# **2008 FULTON FOOTBALL GAME NOTES**



# **FULTON FOOTBALL 2008**

Class 3A State Champions 2003, 2004, 2006

Fulton Falcons (0-3) vs. Stone Memorial Panthers (0-3) September 19, 2008 Stone Memorial High School

#### Setting The Scene

The Fulton Falcons travel to face Stone Memorial in Crossville for the first time...The Falcons played Crossville High here in 1981, losing 35-6...Both school's will be looking for their first win in 2008 tonight...This is Fulton's first 0-3 start since 2005. The Falcons were able to rebound that year and finish 8-4...Fulton's last 0-4 start came in 1992...Sr. WR/DB Courtland Styles made an immediate impact in his first game for Fulton last week. Styles caught 7 passes for 97 yards and 2 touchdowns in the 32-28 loss to Chattanooga Tyner...FHS is being outscored on the season 81-54...The Falcon defense has given up 60 points in the last 2 games...Fulton will be a sophomore-laden team in 2008. Six sophomores on offense and seven sophomores on defense were penciled in to starting roles on Fulton's original 2008 depth chart.

#### **Fulton Quick Facts**

LocationKnoxvile
Opened1951
Enrollment 983
Region/Class 2-3A
Home Field Bob Black Field
Principal Dr. Jon Rysewyk
Athletic Director Jody Wright
Head Coach Buck Coatney
Seasons
Record 125-79
Seasons Played 58
All-Time Record 350-269-11
Playoff Appearances 18
Playoff Record 31-15

#### 2008 Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	
8/14	Halls (Jamboree)	L, 7-0
8/29	@Oak Ridge	L, 21-13
9/5	Anderson Co.	L, 28-13
9/12	Chatt. Tyner	L, 32-28
9/19	@Stone Memorial	
9/26	Morristown East	HC
10/3	@Scott	
10/10	@Kingston	
10/17	Catholic	CSS-TV
10/24	Austin-East	
10/31	@Livingston Acad.	

#### **Notable Notes**

- Fulton has earned trips to the BlueCross Bowl in 5 out of the last 6 seasons, winning 3 state championships
- Fulton returns only 5% of its offensive yards from the 2007 season. Returning players only accounted for 232 of the Falcons' 4614 offensive yards in 2007. No one that caught a pass in 2007 returns to the receiver and running back position.
- The Maroon and White must replace skill players on both sides of the ball in 2008. The secondary recorded 29 interceptions in 2007.
  No player that had an interception in 2007 returns this year.
- The Falcons will play 6 teams in 2008 that made playoff appearances last year.
- 3 of the 4 teams that made the Class 3A state semi-finals last year have struggled in 2008.
  Fulton, Pearl-Cohn, and Memphis Mitchell have combined for a record of 1-10 this year.
  Last year's 3A champion, David Lipscomb, is undefeated and ranked #1 in the state.
- Fulton's all-time football record stands at 350-269-11 (58 years).

### **About Fulton High School**

Fulton High School opened in 1951 as one of Tennessee's first comprehensive high schools, combining a complete academic curriculum with a full vocational program. Fulton is located in historic North Knoxville just 5 minutes from the University of Tennessee campus. The school is named for noted industrialist and inventor Weston M. Fulton. Fulton has developed a reputation for turning out graduates who have followed the school motto "enter to learn- go forth to serve." A tradition of outstanding athletic teams has been born at the school. Famous former Falcons include College Football hall of famer and former Dallas Cowboy D.D. Lewis, UT basketball All-American Bill Justus, former Vol linebacker Jackie Walker, and four-sport letter winner Ron Widby. Fulton's destiny was almost sealed in 1992 when the Knox Co. School Board voted to close the school, but strong protests by alumni and supporters helped to reverse the decision. A multi-million dollar renovation of Fulton High was completed in 1998 which created new classrooms, including band and music rooms, and a new gymnasium.

Fulton High School responded to the challenges of the No Child Left Behind Act during the 2008-2009 school year by completely changing its organizational structure to focus on small learning communities. This change will allow Fulton High School to become an innovative center of learning, and produce students who enter to learn and go forth to serve.

The Falcons clinched their first state championship in any sport in 2003 defeating Covington for the class 3A football title. Fulton began their title defense on a rocky note in 2004, losing 2 of their first 4 games, but showed constant improvement throughout the season. The Falcons hit their stride in the playoffs, advancing to their 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive  $2^{\text{nd}}$ Fulton's BlueCross Bowl. championship was sewn up after a 34-6 defeat of Greenbrier. The Falcons returned to championship form in 2006, finishing with a 14-1 record and a BlueCross Bowl victory over David Lipscomb. The Fulton basketball team earned its first AA state championship in 2008 with a 74-68 victory over Memphis Mitchell.

#### **Coach Buck Coatney**

Fulton High School's 44-16 semi-final win over Pearl-Cohn in 2007 a milestone victory for Head Football Coach Buck Coatney. The Falcons gave Coatney his 125th coaching victory as FHS head coach. This is an amazing feat, considering that when Coatney was hired in 1992, Fulton was slated to be closed. Coatney's job looked to be a temporary one. Interest in football was slipping at the school, as many players moved to other schools due to the proposed closing. The 1992 team suffered through a 1-9 season, but the lone win was an overtime victory over arch-rival West. The Fulton program improved throughout the early 90s. The Falcons made their first of 15 consecutive playoff appearances Coatney in 1993. By the year 2000, Fulton had re-established itself as a football power in the Knoxville area. In 2002, Coatney led the Falcons to their first undefeated regular season since 1974, ending the season at the BlueCross Bowl. Coatney became the first-ever coach in Knoxville to lead his team to back-to-back state football championships in 2003 and 2004. Fulton returned to the pinnacle of Class 3A football in 2006, as the Falcons ended the season with a 14-1 record and the school's third state championship. Fulton showed constant improvement in 2007, and earned another trip to the BlueCross Bowl. Currently, Coatney has a 125-79 record as Fulton's head coach.

Coatney's roots are colored maroon and white, as his father John captained Fulton's 1959 team. Coatney was known as a hardnosed linebacker and tight end on the Falcon teams of the late 70s. He was named to the allstate team and the *Knoxville Journal* defensive player of the year, as he led Fulton to a region championship in 1979. Current Vanderbilt coach Bobby Johnson recruited Coatney to University where Furman he Honorable-Mention All-American honors. He began his coaching career at Furman as a graduate assistant. After leaving Furman, Coatney spent two years as an assistant coach at Middlesburg High School in Florida. He returned to Fulton in 1987, where he served as Defensive Coordinator. He was named Fulton's 11<sup>th</sup> head coach in 1992. Coatney is the only football coach to win three consecutive KFL/PrepXtra Coach of the year honors (2002-2004). For his work in 2004, Coatney was named state coach of the year by the Tennessee Sportswriters Association, and the Tennessee Titans. Coatney served as the defensive coordinator of the 2005 Tennessee High School All-Star team. He earned his fourth PrepXtra Bob Polston Coach of the Year award, and his third TSWA state Coach of the Year honor following the 2006 season. Coatney is scheduled to serve as the defensive coordinator of the Tennessee team in the 2009 Border Bowl all-star game.

#### **Coatney's Milestone Victories**

#1 1992- FHS 17 West 7 (OT) #25 1998- FHS 1 Union Co. 0 (forfeit) #50 2001- FHS 36 Seymour 26 #75 2003- FHS 42 Seymour 10 #100 2006- FHS 26 Austin-East 7 #125 2007- FHS 44 Pearl-Cohn 16

#### **Wins Over Top TSSAA Coaches**

Coach Buck Coatney's Fulton teams have recorded wins over 5 of the top 15 coaches (by winning percentage) in the state. They are... #3 Gary Rankin (Alcoa) #5 Clint Satterfield (Trousdale Co.-retired) #6 Stanton Stevens (Austin-East/Oak Ridge) #10 Glenn McCadams (David Lipscomb) #13 Gary Householder (Seymour)

#### 2008 Region 2-3A Standings

Place	Team	Reg	Over
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1	Catholic	2-0	4-0
2	Scott	1-0	4-0
3	AC	1-0	3-0
4	Kingston	1-0	3-0
5	Austin-East	0-1	1-2
6	Fulton	0-1	0-3
7	Livingston	0-1	0-3
8	Stone Mem.	0-2	0-3

# **Last Week in Region 2-3A**

Tyner 32 Fulton 28 Scott 48 Taft Youth Center 22 Anderson Co. 31 Lenoir City 0 Kingston 21 Rockwood 0 A-E 20 Carter 13 Catholic 20 Webb 16 Ensworth 54 Stone Memorial 7

### This Week in Region 2-3A

Fulton at Stone Memorial Scott at Austin-East Anderson Co. at Kingston Catholic at Livingston Academy

#### **Next Week in Region 2-3A**

Morristown East at Fulton Baylor at Knoxville Catholic Austin-East at Brainerd Oliver Springs at Kingston York Institute at Livingston Academy Anderson County at Powell

#### **Last Week-Tyner 32 Fulton 28**

Fulton's disappointing start to the 2008 season continued last week as the Tyner Rams erased an 8-point Fulton lead in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter to take a 32-28 victory at Bob Black Field. The Falcons trailed 20-7 at halftime, but exploded with 3 touchdowns in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter to take a 28-20 lead over the Rams.

Senior WR/DB Courtland Styles had an immediate impact in his first game for Fulton. Styles caught 7 passes for 97 yards and 2 touchdowns, including a 21 yard strike from Ben Winters on Fulton's opening drive. It marked the 1<sup>st</sup> time in 2008 that Fulton held a lead. Tyner scored to cut the lead to 7-6 on the next possession on a 8-yard run by Travis Jones.

Disaster struck for Fulton late in the second quarter. Facing a 4<sup>th</sup> down situation on the FHS 21 yard line, Tyner was assessed with a 5-yard illegal substitution penalty. The Rams decided against kicking a field goal, and went for it on 4<sup>th</sup> down. Michael Poarch broke loose on a 26-yard TD scamper to give the Rams the lead. Tyner increased the lead to 20-7 with :17 seconds left in the quarter when Toybius Simmons returned an intercepted Winters pass for a 24-yard TD.

For the second consecutive year, Fulton exploded in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. The Falcons put together an impressive 13-play, 80-yard, drive for a score, capped off by Styles' 2<sup>nd</sup> TD catch. Tyner fumbled the ensuing kickoff and Fulton took the lead following a 1-yard sneak by Winters. The Falcons increased the lead to 8 when Antonio Barfield blocked a Tyner punt and retuned it for a touchdown. Fulton's 3 3<sup>rd</sup>

quarter scores came in a period of under 9 minutes.

Tyner recaptured the momentum following the blocked punt by driving 67 yards in 4 plays for a score to cut the lead to two points. A Fulton fumble on the next possession put Tyner in position to win the game. Chris Williams' 20-yard TD run gave the Rams the winning advantage on the final play of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter.

# Fulton vs. Stone Memorial-The Series

Tonight marks the second meeting between the Fulton Falcons and Stone Memorial Panthers. The Falcons shutout Stone Memorial last year in Knoxville 36-0. Fulton has faced Crossville High (now Cumberland Co.) twice. The Jets defeated Steve Brewer's first Fulton team 35-6 in Crossville in 1981, and won at Fulton the next year 14-7.

#### Last Year -FHS 36 Stone Mem. 0

Senior QB Jonathan Blair took the offensive controls for Fulton and helped lead the Falcons to a 36-0 victory over Stone Memorial at Bob Black Field. Blair, making his seventh career start, threw for 165 yards and tossed two TD passes to Derrick Humphrey. Vic Smith put the Falcons on the board first; returning the opening kickoff 94 yards for a touchdown thanks to excellent blocking by the Falcon kickoff return team. Following a quick defensive stop, the Falcons scored on their first offensive possession to make it 14-0. Terrence Cobb capped off a 4-play drive with a 1-yard run to close out the first quarter scoring.

Blair's first TD connection to Humphrey came late in the first half on a 52-yard strike. Following the conversion pass to Jabriel Siler, Fulton took a 22-0 lead into halftime. The Fulton defense shined in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, allowing the Panthers only 4 offensive yards.

While the defense held Stone Memorial at bay, the Falcons scored two 2<sup>nd</sup> half touchdowns. Blair hit Humphrey on a 16-yard scoring pass, and Derek Wilcox closed out the scoring on a 23-yard scamper. The Falcons rushed for a season-high 223 yards, led by Terrence Cobb's 122 rushing yards. Despite the offensive output, Fulton committed a season-high 14 penalties for 126 yards. Bubba

Stokes again led the Fulton defense with 11 tackles and an interception.

# 2008 Panther Schedule (0-3)

<b>Date</b>	<u>Opponent</u>	Result
8/22	Cumberland Co.	PPD
8/29	@Catholic	L, 41-7
9/5	Scott	L, 34-6
9/12	Ensworth	L, 54-7
9/19	Fulton	
9/26	OPEN	
10/3	Kingston	
10/10	@Bledsoe Co.	
10/17	@Austin-East	
10/24	Livingston Academy	
10/31	@Anderson Co.	

# **Stone Memorial Football Records**

2006	2-1 (partial varsity schedule)
2007	1.0

2007 1-9

# **Poll Watching**

Poll	Fulton	Stone
AP	NR	NR
Earl Nall	7	54
Sonny Moore	3	48
Murphy Fair	NR	NR
tnvarsity.com	NR	NR
maxpreps.com	NR	NR
Massey	67	212

The Sonny Moore poll has Fulton listed as the number 39 team in the entire state of Tennessee. Stone Memorial is rated as the number 248 team in the state. The Falcons have never ended the season at number one according to AP. Here is how the Falcons have fared in the final polls.

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1967 #6 AP, #9 UPI (No Classification)
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1974 #2 AP, #3 UPI (Class AAA)

2002 #3 AP (Class 3-A)

2003 #3 AP (Class 3-A)

2004 #6 AP (Class 3-A)

2005 #8 AP (Class 3-A)

2006 #5 AP (Class 3-A)

2007 #5 AP (Class 3-A)

### Slow Out of the Gate...

The Fulton Falcons have started the 2008 season with 3 consecutive losses. The last time Fulton started 0-3 was in 2005 when Fulton suffered losses to Austin-East, Anderson Co., and Alcoa to open the season. Fulton rebounded that year to earn a playoff berth and finish with an 8-4 record. Fulton has started seasons with 0-3 records on 11 occasions. The slowest start ever came in the inaugural season of 1951 when the Falcons lost their first 8 games before recoding a win over West High.

	<b>Beginning</b>	
<u>Year</u>	Record	Final Record
1951	0-8	1-9
1992	0-7	1-9
1958	0-6	2-9
1981	0-5	3-7
1961	0-4	2-7
1985	0-4	2-8
1987	0-3	3-7
1993	0-3	4-8
1994	0-3	2-9
2005	0-3	8-4
2008	0-3	

# Player of the Week Nominee

Junior MLB Quintest Vinson was named as a PrepXtra Player of the Week nominee for his performance against Tyner. Vinson recorded 11 tackles on the evening. It marks the first time this year that a Fulton player has been nominated for player of the week.

#### The No-Name Falcons...

Followers of the 2008 Fulton Falcons will need to study the roster to learn about this year's team. Gone are several of the key playmakers from last year's championship team. Starters only return to 4 offensive positions, and currently only 1 starter returns on defense. Fulton players have been mostly absent from pre-season all-star lists. No Falcons were named to all-star and players to watch lists in the Murphy Fair Tennessee High School Football and the Varsity Sports Media Tennessee Football magazines. Senior DE Antwan Hamilton was named as a top defensive lineman in the PrepXtra preview section, and Senior WR Courtland Styles was named top KFL receiver in the *Kickoff* publication, and a top WR by *PrepXtra*.

The Falcons will be counting on several sophomores to be key contributors to the 2008 campaign. Six sophomores on offense and seven sophomores on defense were penciled in to starting roles on Fulton's original 2008 depth chart. A total of 19 positions on Fulton's 2-deep depth chart are filled by sophomores. Additionally, at least three freshmen could see playing time for Fulton this year. This young Fulton team is very similar to the 2004 squad that lost 2 games early, but eventually earned a state championship.

#### **Offensive Notes**

- -QB Ben Winters will be making his fifth career start tonight. He is 1-3 as a starting quarterback.
- -Winters' best career start came against Tyner last year. He completed 9 of 18 passes for 176 yards and 3 TDs.
- -The Fulton offense is averaging 223.3 yards per game. (105.3 yards rushing, 118 yards passing)
- -The Falcons have only converted 6 of 27 3<sup>rd</sup> down conversions.(22%)
- -FHS has converted 3 of 8 4<sup>th</sup> downs.
- -Courtland Styles' performance against Tyner set Fulton season highs in receptions (7), receiving yards (97), and touchdowns (2).
- -Styles has caught 66 passes for 538 yards and 9 TDs in his career.
- -Every Fulton receiver that caught a pass against Oak Ridge (J. Williams, Pitchford, Brown, Andrews) made their first career catch.
- -Dametrius Thomas' first varsity catch in the Anderson Co. game went for a 77-yard touchdown.
- -Jerron Brown's first varsity catch in the Oak Ridge game also was his first varsity touchdown.
- -RB Marco Golliday has rushed for 323 yards on 63 carries and 2 touchdowns in his career.

#### **Defensive Notes**

-The Fulton defense is allowing an average of 258 yards per game. (173.7 rushing, 84.3 passing)

- -The Fulton secondary has not allowed a passing TD this year.
- -Shaquan Andrews' interception against Tyner marked the Falcons' 1<sup>st</sup> pick of the season.
- -FHS has been tough on 3<sup>rd</sup> downs this year. Opponents have only converted 23.3% of 3<sup>rd</sup> down conversions, however they have converted 8 of 11 (72.7%) 4<sup>th</sup> down conversions.
- -The Falcon secondary limited Oak Ridge to only 1 completion for 10 yards.
- -Fulton is +3 in turnover margin for the season.

# **Special Teams Notes**

- Antonio Barfield blocked a punt against Tyner and returned it 11 yards for a score.
- Fulton's last punt return for TD came in 2006 when Dennis Freeney had an 86-yard return versus Claiborne.
- Fulton's last kick off return for a touchdown came last year versus Anderson Co. in the playoffs. Derrick Humphrey returned a Maverick pooch kick 64-yards for a score.
- Alexander Haun's extra point kick against Oak Ridge was Fulton's first extra point since 2005 (Dennis Freeney vs. Seymour), and the first extra point attempt since 2006 (Boyd Buchanan)
- Haun is 6 of 8 on extra point attempts this year. He has made his last 5 extra point attempts.
- -The Falcons' last made field goal was made in 2004 by Ryan Ferguson at Loudon (32 yards).
- -Fulton's longest field goal was a 40-yard kick by Will Cannington vs. Jellico in 2000.
- -The last game-winning field goal for Fulton came against Alcoa in 1986. Mike Potter's 20-yard field goal gave Fulton a 10-7 overtime victory.

#### **Playoff Streak Longest in Knox**

The Fulton Falcons were the #2 seed from Region 2-3A in the 2007 TSSAA playoffs. It marked the Falcons' 15<sup>th</sup> consecutive playoff trip. This is the longest playoff streak in Knox Co. The streak began in 1993, as Fulton upset Happy Valley 37-8 in the first round. During the streak, Fulton has compiled a record of 28-12 in playoff games with five championship appearances and three state championships.

Fulton's playoff streak is longer than another local power, Maryville. Maryville's streak is only at 11 years. Fulton has made 18 playoff appearances, and holds an all-time play-off record of 31-15. Every time that Fulton has advanced past the 2<sup>nd</sup> round, they have played in the state championship game. Fulton has won 24 of their last 27 playoff games.

#### KFL Playoff Streaks

<u>Team</u>	<u>Years</u>	1st Year of Streak
Fulton	15	1993
Webb	13	1995
A-E	9	1999
Catholic	9	1999
Powell	7	2001

#### **Fulton 2008 Statistical Leaders**

Rushing	Carries	Yards	TD
Marco Golliday	37	186	1
D. Thomas	18	105	0
Receiving	Catches	Yards	TD
J. Williams	8	137	1
C. Styles	7	97	2
Passing	Att/Comp	Yards	TD
Ben Winters	23/50	354	5
Tackles	Tackles	-yd	Sack
Q. Vinson	21	1	0
J. Williams	19	.5	0
A. Barfield	14	1.5	0

#### **Yearly Passing Leaders 1983-2007**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	Comp.	Att.	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>
1983 Kev	vin Roach	69	121	1049	8
1984 Kev	vin Roach	128	236	1719	15
1985 Sc	ott Vaught	69	146	775	4
1986 Ma	rk Willard	45	95	633	4
1987 Jas	on Richardson	35	74	339	0
1988 lva	n Roper	58	124	904	8
1989 Iva	n Roper	68	116	911	6
1990 lva	n Roper	59	109	900	8
1991 Pet	te Stone	52	112	580	5
1992 Ch	ad Smith	21	54	218	1
1993 Wa	yne Austin	89	193	1049	8
1994 Wa	yne Austin	112	224	1396	12
1995 Wa	yne Austin	83	182	1354	7
1996 Fre	ed Smith	100	191	1401	8
1997 Fre	d Smith	102	206	1502	13

1998 Fred Smith	73	143	1459	13
1999 Chuck Wilson	84	173	1317	11
2000 Jack Whetsel	40	77	566	5
2001 Jack Whetsel	96	178	1387	12
2002 Jack Whetsel	121	250	1995	19
2003 Justin Long	132	214	2383	35
2004 Ish Young	88	169	1490	20
2005 Jock Stinson	59	113	1048	12
2006 Jock Stinson	65	112	969	10
2007 Jonathan Blair	114	187	1553	20

#### **Yearly Rushing Leaders 1983-2007**

N/ NI			TD
Year Name	Carries		<u>TD</u>
1983 Rick McGill	116	526	6
1984 Kevin Roach	119	509	6
1985 Nicky Estes	111	588	2
1986 Gary Downs	74	438	2
1987 Tony Flanagan	133	934	7
1988 Tony Flanagan	76	585	11
1989 NA			
1990 Ralph Mathes	69	420	
1991 Ralph Mathes	73	467	
1992 Vernon Davis	131	708	4
1993 Keith Wilson	151	817	6
1994 Brian Tate	103	628	2
1995 Brian Tate	164	977	12
1996 Tyson Porter	69	410	6
1997 DeMarcus Fine	125	748	9
1998 Marcus Thomas	150	1015	7
1999 DeMarcus Fine	233	1953	21
2000 Jeff Mitchell	174	1406	13
2001 Jeff Mitchell	296	2334	25
2002 Demetris Davis	224	1250	12
2003 Jam Fine	197	1298	10
2004 Jam Fine	158	1143	11
2005 Dennis Rogan	249	2112	31
2006 Dennis Rogan	343	2668	42
2007 Terrence Cobb	206	1293	14

# Falcons Earn 82<sup>nd</sup> Shutout

Defense has been a hallmark of Fulton Football down through the years. Fulton's win over Anderson Co. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the 2007 TSSAA playoffs set a defensive milestone for the Falcons. The 24-0 victory over Anderson Co. was the 82<sup>nd</sup> all-time shutout for Fulton football, and tied a school record with 3 consecutive shutouts. Fulton recorded back-to-back shutouts earlier in 2007 against Stone Memorial and Morristown East.

Fulton has recorded at least one shutout for the last 11 seasons. Coach Coatney's teams have recorded a total of 26 shutouts since 1992. The Falcons recorded a record 6 shutouts during the 1974 season. West High has been blanked by the Falcons on 8 occasions, while Fulton has shutout Bearden 6 times, and Central 5 times. Prior to this season, Fulton's longest shutout streak came in the 2002 playoffs where FHS recorded three consecutive shutouts against Pigeon Forge, Seymour, and Gatlinburg Pittman.

#### **Shutouts Under Coatney**

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1993	Horace Maynard	33-0
1995	Gibbs	41-0
1995	Claiborne Co.	48-0
1997	West	12-0
1997	Carter	32-0
1997	Lenoir City	24-0
1998	Gibbs	28-0
1998	Austin-East	41-0
1999	Gibbs	56-0
2000	Scott	49-0
2001	Scott	76-0
2002	Pigeon Forge	43-0
2002	Seymour	34-0
2002	Gatlinburg-Pittman	24-0
2003	Gibbs	59-0
2003	Macon Co.	26-0
2004	Kingston	35-0
2005	Carter	42-0
2006	Anderson Co.	32-0
2006	Scott	56-0
2006	Livingston Academy	54-0
2007	Stone Memorial	36-0
2007	Morristown East	34-0
2007	Livingston Academy	36-0
2007	Rutledge	26-0
2007	Anderson Co.	24-0

## **Fulton In Overtime**

Fulton has played in 10 overtime games in its football history. The Falcons' record in overtime affairs is 7-3. Coach Buck Coatney's record in overtime is 4-2. His first career victory came in 1992 in overtime versus Bill Wilson's West Rebels 14-7. Anderson Co. has played three overtime games against Fulton, including a 27-26 Fulton loss in 2005.

#### **FHS Overtime Games**

<u>Year</u>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Score</b>	<u>OT</u>
1981	Bearden	W, 42-41	2OT
1985	Central	L, 10-7	OT
1986	Alcoa	W, 10-7	OT
1991	@Halls	W, 21-14	OT
1992	West	W, 14-7	OT
2001	@Anderson Co.	L, 39-36	OT
2002	Anderson Co.	W, 26-23	2OT
2002	@Trousdale Co.	W, 14-13	OT
2003	@Austin-East	W, 12-6	OT
2005	@Anderson Co.	L, 27-26	OT

## Did You Know...

-Fulton will be featured in an upcoming commercial for Mercy Health Partners. The commercial, featuring Peyton Manning was shot on Fulton's Bob Black Field. Players from Fulton and William Blount were used in the spot. The climax of the commercial features Fulton QB Josh Compton being sacked by the WB defense.

-Three former Fulton football players have played in the NFL, while two others participated in NFL camps. D.D. Lewis (c/o 1964) holds an NFL record with 5 Super Bowl appearances with the Dallas Cowboys. D.D was a stalwart on the Doomsday Defense from 1968-1981. He is a member of the College Football Hall of Fame from his days at Mississippi State... Ron Widby (c/o 1963) was a four-sport letterman at Tennessee, and played in the ABA before moving on to punt for Dallas and Green Bay. He played in 2 Super Bowls with Dallas, and was a member of the 1971 Pro Bowl team. Widby averaged 42 yards per punt in his 5-year NFL career. He also played on the PGA Seniors Tour in 1996...James Yarbrough (c/o 1982) made it to the NFL as a safety for the New York Giants in 1987. Yarbrough recorded 14 interceptions in his college career playing for Frank Beamer at Murray State...Jykine Bradley (c/o 1998) participated in Buffalo's training camp in 2002, before moving on to NFL Europe. He is currently a member of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the CFL... All-American Linebacker Jackie Walker (c/o 1968) was drafted in the 6<sup>th</sup> round of the 1972 NFL Draft by the 49ers, but never played in a game. Walker was inducted into the Knoxville Sports Hall of Fame this summer.

- -Longtime Fulton coach Bob Black was inducted into the TSSAA Hall of Fame in 2008. Black was honored at halftime of Fulton's state championship basketball game versus Memphis Mitchell.
- -Knoxville grocer/politician/radio & TV host Cas Walker was a driving force in the building of Fulton Stadium. Walker, who lived in North Hills, would push for donations for the stadium fund on his morning radio show.
- -Two other Fulton graduates are head coaches of area high school teams. Steve Brewer is the head coach at Sevier Co., and Eddie Courtney is the head coach of the Farragut Admirals.
- -Fulton has had three players named as finalists for the Mr. Football Award. Jeff Mitchell (Back, 2001), DeMarcus Stevens (Lineman, 2002-2003), and Dennis Rogan (Back, 2005-2006) were honored as one of the top players in Class 3A. Despite not winning Mr. Football, both Stevens and Rogan earned BlueCross Bowl MVP honors.
- -The three maroon stripes on Fulton Stadium are in honor of the school's three state championships.

# Falcons On The Web

Every Fulton football game will be broadcast live on WKCS-FM 91.1, and can now be heard on the Internet at www.wkcsradio.org... Fulton's official football website is www.fultonfootball.com...A new place to find out about happenings in Falcon Country is the Fulton Maroon and White Report at www. Fultonfalcons.blogspot.com. This blog will cover all Fulton athletics.

#### **Next Game**

The return home next week to Bob Black Field for Homecoming 2008 and a match-up with the Morristown East Hurricanes. Fulton defeated the Hurricanes 34-0 last year. The Falcons are 27-15-1 in homecoming games played at Fulton Stadium. Kick-off is at 7:30.

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# **Fulton Football Great Performances**



#### Individual-Single Game

## Rushing Yards 326-Jeff Mitchell (AC 2001) 301-Dennis Rogan (Scott 2005)

#### Passing Yards 308-Fred Smith (15/25, 3TD) (Rutledge 1996)

# Receiving Yards 261-Jykine Bradley (9 catches, 3TD) (Rutledge 1996)

# <u>Touchdowns</u>

5-Dennis Rogan (Scott 2005, Kingston 2005)

#### Touchdown Passes

5-Jonathan Blair (Pearl-Cohn 2007) 4-Fred Smith (A-E 1998) 4-Justin Long (Scott 2003, Covington 2003) 4-Ish Young (Carter 2004)

#### Longest TD Pass

96-Jack Whetsel to Teon Smith (West 2002)

#### <u>Longest Kickoff Return</u> 99-Antonio Minor (AC 2002)

## <u>Longest Punt Return</u> 90-Marcus Thomas (Gibbs 1998)

# <u>Longest Interception Return for TD</u> 100-Buddy Pannell (Sullivan North 2000) 100-Antonio Minor (AC 2001)

#### <u>Longest Fumble Return for TD</u> 95-George O'Neal (Oak Ridge 1979)

## <u>Tackles in a Game</u> 33-Jackie Walker (Central 1967)

# <u>Longest Field Goal</u> 40-Will Cannington (Jellico 2000)