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MY VIEW | DYLAN JACOBS

Penn State needs a dominant performance against Indiana

This season is far from over. Penn State still controls its own destiny for the Big Ten East

and the College

Football Playoff. Everything is still on the table. But we'll get a better idea of where this team will end up with its performance

Saturday against

Indiana. Teams can react to losses in

different ways. This team can either fall flat, or play angry, inspired football.

If the Nittany Lions want any chance of pulling an upset against Ohio State, they need to play inspired.

The Hoosiers are team not to be taken lightly, and they will put up a fight. But at home, Penn State should control this

If the Nittany Lions come out slow, allow Indiana be in the

game and have a chance at the end, then they won't walk out of that game with any more confidence and momentum than they had before, win or lose.

They need to come out and dominate from start to finish. They will finish the season the same way they did last year if they let Saturday's loss affect them negatively.

James Franklin mentioned after the game that he's handling the loss differently compared to previous losses.

Instead of addressing the issues right away, he decided to

But it's easy to tell that the loss hurt. Now it's up to them to not stew on the loss. Instead, they need to use it as fuel.

If the Ohio State game was this week, Penn State would probably not be mentally ready for it. But if it gets a dominant performance against the Hoosiers, that could give them the momentum it needs.



Wide receiver KJ Hamler (1) walks off the field after the game against Minnesota at TCF Stadium in Minneapolis, Minn. on Saturday, Nov. 9.

The unit that needs the most

group got torched throughout the offense.

entire game against Minnesota, confidence is the secondary. That and Indiana possesses a talented

If Tariq Castro-Fields, John Reid and the rest of the secondary puts together a strong performance, then they should be more ready for the dangerous Buckeye passing attack.

But if they struggle again, Justin Fields could be set to shred the Penn State defense.

Everything is still in the cards for the Nittany Lions.

The playoff is still possible. The Rose Bowl is still possible. A New Year's Six game is pretty

Honestly, all of this is above most people's expectations from

likely, barring a collapse.

But at this point, anything less than these games would be a huge disappointment.

If Penn State wants to play in a meaningful bowl game, it needs to get back on track Saturday. If not, we could be looking at a

mediocre bowl loss once again.

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REID'S RESURGENCE

John Reid has gotten past the injury he suffered over two years ago and is playing his best football as his Penn State career winds to an end

By Dylan Jacobs THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

John Reid was destined to be

the next big thing. His first two years at Penn

State presented a glimpse of his potential.

It seemed like the path to greatness was smooth and clear.

But one spring day presented a detour that he would need to get

The Mt. Laurel, New Jersey,

native suffered a knee injury in the spring of 2017, keeping him off the field the following season. Now over two years later, Reid

is back on the field, producing at a high level. He got past that detour, but there was one, a little less obvi-

ous, that was even harder to clear. ***

Coming back from a knee injury is common place at this point. They happen so often that people don't even bat an eye anymore.

Healing the knee is one thing.

Healing the mind is another. Reid knew what he had to do to give himself a shot to come back,

but his dad knows there was still plenty of worry. "Any time you have an injury,

of course you're going to wonder 'Am I going to come back as fast as I was, as strong as I was?" You always question that," John Reid Sr. told the Collegian. "In his mind, that was the first thing he worried about." "Will I come back as good as I

There's never a good time to

have an injury this serious, but it couldn't have happened at a

worse time for Reid. As guys like Grant Haley and Christian Campbell graduated, Reid had the opportunity to step up into the No. 1 corner spot.

But he didn't get the chance.

"Going into that junior year, in spring camp, he was feeling phenomenal. Super strong, super fast. He just felt poised to have a great year," Reid Sr. said.



he's taking his own lane.

be better than I was."

player. He is an

engineer," Reid Sr. said. "He can

a football player

which is a very

ways been inter-

ence, even though

St. Joe's didn't re-

So he decided

teammate [Olamide Zaccheaus]

petitioned the school to have a

computer science independent

study course, and the school insti-

tuted it his senior year," Infante

learning. He was not someone

who just went to school and took

at a school that required that to

years old. No phys-ed, four years

of Latin. Very difficult academically to get in..." Infante said. "He

was in a very rigorous academic

environment and John did very

in the classroom at high school,

his opportunities to continue his

education in this field were lim-

classroom at Penn State, but he

wasn't offered the same opportu-

nities elsewhere.

prove people wrong.'

injury-redshirt season.

his dad to watch.

He has been able to grow in the

"There were schools when he

was recruited that told him that

he couldn't be an engineer and

play football at the same time,"

Reid Sr. said. "That drove him to

He was able to achieve a bal-

Reid made the dean's list fresh-

"As a father, that's what I'm

man year, and was named an

Academic All-Big Ten during his

most proud of," Reid Sr. said.

"The fact that he can get a great,

meaningful degree at the same

time. I can't explain to you how

Reid showed a determination

proud I am of him for that."

ance that has been impressive for

Even with the success Reid had

achieve bare minimum success.

"Very proactive in his own

He went above and beyond

"The school he went to is 168

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classes.'

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Reid has al-

rare commodity."

"Him getting his degree is a

didn't go to college. I had John at

a young age. So I wanted him to

yond in the classroom, and be-

cause of that, he earned a unique

opportunity in the summer of

2017. He interned at Intel in Or-

egon, earning an opportunity that

"The plus of the time away

from football was the fact that

Intel that he is not just a football

"We just kept

telling him the

whole time, 'You

can come back

better than ever

John Reid Sr.

Reid's father

because"

Reid has gone above and be-

Cornerback John Reid (29) and safety Lamont Wade (38) bring down lowa wide receiver Calvin Lockett during the game against Iowa at Kinnick Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 12.

looking forward to that season. values of the school. He thought that season would be a special one."

A positive for Reid was that this experience wasn't completely foreign to him.

According to his high school coach, and current Temple running backs coach, Gabe Infante, he had been in this situation before.

"He had suffered a similar injury in high school and had managed to bounce back from that," Infante said. "John's no stranger to adversity. John has the skills and the values to handle whatever comes his way."

Infante credits his values as a big reason for his bounce-back.

Reid went to St. Joseph's Prep, "So to have it taken away from a Jesuit school in Philadelphia. back better than ever because do these things him, he was down. He was really Faith is intertwined within the now when you're doing rehab, on top of being

It was those values that pro-

pelled Reid through the obstacles big thing for me," Reid Sr. said. "I presented in front of him.

"In times of trouble, when adversity hits, sometimes there are things that you can't control. How you respond to them is the power that you have," Infante said.
"That's in your faith, and John turned to family and faith to do

Family is a big part of one's not many football players get, so faith, and Reid used his family to he had to make the most of it.

His father was there throughout the entire process, showing he could show a company like him the light at the end of the

'We just kept telling him the whole time, 'You can come

strength training, you're going to be so focused that leg that it'll come back ested in data scistronger than what it was,' Reid Sr. said.

Reid had his faith. He had is to take it upon family.

But end, his rehab came down to just getting acclimated on the

field again. "I would say hardest coming part back from an injury is just your instincts that you have for football," Reid said before the 2019 season opener. "I guess in my case since I've playing been football for so many vears in a row and then to sit out a season, my instincts did end up coming back, but it definitely took lot longer

than I thought. I was expecting it to be almost instant. that's not really realistic." He was able

to get his football mind right to be able to perform at the highest level. But with

his time away from the team, he was able to grow the rest of his mind, even was one of his strongest attributes already.

for a long time.

his father, as

His desire means a lot to

was ready to do what it takes to He wasn't like an ordinary kid. Reid is cur-Who know what he wanted to achieve and made concessions to rently a data science major, "He learned at an early age that and has known that is what he

vou have to sacrifice some things wanted to do to be great at other things," Reid Sr. said. "When he was younger, he

wanted to do speed training,

physical training, to be a bet-

was doing that he wouldn't have the same time to hang out with friends as much as teenage kids would do. But to him it was worth it because his dream was to be a college football player and hopefully an NFL player." Throughout his time at Penn

ter athlete, but he knew if he

State, he has taken that to the next level, with his father describing his life as "football, school, football, school."

A schedule with that little free time could be daunting for many college students.

So is he having fun?

"There were times when I asked him if he was still having fun because he has such a busy schedule," Reid Sr. said. "But John's fun is that he's do-

ing well in his classes, he's doing well on the football field. That's John's fun. His fun is getting better at his craft."

Reid returned to the field in 2018, and it took a bit to get back into his freshman year form. That fact could surprise some

natural progression of getting better throughout his four years. But he started out making an

because usually players have a

immediate impact.

'You always want to see your kid reach the potential that he knows he can reach. He wanted to play right away. He thought he could..." Reid Sr. said. "But of course going into college, is he strong enough? Is he ready mentally? That's what impressed me the most, because when he got there, you knew that he was mentally ready."

It took some time to get mentally ready for his return, but when he did, everyone was happy to see it.

"I think he's better than [two years ago]," linebacker Cam Brown said after the Iowa game in 2018. "That year that he had

to sit out he's improved mentally and now you guys are starting to see it on the field."

Now, he's one of the senior members on a very young team. But even the

veterans understand how important he is. "I was super

happy for John," Garrett **Taylor** said in September. "I know what he puts into it and

I know what he's been through in terms of coming back from his injury so seeing him have success means a lot to me." Reid has had a strong season,

totaling 27 tackles and two interceptions, one that was returned for a touchdown. At this point, James Franklin

has seen years of commitment, and because of it, he believes Reid's among the best to ever do it. "When people see examples

of guys having that type of success with the type of investment he made, I think that it spreads,' Franklin said. "No different than the legacy that I think that Trace McSorley has left here with his demeanor and how he prepares... I think that John has a lot of those same qualities and I hope it runs with a lot of our guys."

Reid only has two more home games left, and while he doesn't make the biggest, viral plays all of the time, Reid's father hopes that fans realize there is a reason for

"I hope when people look back on his stretch at Penn State, that they would realize that he's not flashy because a quarterback looks to his side and didn't want to throw the ball," Reid Sr. said. "Or they looked at him, threw it there, and his coverage was so good there wasn't a chance for an interception, there wasn't a chance for a splash play. In a cornerback room filled

with freshmen and unproven players, it's fair to assume that he would be the leader, setting the tone for the group. But Reid, just like he has his

entire life, is always ready to learn and grow. "Even though I've been play-

at a young age, showing that he ing, this is my fifth year now, I still ask some of the freshmen, when I see a freshman do something I'm like 'what were you thinking on this play?" Reid said. "I'm not afraid to ask somebody who's below me in experience on some of the stuff they did."

"I'm always trying to learn, improve and help out the guys around me.'

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How one decision changed Oweh's life forever

By Caleb Wilfinger THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

Three years ago, Jayson Oweh was sitting in the admissions office at Blair Academy in Blairstown Township, New Jersey when the trajectory of his life changed forever.

Oweh's original intent was to enroll at Blair Academy — home to one of the most prestigious basketball programs schools in New Jersey — to play basketball, in hopes of eventually starring on a Division I hoops team.

But that all changed once head football coach Jim Taylor walked

by.
"The basketball coach [Joe Mantegna] told me that there was a kid in the admissions office who was going to enroll as a basketball player," Taylor said.
"I just happened to be walking

by, and when I saw him, I asked if he was here to play football. He laughed it off, but I just told him that he looked like a football player to me, and he should give it a shot."

As it turns out, Oweh's chances of getting into Blair Academy improved greatly if he added a second sport to his schedule.

So on a whim, the 16-year old decided to take Taylor's advice and hit the gridiron for the first ***

In his first year on the field, the results were not exactly instantaneous for Oweh.

After all, he was learning the basics of football as a junior in high school. No amount of athleticism was going to make up for the fact that Oweh had never been in Buccaneer, Oweh registered a

a three-point-stance.

But what did jump out at his coaches was Oweh's willingness to compete. He put the work in to catch up with his teammates, many of which had up to 10 years of experience on a football field.

'He had a great willingness to learn, especially for a kid that had never played a down of football in his life," Taylor said.

"We've had some good football pretty players come through this program, but he was willing to work hard to catch up to kids who had been playing football their entire

In his very first game as a member of the Buccaneers, the coaching staff thought Oweh had broken his ribs after just one half of football.

But the Howell, New Jersey native would not let this setback affect his growth and development on the field.

sports Oweh played two throughout his first year at Blair Academy, but his attention shifted toward football as his junior season went on.

It wasn't until late in his junior year that Oweh began to reap the benefits of his hard work and perseverance.

"He had a couple of sacks in a game late in the year and his confidence was clearly boosted as a result," Taylor said. "Once the season ended, he started going through the recruiting process and people got to see that he's a freak athlete and there were programs that clearly saw the potential that he had." In his two seasons as a

combined 102 tackles, 20 sacks and 15 tackles for loss.

By his senior season, Oweh found himself ranked as the No. 71 overall prospect, the No. 4 player in New Jersey and the No. 4 strong-side defensive end by 247Sports.

named He team All-Mid-Atlantic League and selected to the All-America Under Armour Game in his senior year.

"Coming into his first season at Blair, his football knowledge was virtually nonexistent," Taylor

"Going from that to being an All-State player and an Under Armour All-American in only two seasons, that was amazing to see."

Oweh's achievements on the field got the attention of numerous high-profile programs across the country at the collegiate level.

The defensive end received offers from the likes of Georgia, Notre Dame, Alabama, Florida and Ohio State, to name a few. But it was his experiences over

the course of six unofficial visits to Penn State that made a lasting impact on the young defensive linemen

His coach's prior relationship with James Franklin didn't hurt

"I was very involved with the process because I was college teammates with James [Franklin]," Taylor said. "I honestly didn't know where he was going to go on Signing Day, but he always had a great relationship with coach [Sean] Spencer, so that definitely helped.' On Dec. 13, 2017, Franklin,

Spencer and Brent Pry visited Oweh and his parents.

Oweh Six months later, officially enrolled at Penn State.

While Oweh arrived at Penn State with a heap of expectations, he had to wait his turn once he got to campus.

After appearing in only four games — and ultimately redshirting — in his freshman season, Oweh made it a point of emphasis to work on identifying plays before they happen, improving his technique and being quicker off the line of scrimmage.

As a result, the 6-foot-5, 255 pound Oweh has found himself getting more comfortable on the field with each passing week.

"I feel like I'm learning new things every game," Oweh said. "I'm trying to get off the ball quicker, make quicker pre-snap reads and improve my mental awareness each time I take the

But it wasn't until a few weeks ago that he really found himself turning a corner on the football

The redshirt freshman was an Nittany Lions' 28-7 win at Michigan State, collecting two sacks and forced two fumbles in the vic-And while Yetur Gross-Matos

and Shaka Toney are tied for the team lead in sacks with 5.5, Oweh is right behind them with four of his own.

"[Getting a strip-sack] is a feelthe victory over Michigan State.



Defensive end Javson Oweh (28) celebrates sacking Nate Stanley during the game at Kinnick Stadium in Iowa City on Saturday, Oct. 12.

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me, and he should

give it a shot."

"It's a really low percentage play, so it takes a lot to get to the quarterback and thankfully I was fortunate enough to be in the right

It was easily the most memorable performance of his career to date, and the 20-year old couldn't help but let his emotions get the best of him after recording his second strip-sack of the game.

Oweh said. "I asked if he was

"I was emotional after that second stripsack. really because of all of the work I put in [in the offseason] and all of the goals I had for myself this year. So I think the emotions just got to me after the second sack."

Oweh carried that momentum

into the next week, registering a Jayson yet," pair of tackles in Penn State's loss upside is huge. We haven't seen to Minnesota.

But it was his breakthrough While Oweh feels that his re-Oweh excited about his future essential difference-maker in the in Happy Valley, especially after and summer working on his

> "I worked really hard this offseason, harder than I've ever worked before," Oweh said.

"I watched extra film, I put in more time than I ever have and I feel like I needed the results to come. It was big for me to show ing like no other," Oweh said after what I'm capable of. I needed this game."

Despite the fact that his high school experience is firmly in the rearview mirror, Oweh's experience at Blair Academy could end up shaping his life for several years.

In fact, if it wasn't for that fateful encounter in the admissions office, the young defensive end "It just feels good honestly," would likely not be on his way to

becoming an integral part of Penn State's "championship-level" defense.

Even his recent advancements on the football field, those that are close to Oweh say that his best form is still to come.

"I can guar-

antee that we Head Coach, Blair Academy haven't seen the best football from Taylor said. "His

anything yet.

Jim Taylor

against the Spartans that has cent progress is years in the making, his success at the highest level of college football is even spent the entirety of the spring more gratifying for his former coach.

"It's like seeing your own son go out there and achieve great things," Taylor said, "I think we're going to see many more games in the future where you tune in and Jayson already has a couple of sacks."

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Ken Minamoto/Collegian Defensive end Jayson Oweh (28) looks toward the sideline during the Blue-White game at Beaver Stadium on Saturday, April 13.

MY VIEW | BENJAMIN FERREE

Franklin was right, but the rant was wrong

As James Franklin's Tuesday press conference came to a close, Franklin answered the



final question, but he was far from done talking.

Franklin addressed the criticism that he received in the media following Saturday's game

in his decision to go for two and a big-picture issue he has with

"We looked at the classic twopoint chart, which said go for it," Franklin said. "We used our analytics stuff, which said go for it. We decided to go for it partly because we're on the road, not playing as well as we thought we should be at the time, and if we picked up the two-point conversion, it increased our chances and put us in a better situation.'

come those points at some point."

So, Penn State trotted its offense out on the field and Ricky Slade was tackled short of the goal line on the two-point conversion.

And this is where the

"If we didn't pick it up, we were still going to have to over-

questions began. "At the end of the day, here is

the thing I struggle with," Franklin said at the end of his Tuesday press conference. "A lot of these decisions are not clearcut. There's some that are. But there's a lot that are not clearcut. It's a gut feel. And what I struggle with is when those decisions, and again, I already told you the two-point chart said go for it and the analytics stuff said go for it, but

then opinions are stated as facts and I struggle with that. I struggle with things that go on when it comes to discipline and people know very little of the story but have really strong opinions on how things are supposed to play And Franklin is right, but his

rant about the topic is wrong. In this scenario, if Penn State

converts on the two-point conversion, the Nittany Lions trail Minnesota by three points and it's a one possession game. If Penn State decides to just

kick the extra point, the Nittany Lions trail by four and it's a two-possession game. Franklin was correct in going

for two in that situation. Franklin was also correct in defending his situation.

"A lot of times, it's based on how it plays out," Franklin said. "If I went for it too early in the

game and we picked up the two,

it's a great decision. We threw a

screen. They had three guys we had two. If we run inside and score, we get two. It's a great situation.

"I'm not saying I'm always right. But it's easy after the fact to say that that was a bad decision when we don't execute.'

Once again, Franklin is 100 percent correct.

If that two-point conversion worked, fans and media members would be praising the decision. Franklin related it to the teams decision later in the game to not do an onside kick and kick the ball deep which worked and therefore was never mentioned after the game. "We stopped them, went

three-and-out, and I burned the timeouts," Franklin said. "That was the right decision. Why? Why was that the right decision? Because it worked. Because we stopped them.' "They went three-and-out and

I burned the timeouts. If they would have picked up two first downs and ended the game, I would have been getting my butt ripped in the press conference for why didn't you go onsides kick?" But while what Franklin said

was 100 percent correct, the way he did it and the fact this came up at all was incorrect. This rant by Franklin didn't come to life as an answer to a question, it came because he wanted to have it. And he did this on Tuesday

after he made his point on Saturday after the game. "We checked the book. The

book says go for it. I tell it to the offensive coaches. I tell it to the defensive coaches. We all agreed," Franklin said on Saturday. "Wouldn't have played out at the end. You don't like it so you ask me again, but I think I've already answered the question clearly." Did the fact that Franklin was

getting criticized for one decision, where his team played their worst game of the year and lost really bother Franklin that much? Did it really bother him to the point where he ranted about it

on Tuesday, three days after the original question was asked? Because at some point you need to let it go; let the

criticism go and be confident in yourself and your answer. Going for two was the right choice, so state that and move

on. There is no need to dwell on "I'll be the first one to admit, I'm ultimately responsible for

"So, I don't want you to

making sure that we execute the decision," Franklin said. misinterpret what I'm saying. I'm still responsible for all of it and I'll take it. But I will tell you that's where some of my frustration comes from sometimes. Doing this for 24 years, that's the hard part. You can disagree with me. You're more than welcome to. I'm stating my opinion on how I see

But didn't Franklin state his opinion in simply saying that he believed it was the right decision? And after 24 years, you would

think Franklin could brush off and handle this criticism. He has one of the highest profile jobs in the state of Pennsylvania, he should expect criticism in everything he does from how he brushes his teeth in the morning to how he drinks

his morning coffee. Listen to the criticism, defend your position when asked about it and move on. It's as simple as that.

Franklin is a coach that preaches the 1-0 mindset and always moving forward, so the decision to have this rant on a Tuesday, when preparation for Indiana is in full swing, is a puzzling one and the wrong decision, even though what Franklin said was correct.

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PSU still in search of third receiver

On a team where depth is readily available for most position groups, Penn State's receiving corps has been surprisingly top heavy.

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Jahan Dotson has had his moments, but has only gone for over 40 yards in three games this season.

"We've got to be more consistent, there's about it... I think obviously Pat [Freiermuth] has done a really good job and [Nick]

Bowers has done a good job, and I think our recruiting class, Justin Shorter running backs have contributed has only caught nine passes this more than in years past," James season and has yet to find the Franklin said. "KJ is obviously endzone. making plays and made some tough catches on Saturday, but opportunity to change that, but

at that last position, there's no touchdown. doubt about it."

Outside of Dotson, Hamler and Freiermuth, no receiver has more than nine catches on the year for the Nittany Lions.

Considering the production from those three, especially Hamler's 42 receptions for 739 yards, the case could be made that the

opportunities aren't in place for another receiver to really get involved.

But Sean Clifford leads the Big Ten passing yards and ranks third in completions.

Penn State's passing ume been there and so have the chances for other receivers. Once

No. 1 ranked receiver in his

Against Minnesota, he had the

James Franklin

"At the end of the day, when the ball comes, you know, you've got to make the plays and we have all of the faith and confidence that we can do it and that they can do it," Franklin said. "We've just got to bring it out in them more."

Early on in the season, Shorter was rarely being targeted by his quarterback, but when the targets have come his way he has vet to impress.

The same goes for Dan Chisena who has seen increased opportunities as the season has gone on as more of a deep route specialist for the offense given his speed.

The senior receiver also had a key drop in Minneapolis on a play where he had the chance to gain over 40 yards. Daniel George, who has also shared time with Shorter in the third wide receiver role, also had a crucial drop on third down that would have extended a drive against the Golden Gophers.

It's clear that Penn State is still trying to find its No. 3 wideout, something that isn't ideal to have to iron out nine games into a

But if one of these players makes a jump and proves to be a consistent option at the position, that could take the Nittany Lions' offense up a level and would only help out their first year quarterback.



Justin Shorter warms up before the game against Illinois at Memorial Stadium on Friday, Sept. 21, 2018.

Addressing these issues with the group of receivers isn't a simple thing to do, especially coming off a tough loss, but Franklin knows how to navigate these kinds of things.

"I think it's a fine line, I don't think there's any doubt about it. You can't avoid it and ignore it like it didn't happen, but it's got to be addressed," Franklin said. "Obviously during the game, I don't think you see me or anybody overreact to those guys -It's just not how we go about our business, I don't understand how that helps you."

The practice field and in meetings is where the team focuses on these kind of things, but it's not all about focusing on the negatives.

"Now, in practice, we can be hard on guys. In meetings, I wouldn't say we're hard, but we're direct and we have tough conversations to kind of work through it — but I think when you remember that most people and most young people are harder on themselves than you'll ever be, then I think that changes how you approach things," Franklin said.

'So at the end of the day, we've got to build their confidence up and we've got to build their fundamentals and skills up so they make those plays, rather than spending so much time on what they didn't do."

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2019 Stats

Justin Shorter: 9 receptions, 109 yards, 0 touchdowns

Daniel George: 6 receptions, 74 yards, 0 touchdowns

Dan Chisena: 3 receptions, 66 yards, 0 touchdowns



KJ Hamler (1) celebrates with the team after a touchdown during the game against Michigan State on Saturday, Oct. 26. Penn State defeated Michigan 28-7.



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Over/under: 54.5

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Penn State: WR Jahan Dotson

Penn State is searching for a consistent No. 3 receiving target. Dotson has shown the potential this season to be that threat behind KJ Hamler and Pat Freiermuth, but he needs to be more consistent. Saturday will be an opportunity to prove that he can be that guy.

Indiana: **WR Whop Philyor**

Indiana is going to throw the ball a lot on Saturday. Peyton Ramsey will often be looking for his top target, Philyor. The receiver has 59 receptions this season, 26 more than the next Minnesota did to the Penn State secondary last week expect to see Philyor a lot.

BY THE NUMBERS

Penn State's defense has only allowed an average of 12 points per game this season which ranks fifth in the country.

21

Penn State has won 21 of its 22 meetings all-time against Indiana. The only loss came in 2013 when the Hoosiers won 44-24.

KJ Hamler has at least one reception in all 22 games of his Penn State career. Hamler also has a catch for 20 or more yards in his last 12 games

Freshman running back Noah Cain is one rushing touchdown shy of Saquon Barkley's and D.J. Dozier's record.



Indiana's Peyton Ramsey (12) evades Penn State defenders during the game at Memorial Field on Sat. Oct 20, 2018.

A program on the rise

By: Caleb Wilfinger THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

Before the 2019 season, Indiana coach Tom Allen told his players, "If you don't believe, you need to leave."

On Nov. 2, the Hoosiers dismantled Northwestern 34-3, guaranteeing their first winning season since 2007 in the process. Indiana has seven wins, is headed to a bowl game for just the third time this decade and should be favored in at least two more games this season.

It's safe to say that Allen's team has responded to his message.

"I think coach Allen has done a great job," James Franklin said. "He's got great energy and I think he's in it for the right reasons. He cares about the kids and is building that program the right way. It's great to see him having the success he's having in year three."

On Sunday, the latest AP poll was released and Indiana found itself ranked for the first time since Sept. 20, 1994 among the teams listed, coming in at No. 24. The national landscape is a lot different now than when the Hoosiers were last ranked.

In 1994, Tom Allen was coaching at Temple Heights Christian School in Tampa, a gallon of gas cost just \$1.14 and Nebraska was one of the biggest powers in college football.

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In his three seasons at Indiana (two as a head coach and one as defensive coordinator), Allen has seen his team miss out on bowl eligibility twice. In 2016, the Hoosiers won that final matchup against Purdue and went on to the Foster Farms Bowl, but in the past two seasons they've been left sitting at five wins.

This time around, Indiana has qualified for a bowl game with three games remaining on the schedule. One more victory and Indiana will have reached eight wins for the first time since 1993. Two more, and the Hoosiers will get to nine wins for the first time since 1967.

However, seven wins and a bowl game appearance was not the final goal for this Indiana team, and their path to a potentially historic season will continue at Beaver Stadium on Saturday.

"I think it's going to be a real challenge," Franklin said. "They are coming in here playing with a lot of confidence, ranked in the top-25, kind of like our schedule has been all year long. I know our guys are looking forward to getting back into the stadium and playing a game."

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PSU O-Line has taken an important step

By: Benjamin Ferree THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

As Penn State football took to the field in August as camp got under way, a new look offensive line completed combo block

drills in the far corner of the practice field. Connor McGovern and Ryan

Bates headed to the NFL, and what was left of the Nittany Lions' offensive line was question marks from a unit that historically struggled throughout James Franklin tenure at Penn State.

But from those question marks, leaders arose, and 2019 has been the season that Penn State's offensive line has been able to take the next step, to be able to control a game.

'We're in a good place," James Franklin said. "As you know, when I got here, that was not the case. We couldn't have been any further from that. I think we had six or seven scholarship offensive linemen when we got here, which is one of the most ridiculous things I've ever been a part of to be honest with you."

Penn State was nominated for the Joe Moore Award midseason honor roll as one of the most outstanding offensive line units in the country.

A nomination that shows the complete growth from four, five seasons ago.

This growth for Penn State to go from barley having enough lineman to having it be one of the best units on the team is one that has taken time and it starts with

a culture shift. "I'm constantly evaluating the culture and trying to create it in the way that you want it to be," offensive line coach Matt Limegrover said. "I think it is pretty special when the guys start recognizing that and they start taking ownership."

"When you get the guys to have that complete buy in and they are excited about coming into the room everyday and they love the idea of what they can accomplish together that's when you know you really hitting on all cylinders."

A big reason why Penn State's offensive line has been able to hit on all cylinders, is its three veteran leaders. Steven Gonzalez, Michal Menet and Will Fries have anchored the Penn State offense, providing a source of experience and veteran leadership in the program.

Menet and Fries are just doing awesome in terms of how they practice, how they play, how



Penn State offensive line coach Matt Limegrover talks to the offensive

line during a timeout during the football game against Purdue.

they communicate on the sideline with our coaches, how they set the tone in leadership with the younger players and help them learn and gain from their experience," Franklin said.
But according to Limegrover,

these three players, while all leaders, are very different players in how they approach the game of football.

e program.

Limegrover recalled when "Guys like [Gonzalez] and he first arrived at Penn State, Gonzalez was a player who just finished his first semester of college and one that Limegrover

had serious doubts about.

"After meeting him and going through spring, I thought this guy would have a hard time playing here," Limegrover said. He won't communicate with anybody, he doesn't seem to have any friends, or anybody he is close to on the o-line, kind of a loner, I thought, I don't know what's going to happen with this kid." according

Limegrover, Gonzalez has just continued to build each year. Visit collegian.psu.edu to read

the full story.

Guest Picker:

Aabha Vora

Dylan Jacobs



for: If Micael Penix was still playing, I would be more worried, but we've seen Ramsey before, and I just think this defense

What to watch

will play angry and have a bounce-back performance. No real problems here, see you all in Columbus

Score: Penn State 31, Indiana 10

Caleb Wilfinger



What to watch for: Despite entering the game without its starting Indiana's offense should do enough to stay in the game. However, Penn

Wilfinger State's defense will simply be too much for the upstart Hoosiers. Expect the Nittany Lions to win by two scores.

Score: Penn State 34, Indiana 20

Ben Ferree



What to watch for: Penn State will start fast in its first game back in Beaver Stadium in almost a month. The defense will return to its dominant ways and

the offense will do enough to take down Indiana and get back into the win column.

Score: Penn State 30, Indiana 14

Evan Patrick



for: Penn State is coming off a weekend in which its defense got lit up in the passing game, and Indiana will look to do just that in this one. If the Nittany Lions'

What to watch

secondary can bounce back, Penn

State should come out on top.

Vora

What to watch for: With Penn State coming off their first loss and Indiana with a winning streak, this game won't be as clear cut as we may have thought at the

beginning of the season. Their dominant defense will put them on top. Score: Penn State 38, Indiana 13 Score: Penn State 35, Indiana 14



DAYSTILTHON

By Cassandra Kidwell THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

It's official — THON participants dance in 100 days.

As another key event in the acknowledgement of fundraising efforts until THON weekend, the 100 Days 'Til THON Celebration was held in the HUB-Robeson Center from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday.

The purpose of the 100-day countdown event is to recognize the fundraising and volunteering efforts of organizations and allow alternative fundraisers to occur throughout the HUB.

The event was apparent throughout the building, with a crowd of volun-

teersinthe 100 days 'Til THON whitet-shirts, which are available in the THON Store for \$10.

Emily Dalo, special events director, said the yearly 100 Days 'Til THON event features similar content year-to-year, like performances, hair cutting and a group picture. This year's event presented the theme "Share Your Story," focusing on empowering the THON community.

"I think that what are trying to do is show our volunteer empowerment," Dalo (seniorbiobehavioral health) said. "Every volunteer has a different journey and knows that no matter what that journey is, it all culminates to conquering childhood cancer."

Performances this year featured THON'S Best

Dance Crew; Harmony, a performing arts club for kids with and without special needs; and Lowjack Lite, a local band.

The timeline of the event was as follows:

- 11:00 a.m. Event begins
- 11:10 a.m. Line Dance
- 11:15 a.m. Family speaker
- 11:30 a.m. THON'S Best Dance Crew • 12:10 p.m. Harmony performance
- 12:30 p.m. Lowjack Lite performance
- 1:25 p.m. Hair donauon
- 1:50 p.m. Line Dance
- 2:05 p.m. Human picture

• 2:30/3:00 p.m. Event ends As members of the entertainment committee, Cole Shusted and Jeanette Debek work to

"This is more of a microcosm of was THON will be like," Shus-

James Leavy/Collegian

Wednesday, Nov. 13.

Lowjack performs in the HUB-Robeson Center on keep the attendees energized and excited about

> ted (junior-security risk analysis) said. "It lets us practice motivating a much bigger crowd THON weekend." Shusted said he believes the 100 days will go by fast until THON weekend, and emphasized the importance of making students aware of the

> approaching time and lifting spirits along the way. 'All of THON is not just a three-day weekend, but a yearlong effort to get people excited to get people excited and ready for THON," Debek

> (sophmore-advertising said.) Noah Rothenberger — the recently elected president of the Penn State fraternity Phi Gamma Delta, or FIJI — said along with his new title comes new responsibilities related to THON.

Rothenberger (sophmore-supply chain management) said he wants

to be as positive as possible and work closely with his THON committee and THON chairs to work hard in fundraising efforts.

"100 Days is a celebration of our yearlong efforts until THON weekend [and] just another reason to get excited for the event," he said.

Zack Durnack, is the entertainment talent coordinator, oversees the talent-related captains such as the stage performance coordinators, band coordinators and floor entertainment coordinators. He said there is a process in picking talents for THON, taking in consideration the related theme and plans for the events. Durnack (senior-telecommunications) said they try to cultivate all the talent that is close to State College.

"Since special events are smalldents awareness, as well as gets the whole community involved," he said.



James Leavy/Collegian The Orchesis Dance Company performs in the HUB-Robeson Center on

James Leavy/Collegian

THON Dancer Relations Captains perform the 2019

line dance in the HUB-Robeson Center on Nov. 13.

er in size we look to student groups — it brings student culture and stu-

Nov. 13.

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To be an officer, endure the training

LOCAL

By Grace Miller

Editor's note: This is part two of a three-part series about the police in the State College and University Park areas.

Turning on a siren. Reaching for a taser. Responding to a crisis

Nearly everything that a Centre County police officer result of Pennsylvania's sixmonth Municipal Police Officers' Education & Training Commission (MPOETC). The training totals to over 900 hours for each

"A [police] officer runs toward danger with the goal to save life and property, therefore it is imperative that the training be rigorous and well-rounded," Jenn Cruden , the University Police's Public Information Officer, said via email.

These hours learning laws and procedures, how to interact with people of all backgrounds, and handling firearms.

A potential police officer must also be a United States citizen, have no disqualifying criminal convictions, pass a physical examination, pass a drug test, pass a vision test, pass a hearing exam, pass a psychological examination and a physical fitness test.

Centre County officers often complete training together, meaning a State College Police officer can train with a University Police office, although different departments may have varying requirements outside of the Inventory, and doing all that Pennsylvania

requirements. "Partnerships with local, state and federal law enforcement agencies side of our juare risdiction critical, the need share information and work hand-in-hand

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elements for our

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Cruden

safety," cadets — or trainee officers apply for a state certification ex- ing amination to become a municipal responding police officer.

candidate has to fit into one of management, crisis intervention, the following categories: cadets, recognizing special needs and officers transferring from other states or officers returning to the job after leaving in good standing. The amount of training needed varies depending on specific categories.

College cause Pennsylvania has such an mental illness. advanced, comprehensive trainfrom Pennsylvania to work in other states often don't have to complete the full training process in their new state.

Physical requirements

For both entrance to and graduation from the police academy, cadets are required to complete a physical test using Cooper Health-based norms and Cooper Health-based protocols.

For entrance to the academy, cadets must score in the 30th percentile for age in five tests including sit-ups, a 300 meter run, bench press, push-ups and a 1.5 mile run.

Cadets must complete this process in order to

50th percentile.

For a man aged 18 to 29, scoring in the 50th percentile means he must be able to complete 40 sit-ups in one minute, a 300-meter run in 56 seconds, complete 33 push-ups in one minute, and run 1.5 miles in 11 minutes and 58 seconds. Bench press requirements vary by weight.

Requirements are different for other genders and ages. For knows regarding policing is the example, for older cadets, they are given more time for the runs.

"[The physical requirements are mandated] so that they can complete physically challenging tasks at any given moment, such as pulling a victim from a vehicle following a crash in orto administer life-saving treatment," Cruden said.

In addition to these tests, cadets also undergo certain physical trainings in their six-month curriculum, including 84 hours of physical and emotional readiness and 66 hours of defense tactics.

The physical and emotional readiness course entails the fitness tests, and fitness training and health and wellness education. It also talks about emotional health, stress management and resiliency training.

Mental health requirements

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In order to become a police officer, cadets must pass psychological screenings.

There's portions where you're actually sitting down with a psychologist taking the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality psychological

screening just to make sure that there's no red flags right off the bat," Brauser said. State College

Police officers are also sometimes required to talk with a counselor they have experienced something potentially traumatic on the

Beyond their After completing the training, own health, part of the curriculum is 26 hours of trainthat is geared toward to individuals with special needs. This cur-In order to be certified, a riculum focuses on behavior mental illness.

In addition to this training, officers are able to become certified in crisis intervention training (CIT), which is a separate 40-hour training program with the goal of Police creating positive and understand-Department Lieutenant Greg ing interactions between police Brauser explained that be- and community members with

CIT is an initiative created by ing program, officers who move the University of Memphis and the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Since its creation, CIT has spread on a national scale. Centre County held its first CIT training in 2011.

The Memphis model of CIT does not recommend that every officer is trained — instead, only the officers who volunteer should be put through the training.

Tracy Small, Centre County's CIT coordinator, said Centre County takes a more "volun-told" approach, explaining that when the program was implemented, the chiefs of police wanted all of their officers trained.



State College Police Department Lt. Chad Hamilton's radio and stun gun as Hamilton enters a police car outside of the State College Municipal Building on Nov. 8.

are that really don't want to be familiarization with firearms. there," Small said. "[But] usually, by the end of the week, Friday, they're coming up to me saying, This isn't really what I thought it was going to be, and it was much better. I wish I would have had this in the academy.'

Small explained that a portion of the training is focused on de-escalation, which prepares officers to respond to situations such as suicide attempts or individuals experiencing hallucinations. Officers also learn about mental health diagnoses, medications that people can take and what a person not taking their medication may act like.

Small said the populations" the program focuses on includes juveniles, veterans and the elderly.

Officers are also put through immersion exercises, where they try to complete tasks while listening to an audio recording of voices mimicking the voices heard by individuals with some mental illnesses.

Later in the training, officers talk to people with mental illnesses and the families of people with mental illness.

'[The goal] was to decrease the stigma of mental illness, as well as to keep people out of jail," Small said, "because a lot of times the symptoms of someone having a mental health crisis can mimic that of criminal behavior."

Small said the training has been successful in the community.

She also noted that, in Centre County, 3 percent of those with mental illnesses who are involved in police calls end up arrested. national

average 7-10 percent, according Small.

"With 26 percent of the United States population having a diagnosmental able health condition, it's really important that we have officers trained because they are the first contact that a lot of people have," Small said.

Equipment training

Before a police officer is faced with a situation where he or she needs to use any kind of equipment — such as firearms and tasers — there are over 200 hours of prior training required.

Breaking down the collective That standard is still upheld hours, officers must complete 64 hours of vehicle code enforce-"You can tell when you walk in ment, 40 hours of operation of Firearm training includes

training, handgun training, introduction to patrol rifle and a stress shooting course. Cadets are required to score at

least a 75 percent on the firearms course and meet annual training requirements. According to Title 37, Section 203, not meeting these requirements is grounds for an officer's certification to be In regards to handgun training,

cadets are scored based on how well they are able to precisely fire from cover, fire and then move to cover, walk and fire, and fire with their strong hand and support According to MPOETC, the

strong hand and support hand firing involves, "on signal, shooter draws and fires two rounds strong (dominant) hand only from eye level, de-cocks or engages safety, transfers weapon to support hand, and fires two rounds with support hand only from eye level within ten seconds.

Though not required by the state, Brauser said State College Police officers can be trained to use additional equipment, as well. For instance, officers can apply to take a week-long class to become a bike officer, or to complete the "intense" training to patrol on motorcycles.

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required to study a wide variety of topgeneral and others demands the position. Accord-

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dures (119 hours)

Patrol procedures and operations (105 hours)

Introduction to law enforcement in Pennsylvania (28 hours)

Human relations (17 hours)

Introduction to the academy (six hours)

laws and criminal

procedures portion covers constitutional law, authority and shotgun jurisdiction, criminal law, criminal procedure and laws of arrest, search and seizure, admissions and confessions, civil laws, liquor laws, and use of force in law enforcement.

The patrol procedures and operations portion covers overview of patrol procedures, patrol activities and incidents, vehicle stop techniques, crimes in progress, crowd control and civil disorder, domestic violence, gangs and transient criminals, disguised weapons, active assault, ethnic intimidation and bias crimes, and radio procedures.

Cadets also learn about other specific topics, including: Criminal investigation (53

hours) Emergency response

training (40 hours)

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Continued Training Once a police officer, there is

further training officers have to complete each year. Pennsylvania requires officers

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more spe- tive courses, some focusing on cific to the aspects of the job like Naloxone training, which is related to narcotic cases, investigating strangulation, and encountering persons with autism. "It's exposing officers to things

that they might not consciously think about the need for,' Brauser said. He said that the State College

Police Department surpasses Pennsylvania's requirements and is always happy to accommodate desires officers might have for any further training. 'We encourage officers to find

job-related training that they're interested in and bringing them to us to send them to... We're very fortunate in this community to have both the economic and numbers portions to be able to send people to those kind of things," he said.

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Journalists were too hostile toward The Daily Northwestern

he Daily Northwest-ern, a fellow independent student news outlet at Northwestern University, released an apology Sunday for its coverage of students protesting at an event where former Attorney General Jeff Sessions spoke on Northwestern's campus.

After publishing the apology, the news outlet faced national backlash on social media from other student journalists and professional journalists alike.

As many journalists online have argued, The Daily did make a mistake in apologizing for doing its job by covering the public event, leading some who were protesting or supporting the protesters to criticize the coverage.

But, the manner in which many professional journalists — some of whom these student journalists may look up to — have chosen to respond to the mistake has seemed more discouraging than helpful.

Since the apology was published, some professional journalists have shared constructive thoughts and critiques on

OUR VIEW

The Daily made a mistake, but journalists' critiques on Twitter crossed the 'constructive' line

social media in response.

Many other professionals in the industry, however, have directed unnecessarily harsh criticisms at these students past the point of constructive criticism — even though many of them probably made glaring mistakes at some points, too, as students learning the ropes of journalism.

After seeing harsh, potentially rash, reactions from journalists, the staff at The Daily probably realized quickly that they made a mistake. Many of the professionals who tweeted about it could have tried channeling some perspective, and provided The Daily with slightly gentler feedback they might have benefitted from hearing had they been students dealing with a glaring mistake.

Repeating the same blunt, yet grim critiques fired at The Daily in mass quantities only adds more fuel to the fire, which likely had little effect on helping them move on or improve for the future.

Would the professional journalists scrutinizing The Daily want the worst mistakes they made as student journalists published and roasted on social

media in this day and age? Many professional journalists today didn't have to worry about backlash on social media while they were still student journalists, because utilizing Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and more for journalism only evolved into what

As student journalists ourselves at The Daily Collegian, we've been told in classes and the newsroom that now is the time to make mistakes and learn from them before becoming professionals.

it is today over this past

decade.

Though that is the case, we still strive for the high

standards many professional outlets do.

Despite its mistake, it is evident that The Daily Northwestern — one of the most esteemed collegiate news outlets in the country — follows those expectations, too.

The Daily's apology mentioned the outlet's regrets on multiple aspects of its coverage, noting that identifying student protesters could potentially result in those students being punished by the university, since Northwestern students who participate in public demonstrations are not granted amnesty by the university.

It's not The Daily's job to make sure students don't get in trouble for protesting in a public space it's to seek the truth and report it.

Students who chose to protest and did not know the potential repercussions of doing so could

have made themselves aware of Northwestern's policies on student demonstrations beforehand. It is not at the fault of journalists if the demonstrators they spoke to agreed to be interviewed and identified.

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The question The Daily now faces is, how does an organization effectively move on from this?

The outlet's editorin-chief Troy Closson responded to the backlash against the editorial, noting that he understands how the statement "overcorrected" in certain areas, and that he stands by their reporting.

Closson echoed that he appreciates the feedback regarding The Daily's apology and what they could have done differently, but wants to move forward while focusing on exhibiting more empathy in their reporting to help prevent instances like this from happening again.

Like all student news outlets do sometimes, The Daily made a mistake. But they have the ability to exit this situation as a stronger publication if they can continue to recognize what they did wrong and reflect on what needs to change.

MY VIEW | Madeline Messa

Please ignore me: why it is important to ignore service dogs

Murphy's Law: Whatever can go wrong will go wrong. That held true for me in my



first week as a service dog handler. Amor is an Australian Shepherd trained to mitigate the disabling effects autism has on me. He trained for his full 18

months of life to handle the challenges that I would put him through in my daily activities — and he is doing phenomenally.

The public, however, made me regret ever having dared to hope that a service dog could ameliorate the traumatic anxiety that comes with a simple grocery run or, god forbid, a weekend trip to a city that I had been planning for months.

I was painfully aware of every stare. Strangers gawked and pointed. They whispered, thinking I could not hear them. I shied away from the phone cameras that were tilted slyly in my direction, I avoided eye contact when people cooed "aws" and whistled.

My insides shriveled whenever a parent encouraged their child to run up to Amor or a grown adult felt it was okay to pat him on the head despite him being labeled in capitalized

letters as a service dog. I was being catcalled for hav-

ing a dog that is clearly working to help with a disability. A service dog giving a quick glance at you or accidentally nudging you in a crowd does not grant you permission to interact

with them. Even if you know not to pet them, you do just as much damage by staring or talking behind their handler's

The primary reason for me to have my service dog is to cope with social interactions that are ordinary for the average person, but debilitating for me. My dog does everything perfectly, but the sheer amount of unrelenting attention is devastating. When Amor alerts me that I've been unconsciously digging my nails into my skin because of sensory overload, all strangers perceive it as is a cute dog jumping up in an entertaining performance.

We are not a circus act. We are not a zoo exhibition. Your attention is harmful to both my mental state and my service dog's ability to work.

Amor stayed focused on me when a metro in bustling Washington D.C. whirred by and unsettled me. He continued to heel when blue and red illuminated the block as a police siren wailed amid a rowdy protest. He snapped upright to paw at and interrupt me when I repeatedly

"It sounds insensitive, but the public needs to realize that I have Amor for the very purpose of improving my life and making social interactions tolerable."

Madeline Messa

flipped my hair over and fidgeted with my hands despite being in a restaurant filled with appetizing smells that would throw off any other dog.

And he comforted me when I fully broke down on a hotel lobby floor because I could not handle people the way he could.

Yet, an utter stranger intercepting us to ask what breed he is and to reminisce about their niece having a similar-looking dog would halt Amor completely, reflecting how uncomfortable we both were with the situation.

Being on a college campus, my peers are often aware that they cannot pet a service dog. However, they still find ways to force interactions or otherwise disrupt us. I do not want you to approach me to tell me you had a dream about a dog last night, I don't care that your cousin has an Australian Shepherd and it is inappropriate to ask about my personal medical information.

Think of a service dog as a wheelchair or any other medical equipment — just because my disability is not visible does not mean I do not have one, so don't assume that I am training Amor for someone else. It is not a victimless offense when you prod me with your eyes and ask your friend, "What do you think is wrong with her?" or when you bombard me with invasive questions or even when you comment on how cute my dog is.

Leave us alone, divert your attention elsewhere and understand that a handler is just as sensitive to their surroundings as their dog is.

And please — do not make me regret getting a service dog when neither he nor I have done anything wrong.

It sounds insensitive, but the public needs to realize that I have Amor for the very purpose of improving my life and making social interactions tolerable. If seeing a dog makes you happy, great. But I don't want your attention. Amor really does improve my life; don't ruin that

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SPORTS

Jeff Cook close to returning PSU to glory

By David Pollak THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

a season ago with one goal in mind — restoring Penn State

MEN'S SOCCER

men's soccer to its former spot in the upper echelon of college

soccer programs.

Things got off to an average start for Cook, who finished last season with a record of 6-9-2.

And while it's been nearly 15 years since Penn State has brought home a Big Ten tournament championship, it would've been easy to dismiss Penn State's odds at bringing home a title coming into the season.

Now, though, just a year later, the trajectory of the program has changed drastically as the team is looking to make its first Big Ten title game since 2011.

Penn State is in the discussion as one of the top teams in the country, currently sitting with a 12-2-3 record and ranked No. 12 in the country, in just the second season under Cook.

season so far this year, but I'm not ready to say that we're the best," Cook said. "We're trying to get better every single week and be one of the premier Division I men's soccer programs in the country. There's no timeline that's going to guarantee you get

there, you just have to show up every day and bring your best."

For Cook, a part of the success Jeff Cook arrived at Penn State is looking at the grand scheme of things, not create success for just one season.

> "We focus with all our preparations on trying to plan for the long term and that's a credit to the staff that we have around us." Cook said. "I feel that there's a good freshness in our group, we have a couple minor injuries here and there, but nothing significant and I think that's a credit to the way the guys have prepared themselves.

> This mindset has been instilled long before the season started and Penn State's success.

> "It's been something that we've talked a lot about, when do you try to peak, but you can never control that," Cook said. "In the beginning of play you want to do well, that's natural, but I this has been on our mind since last year. That's something that I've always believed in, not just planning for this week but have an idea of where you want this thing to go.'

When the Nittany Lions have had a player go down with an in-"I think we've had a great jury or for other reasons, they've maintained their next-man-up mentality and filled the role.

It's a rare occasion that Cook fields the same starting 11 in back-to-back games. That may come off as uncertainty in who to start, but in reality it shows the amount of depth and trust he has

I look around the national media in all sports, there's been a lot of coaching changes in Division-I football and I think from my perspective as a coaching professional, I think it's fair to say that developing programs

support from the administration, across athletics and the university in general. That's what contribjust takes a little bit of time.'

State, he had a respective amount of victorious season at other uni-

In Cook's time at Darmouth, With those options off the the Big Green won five Ivy bench, it's difficult for opposing League championships and appeared in the NCAA tournament seven times. Two of those NCAA appearances reached the Sweet Sixteen.

At Cincinnati he led the his side's eminence this season, Bearcats to its first NCAA tournament appear-

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and be one of the

season, that Cincinnati took down No.1 SMU during the regular season, as well. If there's one prevalent characteristic from

ance in school

history. During

programs in the those teams to this year's Penn State team, it's **Jeff Cook** persisbeing Coach tently hungry. "That's

one and teams takes time," Cook said. of the biggest things that I've "We benefit here from great been impressed with with this team that's similar to some of the other successful teams I've been around at other stops in utes to building a program and it my career," Cook said. "It's the hunger of it's a new week, let's Before Cook's stop at Penn try to get better, let's see how far we can take this and that's the excitement. We hope to compete versities, such as Dartmouth and for championships every year but it's that continual thirst to

improve and be at our best."

While Cook has been around teams with success, Penn State's Will Campbell brings the experience from a player's standpoint

Campbell, a graduate transfer from North Carolina, has seen what it takes to compete at the collegiate's highest level,

"All the teams that I've been on, I've been to the Final Four twice, and both of those teams in the way they approach training and do things off the field is very similar to us," Campbell said. "You can see there's this extra grit and determination that some teams don't have. I think we have that work ethic like all good teams

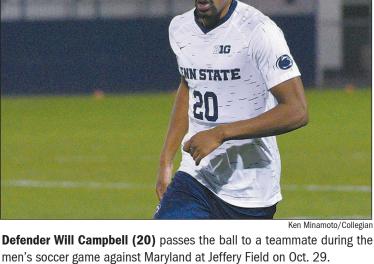
As Penn State is poised for a deep postseason run, its values and prior experience will be vital. Although the Nittany Lions

have played in 17 games already, the most important ones stand in front of them.

"I think we're in good form right now," Cook said. "The team is still hungry, playing with aggression and confidence and that's what you want. Hopefully we've done some smart things to put them in that position, going into some key games here.'

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Schlegel sparks joy on and off the field for Penn State

By Ryan Lam

THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

You simply can't miss Ally Schlegel.

She is the top point-getter and goal-scorer

WOMEN'S SOCCER

the team and has also fit into this edition of Penn State women's

soccer seamlessly after working through her redshirt season as a freshman.

If none of that is enough to separate her from the rest of her team, then her pink headband certainly is.

As much as she is a star on the field, it's her off-field personality that perhaps shines the brightest. Schlegel is never afraid of

starting some shenanigans for the sake of good fun. She's always bouncing around and dancing right before games and takes her positivity into the

The same goes for when she's off the field.

Everyone hears her voice around the team, chirping and talking with her teammates and always eliciting a laugh.

She also has impressive Instagram game, under her handle "allyeet" – a combination of Ally

and the recently popularized interjection "yeet."

"I've always been kind of a jokester since I was young, never really left," Schlegel said.

"I'm still a goofball at heart forever and I joke at all times. It'll be the beginning of the game and I'm dancing or I'm like messing with Sam [Coffey]. There's never a bad time for a joke I think.'

Coffey and Schlegel quickly formed a bond, being two of the most potent and also two of the newest players in the attack while also being very good friends.

However, when Coffey listening in to Schlegel talking about her light-heartedness, a few joking eye rolls emerged.

On one occasion, as Coffey, a religious person, knelt to pray before the match, Schlegel decided to pull one of her practical jokes.

"Tell me, am I not knighting you like in the beginning of the game when you're like praying?"

Schlegel said. started to pray and Schlegel's like 'God loves you' and knighted me," Coffey added.

Coffey, as one of the close confidants to Schlegel and the occasional target of her antics, really appreciates her presence around the time.

"I think she definitely can



Midfielder Ally Schlegel (34) talks to the referee during the match against Northwestern on Sunday, Oct. 20.

lighten some of the pressure that I think we all put on ourselves in a great way and that's so huge," Coffey said.

on ourselves in a lot of ways and she is too, but she does such a great job of helping us just kind of lighten the mood, to remember to always have fun, to do everything with a smile."

Very much in the same vein, coach Erica Dambach Schlegel thinks balances competitiveness player she's like no other before and saw that trait in her in the recruiting process.

"The way she approaches life, she's always smiling and again, this is an intense environment and she helps you to take a deep breath and make sure you keep things in perspective," Dambach said.

Schlegel has been living it up since she was young, and contrary to most people, enjoyed her

school experience. "In terms of high school, middle school, I really don't think there's anyone who had more fun than me during those times and

"I never got in trouble, you joking? That's like the whole point, not going to get in trouble.'

She is also rather skeptical of "I think we're all really hard a particular social construct of "growing up" — it's her state of mind to never undergo such a needless process.

'You take things seriously when you need to, but I think it's kind of this big, fake thing that you have to grow up because you definitely don't," Schlegel said. "I get all my work done, my

grades are decent, you know, I live my life. But there's no need to go over the top of being an adult. No need." Junior midfielder Frankie

Tagliaferri enjoys the presence Schlegel brings, especially when it comes to the overall positive team dynamic. "It's great she brings a lot of

personality in this team. I think this whole team, we're very close this year, which is amazing," Tagliaferri said.

I think if any of us are having a bad day, as soon as you walk in the locker room, it just brightens your day and especially with school, sometimes it can be nothing stopping us." hard so that's a great factor to have.'

Kerry Abello, she saw the

sustained presence of Schlegel being a big factor on the field and also off the field.

"She makes every day better. She makes practice so much more fun," Abello said. "She was here all last year. Obviously she redshirted because of her injury and she was still one of the main characters on the team because she brought the energy to the team even when she wasn't playing. So, yeah, we love having her she's a spark of joy and laughter all the time.

Despite Coffey often being on the receiving end of Schlegel's jokes, the Boston College transfer admitted Schlegel is a calming presence in what can be a tumultuous time.

'Obviously it can be a lot of pressure and a lot of it can be scary sometimes as we continue into the postseason and there's a lot of talk and whatnot," Coffey

"I think her energy just reminds us to have fun with everything, to smile, to, like she said, joke around with everything. I think if we do those things, there's

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I kind of was amazing at never

Midfielder Ally Schlegel (34) heads the ball and scores a goal during the match against Northwestern on Sunday, Oct. 20, 2019 at Jeffrey Field. getting in trouble," Schlegel said.

From the Navajo reservation to Penn State

By Melissa Manno THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

Tim Benally is able to quickly identify what he misses most from home — the smell of wet dirt and sage brush.

Benally (junior-psychology) is a Native American student who grew up in Arizona on a Navajo reservation he says is "the size of West Virginia."

Coming to a school where Native Americans make up less than 1 percent of the total population — a percent that includes students, faculty and administransition. "I felt inferior academically and with life knowledge," Benally said. "My high school only offered two AP classes and in with so many credits. I felt like I was behind."

Benally also described encountering countless "microaggressions" from his peers "micro-— like students asking if everyone lives in teepees on the reservation, or if his family owns any casinos.

Taking leadership classes and learning more about himself both academically and through his Christian faith — have helped to empower Benally, but the thing that made him feel most comfortable on campus was having a Native American faculty member to act as a mentor for him.

belong," Benally said. "But I t'ahdii koo honid/i. It means we are still here. We belong in this space the same way you do."

Growing up on the reservation allowed Benally to gain extenand bad, but equally valuable, he

According to the official site was the principal at. for the Navajo Nation Government, the reservation covers over 27,000 square miles, is larger than tion, Benally said he was often

250,000 Native Americans.

imposed numerous limitations on internal conflict as he struggled those who call it home.

said. "The only thing in my community is a clinic, schools and a gas station with a Burger King. The nearest Walmart is an hour away. Going to the grocery store on the weekend is a whole ordeal. And the lacking medical services can be deadly because many people have to get airlifted to better hospitals and don't get there in

tration — gave way to a difficult is a matter of social mobility, as many Native Americans feel an inability to move up in society due to the lack of opportunities on the reservation. These senti-I was surrounded by kids coming ments, in addition to widely experienced post-traumatic stress disorder, have led to extensive issues of mental illness on the reservation.

'In my school there were at least 10 kids that killed themselves," Benally said. "A lot of people use drugs and alcohol as coping mechanisms. I think a lot of the depression comes from kids using technology, seeing the lack of opportunities on the reservation as opposed to outside it, and losing hope."

According to the National Congress of American Indians, Native people die from alcoholism at a rate 510 percent higher and "It felt for a while like I didn't from suicide 62 percent higher than other Americans embraced this saying we have, suicide being the second leading cause of death for Native youth aged 15 to 24. Benally's biracial identity also

played a role in his experiences. Benally's mother is white and sive experiences — both good met his Navajo father when she Benally realized one of the hardcame to the reservation to student teach at the school his father

Native American reserva-

and stood out in his community. Benally said the reservation In addition to this, he faced an for many years to accept the "There isn't a lot to do," Benally part of him linked to a heritage responsible for the genocide of his people.

> Despite these struggles, Benally sees his community predominantly through a lens of gratuity. Whereas many of his Penn State counterparts spent their young adult years using technology, he spent it exploring the great outdoors.

Benally said he spent the ma-Building on these limitations jority of his time on the reservation running, hiking, hunting, fishing and playing basketball with his community. Nature was always a part of his identity, as it is rooted deeply in his culture.

"It's a very diverse landscape," Benally said. "I'm never bored there. There's always something to explore."

This relationship was communicated to him in various ways by his dad and uncles, such as performing little ceremonies while hunting or fishing to show respect or by using a thumb, not index finger, to point at wildlife.

When high school drew to an end, Benally had no doubt he wanted to enroll in college, though that isn't the norm for many of his fellow tribe members. According to data published by National Center for Education Statistics, 19 percent of American Indians/Alaskan Natives enrolled in college in 2016, but Benally's parents always emphasized the importance of education and put him on the right route to attend a prominent university.

Since he left the reservation, est adjustments for many Native American students is going from a community-based Growing up "half white" on environment to a highly individualistic one.

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Tim Benally (junior-psychology) poses for a portrait at the HUB-Robeson Center on Wednesday, Nov. 13.

peers 'cousin," Benally said. "We rely on our neighbors because we're so isolated, so we really need to lean on each other. Native Americans in general are always

looking for ways to connect."

Benally decided he wanted to help other Native Americans, both students and faculty members, in finding a sense of belonging within the Penn State community. He currently is part of the Multicultural Resource Council and is in the beginning process of creating a "club/support group" dedicated to the Native American population at Penn State.

Kathryn Pletcher, a Native American administrative support coordinator for the College of Agricultural Sciences, was introduced to Benally through a colleague. The two have kept in touch since meeting due to their shared goals of raising awareness of the Native American community on campus.

'We are the forgotten minority here on campus, so raising "On the reservation, we call awareness is extremely important," Pletcher, who is part of the the full story.

Ojibwe tribe, said. "I think Tim is just what we need to get this accomplished. He has the leadership qualities and the indigenous knowledge needed to help us foster a better environment and experience for natives in our Penn State community."

Hollie Kulago, a Native American associate professor of education in the College of Education, met Benally two weeks into the fall 2019 semester when he reached out to her because of her indigenous background.

As a faculty member new to campus, Kulago quickly saw how Native American students can often be left out of the Penn State experience.

"I feel like there's a lack of awareness about Native American students on campus and no real support system," Kulago, who is part of the Navajo tribe, said. "It's important we, faculty and staff included, have a support system where our voices are heard."

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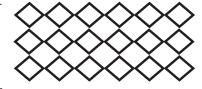
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SCURPIO (10/23-11/21) **** One-on-one relating takes you down a new path. You are likely to go overboard with the help of a partner. He or she enjoys unwinding with you. Your caring keeps growing. Tonight: Go along with a sug-gestion. **SAGITTARIUS** (11/22-12/21) **** Defer to others, especially someone whemakes you feel good almost every day.

Try to take this person off a pedestal. Appreciate him or her as a human being with faults. Tonight: A loved one plays a CAPRICORN (12/22-1/19) *** Get into a project with determination. You have a lot you want to get done. A loved one might call and interfere for a brief while. Do not allow your thoughts to wander. Remain disciplined. Tonight: Put your feet up and relax

AQUARIUS (1/20-2/18) ★★★★★ You

enjoy yourself far more than you thought possible. You have a lot of obligations and need to take a stand financially. Nevertheless, a loved one or child weaves a happy note through your day. Tonight: PISCES (2/19-3/20) ★★★ Tension builds at home. You could be concerned about a

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amatter in your personal life and also how to handle the other party. Know that when you need <u>"to handle"</u> someone, you need to let go. Tonight: Curl up at home. **ARIES** (3/21-4/19) ★★★★ Push comes to shove when dealing with an active, caring person in your daily life. You might judge that others do not understand him or her.

TAURUS $(4/20-5/20) \star \star \star$ You opt to do a sound review of finances. You might

You could get involved in this issue or suggest how this person could approach others differently. Tonight: Chatting with

a friend.

want to hold off on a purchase until this process is complete. A friend or situation appears one way but could actually be a perpetual drain. Tonight: Continue your work before the weekend. **GEMINI** (5/21-6/20) ★★★★★ Observe what is happening with a loved one or close associate. He or she might be quite

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generous and seem very upbeat. You might wonder how it feels to be in this person's position. You express your caring by pitchig in or sharing ideas. Tonight: As CANCER (6/21-7/22) ★★★ You might feel cautious or timid. Reach out for a wiser person who can give you feedback and

help you see your way through what feels like a maze. Tonight: Off listening to a favorite song. **LEO** (7/23-8/22) ★★★★ Where your friends are is where you want to be. Even at work, you view your cohorts as friends is involved in the work-related part of your life. Tonight: Join friends. Start the weekend early. VIRGO (8/23-9/22) ★★★★ Defer to another person. He or she might not have

for the most part. Have a discussion that might be overdue with someone who

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your organization or vision; however, they are unusually dynamic and creative. They also pick up subtleties you don't. You will be pleased at what comes up. Tonight: A must appearance. **LIBRA** (9/23-10/22) ★★★★ Reach out for someone who frequently supports you

Your imagination adds zip to a project even though at first an idea could be rejected. Try presenting it in a different manner. Put more of yourself into this particular project. Tonight: Think weekend



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Choosing the Commonwealths

Students discuss why they attend Penn State Commonwealth campuses and whether it gives them the full college experience

By Grace Miller THE DAILY COLLEGIAN

Major requirements, financial reasons and a preference for a small campus — these are all reasons Bryce Finch has heard students give for staying at one of Penn State's Commonwealth campuses.

Finch (sophomore-computer science), the vice president of Penn State York for the Council of Commonwealth Student Government, will soon transfer to Penn State Harrisburg.

Finch is one Commonwealth students who choose to stay at their campus rather than transferring to University Park.

Part of the reason Finch said he doesn't want to go to University Park is because these Commonwealth campuses have moreaccessibleentrancetomajor Truthfully, it's too much

for me to try to meet those requirements, as Harrisburg doesn't require all of the same classes and doesn't require the same GPA," Finch said.

In 2018, a combined 28,861 students attended all Penn State's Commonwealth campuses, according to Penn State News, compared to the 46,270 students at the University Park campus that same year.
Penn State York enrolls about

1,000 students every year.

Though Finch originally wanted to go to Penn State's main campus, he found he likes the smaller campus feel.

"You're able to get involved extremely, extremely easily," he said. "You know your professors by name, they know you by name. You can go to office hours super easily. If you ever need help, you can schedule appointments much

student government, Finch plays soccer at the York campus, and will still potentially be able to play at the Harrisburg campus.

to play soccer in Harrisburg I feel like I'm missing out a lot,



Penn State Beaver is one of the many Penn State Commonwealth Campuses, and some students prefer to experience college in schools like these.

because it's not this D1 school, especially with the social aspect this huge competitive atmosphere where scholarships are being handed to players," he

Still, Finch said he's interacted with other students who feel like they got "cut short" of their Penn State experience by attending a Commonwealth campus.

Mohtaz Mahmuda more-journalism) takes classes through Penn State's World Campus and said she can relate to the feeling of not getting a full college experience.

"I don't really have time to go In addition to participating in out and meet new people and experience a lot of new things, Mahmuda said.

"I'm very much the Harrisburg campus. in my old house, still "I have a chance to be able living the life I did in high school.

of college." Mahmuda works full time as a

video editor for her sister Nabela Noor — a YouTuber with over 700,000 subscribers. She said she often works from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., depending on the day. Despite feeling like she might

not be getting the traditional college experience, Mahmuda said she appreciates World Campus for the flexibility it offers, knowing that she's going head first into a career she will love. She finds that sometimes

people think going to University Park is necessary to get a good Penn State college experience, but in reality, she said that's not the case.

Mahmuda said she knows people who feel "swallowed whole" by the large campus.

"You can have that small town experience and still have that big school diploma at the end of it all, which is awesome," she said. Chelsea Watts, who graduated

from the Berks campus in 2018 with a degree in professional writing, agrees that people often look down on Penn State's Commonwealth campuses. 'I tried to downplay the fact

that I went to a smaller campus," Watts said, "but once you open your mind, you can still have the college experience you want." "I know that I would not have

had the experience I did in college, I wouldn't have the job that I have now if I would have gone to University Park.' Though Watts said people

might perceive her as a social person, she really isn't. Going to a smaller campus aided Watts in this respect.

"I felt like I was able to kind of come out of my shell a little bit more instead of fading into the woodwork like I probably would have in a larger setting," she said.

The smaller setting also allowed Watts to build more personal relationships with her professors, which helped hold her accountable.

As a Lion Ambassador during her time at Berks, she said this is something she often told

prospective students on tours.
"Being able to be in an environment where my focus was almost forced because people knew my name, and you were a part of the class. You weren't just a body in a seat," Watts said.

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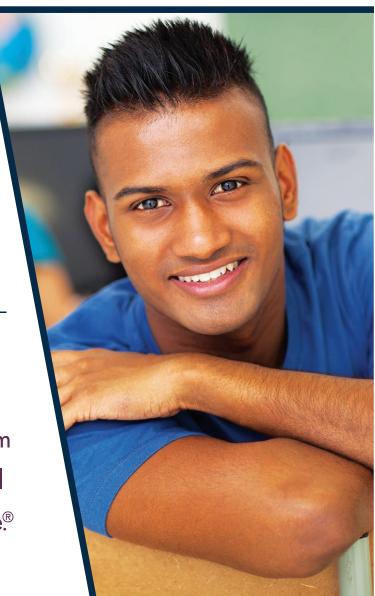
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