

FLORIDA A&M RATTTLERS

Tallahassee, Florida
Enrollment: 13,313

Joe Taylor (Career 222-87-4)
4th Year at Florida A&M
Taylor's record at Florida A&M 25-9

POSITION OUTLOOK FOR 2011

QB's - FAMU had to replace 1st tm MEAC and OPOY Curtis Pulley LY and HC Joe Taylor did so with 3 QB's using Martin Ukpai, Eddie Battle and Austin Trainor. Ukpai was named the str heading into the season and finished with 908 (46.5%, 4-5) and was the #2 rusher (233, 2.9). Trainor threw for 580 (46.8%, 2-6) while Battle threw for 36 (38.5%, 1-2). Ukpai and Battle both depart leaving Trainor as the only exp'd QB and he finished spg #1. HC Taylor had success bringing in FBS transfers before (Pulley, Kentucky) and now looks to dual-threat Tyler Bass (PS#135) who transferred in from Memphis. True frosh Dane James was also impressive in spring and this group is talented and deep.

RB's - LY FAMU ret'd #1 Philip Sylvester who led again in '10 with 968 (5.7) and earned 2nd tm MEAC honors, finishing as the #3 rusher in school history. Returning TY are #2 RB Lonvontae Page (176, 4.2) and #3 RB Eddie Rocker (172, 3.7). The Rattlers also bring in Rutgers transfer Casey Turner (PS#92) who RS there LY after an injury. Also in the mix is James Owens who had 84 yds in the spg gm and is possibly the fastest player on the team. FB Evander Wilson departs TY, leaving the job to Patrick Davis and true Brenton Newton. With the loss of their star I'll call this unit down a notch even with the FBS transfer.

Rec's - The Rattlers returned their top 2 receivers last year but struggled with inconsistent QB play. This year they return 5 of their top 6 including #1 Antonio Lawrence (395, 15.2) and #2 Kevin Elliott (381, 12.7) but must replace their #3 Isaac West (347, 13.3) and TE Max Purcell (67, 8.4). Florida A&M will look to Michael Ethridge as the new TE. With the talented former Florida transfer Lawrence (PS#37) and possibly better QB play, look for the numbers to improve.

O-Line - This unit dropped from 180 rush ypg (5.1) to 153 (4.3) LY with 2 str's back. This year they return 4 str's and hope to return to '09 form. The only loss is 2nd tm MEAC RT Christopher Sands. The unit will be anchored by NFL prospect LT Brandon Curry (PS#64,

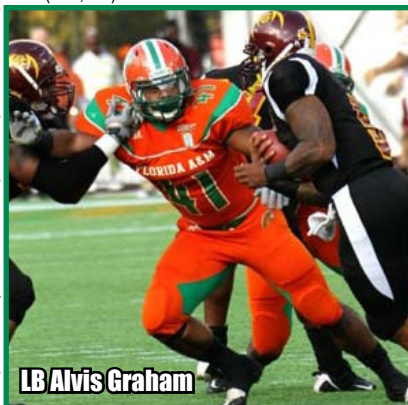
former Marshall transfer), C Shelley Anthony (11st, WKU transfer) and RG Robert Hartley (11st). Pushing for a starting role will be former UCF transfers Jarian Moreland (7st) and Steven Robinson (2st). This unit is more exp'd and should top LY's numbers.

D-Line - The DL ret'd all 4 str's in '09 but last year only returned DE Marquiste Ramos. They looked to veteran backups to add depth, incl a former a TE. The unit has struggled since '08 when they all'd 135 rush ypg (4.0) to 164 (4.3) in '09 to 152 (3.7) LY. This year FAMU returns 2 str's as Ramos (#9 tkl'r, 3 sk, 2.5 tfl) departs. DE Jerry Willis (#12 tkl'r, 4.5 sk) and NG Nicolas Hollinghead (#10 tkl'r, 3 tfl, 2.5 sk) return and both have NFL potential. Padric Scott (18 tkl, 2.5 sk) has made a case for himself with an outstanding spring. Also in the mix are Brandon Davis (4 tkl, 2 tfl), Mondrell Clarke and Ellie Hypollite who had 9 sk at JC last year. This unit should continue its outstanding play.

LB's - FAMU only ret'd 1 str LY in MLB Alvis Graham but the defense improved from all'g 21.2 ppg in '09 to 18.4. TY all 4 str's ret led by NFL prospect Graham (#5 tkl'r, 2 sk) and former TE WLB Demarius Folsom (#2 tkl'r, 7 tfl, 3 sk). They also return former Ole Miss transfer ILB Willie Ferrell (#4 tkl'r, 5.5 tfl, PS#34) and SLB Alphonso Walker (#8 tkl'r, 5 tfl). This unit ranks among the MEAC's best with great depth and experience.

DB's - The secondary ret'd 3 str's LY and they allowed just 165 pass ypg (48%) with a superb 8-11 ratio. The Rattlers were led by a solid duo at CB in 1st tm MEAC Qier Hall (#1 tkl'r, 4.5 tfl, 9 pd) and 2nd tm MEAC Curtis Holcomb (#7 tkl'r, 3 int, 4 pbu, #7DC SF). Both depart leaving just 2 returning str's in SS Gregory Harvey (#6 tkl'r, 4 pbu) and FS John Ojo (#3 tkl'r, 6.5 tfl, 2 int). In the mix are Marvin Ross (29 tkl), Anthony Shutt (#11 tkl'r) and Jerral Stewart who had a solid spg. With the loss of their top 2, I'll call this unit down a notch but it still ranks among the best in the MEAC.

SPECIAL TEAMS - The Rattlers ret'd 1st tm MEAC K Trevor Scott in '09 and again LY and while he did not earn All-MEAC honors, he had a solid year hitting 10-14 FG (L/47). He is back for his final year. They also return 1st tm MEAC P Brandon Holden



LB Alvis Graham

2011 SCHEDULE

9/3	Fort Valley St
9/10	at Hampton
9/17	at USF
9/24	† Southern
10/1	Delaware St
10/8	Howard (HC)
10/15	at Savannah St
10/22	at South Carolina St
10/29	
11/5	North Carolina A&T
11/12	at NC Central
11/19	† Bethune-Cookman



2010 RECORD:
(8-3)

RETURNING STARTERS:
OFFENSE: 5
DEFENSE: 8
LETTERMEN:

Returning: 74 (35, 34, 5)
Lost: 14 (7, 6, 1)

2010 AVG ATTENDANCE:
15,913 (#15)
MEAC

who avg'd 40.0 (34.4 tm net) and hit 22 In20 LY. In the return game PR Antonio Lawrence (9.2) and the KR duo of James Owens (25.0) and Jerral Stewart (21.1) all return.

COACHES - HC Joe Taylor enters his 4th season at the helm after 16 years at Hampton. He inherited an FAMU program off a 3-8 season and has guided them to a 25-9 record. Lawrence Kershaw enters his 3rd yr as OC and 4th yr overall here. Earl Holmes was an AA here and still holds the FAMU rec'd for career tkl's. He is entering his 4th yr here and takes over as sole DC after previously splitting the duties.

FORECAST - Taylor has done a great job here with 3 str years of at least 8 wins. LY they had to replace the MEAC POY QB but still managed a 7-1 conf record. After opening the season with an expected loss to Miami (FL), they were able to squeak by Delaware St 17-14. After hammering Howard 50-7, the offense struggled vs Tenn St and SCSU in consec losses (outgained an avg of 411-153) to fall to 2-3. The season would turn around from that point forward with 6 str wins incl three by 5 or less. In the season finale against an undefeated Bethune-Cookman in front of 61,712 in Orlando they upset the #9 Wildcats 38-27. This year the Rattlers return 13 str's and 84.1% of their lettermen. They do have tough road gms at Hampton and SCSU and benefitted from 4 net close wins LY. Even with those factors this team is deep, talented and they have proven to be among the MEAC's best the past 3 yrs. They will contend again this year.

STADIUM: BRAGG MEMORIAL (25,500) (#15)

PLAYING SURFACE: GRASS

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	9Yr Total
Straight Up	7-5	6-6	3-8	6-5	7-4	3-8	9-3	8-3	8-3	57-45
Home	3-2	3-0	2-2	3-1	2-2	2-2	3-2	4-0	3-1	25-12
Away	4-3	3-6	1-6	3-4	5-2	1-6	6-1	4-3	5-2	32-33
Playoffs	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Conf	5-3	0-0	0-0	5-3	5-3	2-6	5-3	6-2	7-1	35-21
Non-Conf	2-2	6-6	3-8	1-2	2-1	1-2	4-0	2-1	1-2	22-24

2010 STATISTICAL LEADERS

	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT
RUSHING												
Philip Sylvester	170	1034	66	968	10	5.7	Qier Hall	59	1	3.5	8	1
Martin Ukpai	80	403	170	233	1	2.9	Demarius Folsom	58	3	7	2	1
Lonvontae Page	42	185	9	176	6	4.2	John Ojo	57	0	6.5	4	2
Eddie Rocker	47	193	21	172	2	3.7	Willie Ferrell	56	0.5	5	2	0
Antonio Lawrence	8	90	13	77	1	9.6	Alvis Graham	55	2	1.5	0	0
James Owens	14	68	8	60	0	4.3	Gregory Harvey	43	0	5.5	4	0
Austin Trainor	15	52	22	30	2	1.0	Curtis Holcomb	41	0	1.5	4	3
PASSING	ATT	COMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT	Alphonso Walker	40	0	5	0	0
Martin Ukpai	144	67	46.5	908	4	5	Marquiste Ramos	37	3	2.5	0	0
Austin Trainor	109	51	46.8	580	2	6	Nicolas Hollinghead	36	2.5	3	0	0
RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG		Anthony Shutt	34	1	3	0	0
Antonio Lawrence	26	395	15.2	3	52		Jerry Willis	31	4.5	1.5	0	0
Kevin Elliott	30	381	12.7	1	47		Marvin Ross	29	0	0	3	0
Isaac West	26	347	13.3	0	39		Joshua Newkirk	20	2.5	1.5	0	0
Brian Tymes	7	123	17.6	1	50		Padric Scott	18	2.5	0.5	0	0
Eddie Rocker	4	87	21.8	1	78		Jerral Stewart	14	0	2.5	1	2
Lashad Tookes	12	84	7.0	0	15		Brandon Hepburn	14	1	1	0	2
Max Purcell	8	67	8.4	1	19		Kendrick Washington	11	1.5	3.5	0	0
Adrian Smith	3	40	13.3	0	15		Ajayi Alexander	11	1	1	0	0
Philip Sylvester	4	23	5.8	0	13		Punt Returns	11	0	0	0	0
Lonvontae Page	3	8	2.7	0	13		KICK RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	
PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	NET	BLK	Antonio Lawrence	28	258	9.2	0	
Brandon Holden	67	2680	40.0	11	34.4(t)	0	KICK RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	
KICKING	XP	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOTAL LONG	James Owens	18	450	25.0	0	
Trevor Scott	25-28	7-7	1-1	2-4	0-2	10-14	Jerral Stewart	18	380	21.1	0	

OFFENSE - LAST 7 YEARS - DEFENSE

RET	OFF	TOTAL	RUSH	OFF	OFF	PASS	PASS	OFF	SKS	TOTAL	RET	DEF	TOTAL	DEF	DEF	PASS	DEF	SKS
STS	PTS	YDS	YPP	YPC	PASS	PASS	YPP	VS	VS	TURN	STS	PTS	YDS	YPP	YPC	PASS	YPP	BY
10*	28.0	370	180	5.1	190	58.5	13.2	22	-6	2009	9	21.2	332	164	4.3	169	57.1	15.7
8	35.2	358	158	4.4	200	57.9	10.2	27	+8	2008	6	23.7	339	135	4.0	204	53.8	14.3
8*	18.5	308	148	4.1	160	50.2	16.6	22	-12	2007	10	26.8	365	225	5.0	139	58.5	13.6
9	24.8	348	134	4.1	214	60.0	14.0	17	-8	2006	4	29.7	357	216	5.6	141	47.8	12.0
-	17.8	300	130	3.6	170	58.1	16.8	31	-1	2005	-	23.7	383	187	4.2	197	56.0	16.2
9	23.0	430	124	3.8	306	61.2	18.7	47	+10	2004	6	37.1	441	223	4.9	218	61.2	11.9

OFFENSE

FAMU 2010	ATT	OPPONENT
53,674	at Miami, FL	
3,867	at Delaware St	
5,286	at Howard	
54,202	† Tennessee St	
14,052	S Carolina St	
8,834	Savannah St	
21,118	at Norfolk St	
30,459	Morgan St	
7,242	at NC A&T	
10,306	Hampton	
61,712	† B-CU	
TOTALS		
AVERAGES		

2010 STATS BY GAME

FD	Rush-YDS	AVG	CO-ATT	YDS	SKS	VS	FD	Rush-YDS	AVG	CO-ATT	YDS	SKS	BY	TURN
23	36-155	4.3	19-26	250	1	0	20	39-152	3.9	14-31	192	2	+1	
10	41-132	3.2	3-13	14	3	+1	14	46-304	6.6	8-16	109	2	-1	
24	50-203	4.1	21-34	206	0	-2	10	32-128	4.0	6-21	36	5	+1	
17	49-206	4.2	11-16	140	1	-1	17	44-137	3.1	7-22	115	4	0	
14	30-60	2.0	11-32	156	0	-1	21	37-63	1.7	18-38	299	6	+1	
18	45-1672	3.7	133-277	1817	27	-1	21	46-132	2.9	15-28	300	3	0	
17.1	41-152	3.7	12-25	165	2.5	0								

2005 RESULTS

OPPONENT	SCORE
Delaware St	17-21
at USF	3-37
Howard	33-20
† Tennessee St	12-7
at FIU	6-23
at South Carolina St	3-49
Norfolk St	31-17
at Morgan St	27-16
North Carolina A&T	24-14
at Hampton	14-34
† Bethune-Cookman (OT)	26-23

2006 RESULTS

OPPONENT	SCORE
† Delaware St	14-34
at Miami, FL	10-51
at Howard	31-23
Winston-Salem St	25-21
† Tennessee St (OT)	25-22
South Carolina St	21-28
at Norfolk St (OT)	36-33
at Morgan St	24-23
at North Carolina A&T	45-12
Hampton	7-59
† Bethune-Cookman	35-21

2007 RESULTS

OPPONENT	SCORE
† Southern	27-33
Delaware St	7-20
Howard	30-17
† Tennessee St	18-17
† Winston-Salem St	23-27
at South Carolina St	14-49
Norfolk St	27-33
at Morgan St	12-14
North Carolina A&T	24-21
at Hampton	15-30
† Bethune-Cookman	7-34

2008 RESULTS

OPPONENT	SCORE
Alabama St	30-20
at Delaware St (OT)	28-35
at Howard	51-24
† Tennessee St	28-21
South Carolina St	21-28
Winston-Salem St	23-0
at Southern	52-49
at Norfolk St	31-28
Morgan St	10-13
at North Carolina A&T	45-7
Hampton	45-24
† Bethune-Cookman	58-35

2009 RESULTS

OPPONENT	SCORE
Delaware St	21-12
at Winston-Salem St	34-10
Howard	48-10
† Tennessee St	31-12
at Miami, FL	16-48
at South Carolina St	20-35
Norfolk St	34-20
at Morgan St (OT)	31-28
North Carolina A&T	31-27
at Hampton	0-25
† Bethune-Cookman	42-6

2010 RESULTS

PRE-RK	OPPONENT	POST-SCORE
-	at Miami, FL - #13	0-45
-	at Delaware St	17-14
-	at Howard	50-7
-	† Tennessee St	18-29
-	South Carolina St	0-19
-	Savannah St	31-0
-	at Norfolk St	17-13
-	Morgan St	31-17