

# Saints Game day

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## HOMECOMING

Van Diest returns to Carroll

SATURDAY'S MATCHUP: Carroll College vs MSU-Northern, 2 p.m.

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## FRONTIER CONFERENCE FOOTBALL

# Carroll now No. 3 as it moves up Power Poll

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During the first three weeks of the NAIA football season, one team has been standing out.

The No. 11 College of Idaho has rolled through the Frontier Conference and nearly cracked the top 10 in this week's NAIA Football Coaches Poll with three straight wins.

That is not to say some teams haven't focused their sights on the Yotes.

Parity has been a common theme out on the Frontier, and this season, it looks like some are hoping that might happen again.

Let's take a look, shall we?

Agree or disagree? Let me know on Twitter at @rskuhn

## 1. College of Idaho (3-0, 3-0 Frontier)

There is no question that the Yotes are the team to beat.

After muscling through Eastern Oregon and Montana Tech in their first two games, COI narrowly escaped its home field with a 41-38 win.

That isn't to say that the Yotes didn't play well.

COI quarterback and Frontier Conference Offensive Player of the Year hopeful Darius-James Peterson finished with 258 passing yards and found a new favorite receiver in Hunter Juarez.

Juarez caught six passes for 135 yards and a touchdown to keep the Yotes' season unblemished.

Can they keep it going? Who is going to stop them?

*Next up: BYE*

## 2. Montana Western (2-0, 2-0 Frontier)

Montana Western had no problem in their first road game of 2019.

Of course, it was against Montana State Northern in Havre, but the Bulldogs made a statement.

Montana Western quarterback



Carroll's defense shuts down Rocky's Colton Williams at the 1 yard line during Saturday's game at Nelson Stadium. The Saints rolled past the Battlin' Bears 44-7.

Jon Jund is looking to challenge Peterson for the Frontier Conference Player of the Year award as he threw for 355 yards and three touchdowns.

Wide receiver Trey Mounts is also now leading the conference with 128 receiving yards per game.

Not that it should overshadow his three touchdown receptions.

Montana Western marketing might have struck gold with the Jund-Mounts connection campaign.

Let's just see if it continues.

*Next up: at Rocky Mountain*

## 3. Carroll College (1-1, 1-1 Frontier)

There was a trio of 1-1 Frontier teams in the standings this week, but Carroll College gets the nod.

Why? Because no one expected last week's result.

In coach Troy Purcell's first home game, he takes it to No. 23 Rocky Mountain 44-7.

This was the same team that was picked to finish seventh out of the eight teams.

Add to that a freshman runningback who scored four touchdowns and a redshirt freshman

quarterback who leads the Saints.

If they keep this up, Carroll just might be the story of the year.

*Next up: vs. Montana State Northern*

## 4. Montana Tech (1-1, 1-1 Frontier)

Much like Carroll, Montana Tech didn't like the way its season started.

So it took it out on Eastern Oregon.

The Orediggers marched into La Grande, Oregon led by senior Jed Fike and ran all over the

Mountaineers.

Fike single handedly out-rushed Eastern Oregon, finishing with 167 yards on the ground and scoring three touchdowns.

Montana Tech also added a pair of touchdown passes from quarterback Jet Campbell.

Get those two weapons working together and the Orediggers will keep digging their way to the top.

See what I did there?

*Next up: vs. Southern Oregon*

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## Rankings

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### 5. Rocky Mountain (2-1, 1-1 Frontier)

Everything was going great for Rocky Mountain football.

It knocked off No. 9 Dickinson State on the road.

It finally found its quarterback in Drew Korf to replace Jacob Bakken.

That was until it walked into Carroll College on Saturday.

The Battlin' Bears did not do much batting on Saturday losing to the Saints 44-7.

Korf struggled throwing three interceptions.

Not only does Rocky need a big week to rebound, but it also needs to find out who its quarterback will be for the future.

*Next up: vs. Montana Western*

### 6. Eastern Oregon (1-2, 1-2 Frontier)

It was Robert Louis Stevenson who wrote the infamous book the "Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde."

If Stevenson was a college football fan he could have written a sequel called the Strange Case of the Eastern Oregon Mountaineers.

You don't know what you are going to get week to week.

Eastern Oregon lost big to College of Idaho in week one, but came back to defeat Southern Oregon and then lost big to Montana Tech.

What's going to happen this week? A massive upset?

Mountaineers coach Tim Camp said he was revamping the offense and the defense this season, but it looks like it still needs some work.

Eastern Oregon travels to Portland State to play up. An upset seems unlikely, but crazier things have happened.

*Next up: at Portland State*

### 7. Montana State Northern (1-2, 0-2 Frontier)

It looked like there might

have been hope for Montana State Northern fans after its first week when it traveled and upset Arizona Christian.

But after three weeks, I think the Lights have gone out.

Okay, I'll stop with the puns. Montana State Northern struggled for the second straight week, this time losing to Montana Western 38-13.

The Lights had no running game, they coughed up the ball and quarterback Brandon Medina threw two interceptions.

It might be another long season in Havre but, on the bright side, Montana State Northern needs just one more win to double its win total from last season.

Just don't look for that win to come this week. The Saints have momentum.

*Next up: at Carroll*

### 8. Southern Oregon (0-3, 0-2 Frontier)

It's hard to imagine that Southern Oregon would still be looking for its first win three weeks into the season.

Unfortunately, things are not going well in Ashland.

After getting blown out by NCAA FCS Sacramento State in week 1, the Raiders had two close losses.

A positive has been that Wyatt Hutchinson has led his team not only in rushing, but passing as well.

And he looked pretty sharp against College of Idaho, finishing with 448 total yards and three touchdowns.

That said, wins define seasons; great individual performances do not.

A win these next two weeks is crucial. Otherwise they should start looking at next season.

*Next up: at Montana Tech*

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## FRONTIER CONFERENCE LEADERS

### TOTAL OFFENSE PER GAME

Name	School	Games	Rush	Pass	Total	Yds/Gm
Jund, Jon	Montana Western	2	33	711	744	372.0
Hutchinson, Wyatt	Southern Oregon	3	176	831	1007	335.7
Bridgewater, Devan	Carroll (Mont.)	2	91	556	647	323.5
Medina, Brenden	Montana State-Nort.	3	17	755	772	257.3
Peterson, Darius-James	College of Idaho SR	3	195	521	716	238.7
Quinn, Kai	Eastern Oregon	3	38	581	619	206.3
Korf, Drew	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	1	610	611	203.7
Campbell, Jet	Montana Tech	2	-22	358	336	168.0
Calzaretta, Nick	College of Idaho	3	465	0	465	155.0
Fike, Jed	Montana Tech	2	268	0	268	134.0
Burgess, Matthew	Carroll (Mont.)	2	259	0	259	129.5
Sparks, Sam	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	232	0	232	77.3
Dick, Nathan	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	35	184	219	73.0
Ali, Major	Carroll (Mont.)	2	110	0	110	55.0
Prante, Kylar	Montana Western	2	105	0	105	52.5

### RUSHING PER GAME

Name	School	Games	Rush	Yards	Avg.	TD	Yds/Gm
Calzaretta, Nick	College of Idaho	3	60	465	7.8	4	155.0
Fike, Jed	Montana Tech SR	2	51	268	5.3	4	134.0
Burgess, Matthew	Carroll (Mont.)	2	36	259	7.2	4	129.5
Sparks, Sam	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	47	232	4.9	1	77.3
Peterson, Darius-James	College of Idaho	3	43	195	4.5	2	65.0
Hutchinson, Wyatt	Southern Oregon	3	44	176	4.0	3	58.7
Ali, Major	Carroll (Mont.)	2	30	110	3.7	1	55.0
Prante, Kylar	Montana Western	2	23	105	4.6	0	52.5
Bridgewater, Devan	Carroll (Mont.)	2	12	91	7.6	1	45.5
Garzoli, Dominic	College of Idaho	3	22	105	4.8	1	35.0
Taylor, Cameron	Montana State-Northern	3	21	100	4.8	0	33.3
Williams, Colton	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	19	99	5.2	0	33.0
Robertson, Jett	Montana State-Northern	3	29	97	3.3	0	32.3
Dias, Victor	Eastern Oregon	3	30	97	3.2	0	32.3
Hellyer, Justin	College of Idaho SR	3	14	93	6.6	2	31.0

### PASSING PER GAME

Name	School	Games	ATT	Comp	Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Avg
Jund, Jon	Montana Western	2	68	42	1	0.618	711	7	355.5
Bridgewater, Devan	Carroll (Mont.)	2	63	30	1	0.476	556	3	278.0
Hutchinson, Wyatt	Southern Oregon	3	106	68	6	0.642	831	5	277.0
Medina, Brenden	Montana State-Northern	3	130	65	7	0.500	755	7	251.7
Korf, Drew	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	87	45	4	0.517	610	6	203.3
Quinn, Kai	Eastern Oregon	3	110	55	7	0.500	581	2	193.7
Campbell, Jet	Montana Tech	2	43	26	0	0.605	358	3	179.0
Peterson, Darius-James	College of Idaho	3	54	34	1	0.630	521	4	173.7
Dick, Nathan	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	32	16	1	0.500	184	3	61.3

### RECEIVING PER GAME

Name	School	Games	Rec	Yards	Avg/Catch	Yds/Gm
Mounts, Trey	Montana Western	2	11	256	23.3	128.0
Hoffman, Trevor	Montana Tech	2	14	213	15.2	106.5
Kraft, Josh	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	16	294	18.4	98.0
Sipes, Shane	Carroll (Mont.)	2	10	187	18.7	93.5
Juarez, Hunter	College of Idaho	3	9	261	29.0	87.0
McKittrick, Walker	Montana Western	2	10	169	16.9	84.5
Overton, Lucas	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	19	244	12.8	81.3
Suell, Jordan	Southern Oregon	3	11	237	21.5	79.0
Simkins, Nate	Montana Western	2	10	147	14.7	73.5
Graney, Christian	Southern Oregon	3	19	181	9.5	60.3
Cual-Davis, Damari	Montana State-Northern	3	17	170	10.0	56.7
Williams Jr., Marvin	Montana State-Northern	3	12	163	13.6	54.3
Collins, Tony	Carroll (Mont.)	2	5	107	21.4	53.5
Wilkerson, Saige	Eastern Oregon	3	11	151	13.7	50.3
Thomas, Isaiah	Eastern Oregon	3	13	134	10.3	44.7

### INTERCEPTIONS

Name	School	Games	Yds	TD	Int/Game	Int
Chisley Jr., Michael	Southern Oregon	3	3	73	1	1.0
Riley, Hunter	Montana State-Northern	3	2	16	0	0.7
Jacobs, Zackary	Eastern Oregon	3	2	22	0	0.7
Henderson, Jimmy	Rocky Mountain (Mont.) SR	3	2	6	0	0.7
McGree, Nate	Carroll (Mont.)	2	1	22	0	0.5
Kvech, Matt	Carroll (Mont.)	2	1	0	0	0.5
Mouso, Daniel	Montana Western	2	1	0	0	0.5

Orme, Mitch	Montana Western	2	1	2	0	0.5
Spiroff, Zach	Carroll (Mont.)	2	1	0	0	0.5
Forrest III, August	Southern Oregon	3	1	0	0	0.3
Maxwell, Robert	Montana State-Northern	3	1	0	0	0.3
Brusven, Wyatt	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	1	0	0	0.3
Tia, John	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	1	-10	0	0.3
Hunter, Tim	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	1	15	0	0.3
Reynolds, Ty	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	1	20	0	0.3
Hardin, Taeson	College of Idaho	3	1	53	0	0.3

### TACKLES PER GAME

Name	School	Games	UA	A	Total	Avg/G
Ferris, Jason	Montana Western	2	14	10	24	12.0
Crown, Collin	Southern Oregon	3	18	11	29	9.7
Kuratli, Nate	Southern Oregon	3	22	6	28	9.3
Pinz, Payton	Montana Western	2	8	10	18	9.0
Myers, Carter	Montana Tech	2	6	12	18	9.0
Kresge, Dylan	Carroll (Mont.)	2	7	10	17	8.5
Maki, Jaren	Montana State-Northern	3	7	17	24	8.0
Larson, Shane	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	6	16	22	7.3
Reynolds, Ty	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	17	5	22	7.3
Ford, David	College of Idaho	3	13	8	21	7.0

### SACKS

Name	School	Games	Solo	Ast	Yds	Scks/Gm	Total
Delong, Sage	Eastern Oregon	3	3	0	3.0	22.0	1.0
Aragon, James	Montana Western	2	1	1	1.5	5.0	0.8
Nebel, Chad	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	2	0	2.0	4.0	0.7
Clark-Gammell	Landon College of Idaho	3	2	0	2.0	17.0	0.7
Jenkins, Shadarius	Montana State-Northern	3	2	0	2.0	4.0	0.7
Hibbs, Dakota	Eastern Oregon	3	2	0	2.0	9.0	0.7
Windauer, Ben	Montana Tech	2	1	0	1.0	6.0	0.5
Artz, Reese	Montana Western	2	1	0	1.0	8.0	0.5
Carnahan, Graham	College of Idaho	3	1	1	1.5	6.0	0.5
Thomson, John	Carroll (Mont.)	2	1	0	1.0	0.0	0.5
Sexe, Payton	Carroll (Mont.)	2	1	0	1.0	0.0	0.5
Kein, Craig	Carroll (Mont.)	2	1	0	1.0	3.0	0.5

### FIELD GOALS

Name	School	Games	FGA	Pct	Avg	FG
Dayak, Troy	Montana State-Northern	3	4	6	0.667	1.3
Brusven, Wyatt	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	3	5	0.600	1.0
Kennedy, Graycen	Southern Oregon	3	3	7	0.429	1.0
Mitchell, Kyle	College of Idaho SR	3	3	3	1.000	1.0
Kharchenko, Mark	Montana Western JR	2	2	2	1.000	1.0
Kraft, Josh	Carroll (Mont.)	2	2	2	1.000	1.0
Machuca, Jaiden	Eastern Oregon JR	3	2	2	1.000	0.7
Padilla, Tyler	Montana Tech JR	2	0	2	0.000	0.0

### PUNTING

Name	School	Games	Punts	Yds	Avg
Nunez, Nik	Montana Tech	2	9	400	44.4
Machuca, Jaiden	Eastern Oregon JR	3	9	372	41.3
Lema, Joseph	Montana Western	2	6	247	41.2
Contreras Jr., Craig	Southern Oregon	3	12	489	40.8
Kvech, Matt	Carroll (Mont.)	2	8	313	39.1
Lambert, Spencer	College of Idaho	3	11	421	38.3
Riley, Hunter	Montana State-Northern	3	19	659	34.7
Brusven, Wyatt	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	8	215	26.9

### PUNT RETURNS

Name	School	Games	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg
Mounts, Trey	Montana Western	2	4	44	0	11.0
Kraft, Josh	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	6	47	0	7.8
Huebner, Tony	College of Idaho	3	9	66	0	7.3
Harrison, Jaden	Carroll (Mont.)	2	3	17	0	5.7
Wooley-Steele, Alec	Montana Tech	2	3	10	0	3.3

### KICK OFF RETURNS

Name	School	Games	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg
Henderson, Jimmy	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	4	128	0	32.0
Taylor, Cameron	Montana State-Northern	3	9	202	0	22.4
Zeke, Tanner	Eastern Oregon JR	3	8	174	0	21.8
Chisley Jr., Michael	Southern Oregon	3	5	108	0	21.6
Huebner, Tony	College of Idaho	3	6	129	0	21.5
Harmer, Naoki	Montana Tech	2	5	83	0	16.6
Sparks, Sam	Rocky Mountain (Mont.)	3	7	93	0	13.3

# Former Carroll College football coach Mike Van Diest values family, football

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HELENA — Mike Van Diest is passionate about many things.

He loves Carroll College football.

He knows there is always time to share a memory or brag on one of his former players.

He loves the University of Wyoming.

He isn't afraid to chat up strangers about the Pokes.

He might even tell you he loves hockey.

He fancies himself an average skater.

But the one thing he is most passionate about never changes.

Family.

Throughout a span of four decades, Van Diest coached college football. He has been a position coach, an assistant head coach and was the head coach of Carroll College.

He has accumulated 203 wins total wins as a head coach, won 14 Frontier Conference titles and brought home six NAIA National Championships to Carroll.

Van Diest did this all while giving his players and coaches the sense of a second family.

"I told my players all the time that I loved them just like I love my own sons," Van Diest said. "There are times where I told them, 'I don't like you and I know there are times you don't like me, but that's family.'"

He was a father figure that the players admired.

"He is always going to be coach to me," said Van Diest's former player Alex Kastens, who now coaches the offensive line at Carroll. "He has definitely been a role model figure and a man I want to become."

Kastens is just one of the 40 former players that followed in Van Diest's footsteps on being



FILE PHOTO

Carroll College head coach Mike Van Diest holds up his sixth NAIA National Championship trophy after defeating the University of Sioux Falls in the 2010 title game.

a football coach. Now they are teaching players life lessons and family values through football.

## COMING HOME

Van Diest was born and grew up in East Helena, seven miles away from Carroll College.

But while his friends looked to become Saints, Van Diest had his eyes on another school.

"I wanted to go to the University

of Wyoming," Van Diest said. "You only had one or two TV channels back in those days. "Wyoming was in the old Skyline Conference and they used to beat the heck out of Montana. I don't think they ever lost."

After graduating from Wyoming he quickly got into coaching and became an assistant coach.

He stopped at the University of Montana, UMass and Northwest-

ern before returning to Wyoming 13 years later.

He was happy to be back at his alma mater until the opportunity to come home was presented to him.

Carroll finally came knocking in 1999.

"I watched all the players who played there over the years while going to high school at Helena Central Catholic," Van Diest said. "I loved Carroll football. This was college football to me."

Van Diest knew that Carroll didn't have the pomp and circumstance of an NCAA Division I university like Wyoming.

The games weren't going to be nationally televised. There was no ESPN College Game Day on campus, but he knew football felt the same no matter where he was going to be.

And he was home.

"People can make it what they want, this is a great college town," Van Diest said. "I loved coaching here and I love living here."

Little did people know that he would soon put Carroll football on the map.

## A DYNASTY IS BORN

Van Diest started to build a team and sought out just the right players.

He said he wanted to recruit players that you would want to be in a room with.

So he set out and traveled though Montana, Wyoming and parts of Idaho to build a roster.

"There were a lot of guys that had been overlooked by bigger schools for some reason," Van Diest said. "But we didn't overlook them. We were lucky to have great players."

It didn't take long before his new family of players began to work together and the wins started piling up.

Players like tight end Casey FitzSimmons and quarterback Tyler Emmert immortalized their names within the town as the Saints won four straight National Championships from 2002 to 2005.

"I really think he incorporated that family atmosphere to the players," said former Saints offensive line coach Jim Hogan. "I know at times he had players come up to his house, (his wife) Heidi would be making pies and he was always there for them."

The bond with his players became unbreakable.

Over the next six years, Van Diest and his players would enjoy two more national titles and win 93 percent of their games.

Only NCAA Division III Mount Union University and NCAA FCS North Dakota State have better winning percentages and more national titles over the course of a 10-year span.

But while the Saints were basking in the glow of victory, things started to change and Van Diest began to question his priorities.

## PUTTING FAMILY FIRST

Carroll finished the 2012 season losing in the National Semi-final to Columbias. One year later, it lost in the quarterfinals to soon-to-be champion Southern Oregon.

Over the next four years, the Saints dominance turned into consecutive losing seasons.

"I think there are always things I could have done better," Van Diest said. "I could have been a better coach the last couple of years during our tough times. When people ask, 'Why aren't you winning championships,' I think it falls onto the head coach."

In November of 2018, Van Diest

## 2019 MSU-Northern Football Roster

1 Cameron Taylor	RB	5-9	180	JR	San Mateo, Calif./College of San Mateo
2 Jett Robertson	RB	5-11	200	SR	Glendale, Ariz./Ironwood HS
3 Damari Cual-Davis	CB	6-0	175	JR	San Francisco, Calif./College of San Mateo
4 Tre' Long	QB	6-1	200	FR	Lake Stevens, Wash./Lake Stevens HS
5 Shadarius Jenkins	SS	6-2	190	JR	Atlanta, Ga./College of San Mateo
6 Jeff Tinae	DB	5-11	170	SO	Seattle, Wash./Kennedy Catholic HS
7 Wylie Novak	DB	6-1	182	JR	Cut Bank, Mont./Cut Bank HS
8 Morgan McCrary	DB	5-10	195	SR	Las Vegas, Nev./Arizona Western College
10 Oakley Kopp	QB	6-3	185	FR	West Jordan, Utah/West Jordan HS
11 Robert Maxwell	DB	5-11	180	JR	Moreno Valley, Calif./Chaffey College
12 Brenden Medina	QB	6-2	215	FR	Sebastopol, Calif./Analy HS
13 Hunter Lane	WR	6-2	190	JR	Payson, Ariz./Ottawa University
14 Bryce Bumgardner	WR	6-2	185	SR	Saint Helens, Ore./Saint Helens HS
15 Japerri Powell	RB	5-9	175	FR	Orlando, Fla./Dr. Phillips HS
16 Jake Horner	WR	5-10	175	FR	Great Falls, Mont./C.M. Russel HS
19 Marvin Williams	WR	5-8	160	JR	Tacoma, Wash./Emerald Ridge HS
20 Caleb Knoche	DB	6-0	190	SO	Forsyth, Mont./Forsyth HS
21 Roman Conder	DB	5-9	176	FR	Boise, Idaho/Cole Valley Christian HS
22 Kyle Jacklich	RB	6-0	190	FR	Modesto, Calif./Central Catholic HS
24 Basie Destefanis	DB	6-1	195	SR	Fresno, Calif./Cabrillo College
25 Isaiah Eubanks	DB	5-11	195	FR	Kirkland, Wash./Juanita HS
26 Ostin Welch	DB	6-2	175	SO	Malta, Mont./Malta HS
27 Joshua Rose	DB	6-0	165	FR	Las Vegas, Nev./Cheyenne HS
28 Conner Crawford	TE	6-0	215	JR	Missoula, Mont./Sentinel HS
29 Hunter Riley	DB	5-10	186	FR	Bakersfield, Calif./Liberty High School
30 Sam Sanders	LB	6-0	225	FR	El Dorado Hills, Calif./Oak Ridge HS
31 Jake Norby	LB	6-3	210	JR	Chinook, Mont./Chinook HS
32 Gunnar Landrum	LB	5-10	190	FR	Kalispell, Mont./Flathead HS
33 Andrez Trahan-Proctor	RB	5-9	195	SO	Kirkland, Wash./Juanita HS
34 Devariej Criss	DB	5-6	160	JR	Tacoma, Wash./Stadium HS
35 Derante Lemelle	DL	6-0	255	JR	San Francisco, Calif./Sierra college
37 Cody Lucke	LB	5-11	215	SR	Browning, Mont./Browning HS
38 Landon Duffy	TE	6-5	185	FR	Vaughn, Mont./Simms HS
39 Donte Simpkins	DB	5-9	170	FR	Bronx, N.Y./Gardendale HS
41 Max Struss	LB	6-2	210	FR	Calgary, Alb. Can./Bishop Grandin HS
42 Dylan Wampler	LB	6-1	220	FR	Peoria, Ariz./Centennial HS
43 Clayton Watterson	LB	5-10	210	FR	Vacaville, Calif./Vacaville HS
44 Titus Pulliam	OL	6-4	195	FR	Mesa, Ariz./Red Mountain HS
45 Michael Ulugalu	LB	5-8	197	FR	Seattle, Wash./O'Dea HS
46 Troy Dayak	K/P	6-4	195	JR	Tracy, Calif./Modesto Junior College
47 Jaren Maki	LB	6-2	225	JR	Belt, Mont./Belt HS
48 Lane Allen	LB	5-10	170	FR	Harlem, Mont./Harlem HS
49 Chase Gilbert	LB	6-1	215	SO	Spokane Valley, Wash./Central Valley HS
50 Ian Sparrow	DE	6-0	215	JR	Mesa, Ariz./Chandler HS
52 Ronnie Chavez	OL	6-2	265	JR	Missoula, Mont./Hellgate HS
53 Darius Alexander-Jones II	OL	6-3	290	SR	Gilroy, Calif./Minot State University
54 Joshua Hutchins	OL	6-1	285	FR	Puyallup, Wash./Rogers HS
55 Justin Pfeifer	DT	6-0	285	JR	Cut Bank, Mont./Cut Bank HS
56 Trenton Woodward	OL	6-5	275	SR	Three Forks, Mont./Three Forks HS
57 Gaije Blackwell	LB	5-10	200	FR	Power, Mont./Power HS
58 Joe Fehr	DE	6-3	230	JR	Eureka, Mont./Lincoln County HS
59 Tristin Willis	OL	6-5	280	FR	Mount Vernon, Wash./Mount Vernon HS
60 Daunte Janikula	OL	6-6	230	FR	Great Falls, Mont./Great Falls HS

61 Cody Walburn	OL	5-10	240	FR	Bonney Lake, Wash./Bonney Lake HS
62 Mathew Weeden	OL	5-11	294	FR	Lewistown, Mont./Fergus HS
63 Mavrick McKinlay	DL	6-3	250	FR	Geraldine, Mont./Geraldine HS
66 Colter Czymoniak	DL	6-0	260	FR	Eureka, Mont./Lincoln County HS
67 Trevor Yuhas	OL	6-0	295	FR	Great Falls, Mont./Great Falls Catholic HS
68 Carson Caya	OL	6-0	265	SO	Tolmie, Wash./San Joaquin Delta College
69 Michael Ayers	DE	6-3	180	FR	Highwood, Mont./Highwood-Geraldine HS
71 Spencer Kolody	OL	6-3	287	FR	Fort Qu'Appelle, SK, Can./Bert Fox HS
74 Talaifeii Malae	OL	6-4	365	FR	Seattle, Wash./Todd Beamer HS
75 Bradley Mattauch	OL	6-1	300	JR	Newark, Calif./San Joaquin Delta College
79 Mason Peterson	OL	5-11	260	FR	Trabaco Canyon, Calif./Mission Viejo HS
80 Jared Eisenbarth	TE	6-1	210	SO	Woodinville, Wash./Woodinville HS
81 Keagan Stroop	WR	5-10	160	SO	Belt, Mont./Belt HS
82 Aaron Wise	WR	5-10	175	JR	Vallejo, Calif./Yuba College
83 James Gilham	WR	5-10	172	FR	Browning, Mont./Browning HS
84 Cal Holgate	WR	5-9	180	FR	Manhattan, Mont./Minot State University
85 Kaden Wills	WR	5-8	170	FR	Kalispell, Mont./Flathead HS
86 Levi Keltner	TE	6-6	220	FR	Anacortes, Wash./Anacortes HS
87 Vere Waqaituinayau	FB	5-9	238	JR	San Mateo, Calif./College of San Mateo
88 Tre Rapp	TE	6-5	170	FR	Colorado Springs, Col./Sand Creek HS
89 Kaleb Johnson	TE	6-3	208	FR	Fort Shaw, Mont./Simms HS
90 Zavier Baldwin	DL	6-2	245	FR	Kirkland, Wash./Juanita HS
91 Sabastian Bright	DL	6-0	300	JR	Los Angeles, Calif./West LA College
92 Joey Quitugua II	DE	6-0	225	FR	Boise, Idaho/Capital HS
94 BJ Hatcher	DL	6-4	230	SO	Laurel, Mont./Laurel HS
95 Trendae Umi-Tuato'o	DL	5-11	290	SO	Auburn, Wash./Auburn Riverside HS
99 Pat Hammond	DE	6-3	235	FR	Kalispell, Mont./Flathead HS

### Coaching Staff

Head Coach: Andrew Rolin

Defensive Coordinator: Jake Chestnut

Offensive line Coach: CJ Robertson

Defensive line: Blake Wilson

Running Back/ Tight Ends Coach: Sam Mix

Defensive Backs/Special Teams Coordinator: Jake Crain

Wide Receiver Coach: John Kocurek

Cornerbacks Coach: Tommy Wilson

## Frontier Conference Standings and Schedule

	Conference	Overall
College of Idaho	3-0	3-0
Montana Western	2-0	2-0
Carroll College	1-1	1-1
Rocky Mountain	1-1	2-1
Montana Tech	1-1	1-1
Eastern Oregon	1-2	1-2
MSU-Northern	0-2	1-2
Southern Oregon	0-2	0-3

### Saturday Sept. 14

College of Idaho 41, Southern Oregon 38

Carroll College 44, Rocky Mountain 7

Montana Western 38, MSU-Northern 13

Montana Tech 35, Eastern Oregon 10

### Saturday, Sept. 21

MSU-Northern at Carroll College, 12 p.m.

Southern Oregon at Montana Tech, 1 p.m.

Montana Western at Rocky Mountain, 1 p.m.

Eastern Oregon at Portland State, 2 p.m.

## 2019 Carroll College Football Roster

#	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown / High school	#	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown / High school
2	Micah Ans	DB	5-11	165	So.	Billings, Mont. / Billings Senior HS	71	Alex Hoffman	OL	6-6	295	Jr.	Draper, Utah / Juan Diego HS
3	Major Ali	RB	5-7	200	Sr.	Gig Harbor, Wash. / Peninsula HS	72	Preston Johnson	OL	6-4	295	Sr.	Ramona, Calif. / Ramona HS
3	Duncan Kraft	RB	5-11	185	Fr.	Billings, Mont. / Billings Central HS	74	Anthony Donofrio	OL	6-4	285	Jr.	Coeur D' Alene, Idaho / Lake City HS
4	Isazah King	CB	6-1	185	Sr.	Hidden Valley, Calif. / Lower Lake HS	77	Chris Rabideau	OL	6-2	240	Fr.	Everett, Wash. / Cascade HS
4	Camron Rothie	WR	5-9	160	Fr.	Hamilton, Mont. / Hamilton HS	79	Jacob Clark	OL	6-4	275	R-So.	Bonney Lake, Wash. / Sumner HS
5	Joe Farris	WR	6-1	195	Jr.	Meridian, Idaho / Mountain View HS	80	Cayden Loveland	WR	6-3	185	Fr.	Gooding, Idaho / Gooding HS
6	Shane Sipes	WR	6-2	195	Jr.	Newbury Park, Calif. / Newbury Park HS	81	Matt McGinley	DB	5-11	180	So.	Helena, Mont. / Capital HS
7	Brian FauntLeRoy	DB	6-1	200	Jr.	Whitefish, Mont. / Whitefish HS	82	Anthony Olmes	WR	5-11	185	R-So.	Vallejo, Calif. / St.Patrick/St. Vincent HS
8	Colin Sassano	LB	6-0	215	R-So.	Helena, Mont. / Capital HS	83	Brooklyn Demars	WR	5-10	180	Fr.	Bozeman, Mont. / Bozeman HS
9	Bobby Cade Mornhinweg	WR	6-2	195	So.	Brooklandville, Md. / St. Paul's HS	83	William Noce-Sheldon	WR	6-0	190	Sr.	Camas, Wash. / Seton Catholic HS
10	Ryan Daggett	QB	6-2	185	Fr.	Ripon, Calif. / Ripon HS	84	Tony Collins	TE	6-4	225	So.	Forth Worth, Texas / Southwest HS
11	Devan Bridgewater	QB	5-11	185	So.	Eagle, Idaho / Eagle HS	85	Matt Culpon	TE	6-3	230	So.	Helena, Mont. / Helena HS
12	Jaden Harrison	WR	5-11	182	So.	St. George, Utah / Dixie HS	86	Kyle Pierce	WR	6-3	210	Jr.	Nampa, Idaho / Skyview HS
13	Kolby Killoy	QB	6-1	190	Jr.	Pasco, Wash. / Pasco HS	87	Jordan Martin	WR	6-0	160	R-So.	Yakima, Wash. / La Salle HS
13	Zach Sullivan	QB	6-2	170	Fr.	Salem, Ore. / North Salem HS	88	Luke Jensen	WR	6-0	185	Fr.	Anaconda, Mont. / Butte Central HS
14	Cyle Watts	DB	6-2	190	Jr.	Tampa, Florida / Alonso HS	88	Sam Stratton	TE	6-6	265	Sr.	Spokane, Wash. / Shadle Park HS
15	Zach Spiroff	DB	5-10	170	Fr.	Helena, Mont. / Helena HS	89	Connor James	WR	5-10	168	R-So.	Glendive, Mont. / Dawson County HS
16	Liang Liedle	WR	5-10	160	Fr.	Corvallis, Mont. / Corvallis HS	91	Garrett Worden	DL	6-4	235	So.	Laramie, Wyo. / Laramie HS
17	Stephen Powell	K	5-7	150	So.	Bremerton, Wash. / O'Dea HS	92	Colton Ball	LB	6-3	210	So.	Clarkston, Wash. / Asotin HS
18	Sam Liday	WR	6-1	200	So.	Pocatello, Idaho / Highland HS	93	Alex Hurlbut	DE	6-2	250	Sr.	Ventura, Calif. / Ventura HS
19	Jacob Clinton	DB	6-3	185	Fr.	Lewistown, Mont. / Fergus County HS	94	Garrett Kocab	DL	6-3	275	R-So.	Phelan, Calif. / Serrano HS
19	Paul Wilson	DB	5-11	175	Sr.	Bonner, Mont. / Hellgate HS	95	Nathan Olmes	DL	6-0	220	Fr.	Benecia, Calif. / St. Patrick-St. Vincent HS
20	Griphen Le	RB	5-11	220	R-Jr.	Coeur D'Alene, Idaho / Coeur D'Alene HS	96	Jackson Griffin	DL	6-3	215	Jr.	Powell, Wyo. / Powell HS
21	Matthew Burgess	RB	5-11	195	Fr.	Junction City, Ore. / Sheldon HS	98	Jake Walk	DL	6-3	235	Fr.	Boise, Idaho / Capital HS
22	Xavier Pace	DB	5-9	180	R-So.	Great Falls, Mont. / C.M. Russell HS	99	Seamus Tully	DL	6-2	255	Jr.	Bellows Falls, Vt. / New Hampton School
23	Ryan Olson	DB	5-10	160	So.	Portland, Ore. / Sunset HS							
24	TJ Abraham	WR	5-8	170	R-So.	Powell, Wyo. / Powell HS							
25	Matt Kvech	DB	6-1	190	Sr.	Renton, Wash. / Eastside Catholic HS							
25	Tug Smith	DB	5-11	170	Fr.	Newport, Wash. / Newport HS							
26	Kaleb Adams	RB	5-10	185	So.	McKenney, Texas / Prosper HS							
27	Freddie Sheppard IV	DB	5-9	170	Fr.	Rigby, Idaho / Rigby HS							
27	Parker Stenersen	DB	5-11	160	Sr.	Idaho Falls, Idaho / Skyline HS							
28	Jack McIntyre	RB	5-8	185	R-Jr.	Buffalo, Wyo. / Buffalo HS							
29	Brytton Weber	DB	5-11	185	So.	Las Vegas, Nev. / Faith Lutheran HS							
30	Dawson Zebarth	DB	5-11	180	Jr.	Boise, Idaho / Timberline HS							
31	Austin Bedke	LB	6-0	215	Fr.	Oakley, Idaho / Oakley HS							
31	Chase Bowen	LB	6-2	220	Sr.	Emmett, Idaho / New Plymouth HS							
32	John Thomson	LB	6-1	218	So.	Las Vegas, Nev. / Faith Lutheran HS							
33	Tyler Matteucci	OLB	6-2	225	R-Jr.	East Helena, Mont. / Helena HS							
34	Rex Irby	DB	5-11	195	So.	Boise, Idaho / Bishop Kelly HS							
35	Brigham Baker	WR	6-0	187	So.	Lakeside, Ore. / North Bend HS							
36	Trent Durfey	LB	6-3	215	Fr.	Umatilla, Ore. / Umatilla HS							
36	Cole Greff	DE	6-4	270	Sr.	Golden, Colo. / Golden HS							
37	Liam Lechner	K	6-2	180	Fr.	Missoula, Mont. / Loyola Sacred Heart HS							
37	Luke Wilson	LB	6-2	190	So.	Missoula, Mont. / Hellgate HS							
39	Craig Kein	LB	6-1	240	Sr.	Burlington, Ill. / Burlington Central HS							
40	Payton Sexe	DL	6-1	235	Sr.	Great Falls, Mont. / C.M. Russell HS							
40	Baxter Tuggle	ATH	5-10	190	Fr.	Laramie, Wyo. / Laramie HS							
41	Zachary Hanser	DL	6-4	240	Jr.	Billings, Mont. / Billings Central HS							
42	Dylan Kresge	LB	6-1	230	Sr.	Helena, Mont. / Helena HS							
42	JJ Lindsay	LB	5-11	195	Fr.	Billings, Mont. / Billings West HS							
43	Thomas Robitaille	LB	6-2	225	R-So.	Casper, Wyo. / Natrona County HS							
44	Corbin Walker	DL	5-10	245	So.	Butte, Mont. / Butte HS							
45	Nate McGree	LB	6-2	225	Jr.	Butte, Mont. / Butte Central HS							
46	Jacob Resch	LB	6-1	220	So.	Billings, Mont. / Billings West HS							
47	Josh Kraft	K	5-11	195	R-So.	Billings, Mont. / Billings Central HS							
48	Tristen Lewis	LB	6-1	220	So.	Colville, Wash. / Colville HS							
49	Nick Anderson	LB	6-0	200	Fr.	Kirkland, Wash. / Lake Washington HS							
49	Jesus Parra-Gutierrez	RB	5-11	195	Jr.	San Rafael, Calif. / San Rafael HS							
51	Josh Vaughn	DL	6-2	230	So.	Bolivar, Mo. / Bolivar HS							
52	Maverick Roberts	OL	6-0	240	Fr.	Billings, Mont. / Billings Central HS							
55	Sebastian Koch	OL	6-4	240	Fr.	Kalispell, Mont. / Flathead HS							
56	Luke Gleasman	OL	6-4	280	Jr.	Chelan, Wash. / Chelan HS							
57	David Petersen	DL	6-1	235	Jr.	Helena, Mont. / Capital HS							
58	Brandon Ahlgren	OL	6-4	275	R-So.	Canby, Ore. / West Linn HS							
59	Dustin McLean	OL	6-3	260	R-So.	Lewiston, Idaho / Lewiston HS							
60	Luke Condon	DL	6-1	250	Fr.	Medical Lake, Wash. / Gonzaga Prep HS							
61	Jack Peed	DL	5-11	245	So.	Rathdrum, Idaho / Lakeland HS							
62	Jay Todd	OL/DL	6-2	250	So.	Seattle, Wash. / Seattle Prep							
63	Andrew Carter	OL	6-3	300	So.	Gooding, Idaho / Gooding HS							
64	J.D Lyle	OL	6-3	285	Sr.	Middleton, Idaho / Middleton HS							
65	Henry Cadonau	OL	6-3	285	So.	Portland, Ore. / Edison HS							
66	Michael Maafu	DL	6-3	265	So.	Phoenix, Ariz. / Saguaro HS							
67	Tyler Smith	DL	6-1	230	So.	Bozeman, Mont. / Manhattan Christian HS							
68	Hunter Mecham	OL	6-4	275	Fr.	Las Vegas, Nev. / Green Valley HS							
70	Tanner Steele	OL	6-4	290	Jr.	Lynden, Wash. / Lynden HS							

### Coaching Staff

Troy Purcell, Head Football Coach / Offensive Coordinator / QB Coach

Patrick Haynes, Assistant Coach—Defensive Coordinator

Alex Kastens, Assistant Coach—Offensive Line / Head Strength and Conditioning

Alex Pfannenstiel, Assistant Coach—Tight Ends / Recruiting Coordinator / Co-Special Teams Coordinator

Randy Bandelow, Assistant Coach—Linebackers

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## Van Diest

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announced his retirement. It was a mere two days after the season had ended.

He said he didn't step down because of losing seasons. He didn't step down because someone said something. He stepped down to focus on the same thing he was teaching his players to appreciate.

"I stepped down to be with family," Van Diest said.

Van Diest's youngest son Clay grew up playing hockey.

He moved to Canada at the age of 16 and eventually signed to play hockey for Saint Norbert College, an NCAA Division III school in De Pere, Wisconsin.

"It was his ninth year being away from home," Van Diest said. "I used to look over and watch all of these parents come and tailgate (at Carroll), being able to watch their son's game and cheer them on."

Van Diest was only able to watch six of Clay's games during his first

three years. This past year he, saw 17.

"I'm sure I would have come back to coach if it wasn't Clay's senior year," Van Diest said.

### THE NEXT CHAPTER

Van Diest has stepped away from the game.

He is enjoying spending time with his family, catching up and re-connecting with close friends and teammates from Wyoming and even sharing in his son's hobby by playing hockey.

"Luckily they didn't make cuts, because I would have been cut the first night," Van Diest joked. "As a skater, I'm probably a six. As a hockey player, I'm probably a two."

But he can't stay away from Carroll College.

Van Diest works with institutional advancement as the university has made a stadium project to put in artificial turf and lights a priority.

He didn't shy away from last Saturday's first home game and watched from the stands as the Saints upset No. 23 Rocky Mountain.

And he will be happy to see old

friends, coaches and players as he and former athletic director Bruce Parker will be inducted into the Carroll athletic department hall of fame.

"He created a culture of excellence on and off the field, and really created a model for the rest of the athletics department to follow," Carroll Athletic Director Charlie Gross said. "When Mike Van Diest walks into a room, he brings energy and lights it up. It becomes contagious."

Van Diest's legacy as Carroll's head coach might be finished, but this may not be the last time we see himself pacing the sidelines.

He made it very clear he wasn't burnt out and would love to get back into the game.

"I want to be a coach again," Van Diest said. "I have no preference to whether it is Division I, Division II or NAIA. I just want to coach with someone I have a connection with."

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## Carroll College Depth Chart

### Offense

QB	13	Kolby Killoy	6-1	190	JR
	11	Devan Bridgewater	5-11	185	SO
RB	3	Major Ali	5-7	200	SR
WR	6	Shane Sipes	6-2	195	JR
WR	86	Kyle Pierce	6-3	210	JR
WR	5	Joe Farris	6-1	195	JR
FB	20	Griphen LE	5-11	220	R-JR
TE	84	Tony Collins	6-4	225	SO
OT	70	Tanner Steele	6-4	225	SO
OG	63	Andrew Carter	6-3	300	SO
C	56	Luke Gleasman	6-4	280	JR
OG	64	JD Lyle	6-3	285	JR
OT	71	Alex Hoffman	6-6	295	JR

### Defense

E	57	David Peterson	6-1	235	JR
		Payton Sexe	6-1	235	SR
NT	36	Cole Greff	6-4	270	SR
E	39	Craig Kein	6-1	230	JR
DL	45	Nate McGree	6-2	225	JR
DL	42	Dylan Kresge	6-1	230	SR
DL	31	Chase Bowen	6-2	220	SR
S	7	Brian Fauntleroy	6-1	200	JR
S	25	Matt Kvech	5-11	190	SR
CB	27	Parker Stenersen	5-11	160	SR
CB	4	Isazah King	6-1	185	SR

### Special teams

P	25	Matt Kvech	5-11	190	SR
K	47	Josh Kraft	5-11	195	SO

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