2006 Information

Ferris State Football Quick Facts

Location: Big Rapids, Michigan 49307-2741
Founded: 1884
Enrollment: 12,947
Nickname/Colors: Bulldogs/Crimson and Gold
Affiliation: NCAA Division II
Conference: Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic (GLIAC)
President: Dr. David L. Eisler (Michigan, 1972)
Athletics Director: Tom Kirinovich (Ferris State, 1977)
Associate Athletics Director For Advancement: Brian Kerler (Northern Iowa, 1998)
Events, Facilities & Marketing Manager: Mike Haggerty (Michigan State, 2000)

Athletics Department Office: (231) 591-2860
Athletics Department FAX: (231) 591-2869
Coordinator of Records and NCAA: Carma Burcham
Faculty Athletics Representative: Dr. Terry Nerbonne

Head Coach: Jeff Pierce
Alma Mater: Ferris State, 1979
Year Entering/Record (FSU/Career): 12th/69-52-0 (69-52-0)
Office Phone/E-Mail: (231) 591-2864/piercej@ferris.edu
Best Time/Day to Reach Coach Pierce: 9-11 a.m./Mon.-Thur.
Assistant Coaches: Duane Wilson (Assistant Head Coach, Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers); Matt McCarthy (Offensive Coordinator, Quarterbacks, Wide Receivers & Tight Ends); Ken Conlin (Offensive Line, Tight Ends & Recruiting Coordinator); Ted Egger (Defensive Backs, Special Teams, & Video Coordinator); Jason Rebovich (Defensive Line), Tony Rosso (Offensive Assistant, H-Backs), Rick Kellers (Kickers & Punters)
Volunteer Assistant Coaches: Max Huntoon, Chris Reeves
Student Assistant Coach: Jim Bourdais
Team Building Coordinator: Mike Wislick
Athletic Trainers: Dave Lucey, ATC; Tim Glover, ATC; Michael Blackburn, ATC
Equipment Manager: Ben Mumah, E.M.C.
Home Field (Capacity/Year Built): Top Taggart Field (6,200/1957)
Field Surface: Artificial Turf (Astroturf 12)
Press Box Phone: (231) 591-2217/2143
2005 Overall Record: 3-5 (2-3-0 home, 1-5-0 road)
2005 Conference Record (Finish): 3-7-0 (8th) (2-3-0 home, 1-4-0 road)
Offensive System/Defensive System: Spread/4-3
Letterwinners Returning: 45 (Offense-20, Defense-22, Specialty-3)
Letterwinners Lost: 16 (Offense-11, Defense-4, Specialty-1)
Offensive Starters Returning/Lost: 7/4
Defensive Starters Returning/Lost: 10/1
Specialty Starters Returning/Lost: 2/0
First Year of Football/All-Time Record: 1900/335-391-40 (.470)
All-Time Bowl/Playoff Record: 5-5
Years in Post-Season Play: 5
Last Post-Season Appearance: 1996
Result: Quarterfinals — Lost to Clarion, Pa. (23-21)
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Press Box
Ferris State’s working facilities are located on the third level of the Wheeler Pavilion, which is on west side of Top Taggart Field.

A reminder that no cheering will be tolerated in the press box area.

CREDENTIALS
Scouting and media credentials must be reserved in advance by contacting the FSU Athletics Communications Office. Upon acceptance, appropriate credentials will be held for pick-up at the ticket booth located on the west side of the Wheeler Pavilion. No one will be admitted to the press box who isn’t in an official capacity.

INTERVIEWS
Ferris State student-athletes and coaches will be available for interviews no earlier than 10-15 minutes following the game’s conclusion. Interviews will be conducted on the third level of the Wheeler Pavilion. Interviews with student-athletes during the week, whether in person or by telephone, should be arranged through the FSU Athletics Communications Office as far in advance as possible, to fit around practice and class schedules. Head coach Jeff Pierce may be reached at (231) 591-2864 between 9-11 a.m. (ET), Monday through Thursday.