 30

Baylor Football Media Luncheon (Galloway Suite), 12:15 p.m.

- Art Briles, 12:30 p.m.

- requested players, 12:45 p.m.

Practice, 2:30 p.m. (Practice Field)

- only players requested for luncheon who did not attend available

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 1

Practice, 3:45 p.m. (Practice Field)

- Art Briles and requested players available prior to practice

### THURSDAY, OCT. 2

Practice, 3:45 p.m. (Practice Field)

- Art Briles available prior to practice

- No player availability

### FRIDAY, OCT. 3

No media availability

### SATURDAY, OCT. 4

Baylor locker room is closed

Postgame media availability outside locker room

- Art Briles, 20 minutes after conclusion of game

- requested players following Briles

### SUNDAY, OCT. 5

Baylor media teleconference

- Art Briles, 2:15-2:30 p.m.

- no player availability

### OTHER

- Player requests for Tuesday Media Luncheon should be submitted to Larry Little ([Larry\\_Little@baylor.edu](mailto:Larry_Little@baylor.edu)) no later than 2 p.m. CT Sunday.

- Practices are closed to media and public; no cameras after the first 15 minutes.

- Art Briles phone interviews: submit requests to Heath Nielsen ([Heath\\_Nielsen@baylor.edu](mailto:Heath_Nielsen@baylor.edu)) at least 24 hours in advance.

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**TUESDAY MEDIA LUNCHEONS**

Baylor's **Art Briles** meets with the media every game-week Tuesday at 12:15 p.m. in the Galloway Suite, located on the third floor of the end zone complex. Game notes and stats for both teams will be distributed at this time.

Player requests for Tuesday's luncheon should be submitted to Baylor Associate Director of Athletic Media Relations **Larry Little** via e-mail no later than **2 p.m. CT Sunday**.

**BIG 12 TELECONFERENCE**

Head coach **Art Briles** is available each Monday at 11 a.m. CT on the Big 12's Coaches Teleconference. Contact the Big 12 Conference media relations office for more information, including participation phone number. A playback of the teleconference is available beginning two hours after the conclusion by calling **706.634.1618**.

**BAYLOR MEDIA WEBSITE**

An all-in-one-place media page is can be found at Baylor's website at: <http://baylorbears.cstv.com/ot/bay-media.html>. Among the information available at the site are links and pdfs of statistics, game notes, quick facts and directions as well as photo/logo downloads and video FTP information.

**BAYLOR VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS FTP SITE**

Baylor provides broadcast-quality video of home-game postgame highlights and Tuesday press conferences via FTP download. First-half footage is available at the start of the third quarter, second-half footage is available after the game. Tuesday presser footage is available at approximately 4:30 p.m. CT. Contact Baylor Athletic Media Relations for FTP address and login information.

**ART BRILES CALL-IN SHOW**

Coach Briles' weekly call-in show airs Thursdays from 6 to 7 p.m. CT on KRZI 1660AM in Waco, on KZNX 1530AM in Austin and KCUB 98.5FM in Stephenville. The Central National Bank Art Briles Call-In show will air each Thursday throughout the season (except Aug. 28 and a Wednesday show Sept. 17).

**PLAYER INTERVIEWS**

All player interviews must be requested through the Baylor Athletic Media Relations office. Please coordinate all requests with the Baylor Athletic Media Relations office. **Players are available to meet with the media at the Tuesday press luncheon and prior to practice Wednesday only.**

**PRACTICE COVERAGE**

Baylor's practices are closed to the media and the general public. Media are allowed to attend the first 15 minutes of practice; still and video photography are allowed during this time.

**QUICK NOTES**

- The NCAA ranks the Bears' schedule as the nation's third-toughest. Baylor's Division I FBS opponents currently have a 26-9 combined record against Division I FBS opponents.
- Both Baylor losses this season have come against teams currently ranked in the Associated Press Top 25 and the USA Today Coaches' Poll.
- Baylor is 45-42-4 (.516) all-time in conference openers, including a 3-9 mark in Big 12 openers.
- Baylor is 41-153-6 all-time against ranked opponents, including a 0-10-1 mark against top-ranked teams.
- Baylor is 38-75-2 all-time in televised games.
- Baylor is 7-0 in takeaways-turnovers over the last two games.
- Baylor ranks 13th nationally in rushing (224.0 ypg) and 22nd in passing efficiency (152.06).
- Baylor is 26th nationally in total offense (429.8 ypg) and 30th in scoring offense (34.4 ppg).
- Baylor is 13th nationally in net punting (39.4 ypp).
- Baylor is tied for 13th nationally in turnover margin (plus-1.25 tpg).
- Baylor ranks is tied for 14th nationally with 2.75 sacks per game.
- QB **Robert Griffin** ranks sixth in the Big 12 and 54th nationally in rushing (83.5 ypg). He also ranks 10th nationally and sixth in the Big 12 in passing efficiency (171.29), and he is 27th nationally and eighth in the league in total offense (272.5 ypg).
- RB **Jay Finley** ranks seventh in the Big 12 and 57th nationally in rushing (79.3 ypg).
- LB **Joe Pawelek** is tied for fourth nationally and first in the Big 12 in tackles (12.0 tpg). He also is tied for 24th nationally and third in the league in interceptions (0.5 ipg).
- P **Derek Epperson** ranks 20th nationally and second in the Big 12 in punting (43.5 ypp).
- LB **Antonio Jones** is tied for ninth in the Big 12 in tackles (7.3 tpg).
- DE **Leon Freeman** is tied for 18th nationally and fourth in the conference with 1.5 tackles for loss per game.
- Four Bears have started at least 20 consecutive games: RT **Dan Gay** (26), Pawelek (25), DT **Vincent Rhodes** (24) and DE **Jason Lamb** (22).
- Three Baylor true freshmen are listed first at their respective positions: Griffin, PK **Ben Parks** and WR **Kendall Wright**.

**OKLAHOMA GAME BEGINS TOUGH STRETCH**

Beginning with Saturday's game against Oklahoma, four of Baylor's next six games are against teams ranked nationally in this week's polls. In fact, three of the four are against teams ranked in the top 10. After facing No. 1 Oklahoma this week, the Bears host Iowa State before traveling to No. 21/22 Oklahoma State in two weeks. Baylor then travels to Nebraska before hosting No. 5 Texas and traveling to No. 4/3 Missouri.

**BAYLOR-OKLAHOMA COMPARISONS**

BAYLOR (2-2, 0-0 Big 12)						OKLAHOMA (4-0, 0-0 Big 12)						NCAA TEAM STATISTICS RANKINGS					
Team Statistics			BU	OPP		Team Statistics			OU	OPP		Category	BU	OU			
Scoring			34.2	23.8		Scoring			49.8	13.0		Rushing Offense	13	46			
First Downs			84	77		First Downs			102	59		Passing Offense	67	5			
Rushing Offense			224.0	127.5		Rushing Offense			169.5	73.0		Total Offense	26	7			
Passing Offense			205.8	186.5		Passing Offense			357.0	180.0		Scoring Offense	30	5			
Total Offense			429.8	314.0		Total Offense			526.5	253.0		Rushing Defense	51	12			
Turnovers			6	11		Turnovers			3	9		Pass Efficiency Defense	47	4			
Penalties			31-64.2	21-43.0		Penalties			28-71.0	30-45.5		Total Defense	36	15			
Punts			16-39.4	18-38.9		Punts			20-32.5	29-39.0		Scoring Defense	65	13			
Punt Returns			10-1.7	5-5.0		Punt Returns			9-6.7	6-7.5		Net Punting	13	95			
Kickoff Returns			14-24.0	20-20.0		Kickoff Returns			10-26.0	30-24.9		Punt Returns	116	86			
Third Downs			45.5%	46.9%		Third Downs			48.1%	27.4%		Kickoff Returns	27	14			
Sacks-Yards			12-87	9-38		Sacks-Yards			15-105	5-42		Turnover Margin	t-13	t-9			
Field Goals			2-3	6-6		Field Goals			1-1	1-5		Pass Defense	38	34			
Time of Possession			26:52	33:08		Time of Possession			30:11	29:49		Passing Efficiency	22	3			
<b>Rushing</b>	<b>ATT</b>	<b>NET</b>	<b>AVG</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>YPG</b>	<b>Rushing</b>	<b>ATT</b>	<b>NET</b>	<b>AVG</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>YPG</b>	Sacks	t-14	4			
Griffin	55	334	6.1	5	83.5	Murray	59	335	5.7	3	83.8	Tackles for Loss	t-37	1			
Finley	39	317	8.1	3	79.2	Brown	55	268	4.9	5	67.0	Sacks Allowed	97	t-35			
Sims	18	83	4.6	0	20.8	Madu	37	129	3.5	2	32.2						
<b>Passing</b>	<b>C-A-I</b>	<b>PCT</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>YPG</b>		<b>Passing</b>	<b>C-A-I</b>	<b>PCT</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>YPG</b>							
Griffin	47-78-0	60.3	7	189.0		Bradford	83-115-2	72.2	16	323.2							
<b>Receiving</b>	<b>REC</b>	<b>YDS</b>	<b>AVG</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>YPG</b>	<b>Receiving</b>	<b>REC</b>	<b>YDS</b>	<b>AVG</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>YPG</b>						
Wright	15	185	12.3	1	46.2	Johnson	21	376	17.9	4	94.0						
Gettis	11	184	16.7	0	46.0	Iglesias	17	268	15.8	4	67.0						
Akers	8	118	14.8	2	29.5	Gresham	14	256	18.3	4	64.0						
White	8	117	14.6	1	29.2	Broyles	11	238	21.6	3	79.3						

**LAST TIME vs. OKLAHOMA**

**OKLAHOMA 52, BAYLOR 21**

**NOV. 10, 2007 • GAYLORD FAMILY OKLAHOMA MEMORIAL STADIUM • NORMAN, OKLA.**

Two redzone turnovers and an Oklahoma kickoff return for a touchdown proved fatal for Baylor in a 52-21 loss to the fourth-ranked Sooners.

After the teams traded punts on their first possessions, Baylor drove to the Oklahoma 3 thanks to **Brandon Whitaker's** 57-yard run. However, **Blake Szymanski** was intercepted in the end zone on the next play, thwarting Baylor's first scoring chance of the game.

The Bears again forced the Sooners to punt and responded with a five-play, 65-yard scoring drive. Whitaker's 46-yard touchdown run capped the drive.

Baylor's lead was short-lived, though, as Oklahoma marched 72 yards on seven plays and scored in 2:28. DeMarco Murray's first of three touchdown runs ended the drive, this one from 25 yards out.

After the Bears went three-and-out on their ensuing possession, Oklahoma quickly took the lead. Sam Bradford connected with Malcolm Kelly for a 51-yard touchdown pass on the Sooners' first play from scrimmage.

Oklahoma pushed its lead to 21-7 with 10:24 remaining in the second quarter. Baylor got back in the game with a 75-yard Szymanski-to-**Thomas White** touchdown pass with 60 seconds to play in the quarter. However, the Sooners again answered quickly as Murray returned the ensuing kickoff 91 yards for a touchdown.

The Sooners scored on the first drive of the second half, but Baylor had a chance to answer. The Bears had second-and-goal at the Oklahoma seven; however, a false start cost Baylor five yards, and Szymanski was intercepted on the next play. Bradford recorded his third touchdown pass of the game on the ensuing drive, giving Oklahoma a 42-14 lead.

Szymanski again connected with White for a touchdown pass late in the third quarter, this time from 42 yards out. That was the end of the scoring for Baylor, though. Oklahoma added a 27-yard Garrett Hartley field goal and a Murray 21-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter.

Whitaker finished with 149 yards rushing on 15 carries, the second 100-yard rushing game of his career. At the time, it was Baylor's first 100-yard rushing effort since the 2005 Texas A&M game and the Bears' best rushing performance since **Rashad Armstrong's** 166-yard tally against Colorado in 2003. Whitaker's rushing total was Baylor's best ever against Oklahoma. He also had 10 receptions for 68 yards, finishing with 217 all-purpose yards.

Szymanski was 25-of-42 for 280 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions. During the game, he established Baylor single-season records for total yards, passing yards and passing touchdowns.

**BAYLOR IN CONFERENCE OPENERS**

Baylor is 45-42-4 (.516) all-time in conference openers. The Bears are 3-9 in Big 12 Conference openers, going 3-2 when opening Big 12 play at home. Baylor won its Big 12 opener in 2002 (def. Kansas 35-32), in 2003 (def. Colorado 42-30) and in 2006 (def. Kansas State 17-3). Baylor has never won a Big 12 opener on the road (1996 at Texas Tech, 1998 at Colorado, 1999 at Oklahoma, 2001 at Iowa State, 2004 at Texas, 2005 at Texas A&M).

This is only the second time Baylor has played Oklahoma in its Big 12 opener; the Bears suffered a 41-10 loss at Norman in 1999. Baylor opened Big 12 play against Colorado, Iowa State, Texas A&M and Texas Tech twice each, and against Kansas, Kansas State and Texas once each.

In 79 seasons as a member of the Southwest Conference, Baylor was 42-33-4 (.557) in league openers. The Bears won six of their last seven, 10 of their last 12 and 14 of their last 17 such SWC games.

**LAST MEETING**

**OKLAHOMA 52, BAYLOR 21**

**GAYLORD/OU MEMORIAL STADIUM • NORMAN, OKLA. NOV. 10, 2007 • ATTENDANCE: 84,450**

**BAYLOR . . . . . 7 7 7 0 — 21**  
**OKLAHOMA . . . . . 14 14 14 10 — 52**

1st	4:56	BU	Whitaker 46 run (Allen kick)	7-0
1st	2:16	OU	Murray 25 run (Hartley kick)	7-7
1st	1:08	OU	Kelly 51 pass from Bradford (Hartley kick)	7-14
2nd	10:24	OU	Murray 1 run (Hartley kick)	7-21
2nd	1:00	BU	White 75 pass from Szymanski (Allen kick)	14-21
2nd	0:54	OU	Murray 91 kickoff return (Hartley kick)	14-28
3rd	12:19	OU	Johnson 60 pass from Bradford (Hartley kick)	14-35
3rd	3:48	OU	Johnson 13 pass from Bradford (Hartley kick)	14-42
3rd	1:30	BU	White 42 pass from Szymanski (Allen kick)	21-42
4th	12:16	OU	Hartley 27 FG	21-45
4th	2:48	OU	Murray 21 run	21-52

	<b>BU</b>	<b>OU</b>
<b>First Downs</b>	20	24
<b>Rushing</b>	5	7
<b>Passing</b>	12	14
<b>Penalty</b>	3	3
<b>Rushing Att.-Yards</b>	26-170	37-180
<b>Average</b>	6.5	4.9
<b>Passing Yards</b>	280	353
<b>Passing (C-A-I)</b>	25-42-2	20-25-1
<b>Average</b>	6.7	14.1
<b>Total Offense</b>	450	533
<b>Average</b>	6.6	8.6
<b>Punts-Avg.</b>	5-38.2	2-39.5
<b>Net Average</b>	31.0	29.5
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	2-0	1-0
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	8-49	6-45
<b>3rd-Down Conversions</b>	6-of-13	5-of-11
<b>Red-Zone Scores-Chances</b>	0-2	3-4
<b>Touchdowns</b>	0	2
<b>Field Goals</b>	0	1
<b>Sacks-Yards</b>	0-0	0-0
<b>Time of Possession</b>	30:25	29:35

**RUSHING:** (BU) Whitaker 15-149 1 TD, Finley 5-16, White 1-7, J. Jones 1-1, Szymanski 4(-3); (OU) Murray 13-95 3 TD, Patrick 13-46, Brown 11-39.

**PASSING:** (BU) Szymanski 25-42-2-280 2 TD; (OU) Bradford 20-25-1-353 3 TD.

**RECEIVING:** (BU) Whitaker 10-68, Gettis 4-30, Smith 3-40, White 2-117 2 TD, Fenty 2-12, J. Jones 2-8, Akers 2-5; (OU) Johnson 4-126 2 TD, Kelly 4-82 1 TD, Iglesias 3-29, Gresham 2-40, Finley 2-25, Murray 2-19, Patrick 2-14, Tannel 1-18.

**PUNTING:** (BU) Epperson 5-38.2 50; (OU) Knall 2-39.5 42.

**MISSED FIELD GOALS:** (BU) Allen 38; (OU) None.

**DEFENSE:** (BU) Williams 7-1-8 1.0 TFL, Bell 7-1-8 1 PBU, J. La Mar 3-5-8, Lake 3-3-6, Patin 2-3-5, Bryant 3-1-4 0.5 TFL, Moore 2-2-4, Francis 1-2-3 1 INT; (OU) Lofton 8-3-11 1.0 TFL, Smith 2-5-7 1.0 TFL 1 INT 1 PBU, Davis 4-2-6 0.5 TFL, Holmes 4-2-6 0.5 TFL, Baker 4-2-6 1.0 TFL, Beal 1-0-1 1.0 TFL 1 FF.

**TRACKING BAYLOR'S 2008 OPPONENTS**

<b>OPPONENT (DATE VS. BU)</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>LAST WEEK</b>	<b>THIS WEEK</b>
WAKE FOREST (Aug. 28)	3-1	L vs. Navy 24-17	—
NORTHWESTERN STATE (Sept. 6)	3-2	W vs. SE Oklahoma 63-12	—
WASHINGTON STATE (Sept. 13)	1-4	L vs. Oregon 63-14	at UCLA
at Connecticut (Sept. 20)	5-0	W at Louisville 26-21	at North Carolina
OKLAHOMA (Oct. 4)	4-0	W vs. TCU 35-10	<b>at BAYLOR</b>
IOWA STATE (Oct. 11)	2-2	L at UNLV 34-31 (OT)	KANSAS
at Oklahoma State (Oct. 18)	4-0	W vs. Troy 55-24	TEXAS A&M
at Nebraska (Oct. 25)	3-1	L vs. Virginia Tech 35-30	MISSOURI
MISSOURI (Nov. 1)	4-0	—	at Nebraska
at Texas (Nov. 8)	4-0	W vs. Arkansas 52-10	at Colorado
TEXAS A&M (Nov. 15)	2-2	W vs. Army 21-17	at Oklahoma State
at Texas Tech (Nov. 29)	4-0	—	at Kansas State
	<b>39-12</b>		

**HEAD COACH  
ART BRILES**



Art Briles, a native West Texan who resurrected the University of Houston's football program during his five seasons along the Cougars' sideline, was introduced as Baylor University's 25th head football coach Nov. 28, 2007.

Briles, who inherited a Houston program that was just two years removed from an 0-11 season and won just eight games from 2000 to 2003, posted a 34-28 record with the Cougars and guided them to four bowl games.

Briles led Houston to an 8-4 regular-season record in his final season along the Cougar sideline and a Texas Bowl invitation (he did not coach the Cougars in the bowl game). In 2006, Briles earned Conference USA and Sportex Division I-A National Coach of the Year honors after guiding the Cougars to a Conference USA title, a Liberty Bowl appearance and the program's first 10-win season since 1990 (10-4). Briles' 2005 Cougar team finished 6-6 overall, led Conference USA in total offense and played in the Fort Worth Bowl, while his 2004 squad was 3-8. His rookie season at UH saw the Cougars make school history, finishing 7-6 and earning a Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl berth.

Briles spent three years (2000-02) as running backs coach at Texas Tech. Prior to moving into the collegiate coaching ranks at Texas Tech, Briles spent 12 seasons (1988-99) as head coach and athletic director at Stephenville [Texas] High School. His Yellowjacket teams won four state championships, capturing back-to-back crowns in 1993 and 1994 and repeating that feat in 1998 and 1999.

Briles, a former Texas High School Coaches Association president, has spent his entire coaching career in the state of Texas. Following in his father's footsteps, Briles began his coaching career as an assistant at Sundown High School in 1979 before moving to Sweetwater High School as an assistant from 1980-83. He landed his first head coaching job at Hamlin High School (1984-86), where he also served as athletic director.

From Hamlin, Briles went to Georgetown High School as head coach and athletic director for two seasons (1986-87) before moving to Stephenville in 1988. While coaching in the high school ranks, Briles developed six Division I quarterbacks and had five signal callers throw for over 3,000 yards in a season.

Briles posted a 98-9-1 record in seven seasons as a high school head coach, including an 84-8-1 mark in six seasons at Stephenville. Five of his nine career losses were in one season, and his teams were undefeated three times.

A former wide receiver at Houston from 1974 to 1977, Briles was a member of the 1976 Cougar squad that captured the Southwest Conference championship in UH's first season in the league. He later played in the 1977 Cotton Bowl against fifth-ranked Maryland, a game the Cougars won 30-21.

He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Texas Tech in 1979 and a Masters of Education degree from Abilene Christian in 1984. A recent inductee into the Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame for his West Texas exploits, Briles and his wife, Jan, have three children: Jancy, Kendal and Staley. Briles was inducted into the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame in April 2008.

**BRILES' NCAA HEAD COACHING RECORD**

YEAR	SCHOOL	ALL	CONF	BOWL
2003	Houston	7-6	4-4 (4th)	L vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i)
2004	Houston	3-8	3-5 (6th)	—
2005	Houston	6-6	4-4 (4th)	L vs. Kansas (Fort Worth)
2006	Houston	10-4	7-1 (1st)	L vs. South Carolina (Liberty)
2007	Houston	8-4	6-2 (2nd)	no longer at UH
2008	Baylor	2-2	0-0 (—)	
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 yrs.</b>	<b>36-30</b>	<b>24-16</b>	<b>4 (did not coach 2007)</b>

**BAYLOR vs. RANKED OPPONENTS**

Baylor is 41-153-6 all-time against ranked opponents, 26-134-5 when unranked and playing a ranked opponent. The Bears are 2-39 against ranked opponents since the inception of the Big 12 Conference (33-30 vs. 20th-ranked North Carolina State in 1998, and 35-34 in overtime vs. 16th-ranked Texas A&M in 2004). Baylor has lost 13 straight to ranked foes since the 2004 victory over Texas A&M, including a season-opening loss to then-No. 23 Wake Forest.

Since the Associated Press began conducting weekly polls in 1936, Baylor has played at least one ranked opponent every season except 1987. Baylor has played at least one top-10 team every season since 1993.

**BAYLOR vs. TOP-RANKED OPPONENTS**

Saturday is 12th game against an opponent ranked No. 1 nationally by the Associated Press; the Bears are 0-10-1 in such contests. This is Baylor's first game against a top-ranked opponent since 2003 when the Bears lost 41-3 at Oklahoma despite sacking eventual Heisman Trophy winner Jason White five times (he had been sacked 12 times in 10 games all season entering the game) and holding the Sooners to a season-low 56 yards rushing.

In 2000, Baylor played the nation's top-ranked team twice in a three-game span, falling first at Nebraska and then at home to Oklahoma two weeks later. Prior to that, Baylor had not faced a No. 1 team since a 29-7 loss at Texas in 1977.

Baylor's first game against a No. 1 team was in 1941, a 7-7 tie against Texas that was voted the biggest upset in the history of the Southwest Conference by a panel of sportswriters in 1950. Only once has a ranked Baylor team faced a top-ranked opponent; the 20th-ranked Bears lost 20-6 at top-ranked Maryland in 1955.

The highest-ranked team ever defeated by Baylor was Tennessee; the Bears defeated the then-No. 2 Volunteers 13-7 at the 1957 Sugar Bowl in New Orleans, La.

YEAR	RES.	SCORE	OPPONENT	LOCATION
1941	T	7-7	Texas	Waco, Texas
1955	L	6-20	Maryland	Waco, Texas
1959	L	0-22	LSU	Shreveport, La.
1961	L	7-33	Texas	Austin, Texas
1963	L	0-7	Texas	Austin, Texas
1970	L	14-21	Texas	Waco, Texas
1974	L	11-28	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.
1977	L	7-29	Texas	Austin, Texas
2000	L	0-59	Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.
2000	L	7-56	Oklahoma	Waco, Texas
2003	L	3-41	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.

**BIG 12/NCAA STATISTICAL RANKINGS**

TEAM STATISTICS	NCAA RANK	PER GAME	NCAA LEADER	PER GAME	BIG 12 RANK	BIG 12 LEADER	PER GAME
<b>Rushing Offense</b>	13	224.00	Oklahoma State	340.25	2	Oklahoma State	340.25
<b>Passing Offense</b>	67	205.75	Texas Tech	426.25	9	Texas Tech	426.25
<b>Total Offense</b>	26	429.75	Tulsa	600.75	8	Missouri	595.50
<b>Scoring Offense</b>	30	34.25	Tulsa	54.75	9	Missouri	53.75
<b>Rushing Defense</b>	51	127.50	TCU	29.40	7	Texas	52.50
<b>Pass Efficiency Defense</b>	47	110.43	Boston College	81.12	9	Oklahoma	89.21
<b>Total Defense</b>	36	314.00	South Carolina	221.40	4	Oklahoma	253.00
<b>Scoring Defense</b>	65	23.75	Kentucky	5.50	10	Texas	10.75
<b>Net Punting</b>	13	39.44	Cincinnati	43.69	3	Texas	41.85
<b>Punt Returns</b>	116	1.70	Oklahoma State	24.00	12	Oklahoma State	24.00
<b>Kickoff Returns</b>	27	24.00	Kentucky	38.50	4	Iowa State	26.13
<b>Turnover Margin</b>	t-13	1.25	Vanderbilt	2.25	3	Oklahoma	1.50
<b>Pass Defense</b>	38	186.50	Arizona	103.25	6	Texas A&M	139.25
<b>Passing Efficiency</b>	22	152.06	Tulsa	220.55	8	Texas	206.77
<b>Sacks</b>	t-14	2.75	Air Force	4.00	3	Texas	4.00
<b>Tackles For Loss</b>	t-37	6.25	Oklahoma	9.25	5	Oklahoma	9.25
<b>Sacks Allowed</b>	97	2.25	Air Force	.00	11	Kansas State	.00

**BAYLOR IN TELEVISED GAMES**

Saturday's game is the 116th televised game in Baylor football history; the Bears are 38-75-2 all-time in televised games. Baylor snapped a 16-game losing streak in televised games with its 45-17 victory over Washington State earlier this season.

This is Baylor's fourth televised game this season; the Bears are 1-2 in the previous three games. Baylor has played at least four nationally televised games each of the last four seasons.

Baylor is 3-27 all-time on FSN, including its subsidiaries Fox College Sports and FSN-PayPerView. The Bears are 1-1 on FSN this season, falling to Wake Forest and defeating Washington State.

**RUSHING GAME VASTLY IMPROVED**

Through four games this season, Baylor has rushed for 896 yards. That is just 38 yards shy of the Bears' 2007 12-game season total. Furthermore, Baylor has 11 rushing touchdowns this season, already eclipsing last year's season total (5).

Baylor rushed for 426 yards on 42 carries against Washington State. It was Baylor's third 400-yard rushing game ever and its first since the Bears rushed for a school-record 482 yards at SMU in 1993, a game in which Baylor did not throw a pass. The Bears rushed for 207 yards against Northwestern State the previous week. It marked the first time Baylor had rushed for 200-plus yards in consecutive games since 1997 (Texas, Texas A&M and Missouri). In fact, it was the first back-to-back 100-yard rushing games for Baylor since 2005 (Texas Tech, Texas).

The Bears continued the rushing success in their next game at Connecticut, gaining 169 yards on 43 carries. It marked Baylor's first three consecutive 100-yard rushing games since a five-game span to open the 2005 season.

The Bears' five rushing touchdowns against Washington State were their most in a game since scoring five against Samford in 2002. It was Baylor's most rushing touchdowns against a Division I FBS opponent since a five-touchdown game against SMU in 1995.

**RECORD BREAKDOWN**

Home	2-1
Away	0-1
Natural Grass	0-1
Artificial Turf	2-1
Day Games	0-0
Night Games	2-2
Televised Games	1-2
vs. Ranked Opponents	0-1
Current Streak	Lost 1
Current Home Streak	Won 2
Current Road Streak	Lost 5
Last Win	45-17 vs. Washington State (9/12/08)
Last Road Win	34-21 at Buffalo (9/22/07)
Last Loss	31-28 at Connecticut (9/19/08)
Last Home Loss	41-13 vs. Wake Forest (8/28/08)
August	0-1
September	2-1
October	0-0
November	0-0
Leading at Halftime	2-0
Trailing at Halftime	0-1
Tied at Halftime	0-1
Scoring First	1-1
Opponent Scoring First	1-1
Score < 20 Points	0-1
Score 20+ Points	2-1
Score 30+ Points	2-0
Score 40+ Points	2-0
Opp. Scores < 20 Points	2-0
Opp. Scores 20+ Points	0-2
Opp. Scores 30+ Points	0-2
Opp. Scores 40+ Points	0-1
Gain <20 First Downs	0-1
Gain 20+ First Downs	2-1
Opp. Gains < 20 First Downs	2-0
Opp. Gains 20+ First Downs	0-2
More Rushing Yards Than Opp.	2-0
Fewer Rushing Yards Than Opp.	0-2
Rush For < 100 Yards	0-1
Rush For 100+ Yards	2-1
Opp. Rushes For < 100 Yards	2-0
Opp. Rushes For 100+ Yards	0-2
More Passing Yards Than Opp.	1-1
Fewer Passing Yards Than Opp.	1-1
Pass For < 200 Yards	1-1
Pass For 200+ Yards	1-1
Opp. Passes For < 200 Yards	1-1
Opp. Passes For 200+ Yards	1-1
More Total Yards Than Opp.	2-1
Fewer Total Yards Than Opp.	0-1
Gain < 300 Total Yards	0-1
Gain 300+ Total Yards	2-1
Opp. Gains < 300 Total Yards	1-0
Opp. Gains 300+ Total Yards	1-2
Commit No Turnovers	1-1
Commit < 3 Turnovers	2-1
Commit 3+ Turnovers	0-1
Force < 3 Turnovers	1-2
Force 3+ Turnovers	1-0
Commit < 6 Penalties	0-0
Commit 6+ Penalties	2-2
3rd Down % < 25	0-1
3rd Down % 25-49	1-0
3rd Down % 50+	1-1
Opp. 3rd Down % < 25	0-0
Opp. 3rd Down % 25-49	1-1
Opp. 3rd Down % 50+	1-1
Trail Time of Possession	2-1
Lead Time of Possession	0-1

**BIG 12/NCAA STATISTICAL RANKINGS**

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	PLAYER	NCAA RANK	AVG	BIG 12 RANK
<b>Rushing</b>	Robert Griffin	54	83.50	6
	Jay Finley	57	79.25	7
<b>Passing Efficiency</b>	Robert Griffin	10	171.29	6
<b>Total Offense</b>	Robert Griffin	27	272.50	8
	Jay Finley	—	79.25	19
<b>Receptions Per Game</b>	Kendall Wright	—	3.75	t-21
<b>Receiving Yards Per Game</b>	Kendall Wright	—	46.25	25
<b>Interceptions</b>	Joe Pawelek	t-24	.50	t-3
	Dwain Crawford	—	.25	t-11
	Chris Francis	—	.25	t-11
	Antareis Bryan	—	.25	t-11
<b>Punting</b>	Derek Epperson	20	43.50	2
<b>Punt Returns</b>	Joe Bennett	79	.75	11
<b>Field Goals</b>	Ben Parks	t-93	.50	t-9
<b>Scoring</b>	Robert Griffin	t-76	7.50	t-17
	Jay Finley	—	6.00	t-24
<b>All-Purpose Yardage</b>	Jay Finley	—	99.75	17
<b>Sacks</b>	Leon Freeman	t-74	.50	t-15
	Antonio Jones	t-74	.50	t-15
	Sam Sledge	—	.38	t-23
	Vincent Rhodes	—	.38	t-23
<b>Tackles</b>	Joe Pawelek	t-4	12.00	t-1
	Antonio Jones	—	7.25	t-9
	Antonio Johnson	—	7.00	t-11
	Jordan Lake	—	6.25	t-21
	Jeremy Williams	—	6.25	t-21
<b>Tackles For Loss</b>	Leon Freeman	t-18	1.50	t-4
	Trey Bryant	—	.88	t-20
	Antonio Jones	—	.75	t-24

**BIG 12 CONFERENCE STANDINGS**

SOUTH	B12	Pct.	ALL	Pct.
<b>BAYLOR</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>2-2</b>	<b>.500</b>
Oklahoma	0-0	.000	4-0	1.000
Oklahoma State	0-0	.000	4-0	1.000
Texas	0-0	.000	4-0	1.000
Texas A&M	0-0	.000	2-2	.500
Texas Tech	0-0	.000	4-0	1.000
NORTH	B12	Pct.	ALL	Pct.
Colorado	0-0	.000	3-1	.750
Iowa State	0-0	.000	2-2	.500
Kansas	0-0	.000	3-1	.750
Kansas State	0-0	.000	3-1	.750
Missouri	0-0	.000	4-0	1.000
Nebraska	0-0	.000	3-1	.750

**LAST WEEK'S RESULTS****SATURDAY, SEPT. 27**

Virginia Tech 35, at Nebraska 30  
 at Oklahoma State 55, Troy 24  
 at Oklahoma 35, TCU 10  
 at Texas 52, Arkansas 10  
 at Kansas State 45, Louisiana-Lafayette 37  
 Florida State 39, Colorado 21 (at Jacksonville, Fla.)  
 at Texas A&M 21, Army 17

**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE****SATURDAY, OCT. 4**

- Oklahoma at BAYLOR, 11:40 a.m. FSN
- Kansas at Iowa State, 11:40 a.m. VERSUS
- Texas Tech at Kansas State, 2:30 p.m. ABC
- Texas A&M at Oklahoma State, 6 p.m.
- Texas at Colorado, 6 p.m. FSN
- Missouri at Nebraska, 8 p.m. ESPN

**NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE****SATURDAY, OCT. 11**

- Texas vs. Oklahoma, 11 a.m. ABC (at Dallas, Texas)
- Colorado at Kansas, 11:30 a.m. ESPN2
- Kansas State at Texas A&M, 1 p.m.
- Nebraska at Texas Tech, 2 p.m. FSN
- Iowa State at BAYLOR, 6:05 p.m. FCS
- Oklahoma State at Missouri, 7 p.m. ESPN

- - Big 12 Conference game

**GRIFFIN MAKES NAME FOR HIMSELF**

Attention on Baylor freshman QB **Robert Griffin** has not been confined to Central Texas or even the Central U.S. [ESPN.com](http://ESPN.com) columnist Bruce Feldman called Griffin the nation's sixth-biggest surprise through the first third of the season.

Griffin is the only true freshman starting quarterback in the nation, and his 7-to-0 touchdown-to-interception ratio is best nationally among quarterbacks with at least 75 pass attempts. In fact, Griffin and 2008 Heisman Trophy Winner Tim Tebow (six touchdown passes) of Florida are the only quarterbacks in the nation to have thrown at least five touchdown passes this season without throwing an interception.

Furthermore, Griffin is one of only 10 quarterbacks nationally who leads his team in both passing yardage and rushing yardage. He was named Big 12 Conference Offensive Player of the Week following his performance against Washington State.

**PAWELEK CRACKS TACKLES LIST**

With 10 tackle assists against Connecticut, LB **Joe Pawelek** cracked Baylor's career list in that category. He now has 136 career tackle assists, tying **James Francis** (1986-89) for ninth on Baylor's all-time list.

Further ascention up the list should come quickly for Pawelek. He needs two tackle assists to move into sole possession of seventh place, nine to move into sixth place, 10 to move into fifth place, 11 to move into fourth place, 14 to move into third place and 31 to move into second place. However, the school record still is distant; **Mike Singletary** (1977-80) tallied 311 in his career.

**BEARS MAKE GOOD USE OF COMPLETIONS**

Baylor has completed 56 passes this season, 38 of which have resulted in first downs (67.9 percent). Two weeks ago at Connecticut, 12 of the Bears' 14 completions moved the chains (85.7 percent). Last season, Baylor established a school record with 280 completions; however, only 148 resulted in first downs (52.9 percent).

Furthermore, Baylor completions have resulted in touchdowns 14.3 percent of the time this season (8-of-56). Last season, only 7.5 percent the Bears' completions resulted in touchdowns (21-of-280).

**SCHEDULE AMONG NATION'S TOUGHEST**

Baylor's 2008 schedule ranks as the nation's third-most difficult by the NCAA as the Bears face eight opponents who participated in bowl games last season. The Bears' schedule ranks as the nation's fifth-toughest, according to [ESPN.com](http://ESPN.com), and *Phil Steele's College Football Preview* magazine ranks the Bears' schedule as the nation's seventh-toughest. Both outlets have Baylor's slate as the Big 12 Conference's toughest.

In fact, Baylor is one of only three schools from BCS conferences to play at least three non-conference games against other teams from BCS conferences. Coincidentally, the Bears play both of the other such teams — Connecticut and Wake Forest (Washington State is the Bears' other BCS non-conference opponent).

Five of Baylor's 12 opponents were ranked nationally to start the season: Oklahoma, Missouri, Texas, Texas Tech and Wake Forest; two others — Connecticut and Oklahoma State — have since joined that quintet in the national rankings. Baylor has not played more than four opponents ranked in the Associated Press Top 25 at time of game in one season since facing five such teams in 1998.

Baylor's 2008 opponents currently tout a 26-9 (.743) combined record against Division I FBS competition. That ranks as the third-toughest schedule nationally behind only Kansas (25-7, .781) and Georgia (29-9, .763).

**QUICK-STRIKE OFFENSE**

Baylor has eight touchdown drives of five plays or less this season, tied for 11th nationally. Oklahoma State, Oregon and Tulsa leads all teams with 11 such drives each, while Missouri has 10. Meanwhile, the Bears have seven touchdown drives of less than two minutes, tied for 19th nationally. Oregon leads all teams with 16 such drives, followed by Tulsa (15), Missouri (14) and Rice (11).

Baylor enjoyed four plays of 50-plus yards in the Washington State game — three runs (57, 58, 58) and one pass (61). The Bears had five plays of 50-plus yards in 12 games last season. In fact, the four such plays in the Washington State game were more than Baylor had in 2003 (three), 2004 (two) or 2005 (three). Baylor had seven such plays in 2006.

## NOTES FROM THE CONNECTICUT GAME

- The loss snapped Baylor's five-game winning streak in non-conference games against unranked opponents.
- Baylor has rushed for 100-plus yards in three straight games for the first time since a five-game run to open the 2005 season.
- LG **John Jones** made his first career start.
- QB **Robert Griffin** tied his career high with three touchdown passes.
- Griffin tied his career high with four total touchdowns (three passing, one rushing).
- LB **Joe Pawelek** posted the ninth double-digit tackle game of his career; he has accomplished the feat in all four games this season.
- WR **Kendall Wright** established career highs with six receptions and 114 receiving yards. He also recorded his first career touchdown reception.
- TE **Justin Akers** caught two touchdown passes for the second time in his career (Rice, 2007).
- LB **Antonio Johnson** established a career high with nine tackles.
- S **Jeremy Williams** tied his career high with eight tackles.
- CB **Antareis Bryan**'s third-quarter interception was the second of his career.

## WHITE CRACKS TOUCHDOWN RECEPTION CHART

WR **Thomas White**'s third-quarter touchdown reception against Northwestern State earlier this season was the 11th of his career. He moved into an eighth-place tie on Baylor's career chart, matching **Stanley Williams** (1949-51), **George Cheshire** (1965-67) and **Marques Roberts** (2001-04). Seven of White's touchdown receptions have come in his last seven games.

White needs two touchdown receptions to tie **Bruce Davis** (1980-83) and **Dominique Zeigler** (2003-06) for sixth all-time at Baylor. **Lawrence Elkins** (1962-64) and **Melvin Bonner** (1989-92) hold Baylor's career record; each had 19 touchdown receptions.

## BAYLOR ISP SPORTS NETWORK

The "Voice of the Bears," John Morris (Baylor, 1980) enters his 22nd year broadcasting Baylor football and men's basketball in 2008-09. The Kentucky native also produces the daily "State Farm Baylor SportsBeat," daily Big 12 reports and co-hosts the award-winning "Inside Baylor Sports" television show. Morris also hosts "The Central National Bank Art Briles Show" in the fall, the "State Farm Baylor Hour" January through May and a daily 60-minute program, "The John Morris Show," on Waco's 1660 ESPN Radio. This is Morris' 14th year as signature voice of Baylor athletics since succeeding the legendary Frank Fallon. In November 2002, he was presented the Frank Fallon Sportsmanship Award by the Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce.

Three-time Academic All-American J.J. Joe returns for his fifth season as color analyst. The Bears' leading passer for four consecutive seasons from 1990-1993, Joe graduated as Baylor's career passing and total offense leader and is one of the school's most decorated student-athletes as a three-time Academic All-American. He was inducted into the Baylor Athletic Hall of Fame in 2006.

Ricky Thompson returns for his ninth season providing sideline color and analysis. Thompson is a former SWC long jump champion and was the Bears' leading receiver in 1975 before embarking on a seven-year NFL career. He is also a member of the Baylor Athletic Hall of Fame.

Baylor's radio team also includes the multi-talented Craig Harper, who, in his 22nd year as a member of the crew, serves as executive producer of the football broadcasts.

Every play of Baylor Football 2008 plus "The Central National Bank Art Briles Show" and the "State Farm Baylor SportsBeat" are available worldwide on the Internet at the official web site of Baylor athletics, [www.BaylorBears.com](http://www.BaylorBears.com).

## 2008 BAYLOR FOOTBALL RADIO NETWORK

TOWN	AFFILIATE	FREQUENCY
Abilene	KULL-FM	92.5
Amarillo	KIXZ-AM	940
Austin	KZNX-AM	1260
Austin	KWNX-AM	1530
Dallas/Fort Worth	WBAP-AM	820
Houston	KKHT-FM	100.7
Lubbock	KJAK-FM	92.7
Lufkin	KYBI-FM	101.9
San Antonio	KSLR-AM	630
Stephenville	KCUB-FM	98.5/107.9
Tyler	KPXI-FM	100.7
Waco (Flagship Station)	KRZI-AM	1660 ESPN

Note: Baylor football games also are available on Sirius Satellite Radio channel 161.

## THIS DATE IN BAYLOR FOOTBALL HISTORY

OCT. 4

RECORD: 8-5

YEAR	RES.	SCORE	OPPONENT	RANK*	LOCATION
1909	W	55-0	Texas State	—/—	Waco, Texas
1913	W	9-7	Texas State	—/—	Waco, Texas
1919	W	61-0	Rusk	—/—	Waco, Texas
1924	W	30-0	North Texas	—/—	Waco, Texas
1930	L	7-20	Purdue	—/—	West Lafayette, Ind.
1952	W	31-7	Washington State	—/—	Waco, Texas
1958	L	8-14	Miami-FL	—/—	Waco, Texas
1969	L	8-63	LSU	—/16	Baton Rouge, La.
1975	L	13-24	South Carolina	18/—	Columbia, S.C.
1980	W	24-12	Houston	20/—	Waco, Texas
1986	W	27-13	Houston	13/—	Waco, Texas
1997	L	14-35	Texas Tech	—/—	Waco, Texas
2003	W	42-30	Colorado	—/—	Waco, Texas

\* AP national ranking day of game; BU/OPP.

**NOTES:** Baylor is 51-37-5 all-time on the first weekend of October, including a 10-game winning streak on such weekends from 1913 to 1925. ... Baylor's 55-point victory over Texas State in 1909 was the program's largest margin of victory at the time and still is tied for eighth on Baylor's all-time list. ... The Bears' 61-0 victory over Rusk in 1919 remains the seventh-largest margin of victory in program history. It also was the seventh-most points scored by a Baylor team. ... The 1930 game at Purdue was Baylor's first-ever game against a Big Ten opponent. ... Baylor rushed for 330 yards in the 1952 game against Washington State. It was the second-best rushing total in school history at the time and currently is tied for 25th all-time at Baylor. ... The Bears allowed a school-record eight rushing touchdowns at LSU in 1969. ... Baylor rushed for 330 yards in the 1975 game at South Carolina. It tied for the fourth-best rushing total in school history at the time and currently is tied for 25th all-time at Baylor. It also is the second-largest rushing total without a rushing touchdown in Baylor history. **Cleveland Franklin** (134) and **Mark Jackson** (114) both posted 100-yard rushing efforts in the game. ... Baylor overcame a 13-3, second-quarter deficit in the 1986 game against Houston, scoring 24 unanswered points. It was one of 24 times in program history that the Bears overcame a deficit of 10 or more points for a victory. ... In 2003, the Bears defeated defending Big 12 Conference North Division champion Colorado on FSN. It was Baylor's first Big 12 victory against a team other than Kansas since defeating Texas in 1997. **Rashad Armstrong** rushed for 166 yards on 37 carries, which tied for the second-most rushing attempts in school history. Armstrong's yardage total ranks 15th all-time at Baylor.

**ALSO ON THIS DATE:** In 1537, the first complete English-language Bible was printed. ... In 1582, Pope Gregory XIII implemented the Gregorian Calendar. In Italy, Poland, Portugal and Spain, Oct. 4 of that year was followed directly by Oct. 15. ... In 1824, Mexico adopted a new constitution and became a federal republic. ... In 1830, Belgium was created after separation from The Netherlands. ... In 1883, the first run of the *Orient Express*. ... In 1895, the first U.S. Open Men's Golf Championship administered by the USGA was played at Newport Country Club in Newport, R.I. ... In 1927, Gutzon Borglum began sculpting Mount Rushmore. ... In 1957, *Sputnik I*, the first artificial satellite to orbit the Earth, was launched. ... In 1965, the first Pope to visit the United States, Pope Paul VI, arrived in New York. ... Birthdays: President Rutherford B. Hayes (1822), Charlton Heston (1924), Anne Rice (1941), **Tony LaRussa** (1944), Susan Sarandon (1946), Alicia Silverstone (1976). ... Deaths: Janis Joplin (1970), Anne Sexton (1974), **Secretariat** (1989). (source [www.wikipedia.com](http://www.wikipedia.com))

## CAREER RECORDS CHART

## ASSISTED TACKLES

PLAYER	SEASONS	TT	SOLO	ASST
1. Mike Singletary	1977-80	662	351	311
2. Doak Field	1977-80	330	164	166
3. Ray Berry	1983-86	380	231	149
4. Joe Campbell	1977-80	316	170	146
5. Tommy Tabor	1978-81	304	159	145
6. Gary Joe Kinne	1986-89	323	179	144
7. Geff Gandy	1979-82	269	132	137
Kris Micheaux	1997-00	351	214	137
9. James Francis	1986-89	334	198	136
<b>Joe Pawelek</b>	<b>2006-</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>136</b>

## YARDS PER KICKOFF RETURN

## MINIMUM 25 RETURNS

PLAYER	SEASONS	RET	YDS	AVG
1. Derrick McAdoo	1983-86	43	1,118	26.00
2. Jerod Douglas	1994-97	33	837	25.36
3. Willie Andrews	2002-05	67	1,647	24.58
4. Robert Quiroga	2000-03	31	752	24.26
5. Godfrey White	1971-73	28	676	24.14
<b>6. Mikail Baker</b>	<b>2005-</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>24.04</b>
7. Bruce Davis	1980-83	40	916	22.90
8. Kalief Muhammad	1993-96	63	1,425	22.62
9. Matthew Williams	1969-71	38	859	22.61
<b>10. David Gettis</b>	<b>2006-</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>22.59</b>

## KICKOFF RETURNS

PLAYER	SEASONS	AVG	YDS	RET
1. Willie Andrews	2002-05	24.58	1,647	67
2. Martin Dosssett	1997-00	20.18	1,332	66
3. Kalief Muhammad	1993-96	22.62	1,425	63
Randy Davis	1999-02	19.92	1,255	63
5. Trooper Taylor	1988-92	20.06	1,063	53
6. Gordon Utgard	1967-69	19.98	1,039	52
7. Elijah Burkins	1996-00	20.20	909	45
8. Derrick McAdoo	1983-86	26.00	1,118	43
9. Bruce Davis	1980-83	22.90	916	40
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2. Shawn Bell	2003-06	914	559	.612	5,666
3. Jeff Watson	1994-97	802	425	.530	5,531
4. Cody Carlson	1983-86	705	366	.519	5,411
5. Brad Goebel	1987-90	730	375	.514	5,026
6. Neal Jeffrey	1972-74	603	321	.532	4,341
7. Terry Southall	1964-66	629	328	.521	4,100
8. Jermaine Alfred	1995-99	644	322	.500	3,968
9. Aaron Karas	2001-04	543	321	.591	3,799
10. Don Trull	1961-63	537	299	.557	3,784
<b>Blake Szymanski</b>	<b>2006-</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>.563</b>	<b>3,551</b>

## MILESTONE WATCH

- WR **Thomas White** needs two touchdown receptions to move into a sixth-place tie on Baylor's career chart.
- White also needs 81 yards to become Baylor's 24th 1,000-yard receiver.
- WR **David Gettis** needs one kickoff returns and 24 kickoff return yards to crack Baylor's career top 10 lists in those categories.
- QB **Blake Szymanski** needs 16 pass attempts to move into eighth place on Baylor's career list.
- With his next touchdown pass, Szymanski will move into a seventh-place tie on Baylor's career list. He needs three scoring passes to move into a fifth-place tie.
- Szymanski needs 234 yards to crack Baylor's career passing yardage top 10 chart.

## TIDBITS

- Baylor is 11-12 all-time when 2-2, including a 7-6 mark when 2-2 following a loss.
- Baylor is 200-198-22 all-time in October; however, the Bears have lost five consecutive October games and are 9-43 within the month since the inception of the Big 12 Conference in 1996.
- Baylor is 51-37-5 all-time on the first weekend of October, including an 8-5 mark on Oct. 4.

## THOSE GOOD OLD BAYLOR LINES

For the first time in several years, Baylor fields veteran units on both the offensive and defensive lines. The Bears' five starting offensive linemen have combined for 90 career starts; LT **Jason Smith** leads the way with 31 career starts, followed by RT **Dan Gay** with 26 starts. Meanwhile, the Bears four starting defensive linemen have combined for 71 career starts; DT **Vincent Rhodes** leads the way with 26 career starts, while DE **Jason Lamb** has 24 career starts.

All nine of those players had started at least one game prior to this season. In fact, only DE **Leon Freeman** (one start prior to this season) and LG **Jordan Hearvey** (six starts prior to this season) had fewer than 12 starts under their belts entering the 2008 campaign. Five of Baylor's nine starting linemen have started every game since the start of last season.

## NICKNAME GAME

Baylor head coach **Art Briles** has a penchant for giving his players nicknames. Virtually every player on the Bears' roster has a nickname. Some came to Baylor with their nickname, and some have been given nicknames by Briles. Some of the more commonly heard nicknames from Briles are Shazam (QB **Blake Szymanski**), Romeo (IR **Romie Blaylock**), All-Star (PK **Ben Parks**), Diego (BS **Larry Washington**), Motown (RB **Jeremy Sanders**), Swerve (LG **Jordan Hearvey**) J-Willy (S **Jeremy Williams**), Yosemite Sam or Yo-Yo (RB **Ray Sims**) and Marty Akins (TE **Justin Akers**).

Here are some other nickname tidbits:

- Sanders' pre-Baylor nickname was J-Mo. Briles morphed J-Mo into "Motown."
- Griffin, who is referred to as Rambo by teammates, is called Cream by Briles (as in "rises to the top").
- CB **Dwain Crawford** is called Fish, as in crawfish.
- Briles calls true freshman WR **Kendall Wright** "My Dubbie," which came from K-Dub.
- DT **Vincent Rhodes** is called "Big Vin."
- DE **Jason Lamb** is called "Lambo."

## HOME SWEET HOME

Baylor plays seven home games this season for only the sixth time since Floyd Casey Stadium opened in 1950. The Bears open with three straight home games for the first time since 1992 and only the second time since 1945.

In all, Baylor has played at least three straight home games to open a season 13 times: 1899 (all four games that season were at home), 1904 (first six and seven of eight games that season were at home), 1909 (first six and seven of eight games that season were at home), 1913 (three), 1918 (three), 1919 (three), 1923 (three), 1928 (three), 1929 (four), 1935 (three), 1945 (three), 1992 (three) and 2008 (three).

## TRANSFERS FIND HOME AT BAYLOR

Baylor's 2008 roster features six student-athletes who began their collegiate careers at other NCAA Division I Football Bowl Subdivision universities: LS **Casey Cooper** (Alabama), QB **Kirby Freeman** (Miami-FL), DE **Adam Geib** (Air Force), CB **Drew Kerr** (Houston), DT **Phillip Taylor** (Penn State) and C **J.D. Walton** (Arizona State). Freeman and Walton both started in the Wake Forest game; it was Walton's 13th consecutive start for the Bears. Taylor will be eligible next season.



## DEGREE IN HAND

Five members of Baylor's 2008 football squad already have received their undergraduate degrees: QB **Kirby Freeman**, LB **Ben Hixson**, DT **Vincent Rhodes**, QB **Ryan Roberts** and LT **Jason Smith**. That leads the Big 12 Conference and ties for 13th nationally along with Louisiana Tech, Ole Miss, Syracuse and UCF. Miami-FL leads all schools with 13 such players, followed by Boston College and Virginia Tech — each with 10 such players. Maryland has nine, while Auburn, Clemson and Pittsburgh each have eight. Arizona State, Memphis, Ohio State and Penn State each have seven, and Northwestern has six.

## FORMER SIGNAL CALLERS FIND NEW HOMES

Baylor's 2008 roster features 10 student-athletes who were starting quarterbacks in high school, including two former signal callers who played quarterback beyond high school.

Inside receiver **John David Weed** was on Baylor's depth chart at quarterback last fall and saw action in three games during the 2007 season; he also was the starting quarterback at Tyler [Texas] Junior College during the 2005 and 2006 seasons.

Another junior college transfer — running back **Jeremy Sanders** — made the move to another position after playing quarterback beyond high school. Sanders, a product of Marlin [Texas] High School, spent two seasons as the starting quarterback at Navarro [Texas] College before transferring to Baylor this season.

The most interesting position change was that of **Zac Scotton**, who now plays defensive end. The six-foot-six, 255-pound Scotton made the switch away from quarterback prior to his junior season at Houston's Cypress Creek High School after out-growing the position.

Here is a list of other former quarterbacks on Baylor's 2008 roster:

PLAYER	POS	PLAYED QUARTERBACK
Jake La Mar	FS	Bedford [Texas]-Covenant Christian Academy
Luke La Mar	WR	Bedford [Texas]-Covenant Christian Academy
V.J. McElroy	IR	Uvalde [Texas] HS
Marlon Price	S	Dallas-Lancaster HS
Jeremy Sanders	RB	Marlin [Texas] HS; Navarro [Texas] College
Zac Scotton	DE	Houston-Cypress Creek HS
Brad Taylor	TE	Madisonville [Texas] HS
John David Weed	IR	Houston-Cypress Creek HS; Tyler [Texas] Junior College; Baylor
Stacy Williams	WR	Houston-Yates HS
Kendall Wright	IR	Pittsburg [Texas] HS

## TRADING PLACES

During spring practice, 10 Baylor players changed positions from last season. An 11th player made a position change during preseason drills as **Jeremy Sanders** moved from quarterback to running back.

Position changes made during the spring were as follows: **Mikail Baker** (wide receiver to inside receiver), **Krys Buerck** (wide receiver to cornerback), **Elliott Coffey** (safety to linebacker), **Dwain Crawford** (rover to cornerback), **Antonio Johnson** (defensive end to linebacker), **V.J. McElroy** (cornerback to inside receiver), **Ray Sims** (outside safety to running back), **Matt Singletary** (defensive end to inside receiver), **Sam Sledge** (offensive line to defensive line) and **John David Weed** (quarterback to inside receiver).

## SEVERAL BEARS EARN PRESEASON ACCOLADES

Four Baylor student-athletes were named preseason All-Big 12 Conference by various outlets: wide receiver **David Gettis**, free safety **Jordan Lake**, linebacker **Joe Pawelek** and left tackle **Jason Smith**.

Lake was the most highly decorated, also earning honorable mention All-America honors from *The Sporting News*. He was named all-conference by the league's coaches, and he was a first-team all-conference selection by *Lindy's*, *The Sporting News*, *Blue Ribbon Yearbook* and *CollegeFootballNews*. Lake also earned second-team all-Big 12 honors from *Athlon* and *Phil Steele*.

Pawelek, who joined Lake on the coaches' preseason All-Big 12 team, was a first-team all-conference selection by *Athlon*, *Lindy's*, *The Sporting News* and *CollegeFootballNews*. He was tabbed second-team all-league by *Phil Steele*.

Smith earned second-team all-Big 12 honors from *Athlon* and *Lindy's*, while he was a fourth-team all-conference pick by *Phil Steele*. Gettis was named third-team all-Big 12 by *Phil Steele*.

## CAREER RECORDS CHART

### PASS ATTEMPTS

PLAYER	SEASONS	CMP	YDS	ATT
1. Shawn Bell	2003-06	559	5,666	914
2. Jeff Watson	1994-97	425	5,531	802
3. Brad Goebel	1987-90	375	5,026	730
4. Cody Carlson	1983-86	366	5,411	705
5. J.J. Joe	1990-93	347	5,995	665
6. Jermaine Alfred	1995-99	322	3,968	644
7. Terry Southall	1964-66	328	4,100	629
8. Neal Jeffrey	1972-74	321	4,241	603
<b>9. Blake Szymanski</b>	<b>2006-</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>3,551</b>	<b>588</b>
10. Aaron Karas	2001-04	321	3,799	543

### PASS COMPLETIONS

PLAYER	SEASONS	ATT	YARDS	CMP
1. Shawn Bell	2003-06	914	5,666	559
2. Jeff Watson	1994-97	802	5,531	425
3. Brad Goebel	1987-90	730	5,026	375
4. Cody Carlson	1983-86	705	5,411	366
5. J.J. Joe	1990-93	665	5,995	347
<b>6. Blake Szymanski</b>	<b>2006-</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>3,551</b>	<b>331</b>
7. Terry Southall	1964-66	629	4,100	328
8. Jermaine Alfred	1995-99	644	3,968	322
9. Neal Jeffrey	1972-74	603	4,241	321
Aaron Karas	2001-04	543	3,799	321

### PASSING COMPLETION PERCENTAGE

#### MINIMUM 250 ATTEMPTS

PLAYER	SEASONS	ATT	CMP	PCT
1. Shawn Bell	2003-06	914	559	.612
2. Aaron Karas	2001-04	543	321	.591
<b>3. Blake Szymanski</b>	<b>2006-</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>.563</b>
4. Don Trull	1961-63	537	299	.557
5. Ron Stanley	1959-61	363	202	.556
6. Adrian Burk	1948-49	312	172	.551
7. Neal Jeffrey	1972-74	603	321	.532
8. Buddy Humphrey	1956-58	292	155	.531
9. Jeff Watson	1994-97	802	425	.530
10. J.J. Joe	1990-93	665	347	.522

### PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

PLAYER	SEASONS	YDS	INT	TD
1. Shawn Bell	2003-04	5,666	17	38
2. Cody Carlson	1983-86	5,411	34	32
3. J.J. Joe	1990-93	5,995	28	31
4. Jeff Watson	1994-97	5,531	27	30
5. Terry Southall	1964-66	4,100	45	29
Tom Muecke	1982-85	3,688	27	29
7. Billy Patterson	1936-38	2,555	NA	27
<b>8. Blake Szymanski</b>	<b>2006-</b>	<b>3,533</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
9. Larry Isbell	1950-51	2,650	27	25
Neal Jeffrey	1972-74	4,241	40	25
Brad Goebel	1987-90	5,026	40	25

### TOUCHDOWN-INTERCEPTION RATIO

PLAYER	SEASONS	TD	INT	PCT.
1. Shawn Bell	2003-06	38	17	2.235
2. Adrian Burk	1948-49	20	13	1.538
3. Jeff Watson	1994-97	30	27	1.111
4. J.J. Joe	1990-93	31	28	1.107
5. Tom Muecke	1982-85	29	27	1.074
<b>6. Blake Szymanski</b>	<b>2006-</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1.040</b>
7. Don Trull	1961-63	23	24	0.958
8. Cody Carlson	1983-86	32	34	0.941
9. Larry Isbell	1950-51	25	27	0.926
10. Aaron Karas	2001-04	21	25	0.840

## CAREER RECORDS CHART

## INTERCEPTION PERCENTAGE

## MINIMUM 300 ATTEMPTS

PLAYER	SEASONS	INT	ATT	PCT.
1. Shawn Bell	2003-06	17	914	.0186
2. Jeff Watson	1994-97	27	802	.0337
3. Jermaine Alfred	1995-99	22	644	.0342
4. Adrian Burk	1948-49	13	312	.0417
5. J.J. Joe	1990-93	28	665	.0421
6. Blake Szymanski	2006-	25	588	.0425
7. Don Trull	1961-63	24	537	.0447
8. Aaron Karas	2001-04	14	304	.0460
9. Mike Brannan	1979-82	16	345	.0464
10. Cody Carlson	1983-86	34	705	.0482

## 50-PLUS-YARD PUNTS

## SINCE 1964

PLAYER	SEASONS	P	50+
1. Daniel Sepulveda	2003-06	277	94
2. Ron Stowe	1979-82	252	47
3. Kyle Atteberry	1997-99	221	46
4. Pete Rutter	1986-89	191	39
5. Ed Marsh	1968-70	206	38
Buzzy Sawyer	1983-85	170	38
7. Adam Stiles	2000-01	151	33
8. Ty Atteberry	1993-96	165	26
9. Luke Prestridge	1976-78	180	23
10. Derek Epperson	2007-	82	12

## 60-PLUS-YARD PUNTS

## SINCE 1964

PLAYER	SEASON	P	60+
1. Daniel Sepulveda	2003-06	277	21
2. Kyle Atteberry	1997-99	221	10
3. Ron Stowe	1979-82	252	8
Ty Atteberry	1993-96	165	8
5. Buzzy Sawyer	1983-85	170	7
6. Ed Marsh	1968-70	206	5
Luke Prestridge	1976-78	180	5
Pete Rutter	1986-89	191	5
9. Derek Epperson	2007-	82	3
10. Three Players	—	—	2

## TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

PLAYER	SEASONS	REC	YDS	TD
1. Lawrence Elkins	1962-64	144	2,094	19
Melvin Bonner	1989-92	92	1,984	19
3. Gerald McNeil	1980-83	163	2,651	17
4. Reggie Newhouse	1999-2002	183	2,552	15
5. Trent Shelton	2003-06	155	1,978	14
6. Bruce Davis	1980-83	71	1,393	13
Dominique Zeigler	2003-06	166	1,923	13
8. Stanley Williams	1949-51	65	1,029	11
George Cheshire	1965-67	81	1,034	11
Marques Roberts	2001-04	91	1,222	11
Thomas White	2005-	65	926	11

## TOUCHDOWNS RESPONSIBLE FOR

## PASSING &amp; RUSHING

PLAYER	SEASONS	RUSH	PASS	TD
1. J.J. Joe	1990-93	12	31	43
2. Don Trull	1961-63	18	23	41
3. Shawn Bell	2003-06	1	38	39
4. Cody Carlson	1983-86	5	32	37
Jeff Watson	1994-97	7	30	37
6. Alfred Anderson	1980-83	35	0	35
Tom Muecke	1982-85	6	29	35
8. Larry Isbell	1949-51	7	25	32
Terry Southall	1964-66	3	29	32
10. Blake Szymanski	2006-	3	26	29

## EPPERSON NAMED TO RAY GUY AWARD WATCH LIST

P Derek Epperson was one of 46 student-athletes named to the 2008 Ray Guy Award Watch List, announced Tuesday by the Greater Augusta Sports Council. The Ray Guy Award is given annually to the nation's top collegiate punter. Baylor's **Daniel Sepulveda** is the award's only two-time winner, picking up the hardware in 2004 and 2006.

Epperson is one of only 11 sophomores and one of seven punters from the Big 12 Conference on the list. He ranks second in the Big 12 and ninth nationally with a 45.4-yard average on 11 punts with five inside the opponent's 20, four punts of 50-plus yards and two punts of 60-plus yards. As a team, Baylor ranks third in the Big 12 and fifth nationally in net punting (41.8 average).

Three of Epperson's last five punts have been 50-plus yards, and the other two were downed inside the opponent's 10. Through only three games of his sophomore season, Epperson already ranks 10th in Baylor history with 12 career punts of 50-plus yards and ninth with three career punts of 60-plus yards. A product of Keller [Texas] High School, Epperson earned freshman All-Big 12 and honorable mention Freshman All-America honors from The Sporting News last season.

## LAKE NAMED TO THORPE AWARD WATCH LIST

**Jordan Lake** is one of 40 student-athletes included on the 2008 Jim Thorpe Award Watch List. The award is given annually to the nation's best defensive back.

A consensus second-team All-Big 12 honoree as a sophomore in 2007, Lake registered six double-digit tackle games a year ago and finished the season with 120 total tackles, the most by a Baylor player since 2003. He ranked third in the Big 12 (first among defensive backs) and 30th nationally with 10.0 tackles per game last season.

A screening committee will meet Oct. 3 to narrow the field to 10 or 12 semifinalists. Three finalists will be selected Nov. 24. The names of these finalists will be submitted to a national panel of sports writers, sportscasters, coaches and former players who vote to determine the winner. The winner will be announced at the ESPN College Football Awards Show.

Formal presentation of the Jim Thorpe Award takes place at ceremonies in Oklahoma City on the first Tuesday in February following the national signing date for college football recruits.

## PAWELEK ON BUTKUS AWARD WATCH LIST

**Joe Pawelek** was named to the 2008 Butkus Award Watch List; the award is given annually to the nation's top collegiate linebacker. Pawelek, a 2006 Freshman All-American, is one of 66 student-athletes on the initial watch list, including 2007 winner James Laurinaitis.

A product of Smithson Valley High School in Spring Branch, Texas, Pawelek has been among Baylor's leaders in tackles each of the past two seasons. He led the Bears with 86 stops as a freshman in 2006 and was second on the team with 99 tackles last year. A 2007 All-Big 12 Conference selection, Pawelek tallied eight tackles for loss, including two sacks, forced three fumbles, recovered two fumbles and had one interception last season.

Pawelek is one of only four linebackers from the Big 12 on the Butkus Award Watch List, joining Joe Mortensen of Kansas, Ryan Reynolds of Oklahoma and Sean Witherspoon of Missouri.

## WALTON IN RUNNING FOR RIMINGTON TROPHY

**J.D. Walton** is one of 42 players on the Rimington Trophy's 2008 watch list. He is one of seven Big 12 Conference student-athletes on the list. The Rimington Trophy annually recognizes the nation's top center.

One of three Baylor offensive linemen to start every 2007 game, Walton was a key cog along a Bears' line which yielded just 21 sacks (on a school-record 561 pass attempts), the program's fewest since 1995. He shared the team's 2007 Best Offensive Lineman Award with tackle **Jason Smith**.

Walton saw action on 65 or more plays in 10 games with a high of 97 at Buffalo. For the season, he played 911 snaps, most by a Baylor offensive performer in 2007, and second-most overall behind free safety **Jordan Lake's** 974.

Included on the 2008 Spring Watch List are two finalists from the 2007 Watch List, as well as the award's 2007 winner in Arkansas' Jonathan Luigs. The 2008 winner will be honored at the Rimington Trophy presentation banquet Jan. 17 at the Rococo Theatre in Lincoln, Neb.

## BAYLOR AMONG TOP UNIVERSITIES

In a recent *Forbes Magazine* study, Baylor ranked as the nation's 34th-best university and the top university in the Big 12 Conference. The *Forbes* list ranked 127 universities. Baylor ranked as the third-best university in the state of Texas behind only SMU (13th) and Rice (24th). Baylor was the 19th-ranked non-Ivy League private university in the nation, sixth among schools with religious affiliations.

Other Big 12 schools in the *Forbes* rankings were Texas (44th), Texas A&M (49th), Missouri (53rd), Colorado (62nd), Kansas (67th), Oklahoma (73rd), Kansas State (108th), Iowa State (120th) and Nebraska (123rd). Oklahoma State and Texas Tech were not ranked.

*U.S. News & World Report* recently ranked Baylor at No. 76 — only one point from tying five other universities at No. 71 — among the nation's top national doctoral-granting universities. The ranking in the magazine's 2009 edition of "America's Best Colleges" represents Baylor's second-highest overall *U.S. News* ranking, just behind last year's ranking at No. 75. The magazine evaluated more than 1,400 accredited four-year schools.

Universities in the state of Texas continue to lead the Big 12 among the publication's "Best National Universities." Among Big 12 schools, Baylor is the third highest-ranked university behind only Texas (47th) and Texas A&M (64th). Other Big 12 schools ranked were Colorado (77th); Iowa State, Kansas and Nebraska (tied for 89th); Missouri (96th); Oklahoma (108th); and Kansas State (130th). Oklahoma State and Texas Tech both are in the third tier.

## FORMER WALK-ONS EARN SCHOLARSHIPS

Seven former walk-ons have been awarded scholarships for the 2008-09 academic year: **Joe Bennett**, **Carter Brunelle**, **Ty Findley**, **Chris Greisenbeck**, **Ryan Roberts**, **Sam Sledge** and **Larry Washington**. Baylor has awarded 37 former walk-ons with scholarships since 2003. Most notable of that group was punter **Daniel Sepulveda**, who was the first two-time winner of the Ray Guy Award and was drafted in fourth round by the Pittsburgh Steelers in 2007.

## BAYLORBears.COM

Baylor's official athletic web site can be found at [www.BaylorBears.com](http://www.BaylorBears.com). The comprehensive site, which includes releases, photos, biographical sketches and audio broadcasts, is part of the CBS College Sports network. CBS College Sports currently hosts sites for more than 100 universities, including five Big 12 schools.

## BAYLOR GAMES ON THE INTERNET

The radio call from all of Baylor's games can be heard free of charge live on the Internet at [www.BaylorBears.com](http://www.BaylorBears.com).

## INSIDE BAYLOR SPORTS TV SHOW

"Inside Baylor Sports," the award winning weekly TV show that covers all aspects of Baylor athletics, returns for its 10th season during the 2008-2009 academic year.

Senior Producer **Robert Shiekh** provide viewers an inside look at Baylor athletics with thorough highlights, in-depth interviews and imaginative features on all 18 sports presented in a fast-paced, entertaining style. Co-hosts **John Morris** and **Lori Fogleman** guide viewers through the best coverage of Baylor athletics on television.

"Inside Baylor Sports" airs Sundays, Aug. 24, 2008 through June 7, 2009, at 10:30 p.m. CT on KCEN-TV in Central Texas. The program also airs weekly throughout the region on FSN Southwest at 1 p.m. each Wednesday beginning Aug. 27 and is archived on the web at [www.BaylorTV.com](http://www.BaylorTV.com). "Inside Baylor Sports" also may be seen nationally on CBS' College Sports Television.

## NEXT WEEK

Baylor returns to action Saturday, Oct. 11, hosting Iowa State for a Big 12 Conference inter-division game. Kickoff between the Bears and Cyclones is scheduled for 6:05 p.m. CDT at Floyd Casey Stadium. The game will be televised nationally on Fox College Sports.

Iowa State holds a 4-3 advantage in the all-time series; the visitor has won each of the past two meetings, including a 23-13 Baylor victory at Ames, Iowa, in 2005 in the teams' last meeting.

## 2008 BAYLOR HONORS

### DEREK EPPERSON

Ray Guy Award Watch List

### DAVID GETTIS

Preseason third-team All-Big 12 (Phil Steele)

### ROBERT GRIFFIN

[Rivals.com](http://Rivals.com) National Freshman of the Week (Sept. 16)

Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week (Sept. 15)

[ESPN.com](http://ESPN.com) Helmet Sticker (Sept. 14)

### JORDAN LAKE

Jim Thorpe Award Watch List

Preseason honorable mention All-America (Sporting News)

Preseason All-Big 12 (coaches)

Preseason first-team All-Big 12 (Lindy's, Sporting News, Blue Ribbon Yearbook, CollegeFootballNews)

Preseason second-team All-Big 12 (Athlon, Phil Steele)

### JOE PAWELEK

Butkus Award Watch List

Preseason All-Big 12 (coaches)

Preseason first-team All-Big 12 (Athlon, Lindy's, Sporting News, CollegeFootballNews)

Preseason second-team All-Big 12 (Phil Steele)

### JASON SMITH

Preseason second-team All-Big 12 (Athlon, Lindy's)

Preseason fourth-team All-Big 12 (Phil Steele)

### J.D. WALTON

Rimington Trophy Watch List

# DEPTH CHART

## OFFENSE

<b>WR</b>	<b>13 ERNEST SMITH (6-3, 190, JR.)</b> 9 T.J. Scranton (5-10, 180, Jr.)
<b>IR</b>	<b>3 THOMAS WHITE (6-2, 205, SR.)</b> 5 Mikail Baker (6-0, 200, Jr.)
<b>LT</b>	<b>72 JASON SMITH (6-6, 305, SR.)</b> 67 Joe Korbel (6-5, 270, RFr.)
<b>LG</b>	<b>75 JORDAN HEARVEY (6-5, 285, JR.)</b> 78 Chris Griesenbeck (6-6, 270, Jr.)
<b>C</b>	<b>55 J.D. WALTON (6-3, 300, JR.)</b> 79 Courtney Green (6-4, 275, RFr.)
<b>RG</b>	<b>61 JAMES BARNARD (6-4, 290, JR.)</b> 63 John James (6-5, 300, RFr.)
<b>RT</b>	<b>71 DAN GAY (6-5, 295, SR.)</b> 76 Larry Bradley (6-5, 290, RFr.)
<b>TE</b>	<b>14 JUSTIN AKERS (6-5, 245, JR.)</b> 18 Brad Taylor (6-3, 235, So.)
<b>BS</b>	<b>47 LARRY WASHINGTON (6-0, 245, SR.)</b> 43 Andrew Judy (6-1, 229, Jr.)
<b>IR</b>	<b>1 KENDALL WRIGHT (6-0, 180, FR.)</b> 23 Justin Fenty (5-10, 175, Jr.)
<b>WR</b>	<b>4 DAVID GETTIS (6-4, 210, JR.)</b> 15 Kyle Mitchell (6-2, 220, Jr.)
<b>QB</b>	<b>10 ROBERT GRIFFIN (6-3, 200, FR.)</b> 7 Kirby Freeman (6-3, 210, Sr.) or 6 Blake Szymanski (6-4, 205, Jr.)
<b>IB</b>	<b>32 JAY FINLEY (5-11, 205, SO.)</b> 25 Jacoby Jones (5-11, 225, Sr.) or 8 Jeremy Sanders (6-2, 210, Jr.) 2 Ray Sims (6-0, 210, Sr.)

## SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>PK</b>	<b>40 BEN PARKS (6-2, 205, FR.)</b> 43 Shea Brewster (6-0, 170, So.)
<b>P</b>	<b>38 DEREK EPPERSON (6-3, 235, SO.)</b> 40 Ben Parks (6-2, 205, Fr.)
<b>LS</b>	<b>54 CARTER BRUNELLE (6-2, 225, JR.)</b> 59 Casey Cooper (6-2, 205, Jr.)
<b>H</b>	<b>38 DEREK EPPERSON (6-3, 235, SO.)</b>
<b>KR</b>	<b>8 JEREMY SANDERS (6-2, 210, JR.)</b> 12 JAKE LA MAR (6-0, 195, SR.) 4 David Gettis (6-4, 210, Jr.)
<b>PR</b>	<b>19 JOE BENNETT (5-7, 175, SR.)</b> 15 Krys Buerck (6-1, 180, So.)

## DEFENSE

<b>DE</b>	<b>49 LEON FREEMAN (6-2, 235, SR.)</b> 9 Jameon Hardeman (6-1, 230, So.)
<b>DT</b>	<b>91 VINCENT RHODES (6-2, 295, SR.)</b> 60 Sam Sledge (6-2, 275, Jr.)
<b>NG</b>	<b>97 TREY BRYANT (6-3, 310, JR.)</b> 90 Nicolas Jean-Baptiste (6-2, 325, RFr.)
<b>DE</b>	<b>88 JASON LAMB (6-6, 270, JR.)</b> 96 Zac Scotton (6-6, 255, RFr.)
<b>SLB</b>	<b>6 ANTONIO JONES (6-2, 225, JR.)</b> 33 Earl Patin (6-2, 225, So.)
<b>MLB</b>	<b>41 JOE PAWELEK (6-3, 240, JR.)</b> 36 Chris Francis (6-0, 225, So.)
<b>FLB</b>	<b>7 ANTONIO JOHNSON (6-1, 200, SO.)</b> 37 Elliot Coffey (6-0, 215, RFr.)
<b>LCB</b>	<b>15 KRYS BUERCK (6-1, 180, SO.)</b> 27 Dominique Criss (5-9, 185, So.)
<b>FS</b>	<b>21 JORDAN LAKE (6-2, 210, JR.)</b> 8 Tim Atchison (6-2, 205, So.)
<b>H</b>	<b>4 JEREMY WILLIAMS (5-10, 210, JR.)</b> 11 Marlon Price (6-2, 195, Sr.) or 12 Jake La Mar (6-0, 195, Sr.)
<b>RCB</b>	<b>1 DWAIN CRAWFORD (6-0, 195, SR.)</b> 3 Antareis Bryan (6-1, 190, So.)
<b>NB</b>	<b>12 JAKE LA MAR (6-0, 195, SR.)</b> 11 Marlon Price (6-2, 195, Sr.)

## 2008 STARTS

<b>OFFENSE</b>	
<b>QB</b>	Robert Griffin (3), Kirby Freeman (1)
<b>RB</b>	Jay Finley (2), Jacoby Jones (1), Jeremy Sanders (1)
<b>WR</b>	David Gettis (2), Ernest Smith (2), Kyle Mitchell (1)
<b>IR</b>	Kendall Wright (3), Justin Fenty (1)
<b>TE</b>	Justin Akers (3)
<b>BS</b>	Larry Washington (4), Andrew Judy (1)
<b>LT</b>	Jason Smith (4)
<b>LG</b>	Jordan Hearvey (3), John Jones (1)
<b>C</b>	J.D. Walton (4)
<b>RG</b>	James Barnard (4)
<b>RT</b>	Dan Gay (4)
<b>DEFENSE</b>	
<b>DE</b>	Leon Freeman (4), Jason Lamb (4)
<b>DT</b>	Vincent Rhodes (4)
<b>NT</b>	Trey Bryant (4)
<b>OLB</b>	Antonio Johnson (4), Antonio Jones (4)
<b>MLB</b>	Joe Pawelek (4)
<b>CB</b>	Krys Buerck (4), Dwain Crawford (4)
<b>S</b>	Jeremy Williams (4)
<b>FS</b>	Jordan Lake (4)

## CAREER STARTS

31	Jason Smith
26	Dan Gay, Joe Pawelek, Vincent Rhodes
24	Dwain Crawford, Jason Lamb
16	Justin Akers, James Barnard, Trey Bryant, Jordan Lake, J.D. Walton
13	Blake Szymanski
10	Krys Buerck, David Gettis, Ernest Smith
9	Jordan Hearvey
8	Jeremy Williams
7	Antonio Jones
6	Justin Fenty, Brad Taylor, Thomas White
5	Leon Freeman, Larry Washington
4	Antonio Johnson
3	Mikail Baker, Jay Finley, Robert Griffin, Jacoby Jones, Jake La Mar
2	Kendall Wright
1	Kirby Freeman, John Jones, Andrew Judy, Kyle Mitchell, Marlon Price, Jeremy Sanders

## CONSECUTIVE STARTS

26	Dan Gay
25	Joe Pawelek
24	Vincent Rhodes
22	Jason Lamb
16	James Barnard, Trey Bryant, Jordan Lake, J.D. Walton

## GAMES PLAYED

39	Jake La Mar
38	Ben Hixson, Vincent Rhodes
35	Jason Smith
34	Dwain Crawford, Marlon Price
32	Dan Gay
28	Justin Akers, Jason Lamb, Joe Pawelek
27	David Gettis
26	Mikail Baker, Ernest Smith
25	Justin Fenty, Jeremy Williams
24	Antonio Jones
23	Thomas White
21	Jordan Lake
19	Trey Bryant
18	Blake Szymanski
17	Jacoby Jones
16	Tim Atchison, James Barnard, Joe Bennett, Derek Epperson, Jay Finley, Leon Freeman, Clifton Odom, Earl Patin, J.D. Walton
15	Chris Buford, Chris Francis, Antonio Johnson, Ray Sims, Brad Taylor, Raylon Walters
14	Antareis Bryan, Krys Buerck
13	Dominique Criss, Jameon Hardeman, Alex Kushneir
12	Ty Findley, Jordan Hearvey
11	Luke La Mar, Sam Sledge, Larry Washington
10	V.J. McElroy
9	Chris Griesenbeck
8	Shea Brewster, Kyle Mitchell
5	Adam Geib
4	Carter Brunelle, Robert Griffin, Andrew Judy, Tyler King, Joe Korbel, Ben Parks, Jeremy Sanders, Zac Scotton, Kendall Wright
3	Romie Blaylock, Elliot Coffey, Kirby Freeman, Nicholas Jean-Baptiste, John Jones, T.J. Scranton, John David Weed
2	Ryan Roberts, Larry Bradley, Courtney Green, Hunter Hightower, Travis McClain, Andrew Sumpter, Stacy Williams
1	Casey Cooper, Zak Mitchell, Tracy Robertson, Matt Singletary, D'Kendrick Washington

# STATISTICS

**OVERALL: 2-2 (HOME 2-1, ROAD 0-1, NEUTRAL 0-0) | BIG 12 CONFERENCE: 0-0 (HOME 0-0, ROAD 0-0)**

## RESULTS 2-2 (0-0 BIG 12 SOUTH)

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE	ATTEND.	AP RANK	TV
Aug. 28	WAKE FOREST	L	13-41	30,633	-- 23	FSN
Sept. 6	NORTHWESTERN ST.	W	51-6	36,258	-- --	--
Sept. 12	WASHINGTON ST.	W	45-17	25,595	-- --	FSNSW
Sept. 19	at Connecticut	L	28-31	38,870	-- rv	ESPN2
Oct. 4	OKLAHOMA					
Oct. 11	IOWA ST.					
Oct. 18	at Oklahoma St.					
Oct. 25	at Nebraska					
Nov. 1	MISSOURI					
Nov. 8	at Texas					
Nov. 15	TEXAS A&M					
Nov. 29	at Texas Tech					

## TEAM STATISTICS

	BAYLOR	OPPONENTS
<b>SCORING</b>	137	95
Points Per Game	34.2	23.8
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>	84	77
Rushing	41	34
Passing	38	36
Penalty	5	7
<b>RUSHING YARDAGE</b>	896	510
Yards gained rushing	979	647
Yards lost rushing	83	137
Rushing Attempts	158	166
Average Per Rush	5.7	3.1
Average Per Game	224.0	127.5
TDs Rushing	11	8
<b>PASSING YARDAGE</b>	823	746
Att-Comp-Int	97-56-2	130-81-5
Average Per Pass	8.5	5.7
Average Per Catch	14.7	9.2
Average Per Game	205.8	186.5
TDs Passing	8	3
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE</b>	1719	1256
Total Plays	255	296
Average Per Play	6.7	4.2
Average Per Game	429.8	314.0
<b>KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS</b>	14-336	20-400
<b>PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS</b>	10-17	5-25
<b>INT RETURNS: #-YARDS</b>	5-48	2-1
<b>KICK RETURN AVERAGE</b>	24.0	20.0
<b>PUNT RETURN AVERAGE</b>	1.7	5.0
<b>INT RETURN AVERAGE</b>	9.6	0.5
<b>FUMBLES-LOST</b>	7-4	11-6
<b>PENALTIES-YARDS</b>	31-257	21-172
Average Per Game	64.2	43.0
<b>PUNTS-YARDS</b>	16-696	18-737
Average Per Punt	43.5	40.9
Net punt average	39.4	38.9
<b>TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME</b>	26:52	33:08
<b>3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS</b>	20/44	30/64
3rd-Down Pct	45%	47%
<b>4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS</b>	2/5	5/7
4th-Down Pct	40%	71%
<b>SACKS BY-YARDS</b>	12-87	9-38
<b>MISC YARDS</b>	0	0
<b>TOUCHDOWNS SCORED</b>	19	11
<b>FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS</b>	2-3	6-6
<b>ON-SIDE KICKS</b>	0-0	0-0
<b>RED-ZONE SCORES</b>	13-16 81%	12-15 80%
<b>RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS</b>	11-16 69%	9-15 60%
<b>PAT-ATTEMPTS</b>	17-19 89%	11-11 100%
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	92486	38870
Games/Avg Per Game	3/30829	1/38870
Neutral Site Games		0/0

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Baylor	44	34	28	31	137
Opponents	17	37	24	17	95

## RUSHING

	GP	ATT.	GAIN	LOSS	NET	AVG.	TD	LONG	YPG
Griffin, Robert	4	55	395	61	334	6.1	5	58	83.5
Finley, Jay	4	39	320	3	317	8.1	3	46	79.2
Sims, Ray	4	18	85	2	83	4.6	0	14	20.8
Jones, Jacoby	4	19	77	2	75	3.9	1	14	18.8
Sanders, Jeremy	4	16	71	1	70	4.4	1	13	17.5
Wright, Kendall	4	6	29	0	29	4.8	1	10	7.2
Freeman, Kirby	3	2	2	2	0	0.0	0	2	0.0
Baker, Mikail	3	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.3
TEAM	4	2	0	11	-11	-5.5	0	0	-2.8
Total.....	4	158	979	83	896	5.7	11	58	224.0
Opponents.....	4	166	647	137	510	3.1	8	55	127.5

## PASSING

	G	EFF	CMP-ATT-I	PCT	YDS	TD	LONG	AVG/G
Griffin, Robert	4	171.29	47-78-0	60.3	756	7	61	189.0
Freeman, Kirby	3	72.43	6-13-2	46.2	49	1	14	16.3
Szymanski, Blake	2	75.20	3-6-0	50.0	18	0	22	9.0
Total.....	4	152.09	56-97-2	57.7	823	8	61	205.8
Opponents.....	4	110.43	81-130-5	62.3	746	3	43	186.5

## RECEIVING

	G	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG	AVG/G
Wright, Kendall	4	15	185	12.3	1	33	46.2
Gettis, David	4	11	184	16.7	0	61	46.0
Akers, Justin	4	8	118	14.8	2	21	29.5
White, Thomas	4	8	117	14.6	1	32	29.2
Smith, Ernest	4	3	86	28.7	2	49	21.5
Finley, Jay	4	3	82	27.3	1	47	20.5
Baker, Mikail	3	2	16	8.0	0	14	5.3
Fenty, Justin	4	2	10	5.0	1	6	2.5
Blaylock, Romie	3	2	-6	-3.0	0	0	-2.0
La Mar, Luke	4	1	22	22.0	0	22	5.5
Sims, Ray	4	1	9	9.0	0	9	2.2
Total.....	4	56	823	14.7	8	61	205.8
Opponents.....	4	81	746	9.2	3	43	186.5

## TOTAL OFFENSE

	G	PLAYS	RUSH	PASS	TOTAL	AVG/G
Griffin, Robert	4	133	334	756	1090	272.5
Finley, Jay	4	39	317	0	317	79.2
Sims, Ray	4	18	83	0	83	20.8
Jones, Jacoby	4	19	75	0	75	18.8
Sanders, Jeremy	4	16	70	0	70	17.5
Freeman, Kirby	3	15	0	49	49	16.3
Wright, Kendall	4	6	29	0	29	7.2
Szymanski, Blake	2	6	0	18	18	9.0
Baker, Mikail	3	1	-1	0	-1	-0.3
TEAM	4	2	-11	0	-11	-2.8
Total.....	4	255	896	823	1719	429.8
Opponents.....	4	296	510	746	1256	314.0

# STATISTICS

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## SCORING

	TD	FGS	PATs						PTS
			KICK	RUSH	RCV	PASS	DXP	SAF	
Griffin, Robert	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
Finley, Jay	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
Parks, Ben	0	2-3	16-18	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	22
Smith, Ernest	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Wright, Kendall	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Akers, Justin	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
White, Thomas	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Sanders, Jeremy	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Fenty, Justin	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Jones, Jacoby	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Brewster, Shea	0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	1
Total.....	19	2-3	17-19	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	137
Opponents.....	11	6-6	11-11	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	95

## PUNT RETURNS

	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG
Bennett, Joe	9	17	1.9	0	11
Crawford, Dwain	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total.....	10	17	1.7	0	11
Opponents.....	5	25	5.0	0	9

## KICK RETURNS

	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG
La Mar, Jake	6	120	20.0	0	44
Sanders, Jeremy	4	117	29.2	0	40
Gettis, David	3	73	24.3	0	30
Baker, Mikail	1	26	26.0	0	26
Total.....	14	336	24.0	0	44
Opponents.....	20	400	20.0	0	54

## INTERCEPTIONS

	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG
Pawelek, Joe	2	40	20.0	0	33
Francis, Chris	1	0	0.0	0	0
Bryan, Antareis	1	8	8.0	0	8
Crawford, Dwain	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total.....	5	48	9.6	0	33
Opponents.....	2	1	0.5	0	1

## FUMBLE RETURNS

	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG
Total.....	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents.....	0	0	0.0	0	0

## ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

	G	RUSH	REC	PR	KOR	IR	TOT	AVG/G
Finley, Jay	4	317	82	0	0	0	399	99.8
Griffin, Robert	4	334	0	0	0	0	334	83.5
Gettis, David	4	0	184	0	73	0	257	64.2
Wright, Kendall	4	29	185	0	0	0	214	53.5
Sanders, Jeremy	4	70	0	0	117	0	187	46.8
La Mar, Jake	4	0	0	0	120	0	120	30.0
Akers, Justin	4	0	118	0	0	0	118	29.5
White, Thomas	4	0	117	0	0	0	117	29.2
Sims, Ray	4	83	9	0	0	0	92	23.0
Smith, Ernest	4	0	86	0	0	0	86	21.5
Jones, Jacoby	4	75	0	0	0	0	75	18.8
Baker, Mikail	3	-1	16	0	26	0	41	13.7
Brewster, Shea	4	0	0	0	0	40	40	10.0
La Mar, Luke	4	0	22	0	0	0	22	5.5
Bennett, Joe	4	0	0	17	0	0	17	4.2
Fenty, Justin	4	0	10	0	0	0	10	2.5
Bryan, Antareis	4	0	0	0	0	8	8	2.0
Blaylock, Romie	3	0	-6	0	0	0	-6	-2.0
TEAM	4	-11	0	0	0	0	-11	-2.8
Total.....	4	896	823	17	336	48	2120	530.0
Opponents.....	4	510	746	25	400	1	1682	420.5

## PUNTING

	NO	YDS	AVG	LONG	TB	FC	I20	BLKD
Epperson, Derek	16	696	43.5	62	2	3	5	0
Total.....	16	696	43.5	62	2	3	5	0
Opponents.....	18	737	40.9	59	1	2	7	0

## FIELD GOALS

	FGM-FGA	PCT	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	LG	BLK
Parks, Ben	2-3	66.7	0-0	2-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	23	0

## KICKOFFS

	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	OB	RETN	NET	YDLN
Parks, Ben	25	1359	54.4	1	0			
Total.....	25	1359	54.4	1	0	400	37.6	32
Opponents.....	20	1289	64.4	5	0	336	42.7	27

# STATISTICS

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## DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

	GP	SOLO	AST	TOTAL	TFL-YDS	SACKS-YDS	Int-Yds	PBU	QBH	FR-YDS	FF	BLOCK	SAFETY
Pawelek, Joe	4	11	37	48	1.5-2	.	2-40	2	4	1-0	.	.	.
ones, Antonio	4	11	18	29	3.0-25	2.0-24	.	.	1	1-0	1	.	.
Johnson, Antonio	4	12	16	28	1.0-2	.	.	.	1	1-0	.	.	.
Williams, Jeremy	4	12	13	25	2.5-7	1.0-6	.	2	.	.	1	.	.
Lake, Jordan	4	12	13	25	.	.	.	2	.	.	1	.	.
Crawford, Dwain	4	6	16	22	0.5-7	0.5-7	1-0	1	.	1-0	1	.	.
Patin, Earl	4	5	14	19	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
Freeman, Leon	4	7	11	18	6.0-19	2.0-14	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Lamb, Jason	4	2	12	14	1.5-8	0.5-5	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
La Mar, Jake	4	6	8	14	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Bryant, Trey	4	3	10	13	3.5-6	0.5-0	.	2	1	.	.	.	.
Bryan, Antareis	4	10	1	11	.	.	1-8	3	.	.	.	.	.
Rhodes, Vincent	4	3	7	10	1.5-5	1.5-5	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
Sledge, Sam	4	4	5	9	1.5-11	1.5-11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Buerck, Krys	4	5	4	9	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
Atchison, Tim	4	3	5	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Francis, Chris	4	3	5	8	0.5-2	0.5-2	1-0	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
Price, Marlon	4	2	5	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Hardeman, Jameon	4	.	5	5	1.0-7	0.5-7	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Coffey, Elliot	4	2	2	4	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
Jean-Baptiste, Nicol	4	2	2	4	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Parks, Ben	4	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Judy, Andrew	4	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Findley, Ty	4	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Scotton, Zac	4	1	1	2	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
Robertson, Tracy	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Geib, Adam	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Odom, Clifton	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Walters, Raylon	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
King, Tyler	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Hixson, Ben	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Criss, Dominique	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Kushneir, Alex	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
Total.....	4	131	216	347	25-104	12-87	5-48	15	17	6-0	5	.	.
Opponents.....	4	146	112	258	23.0-73	9-38	2-1	9	1	4-0	3	.	.

# STATISTICS

**OVERALL: 2-2 (HOME 2-1, ROAD 0-1, NEUTRAL 0-0) | BIG 12 CONFERENCE: 0-0 (HOME 0-0, ROAD 0-0)**

## GAME-BY-GAME TEAM STATS

GAME	FINAL SCORE	QUARTERS				1ST DOWNS R-P-PE TOT	RUSHING NO-YDS-TD	PASSING		TOT OFF. ATT-YDS	PUNTS NO-AVG	FUMB. F-FL	PEN. NO-YDS	3RD DNS	4TH DNS	RED ZONE	SACKS NO-YDS	FIELD GOALS	POSSESSION TIME						
		1	2	3	4			1	2										3	4	TOT				
Baylor	13	0	6	0	7	5-8-2	15	34-94-2	15-30-2	156	0	64-250	6-40.2	4-3	7-59	2-12	2-3	2-3	1-6	0-0	4:40	7:58	7:27	5:39	25:44
Wake Forest	41	10	10	14	7	9-11-3	23	44-156-2	27-36-0	220	3	80-376	4-39.2	4-2	5-65	7-14	1-1	4-5	2-4	2-2	10:20	7:02	7:33	9:21	34:16
Baylor	51	23	7	14	7	9-14-2	25	39-207-3	20-26-0	330	4	65-537	2-58.5	1-1	6-46	8-11	0-0	3-4	4-36	1-1	8:17	5:12	6:38	6:22	26:29
Northwestern St.	6	0	6	0	0	6-7-1	14	37-52-0	18-33-1	138	0	70-190	7-35.9	3-1	5-32	9-20	1-2	2-2	2-8	2-2	6:43	9:48	8:22	8:38	33:31
Baylor	45	14	14	7	10	16-4-0	20	42-426-5	7-16-0	129	1	58-555	3-47.0	2-0	10-75	2-7	0-1	4-5	7-45	1-2	5:48	4:20	6:53	8:04	25:05
Washington St.	17	7	7	0	3	5-12-2	19	39-77-2	23-38-2	263	0	77-340	4-49.2	4-3	9-55	9-18	2-3	3-4	1-8	1-1	9:12	10:40	8:07	6:56	34:55
Baylor	28	7	7	7	7	11-12-1	24	43-169-1	14-25-0	208	3	68-377	5-39.4	0-0	8-77	8-14	0-1	4-4	0-0	0-0	7:56	5:10	6:07	10:57	30:10
at Connecticut	31	0	14	10	7	14-6-1	21	46-225-4	13-23-2	125	0	69-350	3-44.0	0-0	2-20	5-12	1-1	3-4	4-19	1-1	7:04	9:50	8:53	4:03	29:50

## GAME-BY-GAME OFFENSIVE STARTERS

OPPONENT	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	BS	IR	WR	QB	IB	H
Wake Forest		J. Smith	Hearvey	Walton	Barnard	Gay	Akers	Washington	Wright	Gettis	K. Freeman	Finley	
Northwestern St.		J. Smith	Hearvey	Walton	Barnard	Gay	Akers	Washington		Gettis	Griffin	Judy	Sanders
Washington St.	E. Smith	J. Smith	Hearvey	Walton	Barnard	Gay		Washington	Wright		Griffin	Finley	Mitchell
at Connecticut	E. Smith	J. Smith	Jo. Jones	Walton	Barnard	Gay	Akers	Washington	Fenty		Griffin	Ja. Jones	

## GAME-BY-GAME DEFENSIVE STARTERS

OPPONENT	DE	DT	NG	DE	LCB	SLB	MLB	FLB	FS	H	RCB
Wake Forest	L. Freeman	Rhodes	Bryant	Lamb	Buerck	A. Jones	Pawelek	A. Johnson	Lake	J. Williams	Crawford
Northwestern St.	L. Freeman	Rhodes	Bryant	Lamb	Buerck	A. Jones	Pawelek	A. Johnson	Lake	J. Williams	Crawford
Washington St.	L. Freeman	Rhodes	Bryant	Lamb	Buerck	A. Jones	Pawelek	A. Johnson	Lake	J. Williams	Crawford
at Connecticut	L. Freeman	Rhodes	Bryant	Lamb	Buerck	A. Jones	Pawelek	A. Johnson	Lake	J. Williams	Crawford







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## SCORING DRIVES

OPPONENT	PLAYS	YDS	DRIVE TIME	QTR/ CLOCK	DRIVE START	DRIVE PLAY
Wake Forest	8	44	2:44	2nd/02:54	WF44	J. Jones 12 run
Wake Forest	12	76	5:25	4th/12:39	BU24	Griffin 5 run
Northwestern State	8	73	3:29	1st/10:09	BU27	E. Smith 49 pass from Griffin
Northwestern State	4	58	1:35	1st/07:41	BU42	Finley 40 run
Northwestern State	6	56	2:09	1st/03:04	BU41	Parks 20 FG
Northwestern State	3	19	1:04	1st/01:11	NSU19	Griffin 3 run
Northwestern State	4	62	1:18	2nd/13:30	BU38	Finley 35 run
Northwestern State	8	79	3:30	3rd/11:30	BU21	White 32 pass from Griffin
Northwestern State	7	85	2:39	3rd/04:24	BU15	Finley 47 pass from Griffin
Northwestern State	6	36	2:41	4th/02:46	NSU36	Fenty 4 pass from K. Freeman
Washington State	10	78	3:34	1st/07:53	BU22	Griffin 1 run
Washington State	2	27	0:23	1st/06:50	WSU27	E. Smith 27 pass from Griffin
Washington State	2	70	0:28	2nd/07:32	BU30	Sanders 13 run
Washington State	4	58	1:09	2nd/05:12	BU42	Finley 46 run
Washington State	1	58	0:10	3rd/08:47	BU42	Griffin 58 run
Washington State	5	32	2:25	4th/14:54	WSU32	Wright 10 run
Washington State	8	69	4:21	4th/06:21	BU25	Parks 23 FG
at Connecticut	9	67	4:17	1st/7:53	BU33	Akers 16 pass from Griffin
at Connecticut	8	76	3:33	2nd/8:38	BU24	Akers 14 pass from Griffin
at Connecticut	8	72	3:23	3rd/6:48	BU28	Griffin 2 run
at Connecticut	9	70	4:42	4th/11:13	BU30	Wright 19 pass from Griffin
<b>AVERAGE DRIVE</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>60.2</b>	<b>2:37</b>			

## DRIVES SUPERLATIVES

**MOST PLAYS:** 12 (TD vs Wake Forest)    **FEWEST PLAYS:** 1 (TD vs. Washington St.)  
**MOST YARDS:** 85 (TD vs. Northwestern St.)    **FEWEST YARDS:** 19 (TD vs. Northwestern St.)  
**LONGEST TIME:** 5:25 (TD vs. Northwestern St.)    **SHORTEST TIME:** 0:10 (TD vs. Washington St.)

## LONG PLAYS (25-plus yards)

YDS	PLAY	OPPONENT (QTR)
61	Gettis pass from Griffin	Washington State (2nd)
58	Griffin run	Washington State (4th)
58	Griffin run [TD]	Washington State (3rd)
57	Griffin run	Washington State (2nd)
49	E. Emith pass from Griffin	Northwestern State (1st)
47	Finley pass from Griffin	Northwestern State (3rd)
46	Finley run [TD]	Washington State (2nd)
40	Gettis pass from Griffin	Northwestern State (1st)
40	Finley run	Northwestern State (1st)
35	Finley run	Northwestern State (2nd)
33	Wright pass from Griffin	at Connecticut (3rd)
32	White pass from Griffin	Northwestern State (3rd)
27	Wright pass from Griffin	at Connecticut (2nd)
27	E. Smith pass from Griffin [TD]	Washington State (1st)
26	Finley pass from Griffin	Wake Forest (2nd)

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## BAYLOR SUPERLATIVES

INDIVIDUAL		
Rushes	23	Griffin, Robert at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Yards Rushing	217	Griffin, Robert vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
TD Rushes	2	Finley, Jay vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008) Griffin, Robert vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Long Rush	58	Griffin, Robert vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Pass attempts	25	Griffin, Robert at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Pass completions	15	Griffin, Robert vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
Yards Passing	294	Griffin, Robert vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
TD Passes	3	Griffin, Robert vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008) Griffin, Robert at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Long Pass	61	Griffin, Robert vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Receptions	6	Wright, Kendall at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Yards Receiving	114	Wright, Kendall at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
TD Receptions	2	Akers, Justin at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Long Reception	61	Gettis, David vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Field Goals	1	Parks, Ben vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008) Parks, Ben vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Long Field Goal	23	Parks, Ben vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Punts	6	Epperson, Derek vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Punting Avg	58.5	Epperson, Derek vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
Long Punt	62	Epperson, Derek vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Long Punt Return	11	Bennett, Joe vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Long Kickoff Return	44	La Mar, Jake vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Tackles	15	Pawelek, Joe vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Sacks	2.0	Freeman, Leon vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Tackles For Loss	3.0	Freeman, Leon vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Interceptions	1	5 times (last Bryan Antareis at Connecticut Sep 19, 2008)

## TEAM

Rushes	43	at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Yards Rushing	426	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Yards Per Rush	10.1	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
TD Rushes	5	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Pass attempts	30	vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Pass completions	20	vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
Yards Passing	330	vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
Yards Per Pass	12.7	vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
TD Passes	4	vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
Total Plays	68	at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Total Offense	555	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Yards Per Play	9.6	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Points	51	vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
Sacks By	7	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
First Downs	25	vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
Penalties	10	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Penalty Yards	77	at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Turnovers	5	vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Interceptions By	2	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008) at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)

## OPPONENT SUPERLATIVES

INDIVIDUAL		
Rushes	34	Brown, Donald, at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Yards Rushing	150	Brown, Donald, at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
TD Rushes	2	Lorenzen, Tyler, at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008) Brown, Donald, at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Long Rush	55	Washington, C.J. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Pass attempts	36	Skinner, R. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Pass completions	27	Skinner, R. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Yards Passing	220	Skinner, R. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
TD Passes	3	Skinner, R. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Long Pass	43	Skinner, R. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Receptions	8	Gibson, Brandon, vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Yards Receiving	128	Gibson, Brandon, vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
TD Receptions	2	Brinkman, C. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Long Reception	43	Wooster, B. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Field Goals	2	Swank, S. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008) Weeks, Robert, vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
Long Field Goal	42	Swank, S. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Punts	7	Russo, Bradley, vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008)
Punting Avg	49.2	Forrest, Reid, vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Long Punt	59	Forrest, Reid, vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Long Punt Return	9	Smith, A. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Long Kickoff Return	54	Frey, Robbie, at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Tackles	10	Lutrus, Scott, at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008) Lloyd, Greg, at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Sacks	1.0	5 times
Tackles For Loss	2.5	Love, Ledell, vs Northwestern State (Sep 06, 2008) Lutrus, Scott, at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008) Lloyd, Greg, at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Interceptions	1	Smith, A. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008) Frye, A. vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)

## TEAM

Rushes	46	at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Yards Rushing	225	at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Yards Per Rush	4.9	at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
TD Rushes	4	at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Pass attempts	38	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Pass completions	27	vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Yards Passing	263	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Yards Per Pass	6.9	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
TD Passes	3	vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Total Plays	80	vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Total Offense	376	vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Yards Per Play	5.1	at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
Points	41	vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Sacks By	4	at Connecticut (Sep 19, 2008)
First Downs	23	vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Penalties	9	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Penalty Yards	65	vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)
Turnovers	5	vs Washington State (Sep 12, 2008)
Interceptions By	2	vs Wake Forest (Aug 28, 2008)

## RED ZONE

OPPONENT	SCORE	TIMES IN		POINTS	TDS	RUSH		PASS		FAILED TO SCORE INSIDE 20					
		RED ZONE	SCORES			TDS	TDS	FGS	FGA	DOWNNS	INT	FUM	HALF	GAME	
Wake Forest	13-41	3	2	13	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Northwestern St.	51-6	4	3	17	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Washington St.	45-17	5	4	24	3	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Connecticut	28-31	4	4	28	4	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma															
Iowa St.															
at Oklahoma St.															
at Nebraska															
Missouri															
at Texas															
Texas A&M															
at Texas Tech															
<b>Totals</b>	<b>137-95</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>95-137</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

SEASON PCT. (OVERALL):	13 of 16 (81.3%)
SEASON PCT. (TDS):	11 of 16 (68.8%)
SEASON PCT. (FGS):	2 of 16 (12.5%)
SEASON PCT. (NO SCORE):	3 of 16 (25.0%)

## LAST TIME A BAYLOR TEAM ...

### MISCELLANEOUS

**Defeated a Top 25 Opponent:** vs. No. 16 Texas A&M, 2004 (35-34 OT)  
**Defeated a Top 25 Opponent on the road:** at No. 24 Arkansas, 1991 (9-5)  
**Defeated a Top 10 Opponent:** vs. No. 10 Arkansas, 1986 (29-14)  
**Defeated a Top 5 Opponent:** at No. 3 Southern California, 1985 (20-13)  
**Had 35 First Downs:** at Houston, 1995 (35)  
**Had 30 First Downs:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2001 (31)  
**Had 25 First Downs:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (25)  
**Had 35 minutes time of possession:** at SMU, 2005 (37:14)  
**Played an overtime game:** at Colorado, 2006 (W 34-31 3OT)

### RUSHING

**Had 400 yards rushing:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (426)  
**Had 300 yards rushing:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (426)  
**Had 200 yards rushing:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (426)  
**Had 100 yards rushing:** at Connecticut, 2008 (169)  
**Had 200 yards rushing in a half:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (203 first half, 223 second half)  
**Had negative yards rushing:** at Washington State, 2006 (-10)  
**Had 60 or more rushing attempts:** at North Carolina State, 1996 (60)  
**Had 50 or more rushing attempts:** vs. Colorado, 2003 (56)  
**Had five or more rushing TDs:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (5)  
**Had four or more rushing TDs:** vs. Tulsa, 2002 (4)  
**Had two 100-yard rushers in a game:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (Robert Griffin [217], Jay Finley [119])  
**Had three 100-yard rushers in a game:** at SMU, 1993 (John Henry [169], Bradford Lewis [101], Brandell Jackson [100])

### PASSING

**Had 400 or more yards passing:** vs. Colorado, 2007 (410)  
**Had 375 or more yards passing:** vs. Colorado, 2007 (410)  
**Had 350 or more yards passing:** vs. Colorado, 2007 (410)  
**Had 300 or more yards passing:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (330)  
**Had 400 or more yards passing in consecutive games:** vs. Rice (412); vs. Texas State (411), 2006  
**Had 300 or more yards passing in consecutive games:** vs. Rice (412); vs. Texas State (411), 2006  
**Had 60 or more pass attempts:** vs. Colorado, 2007 (60)  
**Had 55 or more pass attempts:** vs. Texas, 2007 (56)  
**Had 50 or more pass attempts:** vs. Texas, 2007 (56)  
**Had 40 or more pass attempts:** at Oklahoma State, 2007 (40)  
**Had 35 or more pass completions:** vs. Colorado, 2007 (36)  
**Had 32 or more pass completions:** vs. Texas, 2007 (32)  
**Had 30 or more pass completions:** vs. Texas, 2007 (32)  
**Had 28 or more pass completions:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (29)  
**Had 25 or more pass completions:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (29)  
**Had six TDs passing:** vs. Rice, 2007 (6)  
**Had five TDs passing:** vs. Texas State, 2007 (5)  
**Had four TDs passing:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (4)  
**Had three TDs passing:** at Connecticut, 2008 (3)

### RECEIVING

**Had two 100-yard receivers in a game:** vs. Kansas, 2006 (Dominique Zeigler [122], Trent Shelton [104])  
**Had two receivers with 9 or more receptions:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (Thomas White [9], Brandon Whitaker [9])  
**Had two receivers with 8 or more receptions:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (Thomas White [9], Brandon Whitaker [9])  
**Had three receivers with 7 or more receptions:**  
 vs. Iowa State, 2004 (Trent Shelton [10], Marques Roberts [8], Dominique Zeigler [7])  
**Had four receivers with 5 or more receptions:**  
 vs. Kansas, 2006 (Dominique Zeigler [7], Trent Shelton [6], Paul Mosley [5], Trey Payne [5])  
**Had three receivers with 5 or more receptions:** vs. Colorado, 2007 (Brandon Whitaker [11], David Gettis [8], Brad Taylor [5])  
**Had 12 or more players with at least one reception:** vs. Rice, 2007 (12)  
**Had 10 or more players with at least one reception:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (10)  
**Had nine or more players with at least one reception:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (10)  
**Had eight or more players with at least one reception:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (10)

### TOTAL OFFENSE

**Had 550 or more yards total offense:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (555)  
**Had 500 or more yards total offense:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (555)  
**Had 450 or more yards total offense:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (555)  
**Had 90 or more total plays:** at Texas A&M, 2005 (90)  
**Had 80 or more total plays:** vs. Texas Tech, 2007 (82)  
**Had a drive of 20 or more plays:** vs. Texas A&M, 2004 (20)  
**Had 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in a game:** at Oklahoma, 2007 (B. Whitaker [149 rush], T. White [117 receiving])

### EFFICIENCY, TURNS

**Did not allow a sack:** at Oklahoma, 2007  
**Did not allow a sack in consecutive games:** at Texas A&M and vs. Colorado, 2007  
**Did not allow a sack in three consecutive games:** at Miami-FL, at SMU, Rice, 1995  
**Had four or more fumbles:** vs. Wake Forest, 2008 (4)  
**Last four or more fumbles:** at Kansas State, 2007 (4)  
**Did not commit a turnover:** at Connecticut, 2008  
**Did not commit a turnover in consecutive games:** vs. Washington State, at Connecticut, 2008  
**Committed seven or more turnovers:** at Kansas State, 2007 (4 fumbles, 3 interceptions)  
**Committed six or more turnovers:** at Kansas State, 2007 (4 fumbles, 3 interceptions)  
**Committed four or more turnovers in one half:** 2nd half vs. Wake Forest, 2008 (3 fumbles, 1 interception)  
**Forced five or more turnovers in a game:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (3 fumbles, 2 interceptions)  
**Forced six or more turnovers in a game:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2005 (4 fumbles, 4 interceptions)  
**Forced seven or more turnovers in a game:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2005 (4 fumbles, 4 interceptions)  
**Forced eight or more turnovers in a game:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2005 (4 fumbles, 4 interceptions)  
**Did not force a turnover in a game:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2007

### SCORING

**Scored 50 or more points:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (51)  
**Scored 40 or more points:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (45)  
**Scored 30 or more points:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (45)  
**Scored 40 or more points in consecutive games:** vs. Northwestern State (51), vs. Washington State (45); 2008  
**Scored 30 or more points in consecutive games:** vs. Northwestern State (51), vs. Washington State (45); 2008  
**Scored 30 or more points in three consecutive games:** vs. Rice (42), vs. Texas State (34), at Buffalo (34); 2007  
**Scored 30 or more points in consecutive conference games:** at Texas (31), vs. Kansas (36); 2007  
**Scored 30 or more points in three consecutive conference games:** at Colorado (34), at Texas (31), vs. Kansas (36); 2007  
**Scored 30 or more points in consecutive road games:** at Colorado (34), at Texas (31); 2006  
**Scored 35 or more unanswered points:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2005 (38)  
**Scored 30 or more unanswered points:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (30)  
**Scored 20 or more unanswered points:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (30)  
**Scored 28 or more first-half points in consecutive games:** vs. Northwestern State (30), vs. Washington State (28); 2008  
**Scored an offensive two-point conversion:** at Oklahoma, 2005 (Shawn Bell run)  
**Scored a defensive two-point conversion:** vs. Iowa State, 2004 (Braelon Davis INT return)  
**Overcame a deficit of 15-plus points at any point:** vs. Kansas, 2006 (18 points)  
**Overcame a deficit of 10-plus points in the second half:** vs. Kansas, 2006 (18 points)  
**Overcame a deficit of 10-plus points in the fourth quarter:** vs. Kansas, 2006 (18 points)  
**Scored a defensive TD:** at Washington State, 2006 (Anthony Arline 40-yard fumble recovery)  
**Returned two interceptions for TDs:** vs. Southern Illinois, 2001 (Samir Al-Amin [45 yards], Samir Al-Amin [35 yards])  
**Returned an interception for a TD:** vs. Northwestern State, 2006 (C.J. Wilson [52 yards])  
**Returned a fumble for a TD:** at Washington State, 2006 (Anthony Arline [40 yards])  
**Was held scoreless:** at TCU, 2007 (27-0)  
**Was held scoreless in a Big 12 Conference game:** vs. Texas, 2005 (62-0)  
**Was held scoreless at Floyd Casey Stadium:** vs. Texas, 2005 (62-0)  
**Was held scoreless in a road game:** at TCU, 2007 (27-0)

### SPECIAL TEAMS

**Returned a punt for a TD:** vs. Samford, 2005 (Shaun Rochon [85 yards])  
**Returned a kickoff for a TD:** at Kansas, 2007 (David Gettis [97 yards])  
**Blocked a punt:** at SMU, 2005 (Latif Nurudeen)  
**Blocked a punt for a safety:** vs. UAB, 2003 (James Todd)  
**Blocked a punt for a TD:** vs. North Texas, 2004 (Braelon Davis [block and recovery])  
**Blocked a field goal:** vs. Texas A&M, 2006 (Braelon Davis)  
**Blocked a PAT attempt:** at Missouri, 2001 (Aaron Lard)  
**Blocked two or more kicks:** at SMU, 2005 (punt and field goal)  
**Blocked a punt and a field goal:** at SMU, 2005  
**Missed a kicking PAT:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (Ben Parks, wide right)  
**Had a kicking PAT blocked:** vs. Northwestern State, 2006 (Ryan Havens)  
**Had a punt blocked:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2005 (Daniel Sepulveda)  
**Had a field goal blocked:** vs. Texas, 2005 (Ryan Havens)

### DEFENSE

**Had no sacks in a game:** at Connecticut, 2008  
**Had no sacks in consecutive games:** at Oklahoma, vs. Oklahoma State; 2007  
**Had no sacks in three consecutive games:** vs. Texas Tech, at Oklahoma, vs. Oklahoma State; 2007  
**Had seven or more sacks in a game:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (7)  
**Had six or more sacks in a game:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (7)  
**Had five or more sacks in a game:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (7)  
**Had three or more players with at least 10 tackles each:**  
 at Texas A&M, 2007 (Jordan Lake [18], Brandon Stiggers [13], Joe Pawelek [12])  
**Had two or more players with at least 10 tackles each:** at Kansas State, 2007 (Jordan Lake [13], Joe Pawelek [12])  
**Held an opponent scoreless:** at North Carolina State, 1995 (14-0)  
**Held an opponent scoreless at Floyd Casey Stadium:** vs. TCU, 1985 (45-0)  
**Held an opponent scoreless in the first half:** vs. Northwestern State, 2006  
**Held consecutive opponents scoreless in the first half:** vs. TCU and vs. Northwestern State, 2006  
**Held an opponent scoreless in the second half:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008  
**Held an opponent scoreless in the second half on the road:** at Iowa State, 2005  
**Held an opponent to 10 or fewer first downs:** vs. North Texas, 2004 (8)  
**Held an opponent to five or fewer first downs:** vs. UNLV, 1988 (2)  
**Held an opponent to two or fewer third-down conversions:** at SMU, 2005 (1-of-12)  
**Intercepted five or more passes:** vs. TCU, 1989 (5)  
**Intercepted four or more passes:** vs. Oklahoma State, 2005 (4)  
**Intercepted three or more passes:** at Colorado, 2006 (3)  
**Intercepted three or more passes in consecutive games:** vs. Kansas State (3), at Colorado (3); 2006  
**Held an opponent without a touchdown:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008  
**Held opponent to 300 or less yards total offense:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (190)  
**Held opponent to 250 or less yards total offense:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (190)  
**Held opponent to 200 or less yards total offense:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (190)  
**Held opponent to 150 or less yards total offense:** at North Carolina State, 1995 (138)  
**Held an opponent to 100 or less yards rushing:** vs. Washington State, 2008 (77)  
**Held an opponent to 75 or less yards rushing:** vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (52)  
**Held an opponent to 50 or less yards rushing:** vs. Kansas State, 2006 (45)  
**Held an opponent to negative yards rushing:** at San Jose State, 1994 (-22)  
**Held an opponent to zero yards rushing in a half:** at Washington State, 2006 (-8, 2nd half)  
**Held consecutive opponents to 100 or less yards rushing:** vs. Northwestern State (52), vs. Washington State (77); 2008  
**Held an opponent to 150 or less yards passing:** at Connecticut, 2008 (125)  
**Held an opponent to 100 or less yards passing:** vs. Kansas, 2006 (98)  
**Held an opponent to 75 or less yards passing:** at Colorado, 2006 (75)  
**Scored a safety:** at Washington State, 2006 (snap through back of end zone)  
**Led a game 2-0:** at Washington State, 2006  
**Scored two safeties:** at Texas Tech, 1980

**LAST TIME A BAYLOR PLAYER ...****ALL-PURPOSE YARDAGE**

**Had 250 yards in a game:** Jerod Douglas vs. Oklahoma, 1997 (257)

**Had 225 yards in a game:** David Gettis vs. Colorado, 2007 (225)

**Had 200 yards in a game:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (217)

**RUSHING**

**Rushed 35 times in a game:** Rashad Armstrong vs. Colorado, 2003 (37)

**Rushed 30 times in a game:** Rashad Armstrong vs. Colorado, 2003 (37)

**Rushed 20 times in a game, quarterback:** Robert Griffin at Connecticut, 2008 (23)

**Rushed for 200 yards in a game:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (217)

**Rushed for 150 yards in a game:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (217)

**Rushed for 125 yards in a game:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (217)

**Rushed for 100 yards in a game:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (217)

**Rushed for 100 yards in a road game:** Brandon Whitaker at Oklahoma, 2007 (149)

**Rushed for 100 yards in a game, quarterback:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (217)

**Rushed for 100 yards in a Big 12 game:** Brandon Whitaker at Oklahoma, 2007 (149)

**Rushed for 100 yards in a Big 12 road game:** Brandon Whitaker at Oklahoma, 2007 (149)

**Rushed for 100 yards in a half:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (119, second half)

**Rushed for 100 yards in a quarter:** Brandon Whitaker at Oklahoma, 2007 (104, first quarter)

**Rushed for 100 yards in three consecutive games:**

Rashad Armstrong vs. Oklahoma, 2002 (103); at Oklahoma State, 2002 (112); vs. UAB, 2003 (152)

**Rushed for 100 yards in two straight games:** Rashad Armstrong vs. Sam Houston State (125), vs. Colorado (166); 2003

**Rushed for 100 yards in three straight Big 12 games:**

Rashad Armstrong vs. Oklahoma, 2002 (103); Oklahoma State, 2002 (112); vs. Colorado, 2003 (166)

**Rushed for 100 yards in two straight Big 12 games:**

Rashad Armstrong at Oklahoma State, 2002 (112); vs. Colorado, 2003 (166)

**Quarterback led team in rushing in a game:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (217)

**Scored five rushing TDs in a game:** Jonathan Golden vs. Samford, 2002 (5)

**Scored four rushing TDs in a game:** Jonathan Golden vs. Samford, 2002 (5)

**Scored three rushing TDs in a game:** Paul Mosley vs. Oklahoma State, 2005 (3)

**Scored two rushing TDs in a game:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (2)

**Scored two rushing TDs in a game, quarterback:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (2)

**Had an 80-yard run:** Jerod Douglas vs. Nebraska, 1997 (80)

**Had a 70-yard run:** Trent Shelton at Texas Tech, 2004 (71)

**Had a 60-yard run:** Trent Shelton at Texas Tech, 2004 (71)

**Had a 50-yard run:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (57, 58, 58)

**Had a 40-yard run:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (57, 58, 58); Jay Finley vs. Washington State, 2008 (46)

**Had three or more runs of 40-plus yards:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (57, 58, 58)

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**PASSING**

**Passed for 350 yards in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Colorado, 2007 (410)

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**Passed for 250 yards in a half:** Blake Szymanski vs. Rice, 2007 (280, first half)

**Passed for 200 yards in a half:** Blake Szymanski vs. Colorado (217, second half)

**Passed for 225 yards in a quarter:** Shawn Bell vs. Kansas, 2006 (236, fourth quarter)

**Passed for 200 yards in a quarter:** Blake Szymanski vs. Texas State, 2007 (208, first quarter)

**Passed for 150 yards in a quarter:** Blake Szymanski vs. Texas State, 2007 (208, first quarter)

**Attempted 60 passes in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Colorado, 2007 (60)

**Attempted 50 passes in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Colorado, 2007 (60)

**Attempted 40 passes in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (40)

**Completed 35 passes in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Colorado, 2007 (36)

**Completed 30 passes in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Colorado, 2007 (36)

**Completed 25 passes in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (29)

**Threw six or more TDs in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Rice, 2007 (6)

**Threw five or more TDs in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Texas State, 2007 (5)

**Threw four or more TDs in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Texas State, 2007 (5)

**Threw three or more TDs in a game:** Robert Griffin at Connecticut, 2008 (3)

**Threw three or more TDs in a quarter:** Blake Szymanski vs. Rice, 2007 (3, first quarter)

**Threw three or more TDs in a half:** Blake Szymanski vs. Rice, 2007 (4, first half)

**Threw three or more TDs in three consecutive games:** Blake Szymanski, 2007 (Rice, Texas State, Buffalo)

**Was intercepted three or more times:** Michael Machen vs. Texas, 2007 (3)

**Completed an 80-yard pass:** Aaron Karas to Reggie Newhouse at Cal, 2002 (85)

**Completed a 70-yard pass:** Blake Szymanski to Thomas White at Oklahoma, 2007 (75)

**Completed a 60-yard pass:** Robert Griffin to David Gettis vs. Washington State, 2008 (61)

**Completed a 50-yard pass:** Robert Griffin to David Gettis vs. Washington State, 2008 (61)

**Completed three or more touchdown passes of 30-plus yards:** Robert Griffin vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (3)

**Completed two or more touchdown passes of 30-plus yards:** Robert Griffin vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (3)

**RECEIVING**

**Caught 12 or more passes in a game:** Dominique Zeigler vs. Texas A&M, 2004 (12)

**Caught 10 or more passes in a game:** Brandon Whitaker at Oklahoma, 2007 (10)

**Caught nine or more passes in a game:**

Thomas White vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (9); Brandon Whitaker vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (9)

**Caught eight or more passes in a game:**

Thomas White vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (9); Brandon Whitaker vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (9)

**Caught seven or more passes in a game:**

Thomas White vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (9); Brandon Whitaker vs. Oklahoma State, 2007 (9)

**Had 150 or more yards receiving in a game:** Brandon Whitaker vs. Colorado, 2007 (166)

**Had 100 or more yards receiving in a game:** Kendall Wright at Connecticut, 2008 (114)

**Had 150 or more yards receiving in a half:** Dominique Zeigler vs. Texas A&M, 2006 (166, 1st)

**Had 100 or more yards receiving in a half:** Dominique Zeigler vs. Texas A&M, 2006 (166, 1st)

**Caught three or more TD passes in a game:** Reggie Newhouse vs. Missouri, 2001 (3)

**Caught two or more TD passes in a game:** Justin Akers at Connecticut, 2008 (2)

**DEFENSE**

**Recorded 20 or more tackles in a game:** Maurice Lane vs. Texas Tech, 2003 (23)

**Recorded 18 or more tackles in a game:** Jordan Lake at Texas A&M, 2007 (18)

**Recorded 15 or more tackles in a game:** Joe Pawelek vs. Wake Forest, 2008 (15)

**Recorded 12 or more tackles in a game:** Joe Pawelek at Connecticut, 2008 (13)

**Recorded 10 or more tackles in a game:** Joe Pawelek at Connecticut, 2008 (13)

**Recorded 10 or more solo tackles in a game:** Jordan Lake at Texas A&M, 2007 (11)

**Recorded 10 or more tackles in three consecutive games:**

Joe Pawelek vs. Wake Forest (15), vs. Northwestern State (10), vs. Washington State (10); 2008

**Intercepted three or more passes in a game:** Robert Blackman at Texas, 1989 (3)

**Intercepted two or more passes in a game:** Jordan Lake at Buffalo, 2007 (2)

**Returned two interceptions for TDs:** Samir Al-Amin vs. Southern Illinois, 2001 (45 yards, 35 yards)

**Forced two or more fumbles in a game:** Jordan Lake at Buffalo, 2007 (2)

**Produced four or more turnovers in a game:** Jordan Lake at Buffalo, 2007 (4; 2 INT, 2 FF)

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**Produced two or more turnovers in a game:** Joe Pawelek vs. Washington State, 2008 (2; 1 INT, 1 FR)

**TOTAL OFFENSE, SCORING**

**Had 400 yards total offense in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Colorado, 2007 (428)

**Had 350 yards total offense in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Colorado, 2007 (428)

**Had 300 yards total offense in a game:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (346)

**Accounted for six or more TDs in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Rice, 2007 (6 passing)

**Accounted for five or more TDs in a game:** Blake Szymanski vs. Texas State, 2007 (5 passing)

**Accounted for four or more TDs in a game:** Robert Griffin vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (3 passing, 1 rushing)

**Accounted for three or more TDs in a game:** Robert Griffin vs. Washington State, 2008 (2 passing, 1 rushing)

**Accounted for four or more TDs in three straight games:** Blake Szymanski, 2007 (Rice, Texas State, Buffalo)

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**Had a rushing TD and a receiving TD in a game:** Jay Finley vs. Northwestern State, 2008 (2 rushing, 1 receiving)

**SPECIAL TEAMS**

**Kicked a field goal of 50 or more yards:** Adam Stiles at Texas A&M, 2001 (50)

**Kicked a field goal of 45 or more yards:** Caleb Allen at Texas A&M, 2007 (46)

**Kicked four or more field goals in a game:** Jarvis VanDyke at Houston, 1995 (4)

**Kicked three or more field goals in a game:** Ryan Havens vs. Oklahoma State, 2005 (3)

**Made a game-winning field goal:** Ryan Havens at Colorado, 2006 (22 yards; 3rd OT, 1st possession)

**Made a game-winning field goal, last play from scrimmage:** Daniel Andino vs. Kansas, 2002 (33 yards)

**Made a game-winning field goal, game's final play:** Daniel Andino vs. New Mexico, 2001 (29 yards, OT)

**Had an 80-yard punt:** Buzzy Sawyer at BYU, 1984 (86)

**Had a 70-yard punt:** Daniel Sepulveda vs. Kansas State, 2006 (78)

**Had a 60-yard punt:** Derek Epperson vs. Washington State, 2008 (62)

**Had a 50-yard punt:** Derek Epperson vs. Washington State, 2008 (62)

**Had five or more 50-yard punts:** Daniel Sepulveda vs. Kansas State, 2006 (5)

**Had four or more 50-yard punts:** Daniel Sepulveda at Texas Tech, 2006 (4)

**Had three or more 50-yard punts:** Daniel Sepulveda at Texas Tech, 2006 (4)

**Had two or more 60-yard punts:** Daniel Sepulveda at Texas Tech, 2006 (2)

**Had six or more punts inside the 20-yard line:** Daniel Sepulveda vs. Kansas State, 2006 (6)

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**Downed four or more punts inside the 10-yard line:** Daniel Sepulveda vs. Kansas State, 2006 (4)

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**Downed two or more punts inside the 10-yard line:** Derek Epperson vs. Washington State, 2008 (2)

**Downed a punt inside the 10-yard line:** Derek Epperson vs. Washington State (5-yard line)

**Downed a punt inside the 5-yard line:** Derek Epperson vs. Washington State (5-yard line)

**Coffined a punt inside the 5-yard line:** Daniel Sepulveda vs. North Texas, 2004 (3-yard line)

**LAST TIME A BAYLOR OPPONENT ...**

Scored 80 or more points: at Louisiana State, 1908 (89)  
 Scored 70 or more points: at Texas A&M, 2003 (73)  
 Scored 60 or more points: at Oklahoma State, 2006 (66)  
 Scored 50 or more points: at Oklahoma, 2007 (52)  
 Scored 40 or more points: Wake Forest, 2008 (41)  
 Had 450 or more yards rushing: Nebraska, 2001 (641)  
 Had 400 or more yards rushing: at Texas A&M, 2003 (437)  
 Had 350 or more yards rushing: at Texas A&M, 2007 (352)  
 Had 300 or more yards rushing: at Texas A&M, 2007 (352)  
 Had 250 or more yards rushing: at Texas A&M, 2007 (352)  
 Had 70 or more rushing attempts: Nebraska, 2001 (73)  
 Had 60 or more rushing attempts: at Texas A&M, 2007 (65)  
 Had 50 or more rushing attempts: at Kansas, 2007 (50)  
 Had 40 or more rushing attempts: at Connecticut, 2008 (46)  
 Had seven or more TDs rushing: Texas, 2005 (7)  
 Had six or more TDs rushing: Texas, 2005 (7)  
 Had five or more TDs rushing: at Oklahoma State, 2006 (5)  
 Had four or more TDs rushing: at Connecticut, 2008 (4)  
 Had three or more TDs rushing: at Oklahoma, 2007 (3)  
 Had 500 yards passing: at Texas Tech, 2006 (507)  
 Had 400 yards passing: Texas Tech, 2007 (490)  
 Had 350 yards passing: at Oklahoma, 2007 (353)  
 Had 300 yards passing: at Oklahoma, 2007 (353)  
 Had 60 or more pass attempts: Texas Tech, 2003 (64)  
 Had 50 or more pass attempts: Texas Tech, 2007 (59)  
 Had 40 or more pass attempts: Texas Tech, 2007 (59)  
 Had 40 or more pass completions: Texas Tech, 2007 (44)  
 Had 35 or more pass completions: Texas Tech, 2007 (44)  
 Had 30 or more pass completions: Texas Tech, 2007 (44)  
 Had 25 or more pass completions: Wake Forest, 2008 (27)  
 Had six or more TDs passing: at Texas, 2006 (6)  
 Had five or more TDs passing: at Texas, 2006 (6)  
 Had four or more TDs passing: at Texas Tech, 2006 (4)  
 Had three or more TDs passing: Wake Forest, 2008 (3)  
 Had 700 yards total offense: Texas Tech, 2003 (716)  
 Had 600 yards total offense: at Texas Tech, 2006 (682)  
 Had 500 yards total offense: at Oklahoma, 2007 (533)  
 Had 400 yards total offense: at Oklahoma, 2007 (533)  
 Had 95 or more total plays: at Oklahoma, 2005 (95)  
 Had 90 or more total plays: at Texas A&M, 2007 (94)  
 Had 85 or more total plays: at Kansas, 2007 (87)  
 Had 80 or more total plays: Wake Forest, 2008 (80)  
 Had four 100-yard rushers: Nebraska, 2001 (Thunder Collins [165], Dahrran Diedrick [137], Eric Crouch [132], and Judd Davies [119])  
 Had three 100-yard rushers: Nebraska, 2001 (Thunder Collins [165], Dahrran Diedrick [137], Eric Crouch [132], and Judd Davies [119])  
 Had two 100-yard rushers: at Texas A&M, 2007 (Lane [123] and McGee [110])  
 Had three 100-yard receivers: Texas Tech, 2003 (Glover [132], Peters [130] and Francis [112])  
 Had two 100-yard receivers: at Kansas State, 2007 (Jordy Nelson [105], Daniel Gonzalez [104])  
 Had five or more fumbles: Nebraska, 2001 (7)  
 Last four or more fumbles: Oklahoma, 2006 (4)  
 Returned a punt for a TD: at Kansas State, 2007 (Jordy Nelson, 92 yards)  
 Returned a kickoff for a TD: at Oklahoma, 2007 (DeMarco Murray, 91 yards)  
 Returned two interceptions for TDs: Cal, 2002 (Matt Nixon, 100 yards; Jemeel Powell, 26 yards)  
 Returned an interception for a TD: Texas, 2007 (Marcus Griffin, 91 yards)  
 Returned a fumble for a TD: at Oklahoma State, 2006 (Donovan Woods, 57 yards)  
 Blocked a Baylor field goal: Texas, 2005  
 Blocked a Baylor punt for a safety: at Texas, 2004  
 Held Baylor below 300 yards total offense: Wake Forest, 2008 (50)  
 Held Baylor below 200 yards total offense: Oklahoma, 2006 (140)  
 Held Baylor below 100 yards total offense: Oklahoma, 2000 (94)  
 Held Baylor below 100 yards rushing: Wake Forest, 2008 (94)  
 Held Baylor below 50 yards rushing: at Kansas State, 2007 (13)  
 Held Baylor below 25 yards rushing: at Kansas State, 2007 (13)  
 Held Baylor below zero yards rushing: Oklahoma, 2006 (-48)  
 Held Baylor below 200 yards passing: Washington State, 2008 (129)  
 Held Baylor below 100 yards passing: Texas, 2005 (89)  
 Held Baylor below 50 yards passing: Oklahoma, 2000 (25)  
 Held Baylor below 100 yards rushing and passing: Missouri, 2004 (85 rushing, 88 passing)  
 Held Baylor to 10 or fewer first downs: at Kansas, 2007 (10)  
 Held Baylor to eight or fewer first downs: at Texas A&M, 2007 (7)  
 Held Baylor to five or fewer first downs: Oklahoma State, 1999 (4)  
 Had 20 or more penalties: Northwestern State, 2006 (20)  
 Had 15 or more penalties: Northwestern State, 2006 (20)  
 Had 10 or more penalties: Colorado, 2007 (11)  
 Had 125 or more yards in penalties: Northwestern State, 2006 (139)  
 Had 100 or more yards in penalties: Colorado, 2007 (105)  
 Scored a safety: Oklahoma, 2006 (sack)  
 Scored a two-point conversion: Texas, 2000 (pass)  
 Made a game-winning field goal: at Washington State, 2006 (17 yards)  
 Had 43 minutes time of possession: at Texas A&M, 2007 (43:18)  
 Had 40 minutes time of possession: at Oklahoma, 2005 (41:40)  
 Had 35 minutes time of possession: Texas State, 2007 (35:54)

**LAST TIME AN OPPOSING PLAYER ...**

Rushed for 250 yards: Ricky Williams, Texas, 1998 (259)  
 Rushed for 200 yards: Vernan Morency, Oklahoma State, 2003 (227)  
 Rushed for 150 yards: Donald Brown, Connecticut, 2008 (150)  
 Rushed for 100 yards: Donald Brown, Connecticut, 2008 (150)  
 Scored four or more rushing TDs: Ricky Williams, Texas Tech, 2001 (4)  
 Scored three or more rushing TDs: DeMarco Murray, Oklahoma, 2007 (3)  
 Scored two or more rushing TDs: Donald Brown (2) and Tyler Lorenzen (2), Connecticut, 2008  
 Passed for 400 yards: Graham Harrell, Texas Tech, 2007 (433)  
 Passed for 350 yards: Sam Bradford, Oklahoma, 2007 (353)  
 Passed for 300 yards: Sam Bradford, Oklahoma, 2007 (353)  
 Attempted 50 passes: Bradley George, Texas State, 2007 (55)  
 Attempted 40 passes: Graham Harrell, Texas Tech, 2007 (46)  
 Completed 35 passes: Graham Harrell, Texas Tech, 2007 (37)  
 Completed 30 passes: Graham Harrell, Texas Tech, 2007 (37)  
 Completed 25 passes: Riley Skinner, Wake Forest, 2008 (27)  
 Threw seven or more TD passes: B.J. Symons, Texas Tech, 2003 (7)  
 Threw six or more TD passes: Colt McCoy, Texas, 2006 (6)  
 Threw five or more TD passes: Colt McCoy, Texas, 2006 (6)  
 Threw four or more TD passes: Graham Harrell, Texas Tech, 2006 (4)  
 Threw three or more TD passes: Riley Skinner, Wake Forest, 2008 (3)  
 Accounted for seven or more TDs: B.J. Symons, Texas Tech, 2003 (7 passing)  
 Accounted for six or more TDs: Colt McCoy, Texas, 2006 (6 passing)  
 Accounted for five or more TDs: Josh Freeman, Kansas State, 2007 (3 passing, 2 rushing)  
 Accounted for four or more TDs: DeMarco Murray, Oklahoma, 2007 (3 rushing, 1 kickoff return)  
 Caught 10 or more passes: Aaron Crawford, Texas Tech, 2007 (10)  
 Caught seven or more passes: Aaron Crawford (10) and Danny Amendala (8), Texas Tech, 2007  
 Had 200 yards receiving: Joel Filani, Texas Tech, 2006 (212)  
 Had 150 yards receiving: Joel Filani, Texas Tech, 2006 (212)  
 Had 100 yards receiving: Brandon Gibson, Washington State, 2008 (128)  
 Caught three or more TD passes: Joel Filani, Texas Tech, 2006 (3)  
 Had 200 yards passing, 100 yards rushing: Stephen McGee, Texas A&M, 2007 (200, 110)  
 Had 450 yards total offense: Graham Harrell, Texas Tech, 2006 (496)  
 Had 400 yards total offense: Graham Harrell, Texas Tech, 2007 (435)  
 Had 350 yards total offense: Sam Bradford, Oklahoma, 2007 (353)  
 Had 300 yards total offense: Sam Bradford, Oklahoma, 2007 (353)  
 Had a 90-yard run: D'Andre Hardeman, Texas A&M, 1996 (95)  
 Had an 80-yard run: Courtney Lewis, Texas A&M, 2003 (86)  
 Had a 70-yard run: Vernan Morency, Oklahoma State, 2003 (72)  
 Had a 60-yard run: Mike Goodson, Texas A&M, 2006 (64)  
 Had a 50-yard run: C.J. Washington, Wake Forest, 2008 (55)  
 Completed a 90-yard pass: Reggie McNeal to Jamaar Taylor, Texas A&M, 2003 (91)  
 Completed an 80-yard pass: Marcus Jackson to Aaron Brown, TCU, 2006 (84)  
 Completed a 70-yard pass: Graham Harrell to Joel Filani, Texas Tech, 2006 (76)  
 Completed a 60-yard pass: Sam Bradford to Manuel Johnson, Oklahoma, 2007 (60)  
 Kicked a 50-yard field goal: Kevin Eberhart, Colorado, 2007 (54)  
 Made four or more field goals: Kevin Eberhart, Colorado, 2007 (5)  
 Had an 80-yard punt: Cole Farden, Oklahoma State, 2003 (80)  
 Had a 70-yard punt: Michael Cohen, Oklahoma, 2006 (72)  
 Had a 60-yard punt: J. LaCour, Texas Tech, 2007 (60)  
 Had a 50-yard punt: Desi Cullen, Connecticut, 2008 (55)

# PLAYER SPOTLIGHTS

## 1 DWAIN CRAWFORD CB

6-0 • 193 • Sr.-3L • Giddings, Texas

- Tied for 11th in Big 12 with 0.25 interceptions per game
- Has recorded 4-plus tackles in each game this season, including two 7-tackle games
- Interception vs. Washington State was first since a 2-pick game vs. Kansas State in 2006
- Recorded first career sack vs. Northwestern State
- Forced and recovered first career fumbles vs. Wake Forest
- Moved to cornerback from rover during spring
- One of six Bears with at least 20 career starts (23)
- One of six Bears to have played at least 30 career games (33)
- 12 career games with five-plus tackles
- Missed final three games of 2007 season due to injury

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2005	11/1	4	10	14	1.0-1	0.0-0	0/0	2	1-6
2006	10/10	26	29	55	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	4	3-15
2007	9/9	25	23	48	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	2	0-0
2008	4/4	6	16	22	0.5-7	0.5-7	1/1	1	1-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>34/24</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>1.5-8</b>	<b>0.5-7</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5-21</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Tackles:** 11, twice

**Solo Tackles:** 9, twice

**Interceptions:** 2 vs. Kansas State (9/30/06)

## 1 KENDALL WRIGHT IR

6-0 • 180 • Fr.-HS • Pittsburg, Texas

- True freshman leads team with 15 receptions, 185 receiving yards
- Tied for 21st in Big 12 with 3.8 receptions per game
- Ranked 25th in Big 12 with 46.3 receiving yards per game
- Established career highs with 6 receptions and 114 receiving yards at Connecticut and notched first career TD reception
- Scored first career TD vs. Washington State on a 10-yard end around
- Earned high school all-state honors in football, basketball and track
- Rated nation's 64th-best athlete out of high school by [Rivals.com](#)
- 40-inch vertical leap
- Plans to play basketball for head coach Scott Drew at conclusion of football season

### CAREER BESTS

#### RECEIVING

**Receptions:** 6 at Connecticut (9/19/08)

**Receiving Yards:** 114 at Connecticut (9/19/08)

**Longest Reception:** 33 at Connecticut (9/19/08)

#### RUSHING

**Attempts:** 3 vs. Washington State (9/12/08)

**Yards:** 11 vs. Washington State (9/12/08)

**Touchdowns:** 1 vs. Washington State (9/12/08)

**Longest Rush:** 10 vs. Washington State (9/12/08)

## 3 THOMAS WHITE IR

6-2 • 205 • Sr.-2L • Plano, Texas

- Has at least one reception in 9 consecutive games
- One of four players with at least 8 receptions this season
- Needs 2 TD receptions to move into a sixth-place tie on Baylor's career chart
- Needs 74 yards to become Baylor's 24th 1,000-yard receiver
- Has 7 TD receptions in last eight games
- Led Bears in receiving yards (475), touchdown receptions (8) and yards per reception (14.0) last season
- 2007 touchdown reception total tied for second-best, single-season mark in Baylor history
- Recorded two touchdown receptions in three of the final four games and at least one touchdown in four of the final games last season
- Became the first Bear with at least three multiple-touchdown games (receiving) since 1992

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YD	AVG	TD
2005	1/0	0	0	0.0	0
2006	9/5	23	334	14.5	2
2007	9/1	34	475	14.0	8
2008	4/0	8	117	14.6	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>23/6</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>926</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>11</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Receptions:** 9 vs. Oklahoma State (11/17/07)

**Receiving Yards:** 118 at Kansas State (10/27/07)

**Touchdown Receptions:** 2, four times

**Longest Reception:** 75 at Oklahoma (11/10/07)

## 4 DAVID GETTIS WR

6-4 • 209 • Jr.-2L • Los Angeles, Calif.

- Currently 10th in Baylor history with 22.59-yard career kickoff return average
- Needs 1 kickoff return and 23 kickoff return yards to crack Baylor's career top 10 lists
- Did not start vs. Washington State, snapping a 10-game streak
- Season-high 5 receptions vs. Wake Forest
- Season-high 75 yards receiving vs. Washington State
- 4 of 10 receptions this season have been 30-plus yards
- *Phil Steele's Magazine* 2008 preseason third-team All-Big 12 pick
- Was fifth on squad in receptions (31) and receiving yards (407) in 2007
- Third on team with 13.1 yards per catch last season
- Established a Big 12 sophomore record with 763 kickoff return yards in 2007; total also was an all-time Baylor record
- 97-yard kickoff return for TD at Kansas last season was fourth-longest in Baylor history
- Led team with 1,170 all-purpose yards last season
- High School All-American
- Two-time California state champion in the 400 meters

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YD	AVG	TD
2006	11/0	4	82	20.5	1
2007	12/8	31	407	13.1	0
2008	4/2	11	184	16.7	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27/10</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>673</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>1</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Receptions:** 8 vs. Colorado (10/6/07)

**Receiving Yards:** 99 vs. Colorado (10/6/07)

**Touchdown Receptions:** 1 at Oklahoma State (11/11/06)

**Longest Reception:** 69 at Texas A&M (9/29/07)

## 4 JEREMY WILLIAMS S

5-10 • 206 • Jr.-2L • Dallas, Texas

- Tied for 21st in tackles with 6.3 per game
- Tied career high with 8 tackles at Connecticut
- Also tied career highs with 8 tackles and 1 sack and recorded first career forced fumble vs. Wake Forest
- Tied for fifth on team with 5.5 tackles for loss in 2007

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2006	10/0	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/1	1	0-0
2007	11/4	25	13	38	5.5-23	1.0-3	0/0	0	0-0
2008	4/4	12	13	25	2.5-7	1.0-6	1/0	2	0-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>25/8</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>8.0-30</b>	<b>2.0-9</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0-0</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Tackles:** 8, three times

**Solo Tackles:** 7 at Oklahoma (11/10/07)

**Tackles for Loss:** 1.5, twice

**Sacks:** 1.0, twice

## 5 MIKAIL BAKER IR

6-0 • 195 • Jr.-2L • Dallas, Texas

- Missed 2007 season as a medical redshirt after suffering a broken collar bone in season's second game
- Ranked fourth in Big 12 and 37th nationally in kickoff return average during the 2006 season (23.73)
- Ranks sixth on Baylor's career kickoff return list (24.04 average)

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YD	AVG	TD
2005	9/1	8	158	19.8	1
2006	12/0	8	65	8.1	1
2007	2/2	6	87	14.5	0
2008	4/0	2	16	8.0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27/3</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>2</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Receptions:** 5 vs. TCU (9/3/06)

**Receiving Yards:** 61 vs. Oklahoma State (11/19/05)

**Touchdown Receptions:** 1, twice

**Longest Reception:** 49 vs. Samford (9/10/05)



# PLAYER SPOTLIGHTS

## 6 ANTONIO JONES LB

6-2 • 226 • Jr.-2L • Dallas, Texas

- Tied for 9th in Big 12 (7.3 tpg)
- Tied for 24th in Big 12 with 0.8 tackles for loss per game
- Tied for 15th in Big 12 and tied for 74th nationally in sacks (0.5 spg)
- Third on team in tackles
- Part of Baylor's linebacker trio that averages 26.3 tackles per game
- Established career high with nine tackles and tied career high with five solo stops vs. Wake Forest
- Also recorded first career solo tackle for loss and first career fumble recovery vs. Wake Forest
- Started first three games as a redshirt freshman in 2006
- Missed three games due to injury last season
- Was seventh on the squad with 44 tackles in 2006

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2006	12/3	24	20	44	0.5-0	0.0-0	0/0	1	0-0
2007	8/0	8	14	22	0.5-0	0.0-0	0/0	1	0-0
2008	4/4	11	18	29	3.0-25	2.0-24	1/1	0	0-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>24/7</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>4.0-25</b>	<b>2.0-24</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0-0</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Tackles:** 9 vs. Wake Forest (8/28/08)

**Solo Tackles:** 5, twice

**Tackles for Loss:** 1.0, three times

**Sacks:** 1.0, two times

## 6 BLAKE SZYMANSKI QB

6-4 • 204 • Jr.-2L • Wichita Falls, Texas

- 3-of-5 for 18 yards off bench vs. Northwestern State
- Played during fourth quarter of Washington State game, 0-of-1
- First career start was same day as teammate Kirby Freeman's first career start at Miami-FL
- Established 20 Baylor single-game, season and career records during the 2007 season
- Season records established in 2007: completions (264), attempts (461), yards (2,844), touchdowns (22), 400-yard games (three), total plays (522), total offense (2,942) and touchdown responsibility (23) in 2007
- One of only eight Bears ever with at least 3,000 career passing yards
- Ranks among all-time Baylor leaders in the following: completions (6th; 331), passing yards (12th; 3,551), attempts (9th; 587), completion percentage (3rd; .564), TD-INT ratio (6th; 1.040), INT percentage (6th; .0426), 400-yard games (1st; 3), TD responsibility (10th; 29), total offense per play (10th; 5.31)
- Owns Baylor single-game records for completions (36), attempts (60), yards (412), touchdowns (6) and total offense (428)

### CAREER STATISTICS

#### PASSING

YEAR	G/GS	CMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD
2006	5/3	64	121	7	.529	689	4
2007	11/10	264	461	18	.573	2844	22
2008	2/0	3	6	0	.500	18	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>19/13</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>.563</b>	<b>3551</b>	<b>26</b>

#### RUSHING

YEAR	G/GS	ATT	YD	AVG	TD
2006	5/3	44	18	0.4	2
2007	11/10	61	98	1.6	1
2008	2/0	0	0	0.0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>19/13</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>3</b>

### CAREER BESTS

#### PASSING

**Attempts:** 60 vs. Colorado (10/6/07)

**Completions:** 36 vs. Colorado (10/6/07)

**Interceptions:** 3, three times

**Yards:** 412 vs. Rice (9/8/07)

**Touchdowns:** 6 vs. Rice (9/8/07)

#### RUSHING

**Attempts:** 22 at Texas Tech (11/4/06)

**Yards:** 91 at Buffalo (9/22/07)

**Touchdowns:** 2 at Texas Tech (11/4/06)

#### TOTAL OFFENSE

**Yards:** 428 vs. Colorado (10/6/07)

**Touchdowns Produced:** 6 vs. Rice (9/8/07)

## 7 ANTONIO JOHNSON LB

6-1 • 205 • So.-1L • Waco, Texas

- Tied for 11th in Big 12 with 7.0 tackles per game
- Established career highs with 9 tackles and 4 solo tackles at Connecticut
- Part of Baylor's linebacker trio that averages 26.3 tackles per game
- Played defensive end last season; moved to linebacker during spring 2008 drills
- Made first career start in 2008 season opener
- Collected 6 tackles, including first career solo tackle for loss, vs. Wake Forest
- Established career high in tackles for second straight game with 7 stops vs. Northwestern State

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2007	11/0	6	10	16	0.5-1	0.0-0	0/1	0	0-0
2008	4/4	12	16	28	1.0-2	0.0-0	0/1	0	0-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>15/4</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>1.5-3</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0/2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0-0</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Tackles:** 9 at Connecticut (9/19/08)

**Solo Tackles:** 4 at Connecticut (9/19/08)

**Tackles for Loss:** 1.0 vs. Wake Forest (8/28/08)

# PLAYER SPOTLIGHTS

## 7 KIRBY FREEMAN

QB

6-3 • 203 • Sr.-TR • Brownwood, Texas

- Started opener vs. Wake Forest (4-11, 31 yards, 2 INT)
- Registered first Baylor TD pass vs. Northwestern State (3-3, 18 yards)
- Played during fourth quarter of Washington State game but did not throw a pass
- Graduate student at Baylor
- Completed B.S. degree in sport management at Miami-FL
- Started seven games at Miami-FL (four in 2006; three in 2007)
- First career start at Miami-FL was same day as teammate Blake Szymanski's first career start at Baylor
- Led Hurricanes to a come-from-behind, 17-14 victory over 18th-ranked Boston College in 2006
- Earned MVP honors with three touchdowns (two passing, one rushing) in leading Miami to victory over Nevada at 2006 MPC Computers Bowl
- Father, Steve, is football head coach at Brownwood [Texas] High School

### CAREER STATISTICS

#### PASSING

YEAR	G/GS	CMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD
2005 (UM)	9/0	15	31	2	.484	183	2
2006 (UM)	8/4	59	108	8	.546	872	7
2007 (UM)	7/3	18	58	6	.310	256	3
2008 (BU)	3/1	6	13	2	.462	49	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27/4</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>.467</b>	<b>1360</b>	<b>13</b>

#### RUSHING

YEAR	G/GS	ATT	YD	AVG	TD
2005 (UM)	9/0	8	38	4.8	0
2006 (UM)	8/4	41	109	2.7	1
2007 (UM)	7/3	22	50	2.3	0
2008 (BU)	3/1	2	0	0.0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27/3</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>1</b>

### CAREER BESTS

#### PASSING

**Attempts:** 27 at Maryland (11/11/06)  
**Completions:** 14 at Maryland (11/11/06)  
**Interceptions:** 3, twice  
**Yards:** 272 vs. Nevada (12/31/06)  
**Touchdowns:** 2 vs. Nevada (12/31/06)

#### RUSHING

**Attempts:** 10, twice  
**Yards:** 51 at Maryland (11/11/06)  
**Touchdowns:** 1 vs. Nevada (12/31/06)

## 8 JEREMY SANDERS

RB

6-2 • 210 • Jr.-JC • Marlin, Texas

- Logged 20 yards on 3 carries and scored first career TD vs. Washington State
- Made first career start vs. Northwestern State (9 att., 43 yards)
- Originally signed with Baylor out of high school and renewed commitment after two years at Navarro [Texas] College
- Played QB in high school and junior college but moved to RB during preseason drills at Baylor
- Led Navarro to a 9-3 record in 2007 as team ranked second nationally in total offense
- Named MVP of the 2007 Pilgrim's Pride Bowl
- Nicknamed "J-Mo"

## 10 ROBERT GRIFFIN

QB

6-3 • 203 • Fr.-HS • Copperas Cove, Texas

- Big 12 Player of the Week — Sept. 15, 2008
- ESPN.com College Football Final Helmet Sticker — Sept. 14, 2008
- Eighth Big 12 freshman quarterback to earn weekly honor in league's 13-year history, one of only three true freshmen
- Listed as nation's 6th-biggest surprise for the first third of the season by ESPN.com's Bruce Feldman
- One of only 10 quarterbacks nationally to lead team in passing yardage and rushing yards
- Nation's only true freshman starting quarterback
- Nation's youngest starting quarterback
- 6th in Big 12 and 54th nationally in rushing (83.5 ypg)
- 6th in Big 12 and 10th nationally in passing efficiency (171.29)
- 8th in Big 12 and 27th nationally in total offense (272.5 ypg)
- Tied for 17th in Big 12 and tied for 76th nationally in scoring (7.5 ppg)
- Accounted for 4 TDs at Connecticut, rushing for 1 and throwing for 3
- Established Baylor single-game record with 217 yards rushing vs. Washington State and scored twice
- Established Baylor and Big 12 single-game records with 19.7 yards per carry vs. Washington State (min. 10 carries)
- First player in Baylor history with three runs of 50-plus yards in one game vs. Washington State
- First quarterback in Baylor history with 200-plus yards rushing in one game vs. Washington State
- Accounted for 346 total yards and 3 TDs vs. Washington State
- Total yardage vs. Washington State was 12th-best, single-game effort in Baylor history, second among freshmen
- Accounted for 336 total yards and 4 TDs vs. Northwestern State in first career start
- Was 15-of-19 for 294 yards with no interceptions and 3 TD passes vs. Northwestern State; also rushed 10 times for 42 yards and 1 TD
- Became first quarterback in Baylor modern history (since 1946) with three TD passes of 30-plus yards in one game vs. Northwestern State
- Total yardage vs. Northwestern State tied for 14th-best effort in Baylor history
- Passing yardage vs. Northwestern State was 21st-best total in school history, third among freshmen
- Came off bench to lead Bears in passing (125 yards) and rushing (29 yards, 1 TD) vs. Wake Forest in first career game
- First Baylor quarterback to play as a true Freshman since Davon Vinson in 2001
- Enrolled at Baylor 2008 spring semester at age 17 (turned 18 in February)
- Rated nation's third-best, dual-threat QB prospect by Rivals.com
- Rivals.com 4-star recruit ranked 42nd in Texas
- Won 2008 Big 12 and NCAA Midwest regional 400-meter hurdles titles and finished third in the event at the NCAA Championships
- Established Baylor record time in 400-meter hurdles (49.22)
- Graduated 7th in class from Copperas Cove HS
- Born in Japan

### CAREER BESTS

#### PASSING

**Attempts:** 25 at Connecticut (9/19/08)  
**Completions:** 15 vs. Northwestern State (9/6/08)  
**Interceptions:** none  
**Yards:** 294 vs. Northwestern State (9/6/08)  
**Touchdowns:** 3, twice

#### RUSHING

**Attempts:** 23 at Connecticut (9/19/08)  
**Yards:** 217 vs. Washington State (9/12/08)  
**Touchdowns:** 2 vs. Washington State (9/12/08)

#### TOTAL OFFENSE

**Yards:** 346 vs. Washington State (9/12/09)  
**Touchdowns Produced:** 4, twice

## 12 JAKE LA MAR

FS

6-0 • 193 • Sr.-3L • Bedford, Texas

- First career kickoff return vs. Wake Forest
- 39 career games played leads all players
- Former walk-on could see action at several secondary spots
- 2007 honorable mention All-Big 12
- Fourth on team in tackles last season, third among returning players
- Started final three games of 2007 season at rover

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2005	11/0	3	7	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2006	12/0	7	6	13	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	1	1-5
2007	12/3	33	34	67	5.5-28	3.0-24	0/0	2	1-27
2008	4/0	6	8	14	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>39/3</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>5.5-28</b>	<b>3.0-24</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2-32</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Tackles:** 9 at Kansas (10/1/07)

**Solo Tackles:** 5, four times

**Tackles For Loss:** 2.0 vs. Rice (9/8/07)

**Sacks:** 1, three times

## 13 ERNEST SMITH

WR

6-3 • 183 • Jr.-2L • New Orleans, La.

- 21-yard TD reception vs. Washington State gave him first career multiple-TD season at Baylor
- 49-yard TD reception vs. Northwestern State was a career long
- Seventh on team in receptions (21) and receiving yards (247) in 2007
- Averaged 11.8 yards per catch in 2007, fifth on team
- Transferred to John Tyler [Texas] High School prior to senior season after family fled New Orleans in aftermath of Hurricane Katrina
- Returned to New Orleans' Edna Karr Magnet School and graduated from that school in spring 2006

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YD	AVG	TD
2006	10/1	6	55	9.2	0
2007	12/7	21	247	11.8	1
2008	4/2	3	86	28.6	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>26/10</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>3</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Receptions:** 4 at TCU (9/1/07)

**Receiving Yards:** 65 vs. Rice (9/8/07)

**Touchdown Receptions:** 1, three times

**Longest Reception:** 49 vs. Northwestern State (9/6/08)

# PLAYER SPOTLIGHTS

## 14 JUSTIN AKERS TE

6-5 • 235 • Jr.-2L • Deer Park, Texas

- Did not receive a pass vs. Washington State, snapping a 14-game streak that was the longest of any active Baylor player
- 16 career starts, most of any non-lineman on Baylor's offense
- 29 of 56 career receptions (51.8 percent) and all 8 receptions this season have been 10-plus yards
- Moved to tight end from inside receiver in Bears' new offense
- Second on team in receptions (43) and touchdown receptions (4) in 2007
- Tallied 426 receiving yards in 2007, third on team

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YD	AVG	TD
2006	12/2	5	54	10.8	0
2007	12/10	43	426	9.9	4
2008	4/4	8	118	14.8	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28/16</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>6</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Receptions:** 9 vs. Texas (10/20/07)  
**Receiving Yards:** 95 vs. Texas State (9/15/07)  
**Touchdown Receptions:** 2, twice  
**Longest Reception:** 24 vs. Texas State (9/15/07)

## 21 JORDAN LAKE FS

6-2 • 206 • Jr.-2L • Houston, Texas

- Tied for 21st in Big 12 with 6.3 tackles per game
- Season-high nine tackles at Connecticut
- Logged 4 tackles vs. Northwestern State, snapping a streak of 14 consecutive games with at least five tackles
- Recorded first career multiple-PBU game vs. Wake Forest
- All-America candidate
- Thorpe Award Watch List member
- *Sporting News* honorable mention All-America
- Big 12 coaches' preseason all-conference
- Preseason first-team All-Big 12 (*Lindy's*, *Sporting News*, *Blue Ribbon Yearbook*, *CollegeFootballNews*)
- Preseason second-team All-Big 12 (*Athlon*, *Phil Steele*)
- Missed all of spring practice recovering from off-season shoulder surgery (left)
- 2007 consensus second-team All-Big 12 selection
- 2007 first-team All-Big 12 honoree (*Phil Steele*)
- 2007 Texas Defensive Player of the Year (*Dave Campbell's Texas Football*)
- Led Bears in tackles (120) and solo tackles (67); shared team lead in fumble recoveries (2) and interceptions (2) in 2007
- Most tackles by a Bear since 2003
- Ranked third in Big 12 and first among league defensive backs in tackles per game last season
- Named Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week following Bears' 34-21 victory at Buffalo (9/22/07); tallied seven tackles (five solo), forced two fumbles, recovered a fumble and intercepted two passes
- Only player in Big 12 history to create four turnovers in one game
- Suffered broken collar bone on first career interception against Kansas State in 2006 and missed remainder of season

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2006	5/0	11	4	15	0.0-0	0.0-0	2/1	0	1-0
2007	12/12	67	53	120	1.0-1	0.0-0	2/2	6	2-26
2008	4/4	12	13	25	0.0-0	0.0-0	1/0	2	0-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>21/16</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>1.0-1</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>5/3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3-26</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Tackles:** 18 at Texas A&M (9/29/07)  
**Solo Tackles:** 11 at Texas A&M (9/29/07)  
**Fumbles Forced:** 2 at Buffalo (9/22/07)  
**Fumble Recoveries:** 1, three times  
**Passes Broken Up:** 2 vs. Wake Forest (8/28/08)  
**Interceptions:** 2 at Buffalo (9/22/07)

## 25 JACOBY JONES RB

5-11 • 224 • Sr.-2L • Bangs, Texas

- Recorded first career rushing touchdown vs. Wake Forest
- Bears' third-leading rusher in 2007 with 192 yards
- Tallied 119 all-purpose yards against Texas Tech last season in first career start
- Missed two games in 2007 due to injury
- Leads Bears in yards per carry (5.7)

### CAREER STATISTICS

RUSHING					
YEAR	G/GS	ATT	YD	AVG	TD
2005	2/0	12	57	4.8	0
2006	4/0	0	0	0.0	0
2007	7/2	49	192	3.9	0
2008	4/1	19	75	3.9	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>17/3</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>1</b>

### RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YD	AVG	TD
2005	2/0	0	0	0.0	0
2006	4/0	4	53	13.3	1
2007	7/2	12	63	5.3	1
2008	3/0	0	0	0.0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>16/2</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>2</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**RUSHING**  
**Attempts:** 21 vs. Texas Tech (11/3/07)  
**Yards:** 83 vs. Texas Tech (11/3/07)  
**Longest Rush:** 17 vs. Samford (9/10/07)

**RECEIVING**  
**Receptions:** 6 vs. Texas Tech (11/3/07)  
**Yards:** 36 vs. Texas Tech (11/3/07)  
**Longest Reception:** 15 vs. Northwestern State (9/9/06)

## 32 JAY FINLEY RB

5-11 • 202 • So.-1L • Corsicana, Texas

- Ranks 7th in Big 12 and 57th nationally in rushing (79.3 ypg)
- Tied for 24th in Big 12 with 6.0 points per game
- Ranks 17th in Big 12 with 99.8 all-purpose yards per game
- Has tallied 204 rushing yards and averaged 9.7 yards per carry over the last two games
- Already has eclipsed freshman season totals for rushing yards, rushing touchdowns and total touchdowns
- Enjoyed first career 100-yard rushing game vs. Washington State, going for 119 yards on 10 carries with 1 TD
- Yards-per-carry average (11.9 ypc) vs. Washington State would have been Baylor single-game record if not for Robert Griffin's performance in same game (19.7 ypc)
- Established career highs in all-purpose yards (138), rushing TDs (2), receiving yards (47) and total TDs (3) vs. Northwestern State
- Had a career-long 40-yard run and a career-long 47-yard reception vs. Northwestern State (both TDs)
- Became first Bear with a rushing TD and a receiving TD in the same game since 2005 vs. Northwestern State
- Second on team in 2007 with 207 rushing yards
- One of only two Bears to record touchdowns rushing and receiving last season
- Nicknamed "Sho"

### CAREER STATISTICS

RUSHING					
YEAR	G/GS	ATT	YD	AVG	TD
2007	12/1	55	207	3.8	2
2008	4/2	39	317	8.3	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>16/3</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>5</b>

### RECEIVING

YEAR	G/GS	REC	YD	AVG	TD
2007	12/1	18	152	8.4	1
2008	4/2	3	82	27.3	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>16/3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>2</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**RUSHING**  
**Attempts:** 15 at Buffalo (9/22/07)  
**Yards:** 119 vs. Washington State (9/12/08)  
**Touchdowns:** 2 vs. Northwestern State (9/6/08)  
**Longest Rush:** 46 vs. Washington State (9/12/08)

**RECEIVING**  
**Receptions:** 4 vs. Texas State (9/15/07)  
**Yards:** 47 vs. Northwestern State (9/6/08)  
**Longest Reception:** 47 vs. Northwestern State (9/6/08)  
**Touchdowns:** 1, twice

# PLAYER SPOTLIGHTS

## 38 DEREK EPPERSON P

6-3 • 230 • So.-1L • Southlake, Texas

- 2008 Ray Guy Award Watch List
- 20th nationally and 2nd in Big 12 in punting (43.5 ypp)
- 10th in Baylor history with 12 career punts of 50-plus yards
- 9th in Baylor history with 3 career punts of 60-plus yards
- 2007 honorable mention Freshman All-America (*The Sporting News*)
- 2007 Freshman All-Big 12 (*The Sporting News*)
- Averaged 40.1 yards per punt over season's final four games
- 10th in Baylor history with nine career punts of 50-plus yards

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G	P	YD	AVG	TB	FC	50+	1-20
2007	12	66	2579	39.1	3	17	8	12
2008	4	16	796	45.4	2	3	4	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>3275</b>	<b>39.9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>17</b>

### CAREER BESTS

Punts: 8, twice

Average (min. 4 punts): 46.5 vs. Texas State (9/15/07)

50-plus Punts: 2, twice

Inside 20: 3 at Texas A&amp;M (9/29/07)

Long Punt: 63 at Texas Tech (11/3/07)

## 40 BEN PARKS PK

6-2 • 195 • Fr.-HS • Argyle, Texas

- 20-yard FG vs. Northwestern State was first of career
- True freshman won starting job during preseason drills
- Two-time first-team all-state pick (Class 3A)
- Rated nation's 26th-best kicking prospect by [Rivals.com](http://Rivals.com)
- Kicked a 41-yard field goal with 25 seconds remaining to give the North Team a 16-15 victory in the 2008 Texas High School Coaches Association All-Star Game
- Also punted in high school

## 41 JOE PAWELEK LB

6-3 • 236 • Jr.-2L • San Antonio, Texas

- 1st in Big 12 and tied for 4th nationally in tackles (12.0 tpg)
- Tied for 3rd in Big 12 and tied for 24th nationally with 0.5 interceptions per game
- Leads team with 4 QB hurries
- Nine career games with at least 10 tackles, including four straight
- Part of Baylor's linebacker trio that averages 26.3 tackles per game
- Final tackle vs. Northwestern State was 200th of career
- Established career high with 15 tackles vs. Wake Forest
- Tied for second on team with 26 career starts
- Second on team with 25 consecutive starts
- All-America candidate
- Butkus Award Watch List member
- Academic All-America candidate
- Big 12 coaches' preseason all-conference
- Preseason first-team All-Big 12 (*Athlon*, *Lindy's*, *Sporting News*, *CollegeFootballNews*)
- Preseason second-team All-Big 12 (*Phil Steele*)
- Two-time first-team Academic All-Big 12
- 2007 first-team Academic All-Big 12
- 2007 first-team *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District VI
- Second on team with 99 tackles last season
- Tied for sixth in Big 12, 85th in NCAA with 8.2 tackles per game in 2007
- 2006 Freshman All-America
- 2006 consensus Big 12 Defensive Freshman of the Year
- Led Bears in tackles (86) as a freshman
- Member of Baylor's baseball team (redshirt) in 2006

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2006	12/10	46	40	86	4.5-20	2.0-18	0/0	4	1-0
2007	12/12	40	59	99	8.0-25	2.0-12	3/2	2	1-17
2008	4/4	11	37	48	1.5-2	0.0-0	0/1	2	2-40
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28/26</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>14.0-47</b>	<b>4.0-30</b>	<b>3/3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4-57</b>

### CAREER BESTS

Tackles: 15 vs. Wake Forest (8/28/08)

Solo Tackles: 11 at Colorado (10/7/06)

Tackles For Loss: 2.0, twice

Sacks: 1.0, four times

Fumbles Forced: 1, three times

Fumble Recoveries: 1, three times

Interceptions: 1, four times

Passes Broken Up: 2 vs. Washington State (2/12/08)

## 49 LEON FREEMAN DE

6-2 • 241 • Sr.-1L • Vero Beach, Fla.

- Tied for 4th in Big 12 and tied for 18th nationally with 1.5 tackles for loss per game
- Tied for 15th in Big 12 and tied 74th nationally in sacks (0.5 spg)
- Leads team with 6.0 stops behind the line
- Tied for team lead with 2.0 sacks
- Led Bears with 9.5 tackles for loss last season
- Third on team with 3.0 sacks in 2007
- Ranked fourth in Big 12 with 1.0 TFL per game in league play last season
- Transferred to Baylor from Mesa [Ariz] Community College spring 2007
- 2006 NJCAA All-America
- Turns 26 in November
- Spent three years in the U.S. Army after high school
- Served five months in Iraq with Bravo Company 1-41 Infantry
- Received an honorable discharge as Private First Class

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2007	12/1	21	17	38	9.5-39	3.0-20	0/0	0	0-0
2008	4/4	7	11	18	6.0-19	2.0-14	0/0	0	0-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>16/5</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>15.5-58</b>	<b>5.0-34</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0-0</b>

### CAREER BESTS

Tackles: 8 vs. Oklahoma State (11/17/07)

Solo Tackles: 4, twice

Tackles For Loss: 3.0, twice

Sacks: 2.0, twice

## 55 J.D. WALTON C

6-3 • 299 • Jr.-1L • Allen, Texas

- Rimington Trophy Watch List member
- 16 consecutive games started at center
- One of three Baylor linemen to start every game last season
- Anchored line that allowed only 21 sacks in 2007, fewest since 1995
- Led team in most offensive snaps played last season (911)
- Transferred to Baylor from Arizona State prior to 2006 season

## 71 DAN GAY RT

6-5 • 282 • Sr.-3L • Lafayette, La.

- Former defensive tackle
- 26 career starts tied for second on team
- 16 consecutive starts
- One of three Baylor linemen to start every game last season
- Started six games at right tackle, five games at left tackle and one game at left guard
- Member of line that allowed 21 sacks in 2007, fewest since 1995
- Named Baylor's 2007 Most Improved Player by coaches
- Plans to open his own Cajun restaurant after career

# PLAYER SPOTLIGHTS

## 72 JASON SMITH LT

6-5 • 298 • Sr.-3L • Dallas, Texas

- Leads team with 31 career starts
- One of six Bears to have played at least 30 career games (34)
- All-America candidate
- Outland Trophy candidate
- Preseason second-team All-Big 12 (*Athlon, Lindy's*)
- Preseason fourth-team All-Big 12 (*Phil Steele*)
- 2007 honorable mention All-Big 12 (*The Associated Press*)
- Missed five games due to injury last season
- Member of line that allowed 21 sacks in 2007, fewest since 1995
- Played tight end as a redshirt freshman in 2005
- Earned Bachelor of Science degree from Baylor in May 2008
- Currently enrolled in Baylor's Graduate School

## 88 JASON LAMB DE

6-6 • 265 • Jr.-2L • Richardson, Texas

- Season-high 6 tackles vs. Washington State
- Has started 22 consecutive games along defensive line
- Former tight end
- 2007 honorable mention All-Big 12
- 2007 second-team Academic All-Big 12
- Ranked ninth in Big 12 with 0.42 sacks per game last season
- Led Bears in sacks (5.0), ranked third in tackles for loss (7.0) and ranked sixth in total tackles (53) in 2007
- 2006 Freshman All-Big 12 (*The Sporting News*)
- 2006 first-team Academic All-Big 12

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2006	12/8	21	17	38	5.5-17	1.0-5	0/0	0	0-0
2007	12/12	19	34	53	7.0-37	5.0-29	1/1	1	0-0
2008	4/4	2	12	14	1.5-8	0.5-5	0/0	0	0-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28/24</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>14.0-62</b>	<b>6.5-39</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0-0</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Tackles:** 7, three times

**Solo Tackles:** 5 at Texas (10/14/06)

**Tackles For Loss:** 1.5, twice

**Sacks:** 1.0, six times

## 91 VINCENT RHODES DT

6-2 • 296 • Sr.-3L • Denison, Texas

- Tied for 23rd in Big 12 with 0.3 sacks per game
- Tied for 3rd on team with 1.5 sacks
- 26 career starts is most among Baylor defensive linemen and tied for second among all players
- Has started 24 consecutive games
- Tied for second on team with 38 career games played
- Ranked second on team in sacks (3.5) and eighth in tackles for loss (4.0) in 2007
- Played 60 or more snaps nine times last season
- Was second on team in sacks (2.0) and quarterback hurries (8) and third in tackles for loss (5.0) in 2006

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2005	10/2	6	10	16	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2006	12/8	17	18	35	5.0-17	2.0-9	0/1	0	0-0
2007	12/12	14	24	38	4.0-16	3.5-15	0/0	1	0-0
2008	4/4	3	7	10	1.5-5	1.5-5	0/1	0	0-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>38/26</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>10.5-38</b>	<b>7.0-29</b>	<b>0/2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0-0</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Tackles:** 7, three times

**Solo Tackles:** 5 at Texas (10/14/06)

**Tackles For Loss:** 1.5, three times

**Sacks:** 1.5 vs. Washington State (9/12/08)

## 97 TREY BRYANT NT

6-3 • 316 • Jr.-2L • Dallas, Texas

- Tied for 20th in Big 12 with 0.9 tackles for loss per game
- 2nd on team with 3.5 tackles for loss
- Has started 16 consecutive games along defensive line
- Tallied 1.5 tackles for loss and 2 PBUs (first of career) vs. Northwestern State
- 11 career multiple-tackle games

### CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-YD	QBS-YD	FF/FR	PD	INT-YD
2006	3/0	3	2	5	2.0-2	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2007	12/12	15	13	28	2.0-3	0.0-0	1/0	0	0-0
2008	4/4	3	10	13	3.5-6	0.5-0	0/0	2	0-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>19/16</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>7.5-11</b>	<b>0.5-0</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0-0</b>

### CAREER BESTS

**Tackles:** 5 at Kansas (10/13/07)

**Solo Tackles:** 4 at Kansas (10/13/07)

**Tackles For Loss:** 2.0 at Oklahoma State (11/11/06)

**Passes Broken Up:** 2 vs. Northwestern State (9/6/08)

**No. 23 WAKE FOREST 41, BAYLOR 13**

FLOYD CASEY STADIUM • WACO, TEXAS  
AUG. 28, 2008 • ATTENDANCE: 30,633

Five Baylor turnovers led to 21 Wake Forest points as the Bears dropped a 41-13 decision to the 23rd-ranked Demon Deacons at Floyd Casey Stadium. It was the season opener for both teams; Baylor dropped its season opener for the sixth time in the last seven years.

The loss also spoiled the debut of Baylor head coach **Art Briles**, who became the sixth Bears' coach in the program's last seven to lose his inaugural game with Baylor.

Wake Forest built a 10-0 lead by the end of the first quarter. Sam Swank's 40-yard field goal broke a scoreless tie at the 12:19 mark. Riley Skinner connected with Chip Brinkman on a 12-yard touchdown pass with seven minutes remaining in the quarter.

Brandon Pendergrass plunged into the end zone from three yards out early in the second quarter, pushing the Deacons' lead to 17-0.

Baylor cracked the scoreboard with 2:54 remaining before halftime. **Robert Griffin's** nifty 22-yard scramble down the left sideline gave the Bears a first down at the Wake Forest 12. On the next play, **Jacoby Jones** found the end zone for the first rushing touchdown of his career. However, freshman kicker **Ben Parks'** extra point missed wide right.

Swank added a 42-yard field with 53 seconds remaining in the second quarter, pushing the Deacons' lead to 20-6 at the half.

A pair of third-quarter touchdowns gave Wake Forest a comfortable 34-6 lead. Skinner connected with Brinkman on an eight-yard strike and then hit Ben Wooster on a 43-yard streak for the second score.

Griffin had a five-yard touchdown run early in the fourth quarter. That was as close as the Bears would get, though. Wake Forest recovered a muffed punt deep in the Bears' territory; three plays later, Josh Adams scored on a four-yard run to cap the scoring.

**Kirby Freeman** started at quarterback for the Bears and finished 4-of-11 for 31 yards with two interceptions. Griffin, who came into the game on the Bears' fourth series, was 11-of-19 for 125 yards; he also had 29 yards on 11 rushes and one touchdown.

**David Gettis** led all Baylor receivers with five catches, going for 46 yards.

**Joe Pawelek** tallied 15 tackles, a career high and the most by a Baylor linebacker since 2000.

Skinner finished 27-of-36 for 220 yards and three touchdowns.

**NOTES**

- Baylor leads the all-time series 4-1.
- Earliest game in terms of calendar date (non bowl game) in Baylor history.
- Baylor dropped to 66-35-5 all-time in season openers.
- Bears recorded a rushing touchdown in a season opener for the first time since scoring three rushing touchdowns at SMU in 2005.
- QB **Robert Griffin** became the first Baylor true freshman to play quarterback since 2001.
- Four Baylor players at least matched their career highs in single-game tackles.

**STATISTICS**

Wake Forest	10	10	14	7	—	41
BAYLOR	0	6	0	7	—	13

1st	12:19	WF	Swank 40 FG	3-0
	7:00	WF	Brinkman 12 pass from Skinner (Swank kick)	10-0
2nd	14:23	WF	Pendergrass 3 run (Swank kick)	17-0
	2:54	BU	Jones 12 run (kick failed)	17-6
	0:53	WF	Swank 42 FG	20-6
3rd	7:36	WF	Brinkman 8 pass from Skinner (Swank kick)	27-6
	3:04	WF	Wooster 43 pass from Skinner (Swank kick)	34-6
4th	12:39	BU	Griffin 5 run (Parks kick)	34-13
	4:38	WF	Adams 4 run (Swank kick)	41-13

	WF	BU
<b>First Downs</b>	23	15
Rushing	9	5
Passing	11	8
Penalty	3	2
<b>Rushing Att.-Yards</b>	44-156	34-94
Average	3.5	2.8
<b>Passing Yards</b>	220	156
<b>Passing (C-A-I)</b>	27-36-0	15-30-2
Average	6.1	5.2
<b>Total Offense</b>	376	250
Average	4.7	3.9
<b>Punts-Avg.</b>	4-39.2	6-40.2
Net Average	39.5	37.7
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	4-2	4-3
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	5-65	7-89
<b>3rd-Down Conversions</b>	7-of-14	2-of-12
<b>4th-Down Conversions</b>	1-of-1	2-of-3
<b>Red-Zone Scores-Chances</b>	4-5	2-3
Touchdowns	4	2
Field Goals	0	0
<b>Sacks-Yards</b>	2-4	1-6
<b>Time of Possession</b>	34:16	25:44

**RUSHING:** (WF) Washington 2-63, Adams 14-37 1 TD, Pendergrass 14-34 1 TD, Boldin 2-10, Skinner 7-9, Williams 1-4, Belton 1-3, Brown 1-0, TEAM 2(-4); (BU) Griffin 11-29 1 TD, Finley 10-22, Jones 3-17 1 TD, Sims 4-16, Wright 2-9, Sanders 1-2, Freeman 2-2, Baker 1(-1).

**PASSING:** (WF) Skinner 27-36-0-220 3 TD; (BU) Griffin 11-19-0-125, Freeman 4-11-2-31.

**RECEIVING:** (WF) Boldin 7-33, Wooster 6-90 1 TD, Williams 4-38, Brinkman 3-29 2 TD, Adams 3-8, Brown 2-13, Pendergrass 1-6, Belton 1-3; (BU) Gettis 5-46, White 3-32, Akers 2-25, Wright 2-21, Finley 1-26, Blaylock 1-4, Baker 1-2.

**PUNTING:** (WF) Swank 4-39.2 47; (BU) Epperson 6-40.2 58.

**MISSED FIELD GOALS:** (WF) None; (BU) None.

**DEFENSE:** (WF) Curry 5-2-7 1.5 TFL 0.5 SACK, Haynes 3-2-5 0.5 TFL 1 FR 0.5 SACK, Arnoux 2-3-0 0.5 TFL, McClintic 3-1-4 1 FR, Smith 3-0-3 1 INT 2 PBU, Patterson 3-0-3 1.0 TFL 1 FF, Brinkman 2-1-3 1 FR, Russell 0-4-4 0.5 SACK, Frye 1-0-1 1 INT, Malchow 0-1-1 0.5 SACK; (BU) Pawelek 2-13-15, Jones 5-4-9 1.0 TFL 1 FR, Lake 5-4-9 2 PBU, Williams 6-2-8 1.0 SACK 1 FF 1 PBU, Crawford 3-4-7 1 FF 1 FR, Freeman 3-3-6 3.0 TFL, Johnson 2-4-6 1.0 TFL.

**BAYLOR 51, NORTHWESTERN STATE 6**

FLOYD CASEY STADIUM • WACO, TEXAS  
SEPT. 6, 2008 • ATTENDANCE: 36,258

**Robert Griffin** tossed three touchdown passes and rushed for another, and Baylor posted its largest margin of victory since 1989 in a 51-6 victory over Northwestern State at Floyd Casey Stadium.

In his first career start, Griffin was 15-of-19 passing for 294 yards and no interceptions. He also rushed 10 times for 42 yards. Griffin's 336 yards of total offense tied for the 13th-best tally in school history, second all-time at Baylor by a freshman. His passing yardage total ranked 21st in school history.

Meanwhile, **Jay Finley** paced Baylor's rushing attack with 91 yards on eight carries and two touchdowns. Finley also a 47-yard touchdown reception.

Baylor got out of the gates quickly, building a 23-0 lead after one quarter. It was the most first-quarter points by a Baylor team since the Bears established a school record with 35 points in a 54-20 victory at San Jose State in 1994.

Griffin started the scoring with a 49-yard touchdown pass to **Ernest Smith**, but the extra point failed. Less than three minutes later, Finley found the end zone from 40 yards out; it was a career-long run. After **Ben Parks'** 20-yard field goal pushed the Bears' lead to 16-0, Griffin scored on a three-yard run with 1:11 remaining in the opening period.

Finley extended the Bears' lead to 30-0 with a 35-yard touchdown run early in the second quarter. Northwestern State got on the board and capped the first-half scoring with a pair of second-quarter field goals, but that was the end of the scoring for the Demons.

Griffin added scoring passes of 32 yards and 47 yards to **Thomas White** and **Jay Finley**, respectively, before exiting the game late in the third quarter. **Kirby Freeman** connected with **Jay Finley** for a 4-yard touchdown pass with 2:46 remaining in the game to conclude the scoring.

Baylor tallied 537 yards of total offense, its best outing since a 546-yard performance against Samford in 2002.

Finley became the first Baylor player to record a touchdown rushing and receiving since **Paul Masley** accomplished the feat at Oklahoma State in 2004.

Meanwhile, the Baylor defense held Northwestern State to 190 yards — the best team effort since holding Arkansas State to 172 yards in 2001.

**Joe Pawelek** led the way defensively with 10 tackles, his second consecutive double-digit tackle game and the seventh such outing of his career. His final tackle was his 200th career tackle.

White's touchdown reception was the 11th of his career, moving him into an eighth-place tie on Baylor's all-time list.

**NOTES**

- Baylor leads the all-time series 2-0.
- Baylor's largest margin of victory since a 49-3 victory at SMU in 1989.
- Baylor scored at least 30 points in a half for the first time since a 38-point first half against Oklahoma State in 2005.
- The Bears held an opponent scoreless in the second half for the first time since accomplishing the feat against Kansas in 2006.
- Baylor held its opponent without a touchdown for the first time since a 17-3 victory over Kansas State in 2006.

**STATISTICS**

Northwestern State	0	6	0	0	—	6
BAYLOR	23	7	14	7	—	51

1st	10:09	BU	Smith 49 pass from Griffin (kick failed)	6-0
	7:41	BU	Finley 40 run (Parks kick)	13-0
	3:04	BU	Parks 20 FG	16-0
	1:11	BU	Griffin 3 run (Parks kick)	23-0
2nd	13:30	BU	Finley 35 run (Parks kick)	30-0
	6:38	NSU	Weeks 31 FG	30-3
	0:00	NSU	Weeks 30 FG	30-6
3rd	11:30	BU	White 32 pass from Griffin (Parks kick)	37-6
	4:24	BU	Finley 47 pass from Griffin (Parks kick)	44-6
4th	2:46	BU	Fenty 4 pass from Freeman (Brewster kick)	51-6

	NSU	BU
<b>First Downs</b>	14	25
Rushing	6	9
Passing	7	14
Penalty	1	2
<b>Rushing Att.-Yards</b>	37-52	39-207
Average	1.4	5.3
<b>Passing Yards</b>	138	330
<b>Passing (C-A-I)</b>	18-33-1	20-26-0
Average	4.2	12.7
<b>Total Offense</b>	190	537
Average	2.7	8.3
<b>Punts-Avg.</b>	7-35.9	2-58.5
Net Average	35.4	47.0
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	3-1	1-1
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	5-32	6-46
<b>3rd-Down Conversions</b>	9-of-20	8-of-11
<b>4th-Down Conversions</b>	1-of-2	0-of-0
<b>Red-Zone Scores-Chances</b>	2-2	3-4
Touchdowns	0	2
Field Goals	2	1
<b>Sacks-Yards</b>	2-7	4-36
<b>Time of Possession</b>	33:31	26:29

**RUSHING:** (NSU) Griffin 19-68, Lawrence 2-13, Hundley 12-3, Varnado 1-1, Austin 1(-1), Branch 1(-16), TEAM 1(-16); (BU) Finley 8-91 2 TD, Sanders 9-43, Griffin 10-42 1 TD, Sims 5-30, Jones 5-14, TEAM 2(-11).

**PASSING:** (NSU) Hundley 16-28-1-127, Branch 2-5-0-11; (BU) Griffin 15-19-0-294 3 TD, Szymanski 3-5-0-18, Freeman 2-2-0-18 1 TD.

**RECEIVING:** (NSU) Swanson 4-51, Varnado 4-35, Duffy 2-18, Austin 2-9, Lawrence 2-9, Harrell 1-8, Griffin 1-4, Charles 1-3, Freeman 1-1; (BU) Wright 5-42, White 3-59 1 TD, E. Smith 2-59 1 TD, Gettis 2-55, Akers 2-32, Fenty 2-10 1 TD, Finley 1-47 1 TD, L. La Mar 1-22, Baker 1-14, Blaylock 1(-10).

**PUNTING:** (NSU) 7-35.9 43; (BU) Epperson 2-58.5 61.

**MISSED FIELD GOALS:** (NSU) None; (BU) None.

**DEFENSE:** (NSU) Eckles 4-3-7, Love 3-4-7 1.0 SACK 2.5 TFL 1 FR, Riggs 5-1-6 1 PBU, Delcambre 5-0-5 1.0 TFL, Arceneaux 3-2-5, Rodrigue 2-0-2 1.0 SACK; (BU) Pawelek 3-7-10 1 QBH, A. Jones 3-5-8 1.0 SACK, Johnson 3-4-7 1 FR, Lake 4-0-4 1 FF, Patin 3-1-4 3 QBH, Francis 2-2-4 0.5 SACK 1 INT, Crawford 1-3-4 0.5 SACK 1 PBU, Hardeman 0-4-4 0.5 SACK 1 QBH, Sledge 0-3-3 0.5 SACK.

**BAYLOR 45, WASHINGTON STATE 17**

FLOYD CASEY STADIUM • WACO, TEXAS  
SEPT. 12, 2008 • ATTENDANCE: 25,595

In just his second career start and third career game, **Robert Griffin** turned in one of the best individual performances in program history in leading Baylor to a 45-17 win over Washington State at Floyd Casey Stadium. The victory was Baylor's first against a non-Big 12 BCS opponent since defeating North Carolina State in 1996, snapping a six-game skid.

Griffin established a Baylor single-game record with 217 yards rushing on 11 carries and scored twice. His 19.7 yards-per-carry average shattered both the Baylor (**Walter Abercrombie**, 11.4) and Big 12 (Marlon Lucky, Nebraska, 15.6) single-game marks for a minimum of 10 carries. Griffin became the first player in Baylor history with three runs of 50-plus yards, galloping 57 yards once and 58 yards twice.

Additionally, Griffin was 7-of-15 passing for 129 yards and a touchdown with no interceptions. His 346 yards of total offense ranked 12th in school history, second all-time by a Baylor freshman.

Washington State took the game's opening kickoff and scored on a Chantz Staden 1-yard run. The Bears answered with two touchdowns in a 63-minute span later in the quarter. Griffin plunged in from 1-yard out to tie the game. After a Washington State fumble, Griffin connected with **Ernest Smith** for a 27-yard scoring strike.

The Cougars knotted the score at 14-14 with 8:00 remaining in the second quarter, but the Bears were quick to answer. On Baylor's first play from scrimmage after the tying score, Griffin raced 57 yards to the Washington State 13. **Jeremy Sanders** scored his first career touchdown on the next play, rushing around right end. The Bears never trailed again.

**Jay Finley** added a 46-yard touchdown run with 5:12 remaining in the second, and Baylor took a 28-14 halftime lead. A Griffin 58-yard touchdown run and a **Kendall Wright** 10-yard end-around touchdown scamper pushed Baylor's lead to 42-14 before the teams traded fourth-quarter field goals to cap the scoring.

Finley finished with 119 yards on 10 carries; it was the first 100-yard game of his career. He, too, eclipsed Abercrombie's former school record for yards per carry in a game.

As a team, Baylor rushed for 426 yards on 42 carries. It was the third 400-yard rushing game in school history and the program's first since the Bears rushed for a school-record 482 yards at SMU in 1993, a game in which Baylor did not throw a pass.

**Joe Pawelek** led all players with 10 tackles.

**NOTES**

- Baylor leads the all-time series 4-2.
- Baylor's first victory against a Pac-10 team since 1996 (Oregon State), snapping a three-game skid.
- Baylor's largest margin of victory against a Division I FBS opponent since a 49-21 victory over Iowa State in 1996.
- Baylor scored 40-plus points in consecutive games for the first time since 1994 (at TCU, SMU).
- Baylor scored at least 28 first-half points in consecutive games for the first time in the program's modern history (since 1946).
- Baylor's first game with at least five rushing touchdowns since 2002 and its first such game against a Division I FBS opponent since 1995 (SMU).

**STATISTICS**

Washington State	7	7	0	3	—	17
<b>BAYLOR</b>	14	14	7	10	—	45

1st	11:27	WSU	Staden 1 run (Grasu kick)	0-7
	7:53	BU	Griffin 1 run (Parks kick)	7-7
	6:50	BU	Smith 27 pass from Griffin (Parks kick)	14-7
2nd	8:00	WSU	Lopina 8 run (Grasu kick)	14-14
	7:32	BU	Sanders 13 run (Parks kick)	21-14
	5:12	BU	Finley 46 run (Parks kick)	28-14
3rd	8:47	BU	Griffin 58 run (Parks kick)	35-14
4th	14:54	BU	Wright 10 run (Parks kick)	42-14
	10:42	WSU	Grasu 31 FG	42-17
	6:21	BU	Parks 23 FG	45-17

	WSU	BU
<b>First Downs</b>	19	20
Rushing	5	16
Passing	12	4
Penalty	2	0
<b>Rushing Att.-Yards</b>	39-77	42-426
Average	2.0	10.1
<b>Passing Yards</b>	263	129
<b>Passing (C-A-I)</b>	23-38-2	7-16-0
Average	6.9	8.1
<b>Total Offense</b>	340	555
Average	4.4	9.6
<b>Punts-Avg.</b>	4-49.2	3-47.0
Net Average	40.2	46.7
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	4-3	2-0
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	9-55	10-75
<b>3rd-Down Conversions</b>	9-of-18	2-of-7
<b>4th-Down Conversions</b>	2-of-3	0-of-1
<b>Red-Zone Scores-Chances</b>	3-4	4-5
Touchdowns	2	3
Field Goals	1	1
<b>Sacks-Yards</b>	1-8	7-45
<b>Time of Possession</b>	34:55	25:05

**RUSHING:** (WSU) Tardy 11-44, Staden 7-24 1 TD, Ivory 3-6, Rogers 3-5, Mitz 1-2, Gibson 1(-1), TEAM 1(-1), Lopina 12(-2) 1 TD; (BU) Griffin 11-217 2 TD, Finley 10-119 1 TD, Sims 8-35, Jones 7-24, Sanders 3-20 1 TD, Wright 3-11 1 TD.

**PASSING:** (WSU) Lopina 17-26-2-174, Rogers 6-12-0-89; (BU) Griffin 7-15-0-129 1 TD, Szymanski 0-1-0-0.

**RECEIVING:** (WSU) Gibson 8-128, Anderson 5-57, Blackledge 4-30, Norrell 2-17, Tardy 1-11, Willis 1-10, Woodard 1-8, Staden 1-2; (BU) Gettis 3-75, Wright 2-8, Smith 1-27 1 TD, White 1-19.

**PUNTING:** (WSU) Forrest 4-49.2 59; (BU) Epperson 3-47.0 62.

**MISSED FIELD GOALS:** (WSU) None; (BU) Parks 33.  
**DEFENSE:** (WSU) Trent 4-3-7, Beck 2-3-5, Mullennix 2-2-4 1.0 SACK, A'i Ahmu 2-4 1 FF, Nwachukwu 2-2-4 2 PBU, Kooyman 2-2-4, Forrest 1-0-1 1 FF; (BU) Pawelek 3-7-10 1 FR 1 INT 2 PBU 2 QBH, A. Jones 1-7-8 1.0 SACK 1 FF, Johnson 3-3-6 1 QBH, Lamb 2-4-6 0.5 SACK, J. La Mar 1-5-6, Patin 1-5-6 0.5 SACK, Williams 2-3-5 1.0 TFL, L. Freeman 1-4-5 2.0 SACK, Rhodes 2-2-4 1.5 SACK 1 FR, Bryant 2-2-4 0.5 SACK 1.5 TFL 1 QBH, Crawford 0-4-4 1 INT, Sledge 3-0-3 1.0 SACK, Francis 0-2-2 1 FR, Kushnir 1-0-1 1 FF.

**CONNECTICUT 31, BAYLOR 28**

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SEPT. 19, 2008 • ATTENDANCE: 38,870

Freshman quarterback **Robert Griffin** had accomplished a lot in his first two career starts. Leading the Bears to a fourth-quarter comeback in his third would only add to his lore. Griffin came up just short in that effort as Baylor dropped a heart-breaking 31-28 decision Friday at Connecticut on ESPN.

The game was billed as a showcase for Griffin and Connecticut running back Donald Brown, and neither disappointed.

Brown ran for 150 yards and two touchdowns, while Griffin threw for 208 yards and three touchdowns and ran for another. Griffin consistently scrambled his way out of trouble and drove the Bears to the UConn 39 with under a minute to play before his fourth-down pass fell incomplete, just past the out-stretched hands of a diving **Kendall Wright** along the left sideline.

UConn quarterback Tyler Lorenzen showed he also can run. Lorenzen carried the ball eight times for 73 yards and two touchdowns, including a 34-yard quarterback draw that gave the Huskies a 24-21 lead. He passed for 125 yards, but threw two interceptions.

There were six lead changes, the final one when Brown took a toss and ran 3 yards for a touchdown with just over 6 minutes remaining. The run completed a 30-yard drive set up by Connecticut's defense, which almost caught Griffin in the end zone for a safety. UConn instead forced a punt and got the ball back on the Baylor 30 after a kick-catch interference penalty was called on the Bears.

Griffin gave Baylor its final lead, 28-24, with 11:13 left when he hit Wright over the middle from 19 yards out. The drive appeared to be stopped when Danna Deleston made a diving interception at the UConn 20. But cornerback Darius Butler, who was blitzing on the play, was called for roughing Griffin, keeping the drive alive.

Wright had six catches for 114 yards and the score.

Griffin completed his first four passes, including a 16-yard touchdown toss to **Justin Akers**.

Brown carried seven times during a 12-play, 80-yard drive that tied it at 7 early in the second quarter. Lorenzen took the ball in on a 7-yard quarterback draw. Griffin found Akers again, running free over the middle from 14 yards out with 8:38 left in the half to make it 14-7.

UConn then went on an 11-play, 53-yard drive, giving the ball to Brown on eight of those plays, including the 1-yard plunge that tied it.

**NOTES**

- First-ever meeting between the programs.
- Only second-ever meeting between schools in any varsity athletic competition (men's basketball, 1955).
- Baylor dropped to 27-41-2 all-time in games played east of the Mississippi River.
- LG **John Jones** made his first career start.
- LB **Joe Pawelek** had 10 tackle assists, moving into a ninth-place tie on Baylor's career list.
- TE **Justin Akers** posted the second multiple-TD game (receiving) of his career.

**STATISTICS**

BAYLOR	7	7	7	7	—	28
Connecticut	0	14	10	7	—	31

1st	7:53	BU	Akers 16 pass from Griffin (Parks kick)	7-0
2nd	12:11	UC	Lorenzen 7 run (Ciaravino kick)	7-7
2nd	8:38	BU	Akers 14 pass from Griffin (Parks kick)	14-7
2nd	3:14	UC	Brown 1 run (Ciaravino kick)	14-14
3rd	10:11	UC	Ciaravino 39 FG	14-17
3rd	6:48	BU	Griffin 2 run (Parks kick)	21-17
3rd	5:16	UC	Lorenzen 34 run (Ciaravino kick)	21-24
4th	11:13	BU	Wright 19 pass from Griffin (Parks kick)	28-24
4th	6:04	UC	Brown 3 run (Ciaravino kick)	28-31

	BU	UCONN
<b>First Downs</b>	24	21
Rushing	11	14
Passing	12	6
Penalty	1	1
<b>Rushing Att.-Yards</b>	43-169	46-225
Average	3.9	4.9
<b>Passing Yards</b>	208	125
<b>Passing (C-A-I)</b>	14-25-0	13-23-2
Average	8.3	5.4
<b>Total Offense</b>	377	350
Average	5.5	5.1
<b>Punts-Avg.</b>	5-39.4	3-44.0
Net Average	34.2	44.3
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	0-0	0-0
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	8-77	2-20
<b>3rd-Down Conversions</b>	8-of-14	5-of-12
<b>4th-Down Conversions</b>	0-of-1	1-of-1
<b>Red-Zone Scores-Chances</b>	4-4	3-3
Touchdowns	4	3
Field Goals	0	0
<b>Sacks-Yards</b>	0-0	4-19
<b>Time of Possession</b>	30:10	29:50

**RUSHING:** (BU) Finley 11-85, Griffin 23-46 TD, J. Jones 4-20, Wright 1-9, Sanders 3-5, Sims 1-4; (UCONN) Brown 34-150 2 TD, Lorenzen 8-73 2 TD, Todman 2-4, TEAM 2(-2).

**PASSING:** (BU) Griffin 14-25-0-208 3 TD; (UCONN) Lorenzen 13-23-2-125.

**RECEIVING:** (BU) Wright 6-114 TD, Akers 4-61 2 TD, Finley 1-9, Sims 1-9, Gettis 1-8, White 1-7; (UCONN) Kanuch 4-30, Butler 2-24, Sherman 2-23, Gaudin 2-16, Moore 1-19, Hernandez 1-10, Smith 1-3.

**PUNTING:** (BU) Epperson 5-39.4 45; (UCONN) Cullen 3-44.0 55.

**MISSED FIELD GOALS:** (BU) None; (UCONN) None.  
**DEFENSE:** (BU) Pawelek 3-10-13 1.5 TFL 1 INT, Johnson 4-5-9, Lake 3-6-9, Williams 3-5-8 0.5 TFL 1 PBU, Freeman 3-4-7 1.0 TFL, Crawford 2-5-7, Patin 0-5-5, Bryan 2-0-2 1 INT 1 PBU; (UCONN) Lloyd 5-5-10 2.5 TFL, Lutrus 3-7-10 2.5 TFL, Wilson 3-4-7 1.0 TFL, Deleston 4-1-5 1.0 TFL, Howard 3-2-5, Lunn 1-4-5, Williams 1-3-4 1.0 SACK, Witten 1-1-2 1.0 SACK.