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TN Titans host NFC champion 49ers

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son games (phone and tablet only), live local and national audio for every game, and more. The Titans Radio Network and Nashville flagship 104.5 The Zone carry all Titans games across the Mid-South with the "Voice of the Titans" Mike Keith, analyst Dave McGinnis, sideline reporter Ramon Foster, executive producer/gameday host Rhett Bryan and co-host Amie Wells.

FIRST LOOK AT CALLAHAN'S TITANS

In addition to Callahan and the coaching staff, the Titans' 91-man roster includes 35 members playing for the first time in two-tone blue (as of Aug. 4). Executive vice president/general manager Ran Carthon spearheaded the acquisitions of free agents such as cornerback Chidobe Awuzie (formerly with the Bengals), linebacker Kenneth Murray Jr. (Chargers), defensive lineman Sebastian Joseph-Day (49ers), center Lloyd Cushenberry III (Broncos), running back Tony Pollard (Cowboys), safety Jamal Adams (Seahawks), and wide receivers Calvin Ridley (Jaguars) and Tyler Boyd (Bengals). Former Kansas City Chiefs cornerback L'Jarius Sneed was

acquired in a trade. In the draft, the team used its first selection (seventh overall) on Alabama tackle JC Latham.

Quarterback Will Levis is poised to begin his second preseason and his first as the team's starting signal caller. The 33rd-overall pick in the 2023 NFL Draft stepped into the lineup seven games into his rookie season and eventually totaled nine starts. He completed 149 of 255 passes for 1,808 yards with eight touchdowns and four interceptions.

After facing the 49ers on Saturday, the Titans will play their second home preseason game a week later against the Seattle Seahawks (Aug. 17). Before meeting at Nissan Stadium, the two teams will conduct joint practices at Ascension Saint Thomas Sports Park in Nashville on Aug. 14 and 15. The Titans close the preseason with a trip to play the New Orleans Saints on Aug. 25.

THE 49ERS

In 2023, the 49ers finished the regular season with a 12-5 record to claim their second consecutive NFC West title. They advanced to Super Bowl LVIII, ultimately falling in overtime to the Kansas City Chiefs. It

Henigan named to Walter Camp 2024 Player of the Year Preseason Watch List

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while rushing for another five scores and setting the single-season completions (318) record for the Tigers.

Henigan is the Memphis-career leader entering 2024 in completions (839) and passing yards (10,776) while his 79 touchdowns are just a dozen shy of Brady White's career record. The senior has logged 18-career 300-yard passing games and five 400-yard efforts over his career — both good for program records. If Henigan throws for his career average in passing touchdowns (26) in 2024, he would enter the NCAA's top-25 all-time in that stat and would become just the second QB since 2013 to post four-straight seasons with at least 25 total touchdowns.

The 2024 Walter Camp Player of the Year watch list will be narrowed to 10 semi-finalists in early November and three finalists will be announced on November 26. The 2024 Walter Camp Player of the Year recipient, which is voted on by the 133 NCAA Football Bowl Sub-division head coaches and sports information directors, will be announced on ESPN's College

Football Awards Show on December 12.

Memphis football fans can see the Tigers at Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium in the team's season opener on Saturday, Aug. 31 with a four-pack of tickets that includes a parking pass for only \$89. The season opener against North Alabama is the annual "901 Game," and the 901 Game Four-Pack can be purchased by visiting <https://www.gotigersgo.com>.

The Pick Three Mini Plan is an additional option available that gives fans the flexibility to pick from any three Tiger home football games during the 2024 season at Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium, starting at just \$69.

To catch all of the action in the highly-anticipated 2024 Memphis Football season, fans can also purchase season tickets at GoTigersGo.com, in person at the Memphis Ticket Office or by calling the office at (901) 678-2331. For complete information on Memphis Tigers Football, visit www.GoTigersGo.com and follow the team's social media channels on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.

Tigers get votes in Preseason US LBM Coaches Poll

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experience on both sides of the football. Key returners include fourth-year starting quarterback Seth Henigan, three of the Tigers' four leading wide receivers from a year ago in Roc Taylor, Demeer Blankumsee and Koby Drake, tight end Anthony Landphere, running back and kick returner Sutton Smith, offensive linemen Xavier Hill and Jonah Gambill, Phil Steele Preseason All-American linebacker Chandler Martin and defensive back Greg Rubin. Including the aforementioned student-athletes, Memphis had 15 players named to Phil Steele's Preseason All-AAC Team.

Head coach Ryan Silverfield is entering his ninth season with Memphis (fifth as head coach). Silverfield has won a bowl title in each of his first four seasons and is the only head coach in program history with four bowl

wins. His 31 wins are tied for the second most of any Memphis head coach through four seasons and are the fourth most among head coaches hired in 2020.

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NFL launches NFL Votes initiative to encourage civic activity... from sports page 1



ileged position as a national unifier and are committed to using our platform to encourage the entire NFL family to make their voices heard and help direct our country's future."

Public Awareness Campaign

Starting today, an NFL Votes public awareness campaign will launch nationwide featuring two video spots. The first will debut during the NFL's 2024 Pro Football Hall of Fame Game when the Chicago Bears take on the Houston Texans and will encourage eligible voters to check their local registration deadlines and ensure they are registered to vote ahead of the upcoming election cycle. To view the first spot, click here. The second spot, which will focus on voter turnout, will air later this fall.

Several NFL players and Legends will be featured in the spots, including Kelvin Beachum (Arizona Cardinals); Dion Dawkins (Buffalo Bills); Adam Thielen (Carolina Panthers); Raheem Mostert (Miami Dolphins); Kayvon Thibodeaux (New York Giants); Austin Ekeler (Washington Commanders); and NFL Legend Andrew Whitworth.

An NFL "NFL Vota" public awareness campaign will also debut alongside the first national spot, inspiring eligible voters in the Latino community to participate in the country's democratic process. The spot will feature Dave Canales, head coach of the Carolina Panthers. For more information on NFL Vota in Spanish, visit NFL.com.

Club Activations and Events

Throughout the season, all 32 NFL clubs will host activations and events to support civic engagement within their local communities, funded in part by grants from the NFL Foundation. Individual club activations will include:

The Kansas City Chiefs will partner with the other local professional sports teams in the region, including the Kansas City Royals, Sporting Kansas City and the Kansas City Current, to host a city-wide voter registration drive and civic education day across three locations in both Missouri and Kansas.

The Buffalo Bills will collaborate with its local Board of Elections to host an interactive voter and poll worker registration drive at their first two home games of the regular season. The Seattle Seahawks "12s Vote" initiative includes a wide array of efforts to increase voter participation including educational outreach and targeted engagement, public service announcement collaboration with the Washington Secretary of State, internal team registration goals, and hosting an election center at Lumen Field in partnership with King County Elections. Seahawks.com/12sVote was created as a resource center for fans as well.

All NFL clubs offered the use of their respective stadiums or practice facilities for election-related

activities, including as voter registration, ballot drop-off, early voting, or Election Day sites. The stadiums that will be used for election-related activities will be announced on a rolling basis. Clubs will also display in-stadium NFL Votes assets and branding during Weeks 8 and/or 9 of the NFL regular season.

All NFL league and club personnel, including players, coaches and staff, will be required to participate in a mandatory "Voting 101" education course. This session will provide thousands of participants with a broad overview of the electoral process and voting requirements, including information on voter registration.

National Partners

To support NFL Votes, the league has partnered with several national nonpartisan organizations working to foster a more inclusive and engaged voting population. The NFL will leverage its platform to provide these organizations with the resources needed to help advance their missions.

I am a Voter is a nonpartisan organization that aims to create a cultural shift around voting and civic engagement by unifying around a central truth: democracy works best when we all participate. RISE is a national nonpartisan organization that educates and empowers the sports community to champion social justice and improve race relations. Through its RISE to Vote initiative, the group engages with and empowers teams, leagues, and athletes to get more involved, make a difference, and inspire fans to

be civically active. ROCK the Vote is a nonpartisan, non-profit organization dedicated to building the political power of young people. The organization leverages technology, innovation and research-driven programs to reach each new generation and ensure they can vote and be represented in our democracy.

Vet the Vote is a national nonpartisan campaign designed to recruit veterans and military family members to become the next generation of poll workers. Vet the Vote is leading the way in supporting safe and secure elections, helping to show that it's still possible for Americans to work together in patriotic service.

League Events

NFL Votes will also be activated around key tentpole events, including the Hall of Fame Game in Canton, Ohio and the league's annual primetime kickoff game on Thursday, September 5 when the defending Super Bowl Champion Kansas City Chiefs host the Baltimore Ravens at GEHA Field at Arrowhead Stadium. At both events, the NFL will work with national and local partners to help fans register to vote.

In addition, earlier this summer, the NFL partnered with BET Media Group and the Players Coalition to host several NFL Votes activations at the BETX Fan Fest, including a live panel discussion with NFL players and Legends about the importance of voter engagement in the Black community.

For more information about NFL Votes, please visit nfl.com/votes.

Monster Trucks battle at the 2024 Wilson County-Tennessee State Fair, Aug. 23-24

LEBANON, TN — Monster Truck Wars, America's wildest monster truck show, will battle at the 2024 Wilson County – Tennessee State Fair in the Motorsports Arena on Friday, August 23 and Saturday, August 24! This energetic monster truck show will feature a superstar lineup, and more! Plus, take a ride in a real monster truck! See world-famous **Outlaw, Shark Attack, Sherriff & T-Rex Monster Trucks** at the Show! This will be T-Rex Monster Truck's first appearance – be in on the action and join the FUN! Monster Truck events brought to you by Landmark Roofing and Nashville Superspeedway.

Ride in Sergeant Smash for \$10 per seat! Friday Rides from 5 PM-6:15 PM & 8:15 PM to Close. Saturday Rides from 10 AM – 6:15 PM & 8:15 PM to

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Close. Showtime starts at 6:30 PM with Quad Wars 4-wheeler show during intermission.

Different motorsports events held every night include tractor & truck pulls, jump and run derby and more!

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There's so much to see and do you can't see it all in one visit! For a detailed schedule of motorsports events and entertainment, visit www.wilsoncountytntstatefair.com.

The folks at the fair say, "We'll see YOU at the Fair!"

Experience Monster Trucks like never before at the Wilson County – Tennessee State Fair August 23 & 24! (Photo/Courtesy: Wilson County-Tennessee State Fair)