

# Penn

# FOOTBALL

**HEAD COACH CORY YEOMAN**

**STATE CHAMPIONS 1983, 1995, 1996, 1997, 2000**

## Penn Kingsmen

### Schedule

Home games upper case/All times Eastern

Date	Opponent	Time/ Result
Fri., Aug. 18	Av Valparaiso	W, 38-21
Fri., Aug. 25	MISHAWAKA	W, 28-7
Fri., Sept. 1	At Indpls. Cathedral	7:30 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 8	HAMM. MORTON	7:30 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 15	ELKHART	7 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 22	At Marian	7 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 29	S.B. ST. JOSEPH	7 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 6	At New Prairie	7:30 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 13	S.B. ADAMS	7 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 20	Bye	
Fri., Oct. 27	Sectional	TBA
Fri., Nov. 3	Sectional	TBA
Fri., Nov. 10	Regional	TBA
Fri., Nov. 17	Semi-state	TBA
Sat., Nov. 24	State	TBA

## Penn High School facts

**Principal:** Sean Galiher

**Director of Athletics:** Jeff Hart

**Assistant A.D.:** Bridget Williams

**Assistant A.D.:** Marie Doan

**Nickname:** Kingsmen

**School colors:** Black and Gold

**Enrollment:** 3,600

**Conference:** Northern Indiana  
Conference

**Location:** 56100 Bittersweet Rd.  
Mishawaka, Indiana 46545

**Penn-Harris-Madison School Corp.:**

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**No. 8 PENN KINGSMEN (2-0)**

**vs.**

**No. 7 Indianapolis Cathedral (1-1)**

**IHSAA Football**



**Penn  
KINGSMEN**



**Date: Friday, Sept. 1, 2023**

**When: 7:30 p.m. ET**

**Where: Arlington Middle School, Indpls.**

**Twitter: @The\_Pennant**

## Game Notes

Cathedral leads the series 3-0. ... The Fighting Irish beat Penn 35-21 last season at Penn. ... This contest is the end of the series between the Kingsmen and the Fighting Irish. ... The Penn-Cathedral match-up features two of the state's top quarterbacks. ... Cathedral's Danny O'Neil is a Colorado commit. ... He is 30-50-2 passing for 487 yards and 5 TDs. ... O'Neil averages 6.4 yards a carry rushing, gaining 108 yards on 17 carries. ... Penn's Nolan McCullough is 15-28-2 passing for 222 yards and 1 TD. ... McCullough averages 12.1 yards a carry rushing, gaining 302 yards on 25 carries. ... Running back Jake Balis has gained 206 yards on 30 carries (6.9 ave.). ... Penn cornerback Vincent Horner has three interceptions this season, including a 64-yard Pick-6 vs. Mishawaka.

## Penn coach Cory Yeoman

Penn head coach Cory Yeoman has a 200-54 record, taking over the Kingsmen Program in 2003.

Yeoman has guided Penn to semistate titles in 2017, 2015, 2011, and 2003. The Kingsmen have won nine regional crowns under Yeoman's guidance, 12 sectional titles and 17 Northern Indiana Conference championships.

Coach Yeoman played at Penn High School, earning all-state honors at defensive tackle. In 1979, Coach Yeoman led a Kingsmen defense that only allowed 33 yards rushing a game. He graduated from Penn in 1980. Coach Yeoman is in the Indiana Football Hall of Fame, the first Penn player nominated for the Hall.

After his playing career at Penn, coach Yeoman played for Miami (Ohio) University. He joined the Kingsmen coaching staff after graduation from Miami.

# GOLDRUSH



## PENN FOOTBALL DEPTH CHART

### GOLD RUSH OFFENSE

POSITION	#	STARTER (Height, Weight, Grade)	#	FIRST BACK-UP
Tight End	81	Cole Bennett (6-3, 230, Jr.)	12	Patrick Anderson (6-2, 193, Sr.)
Right Tackle	59	Aiden Deal (6-2, 230, Jr.)	71	Brody Brown (6-5, 285, Jr.)
Right Guard	56	Patrick Conery (6-2, 211, Soph.)	58	Treyton Caggiano (5-10, 211, Sr.)
Center	63	Auden Jones (6-3, 335, Sr.)	76	Charlie Henning (5-9, 271, Soph.)
Left Guard	65	Reilly Schramski (6-0, 242, Sr.)	66	Makel Ajadi (6-0, 285, Jr.)
Left Tackle	72	Neven Freitag (6-6, 242, Sr.)	78	Gavin McGee (6-5, 280, Jr.)
Split End	4	Elijah Coker (6-4, 193, Sr.)	82	Kohen Turner (6-1, 162, Jr.)
Quarterback	6	Nolan McCullough (6-3, 198, Sr.)	15	Kellen Watson (6-3, 187, Jr.)
Running back	22	Jake Balis (5-10, 198, Sr.)	10	Malachi Evans (6-1, 191, Jr.)
Flanker	3	Kellen Watson (6-3, 187, Jr.)	14	Tayshon Bardo (6-0, 163, Soph.)
Flanker	5	Austin Eysol (6-4, 195, Sr.)	12	Ross Bodle (6-0, 173, Sr.)

### WILD BUNCH DEFENSE

POSITION	#	STARTER	#	FIRST BACK-UP
Def. End	17	Rylan Frazier (6-1, 216, Sr.)	44	Cade Stout (5-10, 210, Soph.)
Def. Tackle	9	Alan Phillips (6-0, 223, Sr.)	10	Treyton Caggiano (5-10, 211, Sr.)
Def. Tackle	52	Evan Whitten (5-10, 207, Sr.)	11	J.T. Seger (5-11, 238, Jr.)
Def. End	32	Brandon Lynch (6-2, 210, Sr.)	98	Christian Bonner (6-0, 215, Soph.)
Outside LB	21	Maverick Brown (6-1, 209, Sr.)	37	Brandon Termont (5-9, 165, Jr.)
Inside LB	8	Jackson Griffith (6-0, 214, Sr.)	43	Wilson Thomas (5-10, 187, Jr.)
Inside LB	42	Tommy Powlus (6-1, 207, Sr.)	27	Ryan O'Connell (6-2, 195, Sr.)
Strong Safety	7	Vinny Freeman (5-11, 190, Soph.)	26	David DePalma (5-9, 151, Jr.)
Corner	2	Vince Horner (5-9, 157, Sr.)	20	Cam Anderson (5-10, 155, Sr.)
Free Safety	1	Taylor Bauer (6-0, 189, Sr.)	23	Joey DePalma (5-9, 151, Jr.)
Corner	11	Dominic Bonner (6-3, 178, Sr.)	25	Nate Batchelor (5-11, 152, Sr.)

### SPECIAL FORCES

Punter	5	Austin Eysol (6-4, 195, Sr.)		
PAT kicker	95	Dylan DeDario (5-10, 140, Jr.)		
Kickoffs	95	Dylan DeDario (5-10, 140, Jr.)		
Punt returner	3	Kellen Watson (6-3, 187, Jr.)		
Punt returner	14	Tayshon Barso (6-0, 163, Soph.)		
Kickoff returner	22	Tayshon Barso (6-0, 163, Soph.)		
Kickoff returner	3	Kellen Watson (6-3, 187, Jr.)		
Kickoff returner	4	Elijah Coker (6-4, 193, Sr.)		
FG/XP snapper	59	Aiden Deal (6-2, 230, Jr.)		
Holder	5	Austin Eysol (6-4, 195, Sr.)		

## **DUAL THREAT**

Penn Senior Quarterback Nolan McCullough (6-3, 198) has been a dual threat for the Kingsmen this season.

McCullough boasts 524 yards of total offense with 222 yards passing and 302 yards rushing. He is 15-28-2 passing for 222 yards and 1 TD. Running the ball, McCullough averages 12.1 yards a carry rushing, gaining 302 yards on 25 carries.

## **MAN OF STEAL**

Penn cornerback Vincent Horner has played Grand Theft Football this season.

Horner has three interceptions through two games.

The Kingsmen Senior picked off a pass in Penn's 38-21 victory against No. 1 (Class 5-A) Valparaiso on Aug. 18.

Against No. 7 (Class 5-A) Mishawaka, Horner intercepted two passes, including a 64-yard Pick-6.

## **EARLY TESTS**

Penn is facing its third consecutive ranked opponent when the Kingsmen travel to Indianapolis to take on perennial state powerhouse Cathedral.

The Fighting Irish are ranked No. 7 in Class 6-A.

Penn played No. 1 (Class 5-A) Valparaiso in the season opener, and then took on No. 7 (Class 5-A) Mishawaka last week in the second game of the season.

Penn is ranked No. 8 this week in Class 6-A.

## **CHAMPIONSHIP LEGACIES**

Cathedral and Penn own two of Indiana's proudest legacies in high school football.

Cathedral owns 14 State Championships in Football. The Fighting Irish last state title was in 2021 in Class 5-A.

Penn owns five State Championships in Football. The Kingsmen hoisted a state championship trophy last in 2000.

## **KINGSMEN CONNECTION**

Cathedral quarterback Danny O'Neil is the son of former Penn Football/Wrestling standout Mike O'Neil.

## **SECOND-HALF SURGE**

Penn has outscored its opponents 40-7 in the second half through its first two games of the season.

Penn trailed Valparaiso 14-12 at halftime in the season opener, but outscored the Vikings 26-7 in the second half.

Penn trailed Mishawaka 7-0 in the second game of the season, but fought back for a 14-7 halftime lead. The Kingsmen outscored Mishawaka 14-0 in the second half.

## **COLTS H.S. COACH OF THE WEEK/200 CAREER VICTORIES**

Last Friday (August 25, 2023) night's big Kingsmen win over the Mishawaka Cavemen also gave Penn Football Coach Cory Yeoman his 200th career win – making him Penn High School's second football coach to earn 200 wins. Penn is now the ONLY high school in Indiana to have two coaches meet this milestone. The first was longtime legendary Kingsmen Coach Chris Geesman (309 wins), who Coach Yeoman played under and coached with at the beginning of his career at Penn.

So it was only fitting that Hall of Famer Coach Geesman be on hand on Wednesday, Aug. 30, when the Indianapolis Colts presented Coach Yeoman with the award for Colts/NFL Coach of the Week for Week 2, presented by Corteva Agriscience, headquartered in Indianapolis. Former NFL player and current Youth Football Commissioner for the Colts, Mike Prior, presented Coach Yeoman with the award and a \$2,000 check that will go to Penn Athletic Department. Prior gave Coach Yeoman his award and check in Penn High School's Strength & Conditioning Weight Room with Penn's senior football players applauding him.

The student-athletes got a chance to hear from Prior who talked about his commitment and dedication through challenges in high school and college football, his choice to play pro football over baseball, and how it eventually paid off. Prior played for Tampa Bay Buccaneers, the Colts and the Green Bay Packers. For the Packers, he was a punt returner and a defensive back. He played in Super Bowl XXXI and XXXII. Prior showed the players one of his Super Bowl Championship rings and they had a chance to ask him questions.

On an interesting note, Prior is an assistant football coach at Cathedral High School, who Penn plays this Friday, Sept. 1, in Indianapolis. Coach Yeoman joked and asked Prior if he "wishes every team good luck this week?" Prior said that "Yes, he does!"

## NORTHERN INDIANA CONFERENCE STANDINGS

ALL TIMES EASTERN

	Conf.	Points	Opp. Points	All Games	Points	Opp. Pts.
<b>EAST-WEST DIVISION</b>						
<b>PENN</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2-0</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>28</b>
Marian	0-0	0	0	1-1	33	58
New Prairie	0-0	0	0	1-1	47	30
South Bend Adams	0-0	0	0	1-1	37	43
South Bend St. Joseph	0-0	0	0	1-1	69	36
Elkhart	0-0	0	0	0-2	35	51

<b>NORTH-SOUTH DIVISION</b>						
South Bend Riley	1-0	20	0	2-0	68	12
Bremen	1-0	41	7	1-1	51	24
Jimtown	0-0	0	0	0-2	32	69
South Bend Clay	0-0	0	0	0-2	24	83
Glenn	0-1	0	20	1-1	43	46
South Bend Washington	0-1	7	41	0-2	19	75

### Friday, Sept. 1

**PENN at Indianapolis Cathedral, 7:30 p.m.**

Indianapolis Brebeuf at Marian, 7:30 p.m.

Hammond Morton at Elkhart, 7:30 p.m.

Glenn at Angola, 7:30 p.m.

Lowell at New Prairie, 8 p.m.

Osceola Grace at Jimtown, 7 p.m.

South Bend Clay at Chicago Christian, 7:30 p.m.

South Bend Riley at South Bend Adams, 7 p.m.

South Bend Washington at South Bend St. Joseph, 7 p.m.

South Central at Bremen, 7:30 p.m.



<b>PENN KINGSMEN (2-0)</b>		
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Aug. 18	At Valparaiso	W, 38-21
Aug. 25	MISHAWAKA	W, 28-7
Sept. 1	At Indpls. Cathedral	7 p.m.
Sept. 8	HAMMOND MORTON	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 15	ELKHART	7 p.m.
Sept. 22	At Marian	7 p.m.
Sept. 29	S.B. ST. JOSEPH	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	At New Prairie	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 13	S.B. Adams	7 p.m.

<b>Indianapolis Cathedral (1-1)</b>		
<b>DATE</b>	<b>OPPONENT</b>	<b>ET</b>
Aug. 18	Lafayette Jeff	W, 55-14
Aug. 25	At Brownsburg	L, 31-45
Sept. 1	PENN	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 8	INDPLS. CHATARD	7 p.m.
Sept. 15	At Indpls. North Central	7 p.m.
Sept. 22	At Frederick Douglass (Ky.)	7 p.m.
Sept. 29	At Cincinnati LaSalle	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	At Indpls. Roncalli	7 p.m.
Oct. 13	CENTER GROVE	7 p.m.



## Penn Kingsmen Info

**State Titles:** 2000, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1983

**State Runner-up:** 2017, 2015, 2011, 2003, 1999, 1991, 1989

**Semi-State Titles:** 2017, 2015, 2011, 2003, 2000, 1999, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1991, 1989, 1983

**Regional Titles:** 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2011, 2008, 2004, 2003, 2000, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1991, 1989, 1983

**Sectional Titles:** 2021, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2011, 2008, 2007, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1991, 1989, 1987, 1983, 1979

**NIC Titles:** 2022, 2021, 2019, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1994, 1993, 1992, 1991, 1990, 1989, 1988, 1987, 1986, 1984, 1983, 1982, 1979, 1978.

**Stadium:** Freed Field (capacity 8,000)

**Enrollment:** 3,600

**Class:** 6-A

## Penn yearly records

2022: 7-3 2021: 6-6 2020: 5-5 2019: 6-5 2018: 8-3 2017: 12-2 2016: 12-1 2015: 12-2 2014: 12-1 2013: 12-1 2012: 9-2 2011: 14-1 2010: 7-5 2009: 10-2 2008: 10-4 2007: 12-1 2006: 9-3 2005: 10-3 2004: 12-2 2003: 13-2 2002: 12-1 2001: 11-2 2000: 14-1 1999: 13-2 1998: 13-1 1997: 14-1 1996: 13-1 1995: 14-0 1994: 10-1 1993: 10-1 1992: 10-1 1991: 13-1 1990: 9-1 1989: 13-1 1988: 10-1 1987: 11-1 1986: 10-1 1985: 7-3 1984: 9-2 1983: 14-0 1982: 9-2 1981: 7-3 1980: 5-5 1979: 11-1 1978: 10-1 1977: 7-3	1975: 10-1 1974: 8-2 1973: 5-5 1972: 0-10 1971: 3-7 1970: 0-9-1 1969: 1-9 1968: 3-7 1967: 4-4-1 1966: 3-7 1965: 4-5-1 1964: 5-4-1 1963: 8-2 1962: 5-4-1 1961: 6-4 1960: 2-4-3 1959: 8-2 1958: 3-5
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### PENN KINGSMEN COACHING HISTORY

Tenure	Name	W-L record	Pct.
2003-	Cory Yeoman	200-54	.785
1973-2002	Chris Geesman	310-48	.866
1970-1972	Roger Reynolds	3-26-1	.117
1965-1969	Bob Ward	20-36-2	.362
1964	Ron Meyer	5-4-1	.555
1958-1963	Dale O'Connell	32-21-4	.596

## Penn Kingsmen all-time series records vs. opponents

Anderson Highland	1-0
Auburn	2-0
Brother Rice (Mich.)	3-2
Bloomington South	1-0
Bremen	1-1
Calumet	0-2
Carmel	4-7
Carroll	1-2
Center Grove	1-1
Chesterton	7-1
Concord	2-0
Crown Point	3-0
Culver Military	3-1
Decatur	1-1
East Chicago Central	2-0
East Chi. Washington	0-1
East Gary	0-1
East Noble	1-0
Elkhart	3-1
Elkhart Central	49-2
Elkhart Memorial	30-1
Evansville North	1-0
Fort Wayne Carroll	1-1
Fort Wayne Central	3-1-1
Fort Wayne Dwenger	0-1
Fort Wayne North Side	3-2
Fort Wayne Northrop	6-0
Fort Wayne Snider	9-8
Fort Wayne South	3-1
Galien (Mich.)	1-1
Gary Emerson	1-0
Goshen	9-8-1
Highland	3-1
Hobart	1-1
Homestead	0-2
Homewood-Flossmoor	0-1
Howe Military	1-0
Huntington	1-2
Indianapolis Ben Davis	4-14
Indpls. Broad Ripple	1-0
Indpls. Cathedral	0-3
Indpls. North Central	1-0
Indpls. Northwest	1-1

Indpls. Warren Central	0-1
Indpls. Washington	1-0
Kendallville	1-1
Kokomo	4-1-1
Lafayette Harrison	3-1
Lafayette Jefferson	3-0
Lake Central	5-0
LaPorte	11-4
Lorain (Ohio) King	1-0
Marian	10-8
Merrillville	8-3
Michigan City	6-0
Michigan City Elston	15-5
Mishawaka	49-15-1
Muncie North	1-0
New Carlisle	4-1-2
New Prairie	3-2
Noblesville	1-0
O.L. St. Mary's (Mich.)	3-1
Peru	1-1
Plymouth	2-2-1
Portage	10-0
Richmond	1-1
River Forest	2-0
Saginaw (Mich.)	1-0
Saint Ignatius (Ohio)	0-2
Saint Xavier (Ohio)	0-3
South Bend Adams	46-2
South Bend Central	1-0
South Bend Clay	45-8
South Bend Jackson	0-8
South Bend LaSalle	24-7
South Bend Riley	35-7
South Bend St. Joseph	21-16
S.B. Washington	32-1
St. Joseph (Mich.)	5-0
Toledo Cent. Catholic	1-1
Valparaiso	27-10
Warsaw	13-1
Washington-Clay	3-0-1
West Lafayette	2-0



**Game 1:  
Aug. 18, 2023**

**PENN 38, Valparaiso 21  
At Valparaiso High School**

Penn High's Football team stormed back in the second half to punch Class 5-A No. 1 and defending state champion Valparaiso, 38-21, in the 2023 season opener on Friday, Aug. 20.

Valparaiso led the visiting Kingsmen 14-12 at halftime.

Penn re-focused and battled back in the second half, outscoring Valparaiso 26-7.

Quarterback Nolan McCullough scored three touchdowns on runs of 30, 80 and 15 yards. He gained 187 yards on 15 carries.

McCullough was also 8-12-1 passing for 215 yards.

Jake Balis scored on TD runs of 80, five and seven yards. Balis gained 114 yards on 15 carries.

Ryan O'Connell and Vincent Horner each picked off passes in the second half for the Kingsmen. Horner sprinted for a 24-yard return, and O'Connell returned his pick three yards.

Camden Anderson turned in a thrilling 38-yard punt return for Penn.

#### KINGSMEN SCORING:

TD – Nolan McCullough 30 run (PAT failed)

TD – Jake Balis 80 run (PAT failed)

TD – Jake Balis 5 run (PAT failed)

TD – Nolan McCullough 80 run (Dylan DeDario kick)

TD – Nolan McCullough 11 run (Dylan DeDario kick)

TD – Jake Balis 7 run (PAT failed)

#### Valpo scoring:

TD – Justin Clark 3 run (Drayden Wilcox kick)

TD – Scotty Bradney 35 pass from Clark (Drayden Wilcox kick)

TD – Julian Stokes pass from Clark (Drayden Wilcox kick)

#### STATS

Penn	Valpo	
First downs	15	13
Passing	8-12-1	5-12-2

Yards passing	215	134
Yards rushing	301	124
Fumbles lost	0	0
Punts	5-32	6-32

**Game 2:  
Aug. 25, 2023**

**PENN 28, Mishawaka 7  
At Everwise Freed Field, Penn High School**

Penn football celebrating the return of the fabled “Backyard Brawl” with a dominating performance as the Kingsmen overpowered Mishawaka, 28-7.

Penn (2-0) entered the battle ranked No. 9 in Class 6-A. Mishawaka (1-1) was ranked No. 7 in Class 5-A.

The victory gives the Kingsmen a 49-15-1 lead in the intense neighborhood rivalry. The series was on pause since 2019 due to scheduling issues as Mishawaka transitioned to the Northern Lakes Conference from the Northern Indiana Conference.

Mishawaka scored on its first possession, and then the Kingsmen reeled off 28 unanswered points.

Kingsmen quarterback Nolan McCullough sprinted for 92 yards rushing on 10 carries, including a 54-yard TD run. He was 6-15-1 passing for 65 yards, including a 5-yard TD strike to Elijah Coker.

Jake Balis rushed for 80 yards on 15 carries, and scored an eight-yard TD.

Vincent Horner highlighted the Kingsmen defensive effort with two interceptions, returning one of his picks for a 64-yard touchdown.

Tommy Powlus made eight tackles, and Jackson Griffith and Brandon Lynch made seven tackles each.