

St. Norbert College Athletics Communications

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Football Preview St. Norbert College (2-1) at Knox College (0-3) Saturday, September 29, 2018 - Noon Knosher Bowl (6,000) - Galesburg, Illinois

2018 Midwest Conference Standings										
	ference	Overall								
North Division	\mathbf{W}	\mathbf{L}	\mathbf{W}	L						
Beloit	0	0	1	2						
Chicago	0	0	1	2						
Lawrence	0	0	1	2						
Macalester	0	0	2	1						
Ripon	0	0	2	1						
St. Norbert	0	0	2	1						
South Division	\mathbf{W}	\mathbf{L}	\mathbf{W}	\mathbf{L}						
Cornell	0	0	2	1						
Grinnell	0	0	1	2						
Illinois College	0	0	0	3						
Knox	0	0	0	3						
Lake Forest	0	0	2	1						
Monmouth	0	0	2	1						
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Games on Saturday, Sept. 29

St. Norbert at Knox, Noon

Lake Forest at Macalester, 1 p.m.

Ripon at Grinnell, 1 p.m.

Monmouth at Lawrence, 1 p.m.

Chicago at Cornell, 1 p.m.

Beloit at Illinois College, 7 p.m.

Game Overview:

St. Norbert plays its second of two crossover games against Midwest Conference South Division opponents that will not count in the league standings when it heads to Knox.

Broadcast:

Live video will be available at: https://portal.stretchinternet.com/snc/

The Series:

St. Norbert holds a 20-2 lead over Knox in a series dating back to the 1988 season. The Green Knights have won the last 17 meetings with the Prairie Fire, with Knox's last win coming in a 21-19 triumph in 1998 in Galesburg, Ill. St. Norbert, which holds an 904-324 scoring edge in the series, is 9-2 all-time in Galesburg in the series.

Last Meeting:

St. Norbert topped Knox 61-17 on Sept. 30, 2017 at Schneider Stadium in De Pere. The Green Knights scored four second-quarter touchdowns to break the game open and lead 42-7 at halftime. St. Norbert outgained Knox 588-267. Elijah Fort rushed 21 times for 176 yards and three touchdowns to pace St. Norbert. Jack Becker completed 10 of 15 passes for 269 yards and four touchdowns, while Samuel Staehling caught four passes for 177 yards and three touchdowns. Matt McCaffrey completed 19 of 31 passes for 168 yards to lead Knox, while Malik Hamilton hauled in seven passes for 141 yards and one touchdown.

2018 St. Norbert Football Schedule and Results (2-1, 0-0 MWC North)

Date	Opponent	Site	Time/Result	Quick Fact
Sept. 1	Aurora	De Pere	W 16-7	First SNC win without an offensive TD since Oct. 8, 1938
Sept. 8	UW-Eau Claire	Eau Claire	L 30-23/2ot	Third overtime loss for St. Norbert in 12-game stretch
Sept. 22	Grinnell	De Pere	W 91-0	St. Norbert record for points in a game
Sept. 29	Knox	Galesburg, Ill.	Noon	SNC holds 17-game winning streak in series
Oct. 6	Ripon	De Pere	1 p.m.	SNC shutout Ripon in 2017 for first time in 38-game series
Oct. 13	Chicago	Chicago, Ill.	1 p.m.	First visit to Stagg Field for Green Knights since 1986
Oct. 20	Lawrence	Appleton	6 p.m.	Green Knights have won 20 straight games over the Vikings
Oct. 27	Macalester (HC)	De Pere	1 p.m.	St. Norbert has won 19 consecutive Homecoming games
Nov. 3	Beloit	Beloit	1 p.m.	Staehling six TDs on seven receptions in two games vs. BC
Nov. 10	TBA	De Pere	1 p.m.	St. Norbert will host South Division opponent in Week 11

St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
Location:
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:
Enrollment:
President: Brian Bruess
Athletics Director:Tim Bald
Conference:
Facility:Donald J. Schneider Stadium
Capacity:
Year Opened:
All-Time Schneider Stadium Record:34-7
Head Coach:
Record at St. Norbert: 26-8 (fourth year)
First Season/Seasons of Football:1931/85
All-Time Overall Record:452-289-20
All-Time MWC Record: 198-39-0
MWC Championships:
(1985,87-89,99,2000-04,06-07,10,12-13,15)
NCAA Playoff Appearances:
(1989,99,2000-01,03-04,06-07,10,12-13,15)

Head Coach Dan McCarty

E d u c a t i o n: Bachelor's degree at University of Minnesota-Duluth (2000).

C o l l e g i a t e C o a c h i n g Experience: Tight ends coach at UW-Eau Claire (1998); Wide receivers/tight ends coach at UM-Duluth (1999-2001);



Recruiting coordinator/defensive coordinator at UW-Stout (2007-2011); Defensive coordinator at St. Norbert (2014); Head coach at St. Norbert (Nov. 20, 2014 to present).

McCarty at St. Norbert

Year	Overall	MWC	Place	NCAA
2015	10-1	5-0	1st	First Rd.
2016	7-3	7-1	2nd	
2017	7-3	5-0	2nd	
2018	2-1	0-0		
Totals	26-8	17-1		

Mc	McCarty vs. MWC											
Team	Overall	Home	Away									
Beloit	3-0	1-0	2-0									
Carroll	1-0	1-0	0-0									
Chicago	1-0	1-0	0-0									
Cornell	1-0	1-0	0-0									
Grinnell	2-0	1-0	1-0									
Illinois College	2-0	1-0	1-0									
Knox	2-0	1-0	1-0									
Lake Forest	1-0	1-0	0-0									
Lawrence	3-0	2-0	1-0									
Macalester	3-0	1-0	2-0									
Monmouth	1-2	1-0	0-2									
Ripon	3-0	1-0	2-0									
Totals	23-2	13-0	10-2									

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Dan McCarty (UM-Duluth, 2000) is 26-8 in his fourth season in De Pere. He is 2-0 all-time against Knox.

Knox coach Damon Tomeo (Pomona-Pitzer, 1999) is 13-40 in his sixth season in Galesburg. Tomeo was 14-30 in four seasons at Minnesota State-Moorhead to give him an overall record of 27-70 in 10 seasons.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game 2-1 overall. The Green Knights are coming off a 91-0 trimming of Grinnell this past Saturday in De Pere.

Junior running back Jadon Sackman has a team-high 200 yards rushing on 36 carries and three touchdowns. Senior quarterback Drew Rhodes has completed 37 of 73 passes for 432 yards with four touchdowns and three interceptions. Rhodes has also rushed for 156 yards on 45 carries. Freshman running back Nate Ihlenfeldt has nine receptions for 40 yards and one touchdown, while junior wide receiver Samuel Staehling has eight receptions for 143 yards and one touchdown.

Senior linebacker Mike Olijnyk has a team-high 20 tackles, eight tackles-for-loss and 2 1/2 quarter-back sacks. Senior linebacker Matt Barrett has 18 tackles and three tackles for loss, while senior linebacker Ben Kornowski has 17 tackles and 4 1/2 tackles-for-loss. Senior linebacker Matt Gurgone has 10 tackles, with 5 1/2 tackles-for-loss, with two quarterback sacks, two interceptions and two forced fumbles.

St. Norbert is averaging 43.3 points and 383.7 yards per game. Defensively, the Green Knights are allowing 12.3 points and 193.3 yards per game.

About the Prairie Fire:

Knox enters the game 0-3 overall. The Prairie Fire is coming off a 28-3 setback at Ripon this past Saturday.

Sophomore quarterback Jacob Amaro has completed 72 of 138 passes for 820 yards and three touchdowns with four interceptions. Junior running back Braeden Westfall leads the Prairie Fire on the ground with 115 yards rushing and two touchdowns on 37 carries. Sophomore wide receiver Hunter Lee has 13 receptions for 212 yards and one touchdown, while junior running back Joey Auger has 13 catches for 140 yards.

Senior linebacker Logan Hollis leads Knox defensively with 20 tackles. Senior linebacker Quinn Sharp has 18 tackles, while sophomore defensive back Garrett Rau, senior linebacker Tyler Podwojski and senior defensive lineman Jordan Anderson all have 17 stops apiece.

Knox is averaging 15.7 points and 338.7 yards per game. Defensively, the Prairie Fire is allowing 33.3 points and 466.7 yards per game.

The Point After:

Senior kicker Spenser Thompson-Meyers tied a 41-year old NCAA Division III record with 13 successful extra-point attempts in Saturday's 91-0 win over Grinnell.

Thompson-Meyers' performance tied Concordia-Moorhead College's Kurt Christenson, who made 13 in a 97-6 win over Macalester College on Sept. 24, 1977.

Thompson-Meyers is first to make that many in a game without a miss, with Christenson going 13-for-14.

Double Trouble:

Senior linebacker Matt Gurgone scored two defensive touchdowns against Grinnell to give him three such scores already this young season.

Gurgone returned an interception 36 yards for a touchdown and a fumble 2 yards for a score - both in the first quarter of Saturday's 91-0 win over Grinnell.

Gurgone is only the second player in St. Norbert history to return both a fumble and interception for a touchdown in the same game. He joined Anthony Triner, who accomplished the feat in a 48-28 win over Carroll University on Oct. 15, 2005.

St. Norbert College Football Last Time It Happened

Safety:

By St. Norbert: vs. Beloit, 11/4/17 By Opponent: Illinois College, 9/26/15

Overtime Game:

at UW-Eau Claire, 9/8/18 (UW-Eau Claire 30, St. Norbert 23 - 2 OT)

50 Points in a Game:

By St. Norbert: vs. Grinnell, *9*/22/18 (91) By Opponent: North Central, *9*/13/14 (51)

Punt Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Drew Rhodes vs. Grinnell, 9/23/17 (60 yards) By Opponent: Todd Steele, Monmouth, 9/22/90 (90 yards)

Kickoff Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Loren Coleman vs. Ripon, 10/23/04 (93 yards) By Opponent: Alex Pasiewicz, Lake Forest, 10/1/16 (96 yards)

Interception Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Matt Gurgone vs. Grinnell, 9/22/18 (36 yards) By Opponent: Ryan Winske, UW-Whitewater, 11/21/15 (19 yards)

Fumble Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Matt Gurgone (2 yards), Bright Boachie (0 yards) and Luke Bero vs. Grinnell, 9/22/18 (0 yards)

By Opponent: Danny Drummond, Benedictine, 9/9/17 (0 yards)

200 Yards Rushing:

By St. Norbert: Casey Meehan vs. Grinnell, 10/30/04 (254 yards) By Opponent: Justin Berrens, Lawrence, 10/11/03 (215 yards)

300 Yards Passing:

By St. Norbert: Jack Becker vs. Macalester, 10/28/17 (328 yards) By Opponent: Ryan Sample, Benedictine, 9/9/17 (402 yards)

150 Yards Receiving:

By St. Norbert: Samuel Staehling vs. Beloit, 11/4/17 (184 yards) By Opponent: Brandon Moore, Benedictine, 9/9/17 (181 yards)

10 Pass Receptions:

By St. Norbert: Joe Green vs. Grinnell, 10/22/11 (10) By Opponent: Ben Knake, Cornell, 10/3/15 (11)

40 Yard Field Goal:

By St. Norbert: Spenser Thompson-Meyers vs. Monmouth, 11/11/17 (41 yards) By Opponent: Graham Fisher, Grinnell, 11/3/12 (40 yards)

Defensive Extra Point:

By St. Norbert: Ernest James vs. Monmouth, 10/11/08

By Opponent: Derek Micke, Lawrence, 9/15/07

Gurgone's first defensive score of the season came on a 20-yard "pick six" against Aurora on Sept. 1.

Decisive Defense:

St. Norbert currently leads Division III with five defensive touchdowns. The Green Knights have returned three fumbles and two interceptions for scores this season.

Western Connecticut State and Mount Union are tied for second with four apiece.

The Green Knights are also averaging 13.0 tackles-for-loss per game, which is tied for the most in Division III. St. Thomas and Whitworth are also averaging 13.0 tackles-for-loss per game.

St. Norbert is eighth nationally in total defense, yielding just 193.3 yards per game.

Crossover Comments:

The 2017 season marked the return of the two crossover games against Midwest Conference North and South Division opponents prior to divisional play starting in Week 6.

St. Norbert joined the Midwest Conference for football in 1984 and divisional play continued until 1997. Divisional play returned in 2014 and 2015 before taking a one-year hiatus.

The Green Knights are 27-8 all-time in the crossover games against the South Division. St. Norbert has lost both of its crossover games in a season only once - in defeats to Coe and Knox in 1995 en route to a 1-8 finish.

St. Norbert is scheduled to play Monmouth and Grinnell in the crossover the next two seasons.

Winning Ways:

St. Norbert is searching for its 20th consecutive winning season in 2018.

The Green Knights have an all-time record of 452-289-20 in 83 years of intercollegiate football, a winning percentage of .607. In Midwest Conference play, St. Norbert has an all-time league-best record of 198-39, a winning percentage of .835.

St. Norbert has won 143 of its last 158 Midwest Conference games, a winning percentage of .905.



2018 St. Norbert College Football St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 22, 2018) All games



Date 9/1/18 9/8/18 9/22/18	Opponent AURORA UNIV. at UW-Eau Claire GRINNELL COLLEGE	Score W 16-7 L 23-30 W 91-0	Att. 1640 4487 2111	Record: All games Conference Non-Conference	Overall 2-1 0-0 2-1	Home 2-0 0-0 2-0	Away 0-1 0-0 0-1	Neutral 0-0 0-0 0-0
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2018 St. Norbert College Football St. Norbert College Overall Individual Statistics (as of Sep 22, 2018) All games



			Tackles		Sacks	Pass defense		Fumbles		blkd	blkd			
##	Defensive Leaders	gp	ua	a	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds	ff	kick	saf
46	Mike Olijnyk	3	12	8	20	8.0-32	2.5-15					1		
50	Matt Barrett	3	13	5	18	3.0-5	1.0-1		1		1-0			
8	Ben Kornowski	3	11	6	17	4.5-11								
14	Hunter Prokash	3	10	5	15	1.5-7	1.0-6							
47	Matt Gurgone	3	9	1	10	5.5-26	2.0-18	2-56	1		1-2	2		
99	Kordell Draves	3	8	2	10	0.5-1			1					
10	Walter McBride	3	5	4	9									
5P	Joe Peterson	3	7	2	9			1-26	1					
97	Jerome Tillis	3	5	3	8	3.5-4								
25	Nate Essman	3	7	1	8				1		1-0			
57	Dan Bakovich	3	6	1	7	1.0-2								
91	Cameron Hackl	3	5	2	7	0.5-1	0.5-1							
94	Blake Oleniczak	3	6	1	7									
TM	TEAM	2	6		6	5.0-22						5		
59	Jake Berken	3	5		5	1.0-5						1		
92	Will Utesch	2	3		3									
58	Pat Ryan	2	2	1	3	1.5-1								
51	Bryan Nolan	3	2		2								1	
45	Ben Tietz	2	2		2	1.0-1								
1	Jared Gradecki	1	2		2			1-46						
	Total	3	139	46	185	39-121	7-41	4-128	5		5-2	9	2	
	Opponents	3	162	20	182	12-52	4-31	3-9	9		4-0	4		