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2019 TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

School Name: Columbus State University

Mascot: Cougars

Location: Columbus, Ga

NCFA Conference: South Atlantic

Coach(s): Michael Speight

Captain(s): MyJhan Wheeler, Jurmon Weaver, James Whiteman & Adrian Carr Jr.

2018 Performance:

- Record: 7-1
- Final Conference Ranking: 3
- Final National Ranking: 8
- Notables: **Dujwan Washington, Myjhan Wheeler, Corey Andrews, Tyrique Williams, Austin Connor**

Number of Returning Players: 23

Number of Returning Starters: 12

Returning Player Award Winners/Accolades: James Whiteman, Myjhan Wheeler, Tieric Reese

Players to Watch: Kobe Hatcher, Corey Andrews, Dujwan Washington, Antonio Hardy

New additions: Kobe Hatcher, Daveion Nash, Jamaal Lane, Taylor Rodgers

Biggest Rival: Middle Georgia

Best Player Nickname: "Bull"

2019 Season Outlook: Plan to compete for SAC championship and possibly compete for the National Championship for the first time in school history.

Head Coach Quote: "Deeds not words"



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School Name: Florida Gulf Coast University

Mascot: Eagles

Location: Fort Myers, Florida

NCFA Conference: South Atlantic

Coach(s): Head Coach: Kevin VanDuser, Offensive Coordinator: Tim Gordon, Defensive Coordinator: Dillon Brocius

Captain(s): Donte Carter, Tyler Meritt, Hagan Hagmaier, John Hawks

2018 Performance:

- Record: 2-3
- Final Conference Ranking: **2nd**
- Final National Ranking: **17th**
- Notables: **First Year Program**

Number of Returning Players: 15

Number of Returning Starters: 7

Returning Player Award Winners/Accolades: N/A

Players to Watch: Donte Carter, Jared Connor, Jared Hubler, Jaylen Dukes, Alec Eschenwald

New additions: Jaylen Dukes, Alec Eschenwald, Jared Hubler

Biggest Rival: Everyone

Best Player Nickname: John "Spongebob" Hawks

2019 Season Outlook: Building on our second year program with more organization and excitement

Head Coach Quote: "We are entering exciting times in Fort Myers, Florida. We have gained publicity and a following this offseason. For the first time we have football players coming to FGCU because of the opportunity to play football and continue their education. It is only up from here!"



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School Name: The University of Fort Lauderdale

Mascot: The Soaring Eagles

Location: Fort Lauderdale, FL

NCFA Conference: South Atlantic

Coach(s): Drametrice Smith

Captains: TBA

2018 Performance:

- Record 4-0
- Ranking:
- National Ranking:

Returning Players: 25

Returning Starters: 10

Player(s) to watch: Malik White, Kenny Joseph

New Addition: Drametrice Smith

Best Player Nickname: Malik White "Big Boy"

2019 Season Outlook: Increase Player Development

Head Coach Quote: "We are The Eagles Soaring towards Excellence"



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School Name: Middle Georgia State University

Mascot: Knights

Location: Cochran, GA

NCFA Conference: South Atlantic

Coach(s): Head Coach: Victor Hall, Defensive Coordinator/ Defensive Back: Brandon Wright, Offensive Coordinator/ Running Back/ Quarterback Coach: Matt Diniack, Offensive Line: Coach Salomonsky, Defensive Line: Coach Kendrick, Wide Receiver: Coach Harris

Captain(s):

2018 Performance:

- Record: 6-3
- Final Conference Ranking: 4th
- Final National Ranking:
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players: 14

Number of Returning Starters: 10

Returning Player Award Winners/Accolades:

Players to Watch: Jamal Watson, Jimmial Harrison, Deiondre Hicks, Adrien Williams, Ronald Mason, Elan Scott

New additions: Adrien Williams

Biggest Rival: Columbus State, UFTL

Best Player Nickname: Peanut

2019 Season Outlook:

Head Coach Quote: We going to get butter from the duck!!!!



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School Name: University of South Carolina

Mascot: Gamecocks

Location: Columbia, South Carolina

NCFA Conference: South Atlantic

**Coach(s): Head Coach: Derek Lair; Asst Coaches: Ernie Lair, John Killman, Brett Shealy, and Tim Barts
Captain(s): Mitch Finnegan, Jack Leahy, Ian Neville**

2018 Performance:

- Record: 3-3
- Final Conference Ranking: 4
- Final National Ranking: NA
- Notables: 1st year following a 5 year hiatus

Number of Returning Players: 16

Number of Returning Starters: 12

Returning Player Award Winners/Accolades: USC Mr Versatility: Mitch Finnegan

Players to Watch: Mitch Finnegan, Daniel Hamilton, Jack Leahy, John Lee Barnett III, Tyson McDowell

New additions: Tyson McDowell, Cory Lee,

Biggest Rival: Formerly UNC- Chapel Hill

Best Player Nickname: "Pancake" John Lee Barnett III

2019 Season Outlook: Surprise the league, make the playoffs.

Head Coach Quote: "Instead of having eleven decent performances each game, we are going to have one amazing performance week in and week out."