

For Games of September 9 - 11, 2021



Bluefield State HC Anthony Coaxum

COAXUM COACHED 'EM: Coaxum leads Bluefield State to first win in 41 years beating Elizabeth City State.

FOOTBALL SCORES

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BIG WINNERS!

JACKSON STATE • ALCONRN STATE • BOWIE STATE

CHOWAN • BLUEFIELD STATE • ALLEN • ALBANY STATE

Again, the Big Winners this week – meaning teams that got wins in tough match ups – were few and far between.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED! JACKSON STATE HANDLES TENNESSEE STATE!

Deion "Coach Prime" Sanders' Tigers of Jackson State rode the outstanding play of freshman quarterback Sheedur Sanders and a tough, stingy defense to a 38-16 win over Eddie George's Tigers of Tennessee State in Saturday's Southern Heritage Classic in Memphis.



Jackson State QB SHEEDUR SANDERS

The highly anticipated battle between the former NFL standouts' teams, witnessed by a hefty crowd of 46,171, was close early with JSU leading just 10-7 at the half. But Sanders, after throwing a 14-yard rushing pass to Josh Lanier to open the scoring, added two third-quarter TD tosses as JSU started to pull away.

Up 24-7 at the end of three periods, JSU (2-0, 1-0 SWAC E) surrendered a TSU 37-yard field goal early in the fourth quarter before Warren Newman got loose for an 81-yard punt return TD midway through the period. JSU added a 4-yard TD run from Peyton Pickett with just under three minutes left. TSU scored on a 47-yard pass play in the final seconds for the final margin.

Shadeur, the son of the head coach, was precisioned and efficient, completing 30 of 40 pass attempts for 362 yards and the three touchdowns to earn the MVP award. He spread the ball around to nine different receivers led by five catches for 72 yards by fellow freshman Devonte Tucker. The JSU defense was ferocious and led by Florida transfer DE James Houston, who totaled 10 tackles and 4.5 sacks, and Missouri transfer LB Aubrey Miller Jr., who had as many tackles and two sacks.

TSU (0-2, 3-0 OVC) QBs Jeremy Hickbottom (9-15-0) and Devone Bryant (4-8-0) combined to pass for 194 yards but were each sacked four times for -60 yards. Both teams had 19 first downs but neither was able to get its running game untracked. TSU RB Devone Starling was held to 35 yards on 11 carries and TSU, with its minus yards from the sacks, only totaled 70 rushing yards in 42 attempts. JSU rushed for only 42 yards on 21 carries with Pickett leading the Tigers with 55 yards in 11 carries. Sanders was sacked twice.



Jackson State DE JAMES HOUSTON

ALCONRN STATE BEATS NORTHWESTERN STATE!

Alcorn State senior QB Felix Harper scored on a 1-yard run with just over four minutes left in the game to allow the Braves to pull out a 13-10 win at home Saturday over Northwestern State.



Alcorn State QB FELIX HARPER

Prior to the late score, the Braves (1-1, 0-0 SWAC W) had been limited to two Christian Thompson field goals, one of 40 yards late in the first quarter and the other, a 24-yarder, early in the fourth period.

After stopping NW State and receiving a punt, the Braves got the ball at their own 8-yard with 8:21 on the clock. Harper drove them 92 yards in 10 plays, the key being a 50 yard pass to Manny Jones on 3rd-and-10 from their own 46 that carried to the NWSU 4. On third down from the 1-yard line, Harper went over for the winning score.

NWSU got the ball two more times but was stopped on fourth down in the first and threw an interception in the second.

Harper finished 13 of 23 for 204 yards through the air. Niko Duffey carried 17 times for 69 yards. Jones led receivers with three catches for 74 yards. Senior DB Juwon Taylor led the defenders with 10 tackles, six solos.



Albany State QB DIONTE BONNEAU

ALBANY STATE WINS SECOND TRIGHT!

Red-shirt sophomore QB Dionte Bonneau (21-27-0) threw for 278 yards and two TDs and RB Marcus Fuiks (9 car., 53 yards) had TD runs of 10 and 1 yards as the Golden Rams of Albany State improved to 2-0 with a 28-12 win over Shorter.

The Rams picked off three passes from Shorter QB Aeneas Dennis (17-25, 177 yards) who had two TDs. Those interceptions set up short fields that led to scores

ALLEN STUNS JOHNSON C. SMITH!

Running back Beau Harrington scored his third TD in the game on a 7-yard pass from David Wright with 55 seconds left to give the Yellow Jackets a 20-19 win at Johnson C. Smith.



Bowie State QB JAROME JOHNSON

The fireworks began after the teams entered the fourth quarter with JCSU (0-1) up 7-6 before a see-saw ending.

After scoring Allen's first TD on a 1-yard third quarter run, Harrington's 10-yard run on the first play of the quarter but the Yellow Jackets (1-1) up 14-7 after they scored a two-point conversion. JCSU came back to pull within 14-13 on a 49-yard pass from QB Antonio Wallace to Reggie Bryant. The Golden Bulls stretched the lead less than a minute later to 19-14 when Tywonn Jackson picked off a pass from Wright and returned it 53 yards to paydirt. The PAT kick was blocked and led JCSU up 19-14 at the 11:15 mark.

It stayed that way until Allen got the ball with 4:15 left at its own 45 after a JCSU punt was partially blocked. They covered the 55 yards in eight plays with Harrington making the winning catch.

BOWIE STATE PREVAILS OVER SAGINAW VALLEY!

Bowie State spotted Saginaw Valley State a 10-0 first quarter lead and then road three touchdown passes from QB Ja'Rome Johnson to a 28-19 home win.



Bowie State QB JAROME JOHNSON

BSU's first got on the board as Jordan Carter brought back an interception 38 yards for a TD at the 9:53 mark of the second quarter. Later in the quarter, Johnson led the Bulldogs (1-1) on an 11-play, 92-yard drive capped by his 4-yard scoring pass to Dariusus Bowman (8 rec., 175 yards just under two minutes before the half). BSU led 14-10 at the break.

SVSU went back on top 17-14 on a third-quarter 40-yard TD strike. Johnson came back to hit Keshan Hickley from 37 yards out with 12:10 left in the game for the Bulldogs to take the lead, 21-17. SVSU added a safety to pull within 21-10 before Johnson engineered a 13-play, 78-yard drive that he finished with a 4-yard pass to Victor Olayinka.

Johnson finished with 27 completions in 35 attempts for 317 yards and three TDs.

CHOWAN WINS IN OVERTIME, AGAIN!

RB Jaylin Boyd scored on a 1-yard run in the second overtime and Chowan (kept) Tusculum out of the end zone on its possession as the Indians (2-0) won their second straight game in overtime to start the season



Chowan RB TYREK MCNEIL

Tusculum (1-1) had scored with :48 seconds left in regulation to tie the game at 31 and force overtime. In the first extra period, Tusculum scored on a 18-yard TD pass and Chowan answered with a 25-yard pass from QB Bryce Witt (16-30-2, 274 yards) to RB Tyrek McNeil.

Witt had scored on a 1-yard run in the first quarter to tie the game at 7. He also hit Imeek Watkins with a 22-yard scoring pass midway thru the second period to put Chowan to within 21-14. The teams traded field goals in the final minute of the first half to enter the break with TU up 24-17.

Neither team scored in the third quarter.

On a wide receiver pass, wideout Demetrius Moore hit Laurence King (6 rec., 114 yards) for a 51-yard scoring pass to tie the game at 24 with 1:30 left in the final period and McNeil had a 39-yard scoring run at the 5:25 mark to give Chowan its first lead of the game, 31-24.

BLUEFIELD STATE GETS FIRST WIN IN 41 YEARS!

Bluefield State fell behind Elizabeth City State 21-0 in the first half of the first game but answered with three second-quarter TDs and eventually knocked off the Vikings for their first victory since head coach Anthony Coaxum helped restart the program last year. It was the first win for the Big Blue since a 21-8 win over West Liberty in 1980.



Bluefield State QB J'RELL JOSEPH

The comeback was led by QB J'rell Joseph (19-35-0, 232 yards) who threw three TDs in the second quarter to Kenta Johnson (16 yards), Perry Wilder (75 yds.) and Berkariou Black (15 yds.), the last one coming :27 left in the half.

ECU led the game back up 27-21 on the only third-quarter score, a 80-yard pass from QB De'Abrie Smith (14-27-2, 185 yds.) to Brandon Joyner (2 rec., 83 yds.).

BSC took the lead at 28-27 on Carson Crossman's PAT after Markaden Bryant scored with 10:42 left on a 1-yard run that followed an interception of De'Abrie by Justin McElveen that was returned to the ECU 1.

Black scored again on an 8-yard pass from Joseph with 5:50 left to go up 35-27. On the ensuing drive, ECU covered 51 yards to the BSC 5 before his fourth-down pass fell incomplete. The Vikings (0-2) had two more possessions that ended in an interception and a turnover on downs.

SAVANNAH STATE CRUISES BY LIVINGSTONE!

Savannah State scored about every way you can in downing Livingstone 50-7. SSU QB J. T. Hartage threw two TD passes and back-up D'Yonn Gibbons threw one. The Tigers got two rushing TDs and two punt return TDs in the win.

BENEDICT DOES THE SAME TO EDWARD WATERS!

Benedict QB Eric Phoenix threw (11-18-0) for 292 yards and four TDs and had one rushing TD in a 44-3 win over Edward Waters.

These teams won, but they were supposed to.

FLORIDA A&M • SOUTHERN

After struggling early and going into the half in a 7-7 tie, FLORIDA A&M scored 24 unanswered second-half points to pull away from Fort Valley State and post a 31-7 win.

First-game starter Rashean McKay started the second half in relief of Junior Murotovic and promptly hit Xavier Smith on a 32-yard TD at the end of a 74-yard drive. The Rattlers next scored as Nardarius Fagan scooped up a fumble and ran 45 yards to score and later on a Jose Romo-Martinez 40-yard field goal to go up 24-7.

FAMU (1-1) added a 6-yard Bishop Bonnett TD run and a 49-yard field goal for the final margin.

SOUTHERN outscored Miles 28-7 in the second half to erase a 17-13 halftime deficit and come away with a 41-24 victory.

The Jags (1-1) had three rushing TDs and a 39-yard Glendon McDaniel TD pass in the second half to pull away. One of those runs was by Craig Nelson (8 carries, 134 yards) covering 68 yards. SU's Devon Benn, who scored Southern's first points on a 5-yard run, added a 6-yarder on the Jags' possession that opened the third quarter that gave them a 20-17 lead.

After Miles' RB Donte Edwards scored on a 22-yard run to put the Golden Bears (0-2) back up 24-20, Nelson got loose for his long TD.

Early in the fourth quarter, McDaniel hit Marquis McClain on a 39-yard scoring pass. McDaniel capped the scoring with a 5-yard run midway through the period.

CLOSE CALLS!

KENTUCKY STATE - Kentucky Wesleyan scored on an 18-yard pass with just a minute and a half left to hand Kentucky State its first loss, 26-25. KSU QB Jaylen Myers threw two TD passes, the last with 4:41 left to put KSU up 25-20.

LANE / CLARK ATLANTA - QB Tariq McKinzie (25-38-0) threw for 318 yards and two TDs and RB Ike Brown ran in 12 yards and three scores as Lane held off Clark Atlanta 35-26.

FAYETTEVILLE STATE - AFCA NCCAA Div. II Wingate jumped on top of FSU 30-7 early and survived 336 passing yards and three TD passes from FSU QB Kharil Lane to win 40-21.

BIG LOSSES!

NC A&T - The Aggies (0-2) scored first, trailed 21-14 at the half after giving up a Duke TD in the final seconds of the half but could only score a second-half field goal in failing to the ACC's Blue Devils 45-17.

HOWARD - Big Ten member Maryland (2-0) led 38-0 at the half and limited the Bison (0-2) to 146 yards of total offense in a 62-0 blowout win.

TEXAS SOUTHERN - Big 12 member Baylor (2-0) rolled up 714 offensive yards in a 66-7 win over Texas Southern (0-2).

BETHUNE-COOKMAN - It was 617 yards for Central Florida in a 63-14 win over the B-CU Wildcats. B-CU QB Shannon Patrick threw two TD passes.

NORFOLK STATE - Norfolk State scored first on a 41-yard field goal in the game's first possession, and added a second-quarter TD to trail 21-9 at the half but fell at Wake Forest of the ACC, 41-16.

VIRGINIA UNION - Nationally-ranked Div. II power Valdosta State (5th) had its second blowout win in downing VUU 51-7.

MORGAN STATE - WR Wesley Wolfolk had TD catches of 13 and 3 yards as the Bears fell at Tulane 69-20.

SC STATE - Decobie Durant had two picks for SC State but that was one of the few highlights in a 49-3 loss at the ACC's Clemson Tigers.

TUSKEGEE - West Alabama jumped on Tuskegee 23-0 through three quarters and only allowed one fourth-quarter TD in a 33-7 win.

MOREHOUSE - AFCA Div. II No. 24 West Georgia (2-0) held the Maroon Tigers to four first downs and 122 yards of offense in a 47-0 win.

HAMPTON - The only score for Hampton came on a 24-yard pass to Jadakis Bonds late in the third quarter in a 47-7 loss at Old Dominion.

NC CENTRAL - Marshall built a 30-7 halftime lead en route to a 44-10 win over the Eagles.

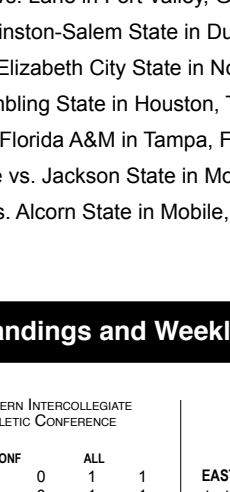
GRAMBLING STATE - Southern Miss ran for 290 yards and two TDs in its 37-0 shutout of Grambling State.

FAYETTEVILLE STATE - AFCA Div. II No. 21 Wingate led Fayetteville State 30-7 at the half. FSU scored late in the 40-21 Wingate win.

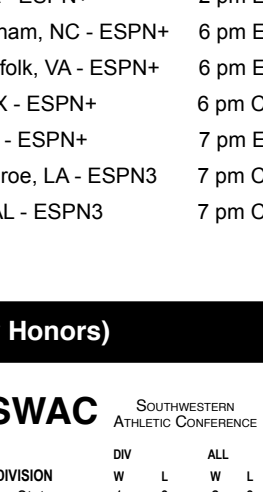
WINSTON-SALEM STATE - The Rams were held to two field goals in falling at Catawba, 28-6.

TOP PERFORMANCES

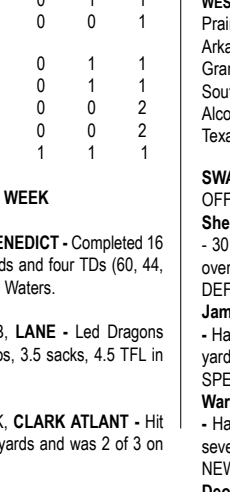
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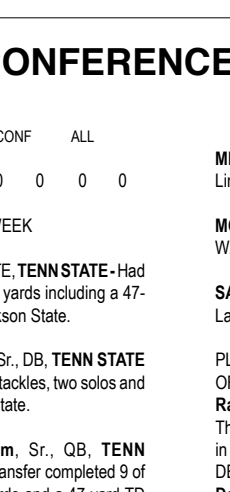
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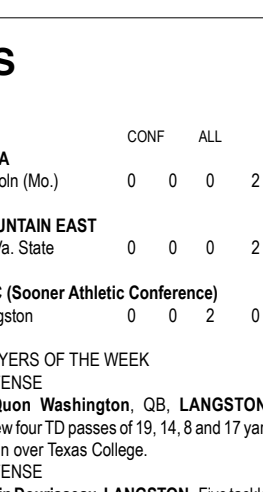
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Bowling State QB ERIC PHOENIX



Lane RB IKE BROWN



Shaw RB SIDNEY GIBBS

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FOOTBALL THIS WEEK

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2021 BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL (Standings and Weekly Honors)

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