

Before I get into my picks I would like to remind everyone that I am producing weekly prospect reports on the small school players throughout the season at [www.buyscouting.com](http://www.buyscouting.com) for purchase. You can now purchase all 3 of this week's reports for just \$20 by going to <http://www.buyscouting.com/products/JBS-Small-School-Week-1-Prospect-Reports.html>. To read player news and interviews though you can go to [www.jbscouting.com](http://www.jbscouting.com) for my daily updates.

#### WEEK ONE FORECAST

##### Western Illinois at Sam Houston State

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
WIU	211	180	33	2
SHSU	159	255	27	1

Sam Houston State will host the Leathernecks with Houston transfer QB Blake Joseph under center and while they are projected to outgain WIU and hold a home field advantage, the computers show a six point WIU victory. I see it differently as SHSU comes out on top.

JOSH'S FORECAST: SHSU 27 WIU 24

##### Illinois State at Eastern Illinois

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
ISU	171	155	26	3
EIU	174	185	25	1

Eastern Illinois will start Iowa transfer QB Jake Christensen in this one but it could take him time to get accustomed to his new surroundings. Despite that EIU is expected to outgain ISU but still lose the game. I see this as a close one as well with EIU coming out on top though.

JOSH'S FORECAST: EIU 28 ISU 27

##### St. Francis PA at New Hampshire

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
St. Francis PA	16	170	8	4
UNH	194	270	48	3

While both teams are expected to do their fair share of turnovers this game might not be that sloppy on the UNH side. Expect them to put up plenty of points and coast easily. I agree with the computers on this one.

JOSH'S FORECAST: UNH 49 St. Francis 7

#### Central Conn St at Lehigh

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
CCSU	211	145	23	1
Lehigh	129	240	30	3

Lehigh is projected to beat CCSU on the scoreboard and in the stat column in a close one but this game could be won by a wider margin. I see Lehigh winning by two scores.

JOSH'S FORECAST: Lehigh 31 CCSU 17

#### Georgetown at Holy Cross

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Georgetown	11	130	12	2
Holy Cross	134	345	37	2

Holy Cross QB Dominic Randolph should start the season off on a good note against a poor Georgetown pass D. This one won't even be close and I fully agree with the computers.

JOSH'S FORECAST: Holy Cross 42 Georgetown 10

#### Fordham at Rhode Island

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Fordham	126	195	22	2
Rhode Island	144	270	30	2

Fordham QB John Skelton should have a big game in this one as I project him to pass for more yards than the computers and show that he could be one of the best QBs in FCS. Watch for a potential blowout as Rhode Island is without All-America FB Joe Casey.

JOSH'S FORECAST: Fordham 35 Rhode Island 14

#### Robert Morris at VMI

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Robert Morris	176	170	27	3
VMI	374	120	36	2

VMI HC Sparky Woods has the Keydets on the right track and should lead them to an easy win this week behind QB Tim Maypray. Expect VMI to pound the ball over and over again and win by multiple scores.

JOSH'S FORECAST: VMI 42 RM 24

Delaware St at FAMU

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
DSU	86	135	15	5
FAMU	169	200	36	2

FAMU QB Curtis Pulley and CB/RS Leroy Vann are among the best in the nation and lead a potent attack. This game won't be close as I think DSU lacks the talent to keep up with FAMU.

JOSH'S FORECAST: FAMU 31 DSU 14

Presbyterian at Furman

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Presbyterian	16	260	12	3
Furman	279	290	41	1

QB Jordan Sorrells leads a Furman team that has many questions entering the season. This could be the first season in a while that Furman does not boast an All-American. However S Max Lerner is the best player for the Paladins and is one to watch. This won't be close.

JOSH'S FORECAST: Furman 38 PC 13

Albany at Georgia Southern

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Albany	236	160	19	2
GSU	174	240	33	3

Albany RB David McCarty is one of the best backs you have never heard of and should get his share of yards but the speed of GSU is just too much. This game looks like it should be close but the computers are right in picking a double digit GSU victory.

JOSH'S FORECAST: GSU 35 Albany 21

Monmouth at Colgate

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Monmouth	161	110	22	2
Colgate	244	175	33	2

The computers projected a 10 point win for Colgate but they may not be able to shut down Monmouth RB David Sinisi and thus could make it a close game. Colgate wins in a tight one.

JOSH'S FORECAST: Colgate 28 Monmouth 24

Bucknell at Duquesne

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Bucknell	231	200	33	1
Duquesne	134	215	25	2

Both teams should do a solid job of protecting the ball but neither are known for putting up huge yards. This one could be fairly high scoring with lack of defensive stars returning for both teams. I agree with the computers on this one.

JOSH'S FORECAST: Bucknell 33 Duquesne 24

NC Central at Hampton

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
NCCU	56	155	12	2
Hampton	204	250	39	2

Hampton has too much speed and talent for NCCU and should coast to an easy win like the computers project. Look out for former Tennessee RB LaMarcus Coker and DT Kendrick Ellis at Hampton (both are NFL prospects).

JOSH'S FORECAST: Hampton 35 NCCU 10

Marist at Sacred Heart

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Marist	191	190	23	1
Sacred Heart	89	230	23	3

The computers are projecting a close game in yards and points with Marist holding an advantage in turnovers. Sacred Heart is not the better team in the computers, despite the home field advantage. I agree.

JOSH'S FORECAST: Marist 28 Sacred Heart 27

NC A&T at Winston-Salem St

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
NCA&T	86	90	10	3
WSSU	164	145	28	2

Neither team is great at holding on to the football or producing many yards. While this game could be low scoring I see both defenses struggling and a high scoring affair in this one.

JOSH'S FORECAST: WSSU 35 NC A&T 24

Davidson at Elon

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Davidson	6	135	7	4
Elon	269	290	46	0

Elon has too many weapons with WR Terrell Hudgins and QB Scott Riddle both back and a defense that should be extra stingy as they set out to put themselves among the best in the SoCon and FCS. This won't be anywhere close and could be worse than the computers are projecting.

JOSH'S FORECAST: Elon 56 Davidson 10

Stony Brook at Hofstra

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Stony Brook	196	60	18	3
Hofstra	234	220	35	1

Our computers are projecting a big year out of Hofstra and start with the projected dismantling of Stony Brook this week. After the Pride's loss to Albany last year, they should not look past anyone.

JOSH'S FORECAST: Hofstra 38 Stony Brook 17

Alabama A&M at Tennessee State

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Alabama A&M	121	220	27	0
TSU	169	190	28	4

This is a tough game to call with TSU seeing several new faces starting but Do have the home field edge. This game will be very close with TSU proving the computers correct. barely!

JOSH'S FORECAST: TSU 28 Alabama A&M 24

Prairie View A&M at Texas Southern

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
PVAMU	256	170	39	2
TSU	54	240	21	4

TSU loses QB Bobby Reid and must find replacements in several key spots. Look for a fairly high scoring game as the computers project.

JOSH'S FORECAST: PVAMU 35 TSU 24

### Grambling at SC State

	Rush	Pass	Pts	T0s
Grambling	116	135	17	0
SC State	199	205	30	2

This could be the best game of the weekend with two very talented HBCU teams giving us a preview of the likely #1 and #2 ranked HBCU teams at the end of the year. Expect SC State to show off a very talented ground attack led by RB Will Ford. Look for SC State to win a close one.

JOSH'S FORECAST: SC State 28 Grambling 21