



DENISON BIG RED 2-5, 1-3 NCAC

LOCATION	Granville, Ohio
FOUNDED	1831
ENROLLMENT	2,100
NICKNAME	Big Red
COLORS	Red & White
STADIUM	Piper Stadium
CAPACITY	3,000
SURFACE	Artificial
AFFILIATION	NCAA Division III
CONFERENCE	North Coast Athletic
2008 RECORD	6-4, 4-3 NCAC
PRESIDENT	Dr. Dale T. Knobel
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Larry Scheiderer
HEAD COACH	Nick Fletcher
SPORTS INFORMATION	Craig Hicks

2009 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Sept. 5	KALAMAZOO	W, 37-20
Sept. 12	at Wabash*	L, 7-56
Sept. 26	at Wooster*	L, 7-26
Oct. 3	CASE WESTERN	L, 13-38
Oct. 10	HIRAM*	W, 44-0
Oct. 17	at Allegheny*	L, 13-35
Oct. 24	at Chicago	L, 7-38
Oct. 31	WITTENBERG*	7 p.m.
Nov. 7	at Kenyon*	1 p.m.
Nov. 14	EARLHAM*	1 p.m.

* NCAC game

HOME GAMES IN CAPS

2008 RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 6	at Kalamazoo	W, 49-27
Sept. 13	WABASH*	L, 27-41
Sept. 27	WOOSTER*	L, 10-21
Oct. 4	at Case Western	L, 14-45
Oct. 11	at Hiram*	W, 31-13
Oct. 18	ALLEGHENY*	W, 13-10
Oct. 25	CHICAGO	W, 26-14
Nov. 1	at Wittenberg*	L, 0-23
Nov. 8	KENYON*	W, 21-7
Nov. 15	at Earlham*	W, 25-10

* NCAC game

HOME GAMES IN CAPS

Under The Lights

Tigers Head To Denison For Third Night Game Of Season

ALL-TIME SERIES: Wittenberg leads 47-23-2

SETTING THE SCENE Undeclared through seven games for the first time in nine years, the Wittenberg Tigers head into the home stretch of the 2009 season with plenty of momentum. Next up is a road date at long-time rival Denison and the Tigers' third night of the campaign.

While Wittenberg is riding high atop the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC), Denison enters the showdown sporting records of 2-5 overall and 1-3 in the NCAC, good for a four-way tie for sixth place.

SERIES HISTORY Denison has appeared on Wittenberg's schedule 72 times since 1901, the second-most of any school. The Tigers hold a commanding 47-23-2 advantage, and they are currently riding a 17-game winning streak, dating back to a 1989 victory for Denison.

Wittenberg is 17-1 against the Big Red as a member of the NCAC. Also of note, Denison has not won a game in Springfield since 1952.

SCOUTING THE TIGER OFFENSE The Tiger offense is putting up big numbers in 2009, thanks in part to the return of senior quarterback Aaron Huffman from an injury that ended his 2008 season in Game 2. His 158.35 passing efficiency ranks 15th nationally and second in the NCAC.

Huffman benefits from a deep receiving corps that features four players in double figures for receptions - senior **Patrick Williams**, junior **Anthony Kralich** and sophomores **Josh McKee** and **Michael Cooper**. He also has several quality options in the running game, led by junior **Corey Weber**, who has 513 yards and nine touchdowns on 92 carries after missing the last nine games of 2008 due to injury.

Weber, sophomore **Conner Warye**, senior **Jeff Wilbur** and Huffman all have at least 177 rushing yards in 2009, running behind a deep offensive line that has excelled despite recent injuries to All-NCAC center **Dillon Hollin**, **Tony Eich** and All-NCAC tackle **Alex Burwell**.

NO. 2 AND RISING In 30 collegiate games, all starting assignments, **Aaron Huffman** has thrown for 5,111 yards, good for second place on Wittenberg's career list. He surpassed Ryan Holmes,

who passed for 4,560 yards between 2002 and 2005, during a 42-3 win over Earlham on Oct. 10.

Huffman is closing in on National College Football Hall of Famer Charlie Green, who did not lose a game as a starter between 1961-64, atop the school's passing list. Green is the standard bearer among Wittenberg quarterbacks with 5,575 yards.

NO. 2 AND RISING (PART 2) Patrick Williams started the season fifth in school history with 134 career receptions. Despite the fact that he and most of the team's other offensive starters have played just three complete games so far in 2009, Williams has moved past Skip Ivery, Rod Miller and Michael Aljancic into second place on the list.

Williams now has 19 receptions on the season to stand 14 behind Jered Glover, who heads the list after catching 167 passes between 2002 and 2005.

SCORELESS That's what Wittenberg's first seven opponents are in the first half of games. The Tigers have a scoring advantage of 175-0 in the first half of games in 2009.

Olivet, Hiram, Carnegie Mellon and Wabash all scored touchdowns in the fourth quarter of games, while Earlham kicked a long field goal in the third quarter. Overall, Wittenberg has outscored its opponents 253-30.

NCAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK Three Wittenberg players have earned NCAC Player of the Week honors in 2009. **Corey Weber** picked up the offensive award after rushing for 152 yards and three touchdowns in the season-opening win over Olivet, junior defensive end **Eddie Vallery** got the defensive award for a nine-tackle, two-sack, blocked punt performance against Ohio Wesleyan, and then **Zach Hurtt** picked up the defensive award after leading both teams with 12 tackles, including three for loss, in Wittenberg's key 10-7 victory over Wabash.

TEAM OF THE WEEK (SQUARED) **Eddie Vallery** led a 46-0 demolition of Washington University, recording nine tackles, including five for loss, and four



WITTENBERG TIGERS 7-0, 4-0 NCAC

LOCATION	Springfield, Ohio
FOUNDED	1845
ENROLLMENT	1,950
NICKNAME	Tigers
COLORS	Red & White
STADIUM	Edwards-Maurer Field
CAPACITY	3,000
SURFACE	Artificial
AFFILIATION	NCAA Division III
CONFERENCE	North Coast Athletic
2008 RECORD	6-4, 4-3 NCAC (T-3rd)
PRESIDENT	Dr. Mark H. Erickson
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Garnett Purnell
HEAD COACH	Joe Fincham
SPORTS INFORMATION	Ryan Maurer

2009 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Sept. 5	at Olivet	W, 37-6
Sept. 19	at WashU. (Mo.)	W, 46-0
Sept. 26	OHIO WESLEYAN*	W, 20-0
Oct. 3	HIRAM*	W, 70-7
Oct. 10	at Earlham*	W, 42-3
Oct. 17	at Wabash*	W, 10-7
Oct. 24	CARNEGIE MELLON	W, 28-7
Oct. 31	at Denison*	7 p.m.
Nov. 7	ALLEGHENY*	1 p.m.
Nov. 14	WOOSTER*	1 p.m.

* NCAC Games

HOME GAMES IN CAPS

2008 RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 6	OLIVET	W, 22-0
Sept. 20	WASH.U. (MO.)	L, 27-30
Sept. 27	at Ohio Wesleyan*	W, 32-0
Oct. 4	at Hiram*	W, 44-7
Oct. 11	EARLHAM*	W, 45-13
Oct. 18	WABASH*	L, 10-13
Oct. 25	at Carnegie Mellon	W, 21-14
Nov. 1	DENISON*	W, 23-0
Nov. 8	at Allegheny* L,	27-30 (ot)
Nov. 15	at Wooster*	L, 6-27

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sacks. He was named to the d3football.com Team of the Week.

He followed that up with another nine-tackle performance against Ohio Wesleyan. He added two sacks and key blocked punt, which earned him both NCAC Defensive Player of the Week honors and d3football.com Team of the Week honors.

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SCOUTING THE TIGER DEFENSE After ranking first in the NCAC in scoring and team defense in 2007 and 2008, the Tigers have been nothing short of dominant in 2009, checking in nationally at No. 1 in scoring and total defense while leading the NCAC by a wide margin in all seven defensive categories.

While the unit is filled with veteran playmakers, the star has unquestionably been **Eddie Vallery**, who leads the team, the conference and all of NCAA Division III with 11.5 sacks. He registered three more against Carnegie Mellon, which only had 18 official pass attempts in the game (14 thrown passes and four sacks).

The school record for sacks in a season is 12, set by David Smith in 1991.

Junior linebacker **Brad McKinley**, who racked up more than 100 tackles in each of his first two collegiate seasons, missed the game against Carnegie Mellon due to injury, but he still has 43 stops in 2009. He is flanked by sophomore **Zach Hurtt**, who has a team-leading 45 tackles, and senior **Kyle Lohrman**, a first-team All-NCAC honoree in 2008 who has 43 stops so far in 2009 after posting a team season-high 14 against Carnegie Mellon.

The Tiger secondary features senior cornerback **Brandyn Brown**, who has nine passes broken up, an interception, a punt return for a touchdown and

a key 53-yard kickoff return that set up the winning field goal against Wabash on his 2009 resume. Senior safety **Trent Brunic** has a team-best three interceptions.

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NATIONAL WATCH LIST Zack Harris has made the most of his red-shirt season, going 5-of-9 on field goals and 32-of-34 on extra points so far in 2009, including the 31-yard field goal just before time expired at Wabash that gave the Tigers a thrilling 10-7 victory. He missed the last eight games of the 2008 season after injuring his knee against Washington University.

Harris' exploits on the field, in combination with his contributions as a volunteer at his hometown firehouse and the Springfield YMCA, have earned him a spot on the national watch list for the first-ever Fred Mitchell Outstanding Placekicker Award, which will be presented to the top player at that position among the nearly 400 NCAA Division II and III schools that sponsor football.

Mitchell was Wittenberg's first full-time placekicker, and he earned All-America honors as a senior in 1968. Currently a columnist with the *Chicago Tribune*, best-selling author and philanthropist, Mitchell is a member of Wittenberg's Board of Directors.

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LIFE AFTER BASEBALL Patrick Williams has set records on the gridiron and on the baseball field in his Wittenberg career. His days as an outfielder have ended, but he returned for a final season of football in 2009.

The team leader in receptions the last two years after finishing second in both categories in 2006, Williams started all but two of the Tigers' baseball

BY THE NUMBERS...

	DEN	WITT			
SCORING	128	253			
Points Per Game	18.3	36.1			
FIRST DOWNS	117	137			
Rushing	71	69			
Passing	33	65			
Penalty	13	3			
RUSHING YARDAGE	1024	1454			
Yards gained rushing	1293	1523			
Yards lost rushing	269	69			
Rushing Attempts	314	282			
Average Per Rush	3.3	5.2			
Average Per Game	146.3	207.7			
TDs Rushing	10	14			
PASSING YARDAGE	925	1495			
Att-Comp-Int	141-71-6	187-109-7			
Average Per Pass	6.6	8.0			
Average Per Catch	13.0	13.7			
Average Per Game	132.1	213.6			
TDs Passing	6	17			
TOTAL OFFENSE	1949	2949			
Total Plays	455	469			
Average Per Play	4.3	6.3			
Average Per Game	278.4	421.3			
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	35-684	8-247			
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	15-91	25-237			
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	10-147	8-132			
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	19.5	30.9			
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	6.1	9.5			
INT RETURN AVERAGE	14.7	16.5			
FUMBLES-LOST	10-5	8-3			
PENALTIES-Yards	35-330	35-316			
Average Per Game	47.1	45.1			
PUNTS-Yards	38-1296	22-852			
Average Per Punt	34.1	38.7			
Net punt average	29.2	37.6			
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	32:22	32:41			
3RD-DOWN Conversions	25/94	48/93			
3rd-Down Pct	27%	52%			
4TH-DOWN Conversions	7/22	7/12			
4th-Down Pct	32%	58%			
SACKS BY-Yards	8-44	22-170			
MISC YARDS	0	0			
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	17	34			
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	3-6	5-9			
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	1-1			
RED-ZONE SCORES	12-17 71%	25-31 81%			
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	10-17 59%	20-31 65%			
PAT-ATTEMPTS	15-17 88%	32-34 94%			
Score by quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Wittenberg Univ.	66	119	45	23	253
Opponents	0	0	3	27	30
Score by quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Denison	37	27	30	34	128
Opponents	62	55	61	35	213

THIS WEEK IN THE NCAC

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Visitor	Time	Home
Kenyon	1 p.m.	Earlham
Ohio Wesleyan	1 p.m.	Hiram
Wabash	1 p.m.	Oberlin
Wooster	1 p.m.	Allegheny
Wittenberg	7 p.m.	Denison

NCAC Games in Bold

NCAC Quick Facts

Acting Executive Director: Keri Alexander Luchowski

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Founded: February 1983

Championship Sports: 22 (11 men, 11 women)



STANDINGS

School	NCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Wittenberg	4	0	7	0
Wabash	4	1	6	1
Allegheny	3	1	6	1
Wooster	3	1	4	3
Kenyon	3	2	3	5
Earlham	1	3	3	4
Denison	1	3	2	5
Ohio Wesleyan	1	3	1	6
Oberlin	1	3	1	6
Hiram	0	4	0	7

games over the last four years. In 151 total games, including 149 starting assignments, the speedy outfielder ranked among the team leaders in numerous offensive categories in each of his four seasons in the Red & White.

Williams, who set a school record with a 27-game hitting streak stretching across the last 14 games of 2007 and the first 13 of 2008, finished his career with a .348 batting average. A second-team All-NCAC honoree in 2006, 2008 and 2009 and a first-team All-NCAC award-winner in football in 2007, Williams finished with 39 doubles (fifth in school history), 192 base hits (third), eight triples (seventh), 10 home runs, 109 RBI (seventh) and 42 stolen bases (fourth) in his baseball career.

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ALSO ON THE HARDWOOD Josh McKee and Michael Cooper not only made an impact on the Tiger football program in 2008, they both also quickly worked their way into the playing rotation for the men's basketball squad, which finished 13-13 a year ago.

McKee started 20 of the 23 games he played a year ago, averaging 7.3 points and 4.0 rebounds. His 23 steals ranked second on the team.

Cooper started 12 of 22 games he played in 2008-09, averaging 8.0 points and 4.0 rebounds per outing. He ranked second on the team in scoring and assists.

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THE COACHES Wittenberg is led by **Joe Fincham**, a 1988 graduate of Ohio University. In his 14th season at the helm, Fincham has a 121-29 overall record, including a mark of 82-14 in the NCAC and a regular season record of 114-23. His teams have claimed six conference titles, including four straight outright with undefeated records from 1998-2001. Fincham has been named NCAC Coach of the Year five times, including 2006 after he led the Tigers to their most recent conference title, and earned American Football Coaches Association/Kodak District IV Coach of the Year honors in 1998.

Fincham trails only National College Football Hall of Famer Dave Maurer, who posted a 129-23-3 record between 1969-83, in total wins. He is third in winning percentage as his .807 mark trails Maurer (.842) and fellow National College Football Hall of Famer Bill Edwards, who had a 98-20-4 record (.820) between 1955-69.

Denison is coached by Nick Fletcher, who is in his 10th season leading the Big Red. He has led Denison to two winning seasons, including 2008, when the Big Red won five of its last six games. He has a career record of 56-80, including three seasons at Eureka College in Illinois. A 1976 graduate of Johns Hopkins, Fletcher has a 29-58 record at Denison.

NCAA STATISTICAL COMPARISON

235 TEAMS RANKED

WITTENBERG			DENISON			
STAT	D3	NCAC	CATEGORY	NCAC	D3	STAT
213.57	94	5	Passing Offense (yds/gm)	8	194	132.14
147.97	32	2	Passing Efficiency	6	154	110.04
207.71	32	1	Rushing Offense (yds/gm)	4	100	146.29
421.29	35	3	Total Offense (yds/gm)	6	189	278.43
36.14	29	2	Scoring Offense (pts/gm)	6	185	18.29

87.14	2	1	Pass Defense (yds/gm)	10	235	311.14
81.09	2	1	Pass Efficiency Defense	8	214	149.59
55.71	5	1	Rush Defense (yds/gm)	4	68	112.57
142.86	1	1	Total Defense (yds/gm)	10	213	423.71
4.29	1	1	Scoring Defense (pts/gm)	8	185	30.43
3.00	23	1	Sacks (per gm)	8	185	1.14
9.00	10	1	Tackles For Loss (per gm)	4	73	6.86

37.64	29	2	Net Punting (yds/punt)	8	167	29.18
9.48	76	3	Punt Returns (yds/ret)	6	164	6.07
0.44	1	1	Punt Return Defense (yds/ret)	8	191	11.00
30.88	1	1	Kickoff Returns (yds/ret)	5	99	19.54
14.77	14	1	Kickoff Return Defense (yds/ret)	7	173	20.67

+0.29	T-91	T-5	Turnover Margin (per gm)	3	54	.71
12	T-165	3	Turnovers Gained (fm/int)	2	T-86	16 (6/10)
10	T-30	T-2	Turnovers Lost (fm/int)	3	T-46	11 (5/6)

TOP 75 INDIVIDUALS

WITTENBERG

Name	D3 Rank	Category	Stat
Aaron Huffman	15	Pass. Efficiency	158.35
Aaron Huffman	74	Total Offense	232.00
Trent Brunic	T-75	Interceptions/Game	.43
Brandyn Brown	74	Punt Return Avg.	7.53
Zack Harris	T-62	Field Goals/Game	.71
Corey Weber	T-74	Scoring/Game	7.71
Eddie Vallery	T-1	Sacks/Game	1.64
Eddie Vallery	7	TFL/Game	2.14

DENISON

Name	D3 Rank	Category	Stat
Nick Krempasky	65	Rushing/Game	88.14
Bill Aukerman	T-75	Interceptions/Game	.43
Nick Krempasky	22	All-Purpose Run/Game	157.57

TWO DEEPS

OFFENSE			DEFENSE			SPECIAL TEAMS		
DENISON		WITTENBERG	DENISON		WITTENBERG	DENISON		WITTENBERG
Carpenter 84	WR	14 McKee	Lambert 19	CB	8 Brown	Schneider 31	K	4 Harris
Graham 4		81 Kralich	Clanin 14		41 Merkert			15 Williams
Eagle 88	TE	84 Parsell	Mackie 16	SS	17 Brunic	Shafer 92	P	18 Cochran
Shafer 92		98 Kerger	Baird 13		24 Box			92 LeValley
Romanowski 53	LT	52 Metzger	Barnum 34	DE	95 Scherer	Krempasky 6	KR	8 Brown
Lewis 62		58 Hewson	Baker 57		59 Fleig	Fiorini 30		20 Parker
Ulsh 63	LG	54 Block	Lewis 40	DT	93 Kattoua	Clanin 14	PR	8 Brown
Capetillo 64		77 Trump	Zarate 67		56 Phillips	Krempasky 6		1 Williams
Hebb 55	C	60 Hollin	Ray 41	DT	99 Wolfe	Lewis 40	LS	58 Hewson
Pappas 79		77 Trump	Zanner 11		94 Bartlett			59 Fleig
Zafer 50	RG	78 Hudepohl	Hanna 99	DE	47 Vallery	Taylor 5	H	1 Williams
Fresch 77		74 Owen	Kell 91		50 Cosby			14 McKee
Drake 70	RT	58 Hewson	Baird 13	FS	20 Parker			
Hodge 78		57 Alspaugh	Doss 12		19 Whittington			
Stephens 18	QB	7 Huffman	Effinger 23	CB	25 Freeman			
Paulus 17		13 Durbin	Ayres 85		22 Smith			
Krempasky 6	TB	9 Corey Weber	McFerren 9	ILB	42 Lohrman			
Crawford 26		38 Warye	Pisula 21		10 Maxwell			
Burandt 20	FB	45 Montgomery	Dlouhy 32	MLB	21 McKinley			
Johnsen 33		28 Smelko	Risko 47		44 Davis			
Hall 3	WR	1 Williams	Aukerman 22	OLB	33 Hurtt			
Jones 1		2 Cooper	Frudden 52		29 Alexander			

TIGER SPORTS NETWORK

Listen to every Wittenberg football game on the Tiger Sports Network, home of Wittenberg's athletic broadcasts, including WUSO 89.1 FM, the Wittenberg student-operated radio station, and the Wittenberg athletics Web site. Thanks to a partnership with Stretch Internet, Wittenberg fans can listen in to the game any time, any where at no cost.

Wittenberg is blessed with outstanding radio coverage again in 2009 as Scott Leo, who spends his summers as the play-by-play voice of the Columbus Clippers, heads things up. Leo, who has been involved with Wittenberg athletic broadcasts since 2000, will be joined by Ben Bradley and assorted Wittenberg students on the majority of this fall's football broadcasts.

The student broadcast team is bigger and better than ever in 2009, led by WUSO Sports Director Jimmy Colloton '11. Students are involved in all aspects of broadcasts, including sideline reporting, statistical analysis, on-air color analysis, in-game score updates and production work. This year, the team has ambitious plans to produce nearly 200 athletics broadcasts (audio and video).

FOOTBALL ROUNDTABLE

Hosted by local sports radio personality Jim Scoby and Ben Bradley, Football Roundtable is a weekly show that features conversation on high school, college and professional football. It can be heard locally on WUSO 89.1-FM and on the Internet from 6-7 p.m. every Thursday. Scoby and Bradley do the show each week from Panera Bread, located on Bechtle Ave. in Springfield.



THE VOICE OF THE TIGERS

Scott Leo, a familiar voice on the Wittenberg broadcasting scene since 2000, took over the play-by-play duties for football in 2005. Leo, who also serves as WUSO's adviser, originally provided insights from the sidelines during Wittenberg football games from 2000-04, and he has handled Wittenberg men's basketball play-by-play duties since 2005 as well. In addition, he was the first play-by-play announcer for Wittenberg women's basketball from 2000-04.

A graduate of Wright State University, Leo is director of broadcasting for the Columbus Clippers, the AAA affiliate of the Cleveland Indians. He previously held the same position for two years with the Richmond Roosters, formerly of the independent Frontier League. Leo will be working at Wittenberg this year with a broadcast team that includes Assistant Director of Broadcasting Ben Bradley and more than 15 Wittenberg students.



PROVIDING THE COLOR

Ben Bradley serves as the Assistant Director of Broadcasting for Wittenberg and the color analyst for football. Working with Scott Leo, Bradley spearheads the university's coverage of a wide range of sporting events on the student radio station WUSO 89.1 FM and on the Wittenberg athletics Web site. With his help, Wittenberg now boasts one of NCAA Division III's most complete broadcast programs, with most home events receiving audio coverage. Bradley added duties as an assistant coach for the Wittenberg cross country and track & field teams this year.

A 2007 graduate of Denison University, Ben joined the Wittenberg staff in 2008. He currently resides in Springfield.