

MCNEESE STATE COWBOYS

Lake Charles, Louisiana
Enrollment: 8,246

Matt Viator (Career 33-10)
5th Year at McNeese State
Viator at McNeese State (33-10)

POSITION OUTLOOK FOR 2010

QUARTERBACKS - In '08 MSU ret'd 2nd tm SLC QB Derrick Fouroux who threw for 2,054 (57%, 16-5) and was the #2 rusher (550, 4.8) in '07. Fouroux threw for 2,205 (61%, 18-5) and was the #2 rusher. (447, 3.9, 11 TD). He ret'd in '09 but they lost backup QB Mark Fontenot (comb 970 yds in '07-08). Fouroux threw for 2,477 (64%, 20-7) and was the #2 rusher (636, 4.9, 5 TD) and was the SLC Co-POY but departs. They ret 3 who have 0 comb attempts in Zack O'Quinn, Cody Stroud and Blake Barousse. O'Quinn was leading after spring and they also add Tulsa transfer Jacob Bower (PS#28 JC), who in two yrs there threw for 327 (51%, 3-1) with 150 rush (2 TD).

RUNNING BACKS - McNeese had to replace their top rusher (651 yds) in '08. SLC OPOY Todd Pendland (#3 in '07, 377, 5.2) took over and led the SLC with a MSU ssn record 1,431 (6.5, 12 TD) and was #6 in the FCS (130.1 ypg). Pendland was also the #2 rec with 337 (9.6). He ret'd in '09 along with FB Brandon Broussard (68 tkl yds) and #2 RB Erick Jones (154, 4.1). Pendland led again with 1,059 (5.9, 17 TD) with 244 yds rec (#5, 8.7) and was 1st tm SLC. They lose 3 of their top 5 rushers TY incl their top 2 and also lose FB Broussard. They ret #3 Champlain Babin (395, 6.0, 5 TD) while #6 Bernardo Henry (71, 23.7) moves to WR. Backing up Babin will be two rFR in Marcus Wiltz and TJ Ruffins.

RECEIVERS - McNeese ret'd 5 of its top 6 rec in '08 led by #2 Quinten Lawrence (645, 20.8) along with '06's #1 rec Steven Whitehead, (inj) in '07. Whitehead led with 810 (14.2) and was 2nd tm SLC but departed along with Lawrence who had 209 (17.4) and was a #6 DC. In '09 they ret'd 5 of their top 7 rec incl 2nd Tm SLC TE Wes Mangan (170, 9.4) and added in 2 FBS transfers but neither had a reception. They lose 4 of their top 5 rec TY incl #1 Immanuel Fiddle (457, 13.4), 1st tm SLC TE Mangan (294, 13.6, 2 TD) and Chad Davis (394, 13.6). Their top returnee is TE Corday Clark who was #2 with 425 (16.3) and led with 5 TD rec. Clark will be backed up by former Texas A&M transfer Harold Turnage (PS#59) and Anthony Schultz. They also return WR's Chris Royal (210, 16.2) and John Leday (171, 13.2) and also move in RB Henry (17, 4.2).

OFFENSIVE LINE - The OL ret'd 4 s'trs in '08 incl 3 All-SLC OL in LG Eman Naghavi (1st tm), C Lance Fremin (2nd tm) and LT Kyle Link (2nd tm). They increased their ypc for a 3rd straight year going from 4.8 to 5.1 and the sks allowed went from 15 to 14. The losses were massive in '09 (4 str) including 3 All-SLC OL in C Fremin (2nd tm), LT Link (1st tm) and LG Naghavi (1st tm). They ret'd 7 lettermen to the OL but had 6 underclassmen on the spring 2-deep. Surprisingly they increased their ypc again to 5.6 and only allowed 1 more sk (15, 4.5%). They lose 1st tm SLC RT Casey Richter but ret 4 s'trs who are all upperclassmen now in 2nd Tm SLC RG Miguel Gauthreaux, LT Taylor Johnson, C Mase Duge and LG Marcus Bellow, who moved to RT in the spring.

DEFENSIVE LINE - The DL had to replace the SLC POY (#3 DC) in '08 but ret'd 2 starters who were both All-SLC in DE Kenneth Lundy (2nd tm, 7 tfl) and DT Vaalyn Jackson (1st tm, 13.5 tfl). Despite their ypc increasing slightly (3.8 to 3.9) they improved their rush D by 34 ypg finishing #1 in the SLC but had 1 fewer sk (25). In '09 the DL lost 3 s'trs in 1st tm SLC DT Jackson (t-#8 tkl'r, 7.5 tfl), DE Kenton Alleyne (t-#8 tkl'r, 4 sk) and DT Lundy (#13 tkl'r, 2 tfl). They ret'd 2 DL who comb for 14 sts in '08 incl DE Terrance Freeman (#12 tkl'r) who led with 5.5 sacks. The DL dropped to #3 in rush D as the ypc went up to 4.2 and the D's sk tfl dropped to 18. They ret all 4 s'trs TY incl 1st tm SLC DT Desmond Lighten (t-#2 tkl'r, 9 tfl), DE Freeman (#7 tkl'r, 4 tfl) and DE Josh Ellison (#10 tkl'r) who led with 12 tfl incl a tm best 5 sks.

LINEBACKERS - The Cowboys run a 4-2-5 D and in '08 the LB unit had the replace their #2 tkl'r (1st tm SLC) in '08 but ret'd #1 tkl'r Allen Nelson (1st tm SLC). In '09 they lost 1st tm SLC Nelson, who was the #1 tkl'r for 3 straight yrs and led with 11 tfl. They returned #2 tkl'r LB Deron Minor but he was inj and lost for the ssn after 4 gms (11 tkl, Med RS). They lose starter Matt Kreamer (#6 tkl'r, 5.5 tfl) but ret 2nd tm SLC ILB Geremy Pilate (#4 tkl'r, 9.5 tfl) along with Hayden Dobbs (t-#11 tkl'r, 3.5 tfl) and also get Minor back.

DEFENSIVE BACKS - The secondary had to replace 3 of 5 s'trs in '08 and while they went from #7 SLC to #2 in pass D they went from allowing a 12-15 ratio in '07 to allowing a 26-12 ratio in '08. They ret'd just 1 of 5 s'trs and lost the #3, #4, #5, #6 and #11 tkl'r's incl 2nd tm SLC CB Jeremy Haynes (3 int, 13 pbu). They ret'd WS Darrell Jenkins (#7 tkl'r) and added Nebraska transfer CB Shawn Sullivan (PS#75) but he ply'd in just 5 (3 tkl). They also added Tulane transfer S Devin Holland, who was the Green Wave's #2 tkl'r (61) in '08. They remained #2 in pass D allowing a 16-9 ratio. They ret all 5 s'trs TY led by 3 All-SLC players in FS Malcolm Bronson (1st tm #1 tkl'r, 2 int), 1st tm SLC WS Jenkins (1st tm, #3 tkl'r) and CB Seth Thomas (2nd tm, #13 tkl'r, 3 int) along with S Holland (#11 tkl'r, 5.5 tfl).

SPECIAL TEAMS - The ST unit only lost their top PR in '08, however, in '09, they lost their top PR and K/P Blake Bercegeay (6-17 FG, 38.3 ypg). P Beau Lasseigne avg 37.2 ypg but departs. They ret K Josh Lewis (8-12 FG) and RS Babin (658 ret yds).

COACHES - HC Matt Viator took over after 4 gms in '06 and has led the Cowboys to 3 SLC Championships. DC Lark Hebert and Co-OC's Tim Leger and Broderick Fobbs all enter their 4th ssn.

FORECAST - The Cowboys returned 6 offensive starters in '09 including '08's OPOY RB Pendland. They finished #1 in the SLC and #3 in

2010 SCHEDULE

| | |
|-------|--------------------|
| 9/4 | Lamar |
| 9/11 | at Missouri |
| 9/18 | BYE |
| 9/25 | Cal Poly |
| 10/2 | at Northwestern St |
| 10/9 | Stephen F. Austin |
| 10/16 | at LSU |
| 10/23 | at SE Louisiana |
| 10/30 | Nicholls St |
| 11/6 | at Sam Houston St |
| 11/13 | Texas St |
| 11/20 | Central Arkansas |



2009 RECORD:
(9-3)

RETURNING STARTERS:

OFFENSE: 4

DEFENSE: 10

LETTERMEN:

Returning: 51 (24,24.3)

Lost: 17 (10,6.1)

2009 AVG ATTENDANCE:

12,948 (820)

SOUTHLAND

the FCS in scoring offense for a 2nd straight year but dropped from #1 in the SLC (#3 FCS) to #2 (#7 FCS) in total offense. The offense returns just 4 starters TY and they are all on the OL as they must replace both the SLC's '08 OPOY (RB) and '09 Co-POY (QB) along with 4 of their top 5 receivers. They add an FBS transfer at QB and could see more additions over the summer. The defense returned just 3 starters LY and lost 7 of their top 9 tkl'r's. They remained #3 SLC in scoring D but fell from #1 to #3 in total defense. The defense returns 10 starters TY and 17 of their



FS Malcolm Bronson

top 19 tkl'r's incl their top 5. The Cowboys won their 3rd SLC Title (co-champ '09) in the last 4 years and made the FCS playoffs for the 14th time but for the 4th straight time lost in the first round, this time to a visiting New Hampshire team. The Cowboys are a mirror image of '09 as they will depend on the D to give the offense time to come together TY. They face 2 BCS foes but have a manageable SLC schedule hosting both SF Austin and C Arkansas which should keep the Cowboys in the SLC race and gives them a good shot to making the playoffs for a 5th time in the L/6Y.

STADIUM: COWBOY STADIUM (17,410) (#35) PLAYING SURFACE: ARTIFICIAL (Geomax 2)

| | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 8 Yr Total |
|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------------|
| Straight Up | 13-2 | 10-2 | 4-7 | 5-4 | 7-5 | 11-1 | 7-4 | 9-3 | 66-28 |
| Home | 8-0 | 5-1 | 2-3 | 4-0 | 4-2 | 6-1 | 3-2 | 6-1 | 38-10 |
| Away | 5-2 | 5-1 | 2-4 | 1-4 | 3-3 | 5-0 | 4-2 | 3-2 | 28-18 |
| Conf | 6-0 | 5-0 | 1-4 | 3-3 | 5-1 | 7-0 | 4-3 | 6-1 | 37-12 |
| Non Conf | 7-2 | 5-2 | 3-3 | 2-1 | 2-4 | 4-1 | 3-1 | 3-2 | 29-16 |
| Playoffs | 3-1 | 0-1 | - | 0-1 | 0-1 | - | 0-1 | - | 3-6 |

2009 STATISTICAL LEADERS

| 2009 SEASON TEAM TOTALS | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----|------|------|-----|
| RUSHING | | | | | | | PLAYER | TKL | SKS | TFL | PBU | INT |
| Todd Pendland | ATT | GAIN | LOST | NET | TD | AVG | Malcolm Bronson | 67 | 0 | 3.5 | 4 | 2 |
| Derrick Fourroux | 178 | 1094 | 35 | 1059 | 17 | 5.9 | Desmond Lighten | 58 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 0 |
| Champlain Babin | 130 | 722 | 86 | 636 | 5 | 4.9 | Darrel Jenkins | 58 | 1 | 0.5 | 2 | 0 |
| Javaris Murray | 66 | 425 | 30 | 395 | 5 | 6.0 | Geremy Pilate | 48 | 4 | 5.5 | 1 | 1 |
| Richard Conner | 42 | 258 | 7 | 251 | 2 | 6.0 | Jace Peterson | 41 | 2 | 1.5 | 4 | 1 |
| Bernardo Henry | 7 | 83 | 4 | 71 | 1 | 23.7 | Matt Kreamer | 40 | 1 | 4.5 | 1 | 0 |
| Chad Davis | 4 | 42 | 0 | 42 | 0 | 10.5 | Terrance Freeman | 36 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| PASSING | | | | | | | Brand Robinson | 35 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Derrick Fourroux | ATT | COMP | PCT | YDS | TD | INT | Ford Smesny | 33 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Beau Lasseigne | 322 | 206 | 64.0 | 2477 | 20 | 7 | Josh Ellison | 32 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 0 |
| RECIVING | 9 | 9 | 100.0 | 106 | 0 | 0 | Devin Holland | 31 | 2 | 3.5 | 1 | 0 |
| Immanuel Fiddle | REC | YDS | AVG | TD | LONG | Hayden Dobbs | 31 | 0 | 3.5 | 1 | 0 | |
| Corday Clark | 26 | 425 | 16.3 | 5 | 48 | Seth Thomas | 28 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | |
| Chad Davis | 29 | 394 | 13.6 | 2 | 45 | Guy Morgan | 27 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | |
| Wes Mangan | 29 | 294 | 13.6 | 2 | 45 | Joe Narcisse | 27 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | |
| Todd Pendland | 28 | 244 | 8.7 | 2 | 31 | Chris Raggett | 25 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | |
| Chris Royal | 13 | 210 | 16.2 | 1 | 68 | Nick Toti | 19 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | |
| Richard Conner | 17 | 182 | 10.7 | 2 | 36 | Kentrell Butler | 19 | 0 | 1.5 | 0 | 1 | |
| John Leday | 13 | 171 | 13.2 | 0 | 51 | Damion Aultman | 17 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | |
| Champlain Babin | 14 | 79 | 5.6 | 2 | 31 | Kenrick Cormier | 15 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | |
| Javaris Murray | 4 | 48 | 12.0 | 1 | 15 | PUNT RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | TD | | |
| PUNTING | | | | | | | Champlain Babin | 15 | 164 | 10.9 | 0 | |
| Beau Lasseigne | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | NET | BLK | INT | KICK RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | TD |
| KICKING | XP | 1-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50+ | TOTAL | LONG | Champlain Babin | 26 | 494 | 19.0 | 0 |
| Josh Lewis | 44-49 | 3-3 | 3-4 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 8-12 | 43 | Javaris Murray | 16 | 356 | 22.2 | 0 |

OFFENSE - LAST 6 YEARS - DEFENSE

| RET | STS | PTS | TOTAL | OFF | YPC | OFF | PASS | PASS | OFF | YPP | SKS | TOTAL | RET | STS | DEF | TOTAL | DEF | RUSH | DEF | YPC | PASS | OFF | YPP | SKS |
|-----|------|-----|-------|------|-----|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|-------|------|-----|-----|-------|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|
| | | | PTS | RUSH | | PASS | % | | | | VS | TURN | | | | DEF | | | | | % | | | BY |
| 6* | 35.0 | 433 | 218 | 5.6 | 215 | 64.8 | | 12.4 | 15 | +3 | 2009 | 3 | 27.3 | 359 | 160 | 4.2 | 199 | 59.2 | 13.2 | 18 | | | | |
| 7* | 37.5 | 464 | 228 | 5.1 | 236 | 61.0 | | 12.4 | 14 | +6 | 2008 | 5 | 29.3 | 351 | 119 | 3.9 | 232 | 57.1 | 12.0 | 25 | | | | |
| 10* | 35.2 | 432 | 209 | 4.8 | 223 | 61.2 | | 12.3 | 15 | +17 | 2007 | 7 | 18.3 | 377 | 153 | 3.8 | 224 | 55.7 | 20.6 | 26 | | | | |
| 8 | 25.2 | 323 | 169 | 4.4 | 154 | 53.4 | | 12.8 | 16 | +12 | 2006 | 10 | 22.6 | 338 | 171 | 4.3 | 167 | 57.6 | 15.0 | 27 | | | | |
| 4 | 24.6 | 318 | 108 | 2.9 | 209 | 48.6 | | 12.9 | 15 | +4 | 2005 | 6 | 31.9 | 387 | 182 | 4.1 | 204 | 56.9 | 12.1 | 23 | | | | |
| 5 | 23.8 | 366 | 159 | 3.3 | 207 | 58.7 | | 15.4 | 17 | +19 | 2004 | 4 | 38.5 | 378 | 160 | 4.6 | 218 | 52.4 | 9.8 | 8 | | | | |

OFFENSE

2009 STATS BY GAME

DEFENSE

| ATT | OPPONENT | FD | Rush-YDS | AVG | CO-ATT | YDS | SKS | VS | FD | Rush-YDS | AVG | CO-ATT | YDS | SKS | VS | TURN |
|----------|-------------------|------|----------|------|---------|------|-----|-----|----------|----------|---------|--------|-----|------|----|------|
| 12,235 | Henderson St | 19 | 30-206 | 6.9 | 15-24 | 184 | 1 | 20 | 49-268 | 5.5 | 12-26 | 123 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 27,914 | at Appalachian St | 26 | 38-181 | 4.8 | 25-35 | 341 | 0 | 30 | 41-258 | 6.3 | 19-25 | 235 | 1 | 0 | | |
| 13,912 | Savannah St | 21 | 43-288 | 6.7 | 18-25 | 201 | 0 | 9 | 31-44 | 1.4 | 11-19 | 94 | 3 | +2 | | |
| 29,028 | at Tulane | 25 | 48-252 | 5.3 | 16-25 | 221 | 2 | 19 | 39-205 | 5.3 | 10-13 | 222 | 2 | 0 | | |
| 11,182 | at SF Austin | 24 | 44-154 | 3.5 | 24-41 | 273 | 4 | 13 | 28-44 | 1.6 | 18-34 | 226 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 16,132 | Northwestern St | 25 | 39-226 | 5.8 | 16-24 | 239 | 1 | 19 | 30-163 | 5.4 | 18-36 | 175 | 3 | +2 | | |
| 13,008 | SE Louisiana | 26 | 38-168 | 4.4 | 21-36 | 268 | 2 | 21 | 35-128 | 3.7 | 25-39 | 255 | 1 | 0 | | |
| 5,989 | at Nicholls St | 20 | 36-150 | 4.2 | 19-26 | 155 | 0 | 16 | 46-248 | 5.4 | 6-11 | 46 | 0 | +2 | | |
| 14,003 | Sam Houston St | 21 | 42-418 | 10.0 | 8-16 | 190 | 1 | 17 | 36-88 | 2.4 | 20-28 | 300 | 4 | -2 | | |
| 13,013 | at Texas St | 23 | 45-250 | 5.6 | 19-25 | 258 | 0 | 22 | 29-95 | 3.3 | 24-43 | 289 | 2 | 0 | | |
| 11,335 | Cent Arkansas | 14 | 31-167 | 5.4 | 11-18 | 83 | 1 | 21 | 53-196 | 3.7 | 17-34 | 142 | 1 | 0 | | |
| 10,009 | New Hampshire | 20 | 33-156 | 4.7 | 23-37 | 170 | 3 | 21 | 40-183 | 4.6 | 19-28 | 277 | 1 | -1 | | |
| TOTALS | | 264 | 467-2516 | 5.6 | 215-332 | 2583 | 15 | 228 | 457-1920 | 4.2 | 199-336 | 2384 | 18 | +3 | | |
| AVERAGES | | 22.0 | 39-218 | 5.6 | 18-28 | 215 | 1.3 | 19 | 38-160 | 4.2 | 17-28 | 199 | 1.5 | +0.3 | | |

2004 RESULTS

| OPPONENT | SCORE |
|---------------------|-------|
| at Southern | 35-17 |
| SE Louisiana | 17-51 |
| Youngstown St | 24-20 |
| at Portland St | 14-35 |
| Southern Utah | 14-56 |
| at Northwestern St | 17-47 |
| at FIU | 30-27 |
| Texas St | 27-54 |
| at Sam Houston St | 47-52 |
| at Stephen F Austin | 7-55 |
| Nicholls St | 30-9 |

2005 RESULTS

| OPPONENT | SCORE |
|---------------------|-------|
| at Georgia Southern | 23-20 |
| at Southern Miss | 20-48 |
| Texas Southern | 46-28 |
| at Stephen F Austin | 33-23 |
| at SE Louisiana | 13-37 |
| Sam Houston St | 31-26 |
| at Texas St | 7-49 |
| Northwestern St | 22-17 |
| at Nicholls St | 26-39 |

2006 RESULTS

| OPPONENT | SCORE |
|-------------------------|-------|
| at USF | 10-41 |
| West Virginia Tech | 76-0 |
| at Toledo | 7-41 |
| South Dakota St | 17-20 |
| Southern Utah | 30-27 |
| Texas St | 17-27 |
| at Stephen F Austin | 20-17 |
| at Sam Houston St | 31-18 |
| SE Louisiana | 34-13 |
| at Northwestern St (OT) | 29-26 |
| Nicholls St | 26-10 |
| at Montana | 6-31 |

2007 RESULTS

| OPPONENT | SCORE |
|---------------------|-------|
| Portland St | 35-12 |
| at Louisiana | 38-17 |
| at Southern Utah | 41-20 |
| South Dakota | 31-7 |
| at Texas St | 41-20 |
| Sam Houston St | 31-21 |
| at Nicholls St | 28-7 |
| SE Louisiana | 45-17 |
| at Stephen F Austin | 49-20 |
| Northwestern St | 27-21 |