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NIU HUSKIE FOOTBALL

2023 TAILGATING GUIDE



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at
**MISSION'S
GROVE!**



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MISSION'S GROVE

Mission's Grove is located in the Oderkirk parking lot, which is adjacent to the Barsema Alumni & Visitors Center, located at 231 N. Annie Glidden Rd. in DeKalb, Illinois, 60115. This event is free of charge.

Mission's Grove will open three hours prior to kickoff for select home games. In addition to a variety of food and beverages available for purchase, attendees will also be able to purchase NIU alumni merchandise at our alumni gear table. Last call for beverage purchases will be 45 minutes prior to kickoff, and food trucks will end service 30 minutes before kickoff.

Keep the fun and energy from Mission's Grove going as you make your way to the game! Join Mission, the NIU Huskie Marching Band and your fellow Huskies on "Mission's March" to Huskie Stadium 45 minutes before kickoff.



THE YARD at Huskie Stadium is also open for all Huskie fans prior to every NIU football home game this fall. Free and open to the public, The Yard is located on the West Lawn within, well, yards of the stadium entrances and is the official pregame tailgate for ALL FANS. The Yard will be outside on the West Lawn for the first four home games of the 2023 season.

Big Dawg Beer Brats

INGREDIENTS:

3 (16-ounce) cans Pollyanna Dawgma Beer
1 large onion, thinly sliced
10 bratwursts
1 tsp garlic powder
1 tsp salt
½ tsp ground black pepper

DIRECTIONS:

Combine beer and onion slices in a large pot; bring to a boil. Add bratwurst, pepper flakes, garlic powder, salt, and pepper. Reduce heat to medium and cook for 10 to 12 minutes.

Meanwhile, preheat an outdoor grill for medium-high heat and lightly oil the grate.

Remove bratwurst to a plate. Reduce heat to low and let onions simmer until needed.

Cook bratwurst on the preheated grill, turning occasionally to get char marks, until no longer pink in the middle, 5 to 10 minutes. An instant-read thermometer inserted into the center should read at least 160 degrees F (70 degrees C).

Serve bratwurst with onions. Makes 10 servings.



DeKalb Corn Salad

INGREDIENTS:

1 lb. cherry tomatoes, halved or quartered
3 ears of corn, grilled/roasted and cut off the cob
2 avocados, peeled, pitted and sliced
½ red onion (medium), thinly sliced
¼ cup cilantro, chopped (1/2 small bunch)
2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
2 to 3 tbsp lime juice, from 1 to 2 limes
2 garlic cloves, pressed or finely minced
1 tsp sea salt
⅛ tsp black pepper

DIRECTIONS:

In a large salad bowl, combine sliced tomatoes, corn kernels, sliced avocado, thinly sliced red onion, 1/4 cup chopped cilantro and press in 2 garlic cloves.

Drizzle the top with 2 Tbsp extra virgin olive oil, 2-3 Tbsp lime juice (adding it to taste). Add 1 tsp sea salt and 1/8 tsp black pepper, or season to taste. Toss the salad gently just until combined and serve.



Mission's Puppy Chow

INGREDIENTS:

9 cups Rice Chex™, Corn Chex™ or Chocolate Chex™ cereal (or combination)
1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
½ cup peanut butter
¼ cup butter or margarine
1 teaspoon vanilla
1½ cups powdered sugar

DIRECTIONS:

Into large bowl, measure cereal; set aside.

In 1-quart microwavable bowl, microwave chocolate chips, peanut butter and butter uncovered on High 1 minute; stir. Microwave about 30 seconds longer or until mixture can be stirred smooth. Stir in vanilla. Pour mixture over cereal, stirring until evenly coated. Pour into 2-gallon resealable food-storage plastic bag.

Add powdered sugar. Seal bag; shake until well-coated. Spread on waxed paper to cool. Store in airtight container in refrigerator.



Eggstra Point Breakfast Sliders

INGREDIENTS:

1 package slider buns	Freshly ground black pepper
8 eggs	10 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled
¼ cup milk	4 cup shredded cheddar cheese, divided
2 tbsp. sliced chives	3 tbsp. butter, divided
kosher salt	1 tsp. maple syrup

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Slice slider buns in half lengthwise and place in a baking dish.

On the bottom layer of the slider buns, sprinkle 2 cups of the cheddar cheese.

In a large bowl, beat eggs with milk and chives. Season with salt and pepper.

In a large skillet, heat 1 tbsp butter. Cook eggs to desired consistency.

Top bottom layer of sliders with eggs and crumbled bacon. Top with remaining cheese. Place the slider tops on top.

In a small bowl mix the butter with the maple syrup. Brush on top of sliders. Bake for 10-15 minutes, or until cheese is melted and slider tops are golden. Serve.



STADIUM INFORMATION

STADIUM RULES

ITEMS NOT PERMITTED IN HUSKIE STADIUM

- Aerosol containers or any pressurized container
- Outside alcoholic beverages or controlled substances
- Any illegal substances
- Bags, backpacks, duffels, large purses, camera bags (small purses okay)
- Coolers, bottles, cans, or containers
- Helium balloons
- Hoverboards/skateboards
- Knives/blades of any length
- Large cameras, large video cameras
- Laser pointers of any kind
- Mono-pods or tri-pods
- Noisemakers, including whistles, musical instruments, and amplified noisemakers
- Outside food or beverages
- Fans are permitted to bring in one commercially sealed 1 liter bottle of water or smaller
- Pepper Spray
- Posters, signs, or banners on sticks
- Umbrellas
- Selfie sticks
- Weapons, flammables, or other potentially dangerous items

ANIMALS: Animals are not permitted inside Huskie Stadium, with the exception of trained service animals for fans with disabilities.

ALCOHOL POLICY: Outside alcoholic beverages or containers of any kind are not permitted inside Huskie Stadium.

ATM MACHINE: Located at Entrance 2 of Convocation Center.

BANNERS: Fans are welcome to display banners in Huskie Stadium during games provided the sign does not contain derogatory comments, profanity, impede another fan's view of the field, cause a disturbance among other fans, or cover any stadium signage. Flags and banners on poles or sticks are prohibited. NIU Game Operations Management reserves the right to remove any sign or banner from Huskie Stadium.

CLEAR/SMALL BAG POLICY:

To provide a safer environment to spectators in Huskie Stadium and the Convocation Center, a clear bag/purse policy has been instituted. No large bags or purses will be permitted for NIU football, volleyball or men's and women's basketball games. Approved bags include one clear plastic 12" x 12" x 6" stadium bag OR a one (1) gallon clear plastic storage bag OR one (1) clutch purse size 5.5" x 8.5" x 3" or smaller. Exceptions will be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection.

GUESTS WITH DISABILITIES: Seating for guests with disabilities is located between the 40-yard lines in the East grandstand. Three bleacher seats are available for those wishing to accompany the disabled guest. This area can be accessed through the marked entrances on the concourse.

FIRST AID: Basic first aid is provided on the East side at Gate 31 and opens 5 hours prior to kickoff. West side first aid is located inside the stadium athletic training room and opens 5 hours prior to kickoff. NIU does not provide physicians for spectators at intercollegiate athletic events.

GATE OPENINGS: Gates are opened 90 minutes before kickoff.

LOST AND FOUND: Articles found should be turned into the Stadium Information Window at the Ticket Office. Fans can claim their lost item at the kiosk. Any unclaimed items will be turned over to NIU Police, who can be reached at (815) 753-1212.

RE-ENTRY POLICY: Guests who leave Huskie Stadium with the intention to return must have their ticket electronically "scanned out" at any gate. Please have your mobile or printed ticket ready as you exit the stadium. Upon return, guests must be electronically scanned back in to re-enter the stadium. Failure to have a ticket properly scanned out will result in denial of admission upon return to the entry gate.

SMOKING POLICY: As of July 1, 2015, Northern Illinois University is a smoke free campus. Smoking is prohibited on all campus property both indoors and outdoors, but is allowed within your personal vehicle as long as it does not impact others. All lighted smoking materials are prohibited, including but not limited to pipes, cigars, cigarettes and electronic cigarettes.

STADIUM SEATBACKS: Huskie fans can bring their own seat cushions and seatbacks into Huskie Stadium provided the seatbacks do not have armrests or pockets and do not exceed 16" across.

SUITES: The Sky Box and The Sky Club are accessible via the elevator, level 2. Guests with the proper ticket are allowed access. The Sky Club seating is outside of The Sky Box and alcohol is NOT allowed in the seating area. The Terrace Club is accessible via the Northwest field gate and the North end zone stairs to The Terrace Club. Guests with the proper ticket are allowed access and must stay on the terrace - NO Yordon Center first floor or Field Access is allowed. The Coaches Club is located within the West grandstand of Huskie Stadium and is accessible via the ramps. Guests can access The Coaches Club between Gates 4, 7, 10, 13.



NIU SCHOOL SONGS

Huskie Fight Song

Huskies, come on, you Huskies
And make a score or two
Huskies, you're Northern Huskies
The team to pull us through
Forward, together forward
There's victory in view
Come on, you Huskies, Fight on, you Huskies
And win for N.I.U.

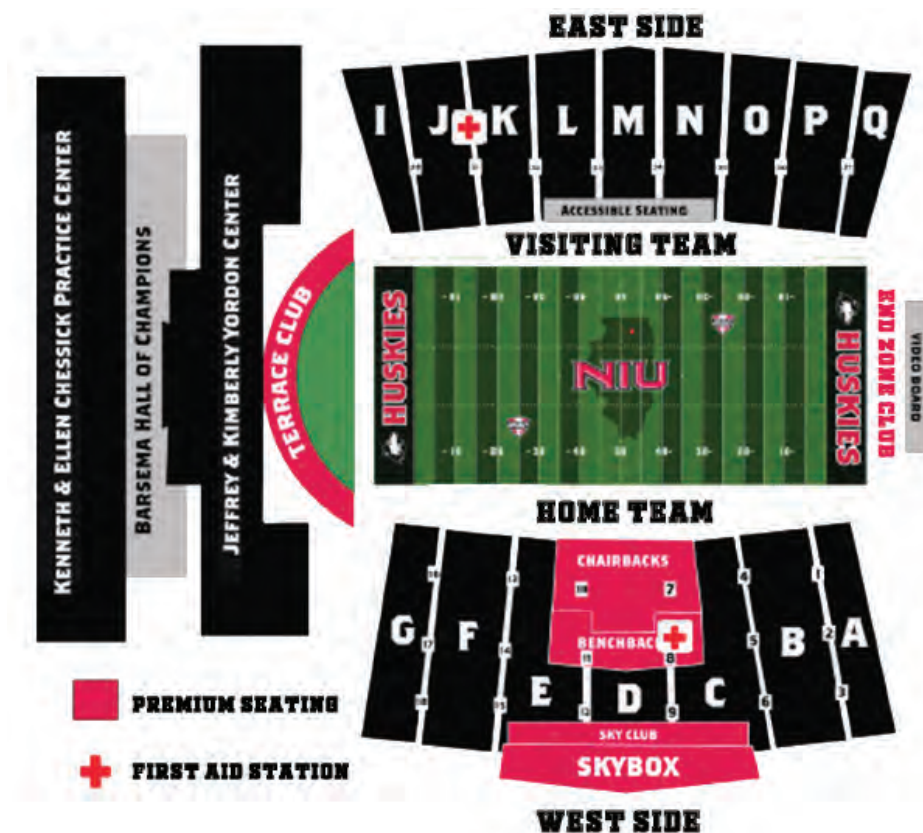
Lyrics by Francis Stroup | Music by A. Neil Annas

Hail NIU Alma Mater

Hail to THEE our Alma Mater
Ever shall we praise your name
Here, we proudly lift our voices
Thousands strong, we sing your fame
Free, steadfast, devoted, true
We will always stand by you
Let our cheers resound for Northern
Hail, N.I.U.

Lyrics by Wilbur Smith / Orville Baker | Music by Wilbur Smith

TICKETING INFORMATION



TICKET PRICES: The prices for single-game reserved seats in Huskie Stadium range from \$23-\$38 in the West Grandstand and \$18-\$33 in the East Grandstand. Season tickets, depending on the plan, cost between \$97-\$162. Admission for full-time NIU students with a valid One Card I.D. is free.

TELEPHONE: Huskie fans can order tickets 24 hours a day through Ticketmaster at 800-745-3000. For additional information on tickets, call 815-753-PACK (7225). The Huskie Athletics Ticket Office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover Card orders are accepted over the phone.

MAIL: Order forms can be downloaded from the tickets section of NIUHuskies.com. Specify the game, date, number of tickets and price. Send order, payment, name, address and telephone number to: NIU Athletics Ticket Office, Convocation Center, NIU, DeKalb, IL 60115-2854.

GROUP RATE: Reserved tickets in 2023 for groups over 15 individuals are \$18 per ticket for Premium Games (9/9, 9/23) and \$15 for MAAction Games (10/14, 10/21, 11/7, 11/14). Group ticket prices for 2023 vary depending on the size of your group. Please contact the box office at 815-753-PACK(7225) or via email at HuskiesTickets@niu.edu. Bring your group to Huskie Stadium this Season!

More Ticket Information

WILL CALL: Tickets can be picked up on game day at the Huskie Stadium Will Call Window (Window #7) three hours prior to the scheduled kickoff time. The Will Call Window is located in the stadium ticket booth near the base of the elevator on the west side.

CHILDREN: Tickets are required for all children three years of age or older. Children younger than three years old are free, but no seat and must sit on the lap of a parent or guardian.

GUEST TICKETS: Visiting players and coaches can pick up their tickets at Gate 16, the entrance just south of the Huskie Stadium Ticket Office.

VISITING TEAM TICKETS: Complimentary tickets will be sent to each visiting team's ticket manager who will be responsible for their distribution at the pass table located on the south end of the West Grandstand, near Gate 1. Gate opens 90 minutes prior to kickoff.

RE-ENTERING HUSKIE STADIUM: Re-entry is granted only to those with a valid game ticket and a hand stamp. Patrons must receive a hand stamp before exiting Huskie Stadium in order to regain entry to the game.

2023 FOOTBALL ROSTER

#	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	YR.
0	Tyler Jackson	LB	6-0	226	R-Sr.
1	Antario Brown	RB	5-10	219	Jr.
1	James Ester	DT	6-3	298	Sr.
2	Javaughn Byrd	CB	6-0	186	Jr.
2	Ethan Hampton	QB	6-3	216	R-So.
3	Devin Lafayette	H	6-2	195	R-So.
4	C.J. Jordan	QB	6-2	210	R-So.
4	Raishein Thomas	DE	6-4	262	Jr.
5	Gabriel Amegatcher	CB	6-2	195	R-Sr.
5	Justin Lynch	RB	6-1	211	Jr.
6	CJ Brown	S	5-11	190	Sr.
7	Jordan Hansen	H	6-1	192	Jr.
8	Devonte O'Malley	DT	6-2	288	Jr.
8	Kacper Rutkiewicz	WR	5-8	178	Sr.
9	Davis Patterson	WR	6-4	198	R-Sr.
10	Billy Dozier	WR/RB	5-10	195	Jr.
10	Demond Taylor Jr.	DT	6-2	308	Sr.
11	Messiah Travis	WR	5-10	187	Sr.
11	Jalonn Williams	DT	6-4	286	R-So.
12	Keshon Artis	LB	6-0	246	R-Sr.
12	Rocky Lombardi	QB	6-3	223	R-Sr.
13	Nevan Cremascoli	QB	6-2	216	R-Fr.
13	Ty Myles	H	5-10	186	R-So.
14	Cam'Ron "Shaad" Dabney	CB	5-11	186	Jr.
14	Mason Kidd	QB	6-3	209	Fr.
15	Santana Banner	S	6-3	195	Fr.
15	Josh Holst	QB	6-4	173	Fr.
16	Jalen Johnson	WR	6-3	205	R-Fr.
17	Louis Frye	H	6-0	209	R-So.
17	Eli Reed	WR	5-11	183	R-Fr.
18	Christion Carter	TE	6-7	240	Jr.
18	Mahki Rolle	CB	6-1	184	Fr.
19	Isaiah Bragg	WR	5-9	175	R-So.
19	Nate Valcarcel	S	6-1	192	Jr.
20	Tyler Brueckner	WR	6-0	199	R-So.
20	Jacob Finley	CB	5-11	176	R-Fr.
21	Muhammed Jammeh	S	6-1	196	R-So.
21	Gavin Williams	RB	5-11	209	R-Jr.
22	Ryan McDonald	WR	5-11	207	Fr.
22	Cyrus McGarrell	S	6-2	187	R-So.
23	DaRon Gilbert	S	6-1	213	Sr.
23	Dane Pardridge	WR	5-11	175	R-Fr.
24	Jashon Prophete	CB	5-11	187	Jr.
24	Kyle Thomas	WR	6-2	174	Fr.
25	Jake Gassaway	LB	6-0	206	R-Fr.
25	Christian Nash	RB	5-11	226	R-Fr.
26	Jaden Dolphin	LB	6-2	220	Jr.
26	Kendrell Flowers	RB	6-0	223	R-Jr.
27	Keyshaun Pipkin	WR	6-2	212	R-Fr.
27	Trey Porter	S	6-0	189	R-Fr.
28	Jaylen Poe	RB	5-10	207	Fr.
28	Nevaeh Sanders	DE	6-4	220	Jr.
29	Amariyun Knighten	CB	6-0	165	R-Fr.
30	Greigh Joseph	RB	5-11	208	Fr.
30	Jake Seibert	K	6-1	197	R-So.
31	Garrett Gensler	RB	6-0	197	Fr.
32	Joshua Pridgen	RB	5-10	168	Fr.
32	Quinn Urwiler	LB	6-0	220	R-Jr.
33	Andre Cobb	CB	6-1	177	R-Fr.
34	Kobe Askew	WR	6-2	192	Fr.
34	Tyler Gentile	S	6-0	188	Fr.
35	John Gore	WR	5-11	182	Fr.
36	Phillip Baynes Jr.	LB	6-2	190	Fr.
36	James Smith Jr.	WR	6-5	172	Fr.

#	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	YR.
37	Joey Rattin	H	6-0	217	Jr.
38	Chris Stinson	TE	6-4	218	R-Fr.
39	Ethan Tierney	S	6-0	182	Fr.
40	Izuchukwu Ozoh	TE	6-4	250	R-So.
41	Rashon Myles Jr.	LB	6-1	209	R-Fr.
42	Tyler Gaines	TE	6-3	219	Fr.
42	Jordan Monroe	LB	6-1	235	Jr.
43	Devariae Burns	TE	6-7	229	Fr.
44	Ryan King	LB	6-0	218	R-So.
45	Hyatt Timosciek	TE	6-6	220	Fr.
46	Nathan Ruble	LB	6-1	222	R-Fr.
47	Drew Cassens	TE	6-2	240	Jr.
48	Gavin Patrick	TE	6-3	287	R-Sr.
49	Brock Lampe	FB	6-1	252	Jr.
50	Pete Nygra	OL	6-4	292	R-So.
51	Cade Haberman	DT	6-2	300	Jr.
52	Ivan Davis	DE	6-3	232	Jr.
53	Luke Skartvedt	OL	6-3	325	Fr.
54	Evan Malcore	OL	6-6	298	R-Fr.
55	Abiathar Curry	OL	6-3	286	R-Fr.
55	Ahahvea Robinson	DT	6-2	265	Fr.
56	Casey Bending	DE	6-3	221	Fr.
57	Mark Hensley	DT	6-3	272	Fr.
58	Skyler Gill-Howard	DT	6-1	285	R-So.
58	Christian Medlock	OL	6-5	304	Fr.
59	Chase Hutchinson	LB	6-2	210	Fr.
60	Evan Buss	OL	6-6	312	Jr.
62	Seth Thompson	OL	6-4	292	R-Jr.
63	Landon Hron	OL	6-3	325	Fr.
64	Matt Schooley	OL	6-2	298	R-Jr.
65	Logan Zschernitz	OL	6-3	305	R-Jr.
69	Nolan Potter	OL	6-6	301	R-Sr.
70	Michael Jimmar	OL	6-5	315	Fr.
71	Drew Hoth	OL	6-4	318	R-So.
72	Bubba Hubbard	OL	6-3	290	R-Fr.
74	Tyler Pitcel	OL	6-4	294	R-Jr.
75	Thomas Paasch	OL	6-5	301	Fr.
76	John Champe	OL	6-4	321	Jr.
77	Luke Pinnick	OL	6-4	302	R-So.
78	Jacob Welch	OL	6-6	310	Fr.
79	J.J. Lippe	OL	6-5	311	R-Jr.
80	Miles Joiner	TE	6-4	257	R-Sr.
81	Grayson Barnes	TE	6-5	215	Jr.
82	Tristen Tewes	TE	6-3	251	R-Jr.
83	Jay'shon Thomas	TE	6-4	215	Fr.
84	Sean Elmore	WR	6-3	205	Jr.
84	George Gumbs	DE	6-4	242	R-So.
85	Trayvon Rudolph	WR	5-10	187	R-Jr.
86	Trey Urwiler	WR	5-9	185	R-So.
87	Cam Thompson	WR	6-0	198	R-Fr.
88	Malik Armstrong	WR	6-0	179	R-Fr.
88	Brian Kolodziejczyk	K	6-2	200	Fr.
89	Bryce Harrison	TE	6-3	235	Fr.
90	Reggie Jean	DT	6-1	292	R-Fr.
90	Danny Vuckovic	K	6-1	206	Fr.
91	Isaac Hatfield	LS	6-2	227	R-So.
92	Kanon Woodill	K	5-11	167	R-So.
93	Cameron Crowell	DE	6-3	260	R-Fr.
94	Filip Maciorowski	LB	6-3	196	Fr.
95	RaSean Randall	DE	6-4	218	Fr.
96	Jacob Waskow	DT	6-2	289	R-Jr.
97	Roy Williams	DE	6-6	261	So.
98	Tom Foley	P	6-4	234	R-Jr.
99	Pierce Oppong	DE	6-3	255	Jr.

2023 SCHEDULE



Saturday, Sep. 2 | 11 A.M.
at Boston College



Saturday, Oct 14 | 2:30 P.M.
vs Ohio University 116th Homecoming



Saturday, Sep. 9 | 2:30 P.M.
vs. Southern Illinois University



Saturday, Oct 21 | TBA
vs Eastern Michigan University



Saturday, Sep. 16 | 6 P.M.
at University of Nebraska



Tuesday, Oct 31 | 6 or 6:30 P.M.
at Central Michigan University



Saturday, Sep. 23 | TBA
vs University of Tulsa



Tuesday, Nov 7 | 6 or 6:30 P.M.
vs Ball State University



Saturday, Sep. 30 | 2:30 P.M.
at University of Toledo



Tuesday, Nov 14 | 6 P.M.
vs Western Michigan University



Saturday, Oct. 7 | 2:30 P.M.
at University of Akron



Saturday, Nov 25 | TBA
at Kent State University

Times listed are Central; dates and times subject to change.

