



Meyersdale Red Raiders



WestPAC
4th in coaches poll

Ryan Donaldson
First season,
0-0



Assistants: Andy Stahl, Jerry Donaldson, Barry Rowland, Jim Henry, Tim Garlitz, Butch Stahl, Justin Donaldson.

Junior high: Josh Bolden, Duck Donaldson, Bobby Hartman.



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Meyersdale's returning lettermen include, front row (from left), Mahlon Reese, Dakota Kennell, Gavin Hetz, Riley Whitfield and Ethan Shankle; middle row, Drake Gindlesperger, Matt Blubaugh, Kirk Eberly and Devin Kretchman; back row, Jeffrey Haer, Daniel Ludwick, Lyle Moody, Gage Smith and Tyler Fisher.

HOW THEY MEASURE UP

Last season: 4-6

Offensive starters returning: 6

Base offense: Pro

Defensive starters returning: 6

Base defense: 3-4, 4-3

Top incoming players: Evan Brennemman, Trevor Hay

Strengths: Experience gained by this year's juniors and seniors and an excellent offseason in strength and conditioning.

Concerns: Didn't have a junior varsity team last year.

Biggest shoes to fill: Tanner Krause, Kyle Sigler, Trevor Gnagey

Players to watch



Devin Kretchman,
RB/LB

548 rushing yards,
62 tackles



Riley Whitfield,
OL/DL

73 tackles



Mahlon Reese,
QB/S

10 of 19 passing
for 88 yards

“The goal is to compete, and with how hard our team worked in the weight room in the offseason, I think we outworked just about everyone.”

RYAN DONALDSON,
MEYERSDALE COACH

2018 Schedule

Aug. 24 Ferndale, 7 p.m.
Aug. 31 at Blacklick Valley, 7 p.m.
Sept. 7 Shade, 7 p.m.
Sept. 14 at Conemaugh Township, 7 p.m.
Sept. 21 at Conemaugh Valley, 1 p.m.
Sept. 28 Windber, 7 p.m.
Oct. 5 at Berlin Brothersvalley, 7 p.m.
Oct. 12 Portage, 7 p.m.
Oct. 19 at North Star, 7 p.m.
Oct. 26/27 Heritage crossover, TBA

Did you know?

New coach Ryan Donaldson is a 2008 Meyersdale graduate who played football and baseball for the Red Raiders before graduating from Frostburg State University in Frostburg, Maryland.

Roster

No. Player	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.
2 Drake Gindlesperger . . .	SB/SS	Jr.	5-10	163
3 Myles Walker	WR/DB	So.	5-7	124
4 Sam Hughes	WR/DB	So.	6-2	140
5 Evan Brennemman	WR/LB	Fr.	6-0	154
7 Matt Boyce	FB/LB	Fr.	5-8	143
9 Zach Butler	FB/LB	Jr.	5-11	155
10 Briar Sheets	QB/DB	So.	5-11	155
11 Dakota Kennell	WR/CB	Jr.	6-2	175
12 Mahlon Reese	QB/S	Jr.	6-1	165
13 Matt Blubaugh	TE/LB	Jr.	6-1	194
15 Logan Kaiser	FB/LB	So.	5-11	175
16 Kyle Robertson	TE/LB	Fr.	6-1	165
19 Devin Steinly	WR/DB	Sr.	5-8	134
20 Tyler Fisher	WB/CB	Jr.	5-7	141
22 Kirk Eberly	WR/FS	Sr.	5-10	166
23 John Harvey	WR/S	So.	6-2	155
25 Scott Hahn	FB/LB	So.	5-6	159
26 Daniel Ludwick	RB/LB	Jr.	5-9	185
29 Ernest Kabina	WR/CB	So.	5-8	125
30 Evan Thompson	SB/CB	Fr.	5-4	121
31 Lyle Moody	FB/LB	Sr.	5-8	179
32 Devin Kretchman	RB/LB	Jr.	6-0	205
35 Trevor Bockes	FB/LB	Fr.	5-7	180
36 Jordan Wilburn	TE/LB	Sr.	6-2	209
40 Ethan Simpson	FB/DB	Fr.	5-8	154
44 Noah Wilt	RB/CB	Fr.	5-5	127
46 Dylan Shilling	TE/LB	So.	5-11	160
50 Isaac McKenzie	OL/DL	Fr.	5-11	165
51 Riley Whitfield	OL/DL	Jr.	6-1	276
53 Tyler Geiger	OL/DL	Fr.	6-0	195
56 Trevor Hay	OL/DL	Fr.	5-9	220
57 Zander Durst	OL/DL	So.	5-7	180
58 Hunter Beal	OL/DL	So.	6-0	252
59 Jeffery Haer	OL/DL	Jr.	5-9	250
60 Bradey McKenzie	OL/DL	So.	6-3	260
61 Ethan Shankle	OL/DL	Jr.	6-0	240
65 Jesse Werner	OL/DL	Fr.	5-11	195
66 Brady Fritz	OL/LB	Fr.	5-6	146
68 Dayton Collins	OL/DL	Fr.	5-11	219
70 Gage Smith	OL/DL	Jr.	5-9	229
71 Tamrin Peterman	OL/DE	So.	6-2	197
84 Gavin Hetz	TE/OLB	Jr.	6-5	170

GO, Red Raiders!

Wishing Meyersdale Area High School Football Team players another successful year on the field and in the classroom.

Good Luck!

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