

KENTUCKY WILDCATS

ASSISTANT COACHING STAFF

OFFENSE

Head Coach of Offense/WRs: Joker Phillips, 7th year

WR Coach/Recruiting Coor here in '03 & '04, but promoted to OC in '05. Offense has improved from 15.7 ppg & 276 ypg in '04 to 26.7 ppg & 376 ypg in '06 and 36.5 ppg & 443 ypg in '07 under his tutelage. Selected as eventual successor to Rich Brooks as UK HC in 2008 and changed title to Head Coach of Offense in 2009. WR coach at S Car in 2002. WR coach at Notre Dame in 2001. Graduate Asst, Asst Recruiting Coor & WR coach at UK from '88-'96.

Offensive Coordinator/QBs: Randy Sanders, 4th year

Promoted to Offensive Coor in 2009. Added Recruiting Coordinator responsibilities in '08. Helped André Woodson's development into a 2nd Tm SEC player in '06 and '07. Spent 22 years at Tennessee as a coach and a player. OC/QB coach at Tenn from '99-'05. Recruiting Coordinator/RB coach at Tennessee from '93-'98. WR coach at Tennessee in '91 & '92.

Running Backs: Larry Brinson, 3rd year

RB coach at Rice from '94-'05. RB coach at Clemson from '90-'93. RB coach at Arkansas from '84-'89. RB coach at Air Force in 1983.

Asst HC/TEs/Sp Teams: Steve Ortmayer, 7th year

Ortmayer's special teams ranked in the Top 10 in the NCAA in PR & KR average in '05 & '06. Director of Player Personnel with XFL's Memphis Maniax from '00-'01. Sp Tms coach for Green Bay Packers in 1999. Administrative position with St. Louis Rams ('95-'98). Sp Tms coach with LA/Oakland Raiders from '90-'94 & '79-'86.

Offensive Line: Jimmy Heggins, 5th year

UK ranked #4 in the NCAA in sacks allowed in 2008. UK's OL produced two 2nd Tm SEC players in '07. Assistant coach at Florida St from 1986-2004. OL coach there from '94-'04. OT coach from '92-'93. TE coach from '90-'93.

DEFENSE

Defensive Coordinator: Steve Brown, 7th year

Elevated to DC in January '07 and the defense has improved from allowing 29.6 ppg and 397 ypg in 2007 to 21.5 ppg and 332 ypg in 2008. DB coach at Kentucky from '03-'06. Secondary coach with the St Louis Rams from '98-'00. CB coach with Rams from '96-'97. Played for Brooks at Oregon. Played CB for 8 years for the Houston Oilers.

Defensive Line: Rick Petri, 5th year

Finalist for 2008 National DL Coach of the Year awarded by FootballScoop.com. DT coach at Ole Miss from '98-'04. DE coach at South Carolina from '96-'98. DL coach at Miami, FL from '93-'95. DT coach at Louisiana Tech in 1992. DL coach at Ole Miss from 1989-'91. DL coach at Arkansas St from 1980-1988.

Recruiting Coor/LBs: Chuck Smith, 5th year

Added title of Recruiting Coordinator in 2009. Helped develop converted DB Wesley Woodyard into a 1st Tm SEC LB in '06 and '07. Head Coach of Boyle County HS in KY from '92-'04. Won 5 State Championships at Boyle County.

Secondary: Chris Thurmond, 2nd year

Helped develop 2nd Team AA CB Trevard Lindley in 2008. Cornerbacks coach at Houston in '06 & '07. Cornerbacks coach at Texas A&M from '03-'05. Cornerbacks coach at Alabama from '01-'02. Defensive Backs coach at TCU from '98-'00 and also in '95. DB coach at Oklahoma in '96 & '97. DB coach at Tulsa in '94 and from '83-'91. DB coach at East Carolina in '92 & '93.

Strength & Conditioning: Marc Hill, 10th year

Strength coach for men's basketball & baseball & assistant strength coach for football at Arizona from 1995-1999.

