

# 2011 PAC Football Release Week 7 - October 10



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## 2011 PAC STANDINGS (through October 8)

School	PAC Games			All Games						
	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Thomas More	4	0	1.00	163	52	5	0	1.00	207	65
Waynesburg	4	0	1.00	148	73	4	1	.800	155	85
Saint Vincent	2	1	.667	91	64	3	2	.600	163	87
Westminster	2	1	.667	71	67	3	2	.600	91	115
Washington & Jefferson	2	2	.500	110	100	3	3	.500	169	120
Bethany	1	3	.250	96	111	2	3	.400	124	118
Geneva	1	3	.250	89	156	1	5	.167	120	236
Grove City	0	3	.000	53	94	0	5	.000	79	142
Thiel	0	3	.000	28	132	0	5	.000	66	208

### LAST WEEK (October 8)

SAINT VINCENT 35, Wash. & Jeff. 27\*  
WAYNESBURG 47, Geneva 33\*  
THOMAS MORE 37, Grove City 7\*  
Westminster 30, BETHANY 27\*  
Thiel – off

### THIS WEEK (October 15)

Thomas More at Saint Vincent\* - 1 p.m.  
Waynesburg at Westminster\* - 1 p.m.  
Thiel at Bethany\* - 1:30 p.m.  
Grove City at Geneva\* - 7 p.m.  
Wash. & Jeff. - off

### Offensive Player of the Week

**JOSH GRAHAM**  
Waynesburg  
Senior QB  
6-0, 190  
Sewickley, Pa.  
Avonworth H.S.



Graham completed 19-of-29 passes for 311 yards and a career-best six touchdowns (19, 28, 6, 12, 9, 17) for the Yellow Jackets, helping them remain in a tie for first in the PAC standings following a 47-33 league win over visiting Geneva Saturday.

Also nominated was junior QB/WR **Rocco Collavecchia** of Geneva, sophomore WR **Anthony Ritchie** of Grove City, senior RB **Mike Kale** of Saint Vincent, sophomore RB **Domonique Hayden** of Thomas More, sophomore WR **Alex Baroffio** of Washington & Jefferson, and junior RB **John Proano** of Westminster.

### Defensive Player of the Week

**DAN WIRKOWSKI**  
Saint Vincent  
Sophomore DB  
6-2, 190  
Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Shaler H.S.



Wirkowski helped lead Saint Vincent to its first-ever win over W&J, 35-27, on Saturday by posting seven tackles (three solo), one interception, one fumble recovery and two pass breakups. His 61-yard interception return came with SVC trailing 21-14 in the third quarter and set up the game-tying touchdown.

Also nominated was sophomore DB **Jamaan Webb** of Bethany, junior CB **Mike Brown** of Grove City, freshman DB **Shaquille Jinks** of Thomas More, sophomore DB **B.J. Monacelli** of Washington & Jefferson, and senior DB **Sam Byrne** of Waynesburg, and sophomore LB **Nate Moot** of Westminster.

### Special Teams Player of the Week

**CHRISTIAN JACKSON**  
Waynesburg  
Junior WR/KR  
5-8, 170  
Coraopolis, Pa.  
Cornell H.S.



Jackson recorded 154 yards on five kickoff returns (30.8 avg.) for the Yellow Jackets, who remained unbeaten in PAC play with a 47-33 home win over Geneva. His returns led to Waynesburg's average starting field position being its own 40-yard line. Jackson also caught a game-high eight passes for 157 yards in the victory.

Also nominated was senior KR/WR **Alex Evans** of Bethany, senior LB **Anthony Johnson** of Saint Vincent, senior PK **Aaron Walter** of Thomas More, and sophomore K **Zac Henry** of Westminster.

## PAC FOOTBALL 2011 - Week 7 Conference Notes

**HOMECOMING WEEK:** Four PAC Homecoming games took place on Oct. 8, with home teams winning three of the games ... Thomas More and Waynesburg remained unbeaten in PAC play, as the Saits dispatched winless Grove City 37-7, while the Yellow jackets outgunned Geneva 47-33 ... The other two games went to the final gun with thrilling finishes ... Saint Vincent defeated W&J for the first time in school history, prevailing at home 35-27 ... Westminster was the lone road victor, as the Titans edged Bethany 30-27.

**NEWS & NOTES:** Thomas More moved up to No. 6 in last week's AFCA Division III Top 25 poll, the highest-ranking in the program's 22-year history ... TMC remained at No. 8 in this week's [D3Football.com](http://D3Football.com) Top 25 poll ... Westminster junior RB **John Proano** rushed 24 times for a career-high 144 yards (most by a Titan since 2008) and a TD at Bethany ... W&J sophomore WR **Alex Baroffio** caught 13 passes for a career-high 187 yards and a TD in the loss at Saint Vincent ... Senior RB **Mike Kale** rushed 16 times for 92 yards and a TD for the Bearcats.

**AROUND THE LEAGUE:** Junior QB/WR **Rocco Collavecchia** accounted for four of Geneva's five TDs at Waynesburg, scoring on two runs (16, 2) and throwing two TD passes (53, 9) ... Senior DB **Sam Byrne** had nine solo tackles for Waynesburg vs. Geneva ... Senior WR/KR **Alex Evans** posted 225 all-purpose yards for Bethany in the loss to Westminster, including returns of 42 and 31 yards ... Junior CB **Mike Brown** posted seven tackles, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery for Grove City at Thomas More ... Thiel had the weekend off.



**Bethany  
Bison  
(2-3, 1-3 PAC)**



Bethany outgained its opponent for the second straight week (371-350), but an interception on fourth down at the Westminster 8-yard line in the final minute allowed the Titans to escape Bison Stadium with a 30-27 victory Saturday ... **Matt Grimard** threw for 215 yards and two TDs covering 43 yards to **Ed Holmes** and 10 yards to **Alex Evans**, both in the first half ... Bethany's second half scores came on a 1-yard run from **Eric Walker** and a 41-yard scoring burst by **Nico Irizarry** ... Evans had 225 all-purpose yards, including 88 receiving yards on six catches, 134 kickoff yards on five runbacks and eight punt return yards ... The Bison were led defensively by DB **Jamaan Webb**, who set a career-high with 13 tackles and also picked off a pass, his second of the season.

**Geneva Golden  
Tornadoes  
(1-5, 1-3 PAC)**



One year after playing the highest scoring game in school history, Geneva and Waynesburg lit up the scoreboard yet again Saturday ... Unfortunately for the Golden Tornadoes, the final result was much the same ... The GTss dropped a 47-33 decision to the Yellow Jackets despite a performance for the ages from **Rocco Collavecchia** ... The QB/WR accounted for four of Geneva's five touchdowns ... He threw for two scores while rushing for two more ... On the day, he finished with 53 yards rushing, 160 yards passing and 41 yards receiving with three catches ... Geneva's banged up defense could not slow down a Waynesburg attack that generated 430 yards of total offense ... The Golden Tornadoes fell to 1-5 overall including a 1-3 mark in conference play.

**Grove City  
Wolverines  
(0-5, 0-3 PAC)**



Grove City fell at Thomas More Saturday 37-7 in the Wolverines' first road game since the season opener ... GCC owned a five-minute edge in time of possession but could not overcome three turnovers ... QB **Brian Pell** threw for 100 yards on 14-of-23 accuracy ... He also ran for 45 yards ... Pell put Grove City on the board in the first quarter with a 13-yard TD pass to fellow sophomore **Anthony Ritchie** ... Ritchie and TE **Anthony Reda** both caught four passes ... Seven Wolverines caught passes ... Defensively, **Chris Gibbs** posted 10 stops ... **Jason Skyrn** and **Jarred Frawley** each had quarterback sacks ... Return ace **Jimmy Bailey** now has 485 total return yards, tops in the PAC ... He needs 15 yards to become the eighth player in Grove City history to tally over 500 return yards in a season.

**Saint Vincent  
Bearcats  
(3-2, 2-1 PAC)**



Saint Vincent used 21 second-half points to stun W&J, 35-27 on Homecoming weekend ... The game was played in front of 2,874 fans, the second biggest crowd in Chuck Noll Field history and the win marked the first for SVC against W&J in five tries ... Each Saint Vincent touchdown in the second-half was set-up by an interception, highlighted by sophomore **Dan Wirkowski's** pickoff and 61-yard return to the W&J 22-yard line ... The running back tandem of senior **Mike Kale** and sophomore **Huey Ehredt** combined for 175 yards and two touchdowns on 32 carries ... Five different SVC players scored touchdowns and the four rushing touchdowns on the day were a single-game high in modern history.

**Thiel  
Tomcats  
(0-5, 0-3 PAC)**



Thiel had a bye on Oct. 8 and returns to action on Oct. 15 at Bethany.

**Thomas More  
Saints  
(5-0, 4-0 PAC)**



The No. 6-ranked Saints extended their season-opening win streak to five games as they defeated Grove City, 37-7, on Homecoming in Crestview Hills ... Thomas More never trailed, as the game was tied at 7-7 after one quarter and the Saints led 23-7 at halftime and 30-7 after three quarters ... TMC out-gained the Wolverines 414-242 ... Junior QB **Rob Kues** was 19-of-26 passing for 264 yards and four TDs to lead the offense ... Sophomore RB **Domonique Hayden** led the Saints on the ground with 16 rushes for 86 yards and a score while adding two catches for 44 yards and one touchdown ... Sophomore WR **Corie Cartmell** led the Saints in receiving with six catches for 91 yards and a TD ... Defensively, four different players led the Saints in total tackles with six apiece.

**Washington & Jefferson  
Presidents  
(3-3, 2-2 PAC)**



W&J fell to Saint Vincent 35-27 at Chuck Noll Field Saturday... Sophomore WR **Alex Baroffio** caught 13 passes for a career-high 187 yards ... The 13 catches was the second-best, single game mark in W&J history ... Sophomore QB **Matt Bliss** threw for three touchdowns and 305 yards, his second 300+ yard performance in the last three games ... Junior RB **Tim Mc Nerney** ran for 95 yards on 19 carries, but did not score a touchdown for the first time in 11 games ... W&J held a 458-395 total yards advantage and gained 24 first downs to Saint Vincent's 18 ... The Presidents were hurt by four turnovers which Saint Vincent converted into 21 points ... W&J is idle this week and will host Geneva on October 22 ... Washington & Jefferson has lost two PAC games in a season for the first time since 1983.

**Waynesburg  
Yellow Jackets  
(4-1, 4-0 PAC)**



Senior QB **Josh Graham** exploded for his finest game as a Yellow Jacket during Saturday's 47-33 homecoming win over Geneva ... The veteran signal caller completed 19-of-29 passes for 311 yards and six touchdowns to just one interception ... His favorite target on the day was junior **Christian Jackson**, who set personal and team season highs in receptions (eight) and yards (157) ... Senior WR **Jeff Young**, who was named homecoming king at halftime, also had a day to remember by pulling in three touchdowns on three receptions ... Waynesburg's 430 yards of total offense was the team's top total this season ... The Waynesburg defense was led by senior DB **Sam Byrne**, who tallied nine tackles, all solo stops ... The veteran defender also picked up three of the team's 10 tackles for loss, six of which were sacks.

**Westminster  
Titans  
(3-2, 2-1 PAC)**



In a game with eight lead changes, Westminster won a Bethany, 30-27, Saturday to improve to 2-1 in the PAC for the first time since 2003 ... The Titans, who entered the game with 140 rushing yards in the first four games, rushed for 296 yards for the most rushing yards since 2004 ... The Titans also passed for just 54 yards, their fewest in a game since 2001 ... Junior RB **John Proano** rushed for a career-high 144 yards on 24 carries with a TD for the most rushing yards by a Titan since 2008 ... Sophomore RB **Tyler Banks** also rushed 13 times for 80 yards and a score ... The Titans intercepted Bethany twice on their own 8-yard line, including junior LB **Nate Moot** picking off a pass with 1:18 remaining after Bethany chose to go for the win rather than kick a game-tying field goal on 4th-and-goal from the six-yard line.

## 2011 PAC FOOTBALL GAME PREVIEWS - WEEK 7



### Thomas More (5-0, 4-0 PAC) at St. Vincent (3-2, 2-1 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 15 - 1 p.m.

Chuck Noll Field (1,100/natural grass) - Latrobe, Pa.



**Media:** WCNS-AM (1480); [www.meridex.com](http://www.meridex.com);

**Series Record:** Thomas More leads 4-0

**Game Notes:** Saint Vincent, coming off the biggest win in modern-program history, again welcomes a conference power to Chuck Noll Field as No. 6/8 Thomas More visits Latrobe in a key PAC match-up ... Thomas More moved up to No. 6 in last week's AFCA Top-25, the program's highest ranking in the 22-year history of Thomas More football ... The Saints remained unchanged at No. 8 in this week's [D3Football.com](http://D3Football.com) national Top 25 poll ... Thomas More leads the series with the Bearcats, which began in 2007, 4-0 ... The Saints defeated Saint Vincent, 24-6, last season in Crestview Hills ... In the series, TMC has out-scored SVC 142-43 combined in the four meetings, including 84-30 in two games at Chuck Noll Field.



### Waynesburg (4-1, 4-0 PAC) at Westminster (3-2, 2-1 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 15 - 1 p.m.

Harold Burry Stadium (4,500/turf) - New Wilmington, Pa.



**Media:** WCYJ-FM (99.5); WWNW-FM (88.9); [www.waynesburgsports.com](http://www.waynesburgsports.com); [www.titanradio.net](http://www.titanradio.net); Westminster Cable Network (WCN); [www.wcnlive.com](http://www.wcnlive.com).

**Series Record:** Westminster leads 36-30-3

**Game Notes:** There is plenty of familiarity between Waynesburg and Westminster as the two teams face each other for the 70<sup>th</sup> time in a rivalry that began in 1910 and continued through the team's NAIA days and into the PAC ... Waynesburg has held the advantage in the recent years of the rivalry, taking seven of the last eight meetings. While last year's victory was a 24-23 nail-biter, the Jackets have claimed victory by multiple touchdowns in five of the seven triumphs ... The Titans' lone win during that stretch was a 49-42 overtime victory in the last meeting in New Wilmington in 2009 ... In last year's game, Waynesburg blocked the potential game-tying extra point with 38 seconds left after Westminster rallied from a 24-14 deficit in the last 3:03 ... **Geno Pasquinelli** caught a career-high eight passes for 92 yards including two touchdowns for the Titans, including one from 14 yards out with 38 seconds left ... Westminster is 2-1 in the PAC for the first time since 2003 ... The Titans are 11-8 in their last 19 home games.



### Thiel (0-5, 0-3 PAC) at Bethany (2-3, 1-3 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 15 - 1:30 p.m.

Bison Stadium (1,000/turf) - Bethany, W. Va.



**Media:** WPIC-AM (790); [www.790wpc.com](http://www.790wpc.com); [www.stretchinternet.com](http://www.stretchinternet.com);

**Series Record:** Thiel leads 36-29-1

**Game Notes:** Bethany and Thiel square off for the 68<sup>th</sup> time on Saturday at Bison Stadium, with the Tomcats coming off their bye week ... The Bison have more wins over the Tomcats than any other school they've played, with 29 victories entering this season's tilt ... It's been a series dominated by streaks recently, as Bethany won 11 in a row from 1992-2002, before Thiel took six straight wins from 2003-08 ... Bethany has now won two in a row, including a 41-7 decision last year in Greenville ... The special teams starred in that game for the Green & White, as **Jeff Joyce** took a kickoff back 87 yards for a touchdown, a botched Thiel punt snap was recovered for another score and a blocked punt led to a third Bison touchdown ... Bison RB **Eric Walker** now has 2,840 career rushing yards and needs 108 more to become the school's all-time leader.



### Grove City (0-5, 0-3 PAC) at Geneva (1-5, 1-3 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 15 - 7 p.m.

Reeves Field (6,500/turf) - Beaver Falls, Pa.



**Media:** WSAJ-FM (91.1); WBVP-AM (1230); [www.gcc.edu/sports](http://www.gcc.edu/sports); [www.geneva.edu](http://www.geneva.edu); [www.msasportsnetwork.com](http://www.msasportsnetwork.com);

**Series Record:** Geneva leads 41-37-7

**Game Notes:** Grove City heads to Beaver Falls Saturday night to face Geneva and renew one of the fiercest and oldest rivalries in Western Pennsylvania ... The Wolverines earned a 13-7 home win last year and rolled to a 38-13 victory in Grove City in 2008 ... Grove City fell in Beaver Falls in 2009, but Geneva had to vacate the win afterwards ... This is the first-ever meeting between the teams that will count in the PAC standings ... The 2011 meeting will be the 93<sup>rd</sup> in the series that opened in 1893, when Grove City posted a 4-0 win.



## Bethany Bison 2-3, 1-3 PAC

### September

3	at Allegheny	W 28-7
10	KING'S	ppd.
17	WASH. & JEFF.*	L 14-31
24	at Geneva*	W 48-27

### October

1	at Waynesburg*	L 7-23
8	WESTMINSTER*	L 27-30
15	THIEL*	1:30 p.m.
22	at Thomas More*	1:30 p.m.
29	Open Date	

### November

5	GROVE CITY*	1:30 p.m.
12	at Saint Vincent*	1 p.m.

## Geneva Golden Tornadoes 1-5, 1-3 PAC

### September

3	FROSTBURG STATE	L 21-34
10	at Albright	L 10-46
17	at Thomas More*	L 6-41
24	BETHANY*	L 27-48

### October

1	SAINT VINCENT*	W 23-20 (ot)
8	at Waynesburg*	L 33-47
15	GROVE CITY*	7 p.m.
22	at Wash. & Jeff.*	2 p.m.
29	THIEL*	1 p.m.

### November

5	Open Date	
12	at Westminster*	1 p.m.

## Grove City Wolverines 0-5, 0-3 PAC

### September

3	at Carnegie Mellon	L 19-21
10	LEBANON VALLEY	L 7-27
17	WESTMINSTER*	L 20-25
24	WAYNESBURG*	L 26-32

### October

1	Open Date	
8	at Thomas More*	L 7-37
15	at Geneva*	7 p.m.
22	SAINT VINCENT*	1:30 p.m.
29	WASH. & JEFF.*	1:30 p.m.

### November

5	at Bethany*	1:30 p.m.
12	at Thiel*	1 p.m.

## Saint Vincent Bearcats 3-2, 2-1 PAC

### September

3	at Bridgewater	L 17-20 (ot)
10	FDU-FLORHAM	W 55-3
17	Open Date	
24	at Thiel*	W 36-14

### October

1	at Geneva*	L 20-23 (ot)
8	WASH. & JEFF.*	W 35-27
15	THOMAS MORE*	1 p.m.
22	at Grove City*	1:30 p.m.
29	at Waynesburg*	1:30 p.m.

### November

5	WESTMINSTER*	1 p.m.
12	BETHANY*	1 p.m.

## Thiel Tomcats 0-5, 0-3 PAC

### September

3	at Marietta	L 24-32
10	WIDENER	L 14-44
17	at Waynesburg*	L 7-46
24	SAINT VINCENT*	L 14-36

### October

1	THOMAS MORE*	L 7-50
8	Open Date	
15	at Bethany*	1:30 p.m.
22	WESTMINSTER*	1:30 p.m.
29	at Geneva*	1 p.m.

### November

5	at Wash. & Jeff.*	1:30 p.m.
12	GROVE CITY*	1 p.m.

## Thomas More Saints 5-0, 4-0 PAC

### September

3	Open Date	
10	HANOVER	W 44-13
17	GENEVA*	W 41-6
24	at Wash. & Jeff.*	W 35-32

### October

1	at Thiel*	W 50-7
8	GROVE CITY*	W 37-7
15	at Saint Vincent*	1 p.m.
22	BETHANY*	1:30 p.m.
29	at Westminster*	2:30 p.m.

### November

5	WAYNESBURG*	1 p.m.
12	at Mount St. Joseph	1 p.m.

## Wash. & Jeff. Presidents 3-3, 2-2 PAC

### September

3	at Juniata	W 40-0
10	DELAWARE VALLEY	L 19-20
17	at Bethany*	W 31-14
24	THOMAS MORE*	L 32-35

### October

1	at Westminster*	W 20-16
8	at Saint Vincent*	L 27-35
15	Open Date	
22	GENEVA*	2 p.m.
29	at Grove City*	1:30 p.m.

### November

5	THIEL*	1:30 p.m.
12	WAYNESBURG*	1:30 p.m.

## Waynesburg Yellow Jackets 4-1, 4-0 PAC

### September

3	at Christopher Newport	L 7-12
10	WILKES	ppd.
17	THIEL*	W 46-7
24	at Grove City*	W 32-26

### October

1	BETHANY*	W 23-7
8	GENEVA*	W 47-33
15	at Westminster*	1:30 p.m.
22	Open Date	
29	SAINT VINCENT*	1:30 p.m.

### November

5	at Thomas More*	1 p.m.
12	at Wash. & Jeff.*	1:30 p.m.

## Westminster Titans 3-2, 2-1 PAC

### September

3	HIRAM	W 17-7
10	LYCOMING	L 3-41
17	at Grove City*	W 25-20
24	Open Date	

### October

1	WASH. & JEFF.*	L 16-20
8	at Bethany*	W 30-27
15	WAYNESBURG*	1 p.m.
22	at Thiel*	1:30 p.m.
29	THOMAS MORE*	2:30 p.m.

### November

5	at Saint Vincent*	1 p.m.
12	GENEVA*	1 p.m.