

RAM REVIEW

FOOTBALL



A Message from our Head Coach: David Bowser

"I have always wondered about control in life. Believing that I can determine my destiny and the paths that I take in life; however, time and experience taught me that I only can control my ATTITUDE and EFFORT. These two core values go hand in hand through life. If I approach situations with a poor attitude than my effort will be poor which will lead to disappointing results. It takes a great deal of energy to move through life with a poor attitude and mediocre effort. Those qualities will lead to complaining, envy, anger, and defeat. But we should wake up every morning with a desire to give great effort and have a positive attitude as we work our way through the challenging situation. How long we stay in a storm is determined by the attitude that we approach the storm and the amount of effort that we use to get through that storm. Take a positive attitude and great effort into every situation that you encounter."

"You do not need to win every battle, you just need to fight all of them and keep getting back up." - Damon West



SIAC MEDIA DAY



Golden Rams Shine at SIAC Football Media Day

The 2026 SIAC Football Media Day began with a community service project, bringing together student-athletes and coaches from across the conference before previewing the upcoming football season. Head coach David Bowser represented Albany State alongside student-athletes Derrick Drayton, De'Avary Weeks, and Cameron Watts during a day of interviews, photo opportunities, and media sessions.

Throughout the day, the Golden Rams shared their excitement for the 2026 season and the opportunity to compete for another SIAC championship. The players echoed the program's mindset that "the standard is the standard," emphasizing their commitment to the expectations, discipline, and championship culture that define Albany State Football as they prepare for the season ahead.

GOLDEN RAM SPOTLIGHT



Golden Rams Earn Preseason SIAC Honors

Albany State Football received preseason recognition as the SIAC announced its 2026 preseason poll and All-Conference teams during SIAC Football Media Day. The Golden Rams were selected to finish fourth in the conference, while two student-athletes earned Preseason All-SIAC honors.

Senior defensive lineman Derrick Drayton was named First Team All-SIAC on the defensive line, while senior return specialist Cameron Watts earned First Team Kick Returner and Second Team Punt Returner honors.



ALBANY STATE FOOTBALL

MEET THE RAMS

SATURDAY AUGUST 22, 2026
7:00 PM

Fuel the Rams. Fuel the Season

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The poster features a blue and gold color scheme. At the top, the Albany State Football logo is on the left, and a Nike swoosh is on the right. Below the logo is a white banner with 'ALBANY STATE FOOTBALL'. The main title 'MEET THE RAMS' is in large white letters on a blue background. Below this is a photo of three football players in action on a field. At the bottom, the date and time are listed in white on a blue background, followed by the slogan 'Fuel the Rams. Fuel the Season' in white on a gold background. The bottom section has a gold background with the phrase 'GRATEFUL NOT ENTITLED' in a stylized font, with a small ram head logo at the bottom right.

Meet the Rams is the perfect opportunity for fans, alumni, and the community to connect with Albany State Football before the season begins. Join us for our intrasquad scrimmage as the Golden Rams take the field for their final practice of fall camp and get a first look at the 2026 team. Fans are also encouraged to support our Fuel the Rams Donation Drive by bringing donations of Powerade, water, Uncrustables, Rice Krispy Treats, beef jerky, Slim Jims, fruit snacks, applesauce, granola bars, Sun Chips, baked chips, trail mix, pretzels, Liquid I.V., deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotion, and body wash to the designated drop-off location at the stadium. Your generosity helps fuel our student-athletes throughout the season.

RAMS IN THE COMMUNITY

The Golden Rams kicked off SIAC Football Media Day week by giving back to the community. While in Macon, student-athletes packed school supply bags at the Boys and Girls Club and prepared hygiene bags for patients at the Children's Hospital of Central Georgia.

As part of the Albany State Athletics Staff Retreat, coaches and staff continued the commitment to service by volunteering at the Albany Rescue Mission, packing hygiene supplies and helping clean the facility. The Golden Rams continue to represent Albany State through service, leadership, and making an impact beyond the field.



GOLF TOURNAMENT RECAP



Inaugural Albany State Football Golf Tournament a Success

Albany State Football hosted its inaugural golf tournament, bringing together alumni, sponsors, and supporters for a day of fellowship and support for the Golden Rams program. The event highlighted the strong commitment and partnership of the Albany State community in helping provide opportunities for student-athletes.

"The golf tournament was a tremendous success and a great example of what can happen when our alumni, sponsors, and community come together to support Albany State football. We are grateful to everyone who helped make the day special, and next year is already shaping up to be even bigger and better," said Albany State Football alumnus Terrell Hires (1999-2003).

Following the success of the inaugural event, Albany State Football is excited to announce the next golf tournament will take place on April 2, 2027, as the program continues to grow this new tradition.

SUMMER OF EXCELLENCE



Golden Rams Build Strong Foundation During Summer

Albany State Football built a strong foundation this summer with a focus on academics, development, and preparation for the upcoming season. With 94 student-athletes on campus, the Golden Rams continued to raise the standard both in the classroom and on the field.

Thirty incoming student-athletes participated in the Summer Success Academy, finishing with a 3.22 cumulative GPA, including three freshmen who earned a perfect 4.0 GPA. Across the entire Team, 14 student-athletes earned a 4.0 GPA, while 34 student-athletes earned all A's and B's during the summer semester.

Along with their academic success, an average of 75 student-athletes participated in offseason workouts, preparing physically and mentally for the season ahead. The dedication and commitment shown throughout the summer have created a strong foundation as the Golden Rams enter the 2026 season.

HOW YOU CAN HELP THE GOLDEN RAMS



Donations

Below is a List of snacks needed.

- Powerade
- Water
- Uncrustables
- Rice Crispy Treats
- Beef Jerky
- Slim Jims
- Fruit Snacks
- Apple Sauce
- Granola Bars
- Sun Chips
- Baked Chips
- Trail Mix
- Pretzels
- Liquid I.V.

Thank You

Thank you for your continued support of Albany State Football. We are grateful for your commitment to our student-athletes and our program. Together, we are building something special. Go Rams!

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