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2013 TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

School Name: Ohio State

Mascot: Buckeyes

Location: Columbus Ohio

NCFA Conference: Great Lakes

Coach(s): Head Coach: Brian Thompson
WR/QB Off coord: Brandon Koval
RB/Slots: Ravone McGeachy
Slots/offensive Assistant: Raeshuan Jernigan
O/D Line: Ryan Green
Inside Linebackers: Darryl Payne/Shawn Ziegler
Outside Linebackers: Woody Bowers
Defensive Backs/D-Coord: Mike Justice

Captain(s): George Shapiro
Andrew Bialek
Chris Kuzak
Jared Niedhard
Michael Mullen
Andrew Francis

2012 Performance:

- Record: **3-4**
- Final Conference Ranking: **4th**
- Final National Ranking: **11th**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players: 30

Number of Returning Starters: 12



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**Returning Player Award Winners/Accolades: Chris Kuzak- New Captain
Michael Mullen- New Captain**

**Players to Watch: James Grega-QB
Matt Taylor-RB
Zach Priesman-Slot
Chris Kuzak-DL
George Shapiro-Spur
Jared Niedhard-Middle LB**



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New additions:

Elisha Glass-WR

Zach Priesman-Slot/FS

Matt Baker-WR

T-J Gregory-RB/LB

James Grega-QB

William Madley-OT

Tyler Gabalski-LB

Alex Rucker-DT/OL

Grant Parsons- DB

Ryan Barbari-slot

Anthony Theaker-CB

Aaron Phillips-WR/DB

Nick Blaine-Slot

Ryan Fyffe-CB

Caelan Allmon-OL/DL/LS

Matt Thiede-OL/DL

Casey Garrison-OL/DL

Tyler Webb- DL/LB

Mike Tapley- DB

Cal Williams-LB/DB

Mesiah Smith-Slot

Zach Hawkins-LB/DB

Raheem Messenburg-DB

Ryan Craven-DB

Fareed Sanusi-DB

Abdel Bousso- QB/DL

JT Griffin-DL/OL

Matt Charville-WR



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Biggest Rival: Michigan

Best Player Nickname: Meat Train, D-line, Robo Cop

2013 Season Outlook: Believe it or not, The Ohio State University is home to not one, but two competitive football programs, one of which you undoubtedly know about. The seven time National Champion Ohio State Buckeyes with former players such as Archie Griffin, Eddie George and Troy Smith are the Buckeyes we have all come to know and love. However, the second team you might not be familiar with. The Ohio State Club Football team also calls Columbus, Ohio home as they enter their fifth year of competitive play. Founded by Joe Budgake, Jordan Fleischman, Nick Herrin, and Marshal Carpenter in 2009, the club football program at Ohio State provides young student athletes the opportunity to play collegiate football while still earning a Big Ten degree.

Coming off of a disappointing 2012 campaign, the club football Buckeyes are trying to return to their winning ways from 2011, a season in which they went undefeated. The Buckeyes are led on the field by club president and Captain George Shapiro and from the sideline by head coach Brian Thompson. Entering the 2013 season, the Buckeyes will have some new faces especially on the offensive side of the ball. Replacing two-year starter Jeff Porter at quarterback is James Grega, who last played competitively at Brunswick Senior High School during the 2010-2011 season. Receiver was another position in which the Buckeyes reloaded adding a talented Elisha Glass and an athletic flanker in Matt Baker. Joining Glass and Baker at the receiver position is veteran Brian Purvis who is entering his third season with the team and brings experience and leadership to the offense. In the slot receiver spot, the Buckeyes have added two new faces as Nick Blaine and Ryan Barbari impressed during spring workouts. Anchoring the offensive line for the Buckeyes is three year starting center and leader Andrew Francis. The offensive line returns four out of five players from last year including Francis. Running behind the big guys up front will be RB Matt Taylor, who is back from last season after suffering a shoulder injury. Despite the minor setback, Taylor should be ready to go for the season opener.

On the defensive side of the ball, the club football Buckeyes will rely on experience and leadership. Captain George Shapiro leads the way at safety for the Buckeyes while DT Chris Kuzak and LB/DL Michael "D-Line" Mullen bring tenacity and toughness to the front seven. The 2013 defense will pride itself on aggressive play and speed which means offenses in the NCFA better be ready for a tenacious Buckeye attack.

Despite playing what appears to be the toughest schedule yet in the history of the club, the 2013 Buckeyes are confident that they can make a run at the 2013 NCFA Championship.

Head Coach Quote: "Every moment you doubt if you make the right choices is a moment lost that you could've used to improve. Don't focus too deeply on the past keep living for today and planning for tomorrow."

"Football doesn't build character it reveals it"



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School Name: University of Michigan-Flint

Mascot: Kodiaks

Location: Flint, Michigan

NCFA Conference: Great Lakes

Coach(s): Donald Mathews

Captain(s): Shayne Beggs, Charvez Stewart, Don Roda

2012 Performance:

- Record: **5-4 (5-2 in NCFA)**
- Final Conference Ranking: **T 2nd**
- Final National Ranking: **8th**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players: 9

Number of Returning Starters: 6

Returning Player Award Winners/Accolades:

Players to Watch: LB Don Roda, QB Shayne Beggs, WR Calvin Green, WR Saul Williams, CB Chris Thomas, T J.D. Delatorre

New additions: WR Saul Williams, WR Alex Trombley, WR Calvin Green, WR Derrick Wyatt, CB Chris Thomas, K Trevor Oaks, LB Jake Georgakopoulos

Biggest Rival: Ohio State, Wright State

Best Player Nickname:

2013 Season Outlook: Should have a powerful offense to compliment an improving defense



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Head Coach Quote: "We are in a lot of ways starting over, but we have recruited some outstanding players on both sides of the ball and I fully expect us to be a contender in the Great Lakes East this season"



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School Name: Oakland University

Mascot: The Golden Grizzlies

Location: Rochester, MI

NCFA Conference: Great Lakes

Coach(s): Coach Al Manfroni

Captain(s): Nick Taylor, David Brosky, Brandon Tucker, Matthew Ballard

2012 Performance:

- Record: **0-0**
- Final Conference Ranking: **n/a**
- Final National Ranking: **n/a**
- Notables: **Brand new club football team as of 2013**

Number of Returning Players: n/a

Number of Returning Starters: n/a

Returning Player Award Winners/Accolades: n/a

Players to Watch: David Brosky

New additions: Everything is new

Biggest Rival: UM-Flint

Best Player Nickname: n/a

2013 Season Outlook: Looking to make a positive impact in our NCFA conference, and finally bring football to our campus.

Head Coach Quote: n/a



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School Name: Wright State University

Mascot: Raiders

Location: Fairborn, Ohio

NCFA Conference: Great Lakes

Coach(s): Anthony VanHorn- Head Coach

Captain(s):

2012 Performance:

- Record:
- Final Conference Ranking:
- Final National Ranking:
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players: 15

Number of Returning Starters: 12

Returning Player Award Winners/Accolades:

Players to Watch: Jeremy Lavoie, Nick Blower, Brian Seger

New additions: 27 incoming freshmen

Biggest Rival:

Best Player Nickname:

2013 Season Outlook: Promising

Head Coach Quote: