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CSP FOOTBALL WEEKLY



Many people ask, "how do we get over the hump?" There are many variables that go into winning football games. It sounds simple, but we need to make more plays than our opponent. Our first five opponents this year are teams that are 21-4 in the first 5 games. It sounds obvious, but the way a team practices has a big impact on the game. Even though that is widely understood, our team is still learning how to make practices more game like.

We also need to win the turnover margin which we have not done yet this year. We had one turnover, while the Mavericks did not have any. After the turnover margin, there are other essential statistics that usually lead to the outcome of games. Explosive plays, passes that gain 16 yards or runs that gain 12 yards or more, also impact games. In our game, Minnesota State had 12 explosive plays and we had 4. Another key component to winning games, is field position. Our starting drive started at our 23 yd line on average while the average starting field position for the Mavericks was the 32.5 yd. line.

Even though we haven't been able to come out on top yet this year, our expectation is to win each game. We went into the Mankato game with the expectation of winning. Our practices were sharp, players had energy and they played hard. However, we still need to make one more key tackle, key block, pass completion, and the faith that our teammates will do the same.

This week we travel to Bemidji State for a 2:00 PM kickoff. The Beavers are 3-2 and are coming off their first appearance in the 2021 NCAA playoffs, beating Augustana in the first round.

Go Bears!

FAITH DEVELOPMENT

This week's focus in on faith development. Christian faith is an integral part of who we are, but our campus welcomes students of all backgrounds. Exploring your faith is a part of the curriculum at Concordia as students are required to take two religion courses in their undergraduate program. These courses help students explore their beliefs, guide students to become a servant-leader, and encourage involvement beyond the walls of church.

"Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see." Hebrews 11:1

Our program's mission is to develop a championship culture, emphasizing the holistic development of the mind, body and spirt. The more I personally grow, the more I appreciate the opportunity that my staff and I have to influence our young men to grow spiritually. Making the decision to follow Jesus is a choice and something that can not be forced on anyone. By showing how and why having faith in Jesus is beneficial, the more interested our student-athletes are in learning about Jesus.

In 2016, we had three players that were committed to our weekly FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) Bible study. However, God has been working in our program in many ways. Our program is blessed that FCA has provided us with David Melms and Jole Miller to guide and train our coaches and student-athletes in our pursuit of growing our faith. Over the past few years, we have had many of our players trained to be Discipleship leaders. These leaders lead Discipleship groups for our team each week. Now we have close to 50 players attending weekly fellowship opportunities. Furthermore, our coaching staff is working through another FCA program, 360 Coach.

Having a relationship with Jesus influences every aspect in our lives. Knowing and loving him allows us to to better serve and love each other. The stronger our relationship with him, the more we get to experience the fruits of his spirt: love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control.

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23

By practicing the words of Jesus, we will live our best possible life. We will make better decisions, will have stronger relationships, will be more grateful, will have more hope, will be able to respond more effectively to adversity, will manage our finances to our advantage and will become closer to the image God created us to be. When the Bible talks about the dangers of sin, it is simply to help us avoid pitfalls and get the most out of our lives. It's not for God's sake but for ours. We tend to become the decisions we make. The more we choose something, the more we become that something. We are all in the process of solidifying our identities by the decisions we make. With each decision we make, we pick up momentum in the direction of that decision.

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash." Matthew 7:24-27

We try to get stuff and get happiness and get satisfaction, but ironically, the more we focus on ourselves, the more we lose our satisfaction, our fulfillment, and our meaning. But when we become preoccupied and consumed and enamored with Jesus, we forget about what we want, when we want it, and how we think we can get it. We lose our lives, but we actually find them. We discover the fulfillment we desire when we stop trying to find it in and through ourselves.

Here is an article about CSP football included on the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Website - https://www.minnesotafca.org/concordia-discipleship.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK- WEEK 5 - MINNESOTA STATE

EACH WEEK THE CSP COACHING STAFF SELECTS PLAYERS OF THE WEEK. THEY ARE SELECTED BASED ON FILM REVIEW, DEMONSTRATED EXCELLENCE IN PLAY, GAME PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, AND THEIR IMPACT ON THAT PARTICULAR GAME. JUST AS IMPORTANT ARE THE SCOUT PLAYERS OF THE WEEK. THESE YOUNG MEN PREPARE OUR GAME DAY PERFORMERS FOR THE UPCOMING OPPONENT. THIS IS PARAMOUNT TO OUR TEAM'S SUCCESS. THE HOG OF THE WEEK AND D-LINE PLAYER OF THE WEEK ARE HIGHLIGHTED BECAUSE OF THEIR POSITION'S IMPORTANCE TO THE END GOAL... WINNING FOOTBALL GAMES. THE LIFTER OF THE WEEK IS A YOUNG MAN THAT DEMONSTRATES HIS UNDERSTANDING OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE OFF-FIELD WORK NECESSARY FOR ONE TO BE AT THEIR VERY BEST.

Micheal Hall - FR - LB

SMB, MINNEAPOLIS, MN

SCOUT SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK



Dion Green - FR - WR

VICTORIA WEST HIGH SCHOOL, VICTORIA, TX

OFFENSIVE SCOUT PLAYER OF THE WEEK



Emmitt Peterson - FR - DB

DC EVEREST HIGH SCHOOOL, WAUSAU, WI

SCOUT DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK



Gayflor Flomo - JR - RB

 $TOTINO\text{-}GRACE\ HIGH\ SCHOOL,\ FRIDLEY,\ MN$

SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK



Jack Munsterteiger - JR - WR

BUFFALO HIGH SCHOOL, BUFFALO, MN

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK



Luke Dunsmoor - SR - DL

BUFFALO HIGH SCHOOL, BUFFALO, MN

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN OF THE WEEK





GAME CAPTAINS - CSP VS. BEMIDJI STATE

Isaac Reed - SO - #91 DL 6'4" 305LBS

SMB, MINNEAPOLIS, MN



Jaylin Richardson - SO - #1 RB 6'0" 210LBS

FL SCHLAGLE HIGH SCHOOL, KANAS CITY, KA



Luke Dunsmoor - SR #90 DL 6'5" 275LBS

ST. CLOUD APOLLO HIGH SCHOOL, ST. CLOUD,
MN



Jack Munsterteiger - JR 5'10" 180LBS

BUFFALO HIGH SCHOOL, BUFFALO, MN



Player Spotlight - Mel Jeudy - SR - DL



This week's Player Spotlight is Mel Jeudy. Mel comes to Concordia from Miami, Florida. He has been in the Golden Bear football program for three years and has made a huge impact in the program. Over his time playing for the Golden Bears Mel has racked up 31 tackles with 4 tackles being for loss for the Golden Bear defense. Mel is also a member of the football program's leadership council.

Mel choose to come to CSP because he wanted a program that best fit him and a program that would push him everyday. He decided that from athletics to the academics Concordia was the best place for him to grow as person. Another reason Mel choose to come to Concordia because faith is something very important to him and Paster Jole Miller (FCA) and Coach Currier have helped him grow in his faith every day. Mel also has a younger brother El-Osiris Jeudy that plays for the Golden Bear defense.

For the season Mel has a goal for winning the North Division in the NSIC which starts this Saturday with the game against Bemidji State. Mel's personal goal is to be an All-Conference player for the Golden Bears.

Thank you Mel for everything you have done for Golden Bear Football!





WHERE IS HE NOW?

PRESTON PILTOFF

Former Golden Bear, Preston Piltoff, played defensive back for CSP from 2019-2022 after transferring from a Junior College. He is from Delray Beach, Florida.

Preston decided to attend and play football at CSP because of the connection he built with the coaches during the recruiting process and because of the history and reputation CSP has built for itself. He felt the entire program was bought in and worked together towards one common goal.

His favorite memory is beating Bemidji State in double overtime during the 2019 season. Preston sealed the game with an interception in the second overtime.

Preston graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice and is currently working as a Defensive Back Coach at Atlantic Community High School in Palm Beach Florida. He is also training to continue his football career in the XFL.

EXTRA POINTS

WATCH ONLINE - NSIC NETWORK

All Golden Bear NSIC football games will be available to watch online, free of charge, powered by the NSIC Network, and supported by BlueFrame Technology.

Visit nsicnetwork.com/cspbears on a laptop or desktop computer, download the NSIC Network app on your mobile device or watch on your supported OTT provider such as Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV and Android TV.

Season Schedule

9-1 6:30pm vs. Augustana (S.D.) (∠ 28-14) **10-15 12:00pm vs.** Minnesota Duluth

9-10 5:30pm at Southwest St. (L 14-6) **10-22 6pm at Northern State**

j9-17 12pm vs. Sioux Falls (L 44-23) 10-29 12:00pm vs. Univ. Mary

9-24 6pm at Wayne St. (NE) (L 48-21) 11-6 12pm at MSU Moorhead

10-1 12:00 vs. Minnesota State (L 25-15) **11-13 12pm vs. Minot State** (Homecoming)

10-8 12pm at Bemidji State





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Touchdown Club!

The TD Club includes people that are pledging dollars for every touchdown the Golden Bears score. If you would like to join the TD Club, set up your pledge here: **one.csp.edu/pledge**. Heading into homecoming, week 5, our TD count is 8.

Program Needs

- Player Developmental programming / Mental & Emotional Health Training
- Motorized pop-up dummies
- Updated video equipment
- Communication Platforms

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