

# MIDDLE TENNESSEE BLUE RAIDERS



2004 RECORD: 5-6 (5-6 ATS)

CONF: Sun Belt (4-4, 5th)

COACH: Andy McCollum (7th Year)

STADIUM: Johnny "Red" Floyd

RETURNING STARTERS: O: 8 D: 10

## 2004 RESULTS

Opponent	Line	Score	W/L
at Akron	+6'	31-24	W
Florida Atlantic	-2'	20-27	L
at Louisiana-Lft	-2	17-24	L
at N Texas	+3	21-30	L
Arkansas St	-6	45-17	W
at Florida	+28'	16-52	L
Idaho	-10	34-14	W
Utah St	-9'	21-0	W
at New Mexico St	-3	10-44	L
UL Monroe	-6	37-24	W
at Troy	+14	17-37	L

It normally would be easy each year to simply pick North Texas as the #1 team in the SBC and they have not disappointed with 25 straight conference wins. This year we're actually going to call for that streak to end at 25, as their first game is at MT St early in the year. The Blue Raiders are a more veteran squad and one that stood toe-to-toe with NT last season. When MT St first joined the SBC, it looked like they would be the dominating team. In 2000 and 2001, they averaged 31.8 and 37.1 ppg but, after 3 consecutive losing seasons, the Blue Raiders are perhaps McCollum's best team yet. With 18 starters back, we will call for them to become the first SBC conference winner not named North Texas.

## 2004 STATISTICAL LEADERS (RETURNERS IN BOLD)

RUSHING							PLAYER								
ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG		TKL	SCK	TFL	PBU	INT				
Eugene Gross	103	427	15	412	7	4.0	Marcel Horne	66	1	2	1	0			
Lee Baker	63	281	24	257	4	4.1	Alvin Fite	65	2	5	3	0			
Terry Jackson	46	255	10	245	1	5.3	Dennis Burke	56	1	5	2	1			
Clint Marks	73	242	129	113	1	1.5	Thomas Johnson	47	4	5	0	0			
PASSING							BRADLEY ROBINSON								
ATT	COMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT		NO	YDS	AVG	TD					
Clint Marks	368	259	70.4	2749	14	14	Jeremiah Weaver	43	1	1	3	0			
Josh Harris	32	22	68.8	187	1	2	Kevin Copeland	42	2	1	0	0			
RECEIVING							JONATHAN HARRIS								
REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG			NO	YDS	AVG	TD					
Kerry Wright	76	1048	13.8	11	80		Sean Mosley	36	3	1	0	0			
Chris Henry	60	586	9.8	0	38		Erik Walden	25	6	3	0	0			
Cleannord Saintil	40	376	9.4	1	25		Antoine Owens	24	3	1	3	0			
Eugene Gross	24	233	9.7	0	42		Damon Nickson	23	0	0	1	1			
Pedro Holiday	16	176	11.0	1	36		Devarick Scandrett	23	3	1	2	0			
Stephen Chicola	14	152	10.9	0	36		PUNT RETURNS								
PUNTING							NO	YDS	AVG	TD					
NO	YDS	AVG	FC	NET	BLK	In20	Kerry Wright	17	183	10.8	1				
XP	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOTAL	LONG	KICK RETURNS								
NO	YDS	AVG	TD				NO	YDS	AVG	TD					
Colby Smith	55	2197	39.9	6	34.7	0	11	Lee Baker	14	270	19.3	0			
Colby Smith	32-32	6-6	6-7	3-4	0-0	15-17	42	Cleannord Saintil	11	220	20.0	0			

DATE	OPPONENT	TURF	OPEN	LINE	SCORE	W/L	TRENDS
Sep. 3	at Alabama	G					Blue Raiders are 6-4 ATS the last 10 gms vs the SEC.
Sep. 10	North Texas	A					MTSU is 1-3 SU & ATS as a home dog.
Sep. 17	Akron	A					MTSU is 7-1 SU, winning the only ATS matchup LY vs Akron.
Sep. 24							
Oct. 1	at Vanderbilt	G					These 2 universities are only separated by 34 miles.
Oct. 8							
Oct. 15	at Florida Atlantic	G					MTSU is 4-9 ATS in Sun Belt Conference away gms.
Oct. 22	Louisiana-Lft (HC)	A					In their 6 meetings these tms have averaged 70 ppg.
Oct. 29	at Florida Int'l	A					MTSU is 0-3 ATS in their 1st gm w/the other SBC members.
Nov. 5	Arkansas St	A					MTSU is 4-6 ATS S/'99 in November home games.
Nov. 12	UL Monroe	A					The home tm is 4-1 ATS in this series that started in 1999.
Nov. 19	at NC State	G					MTSU has gone 1-3 ATS the L2Y on the road in November.
Nov. 26	at Troy	A					The visitor is 0-3 ATS in this series.