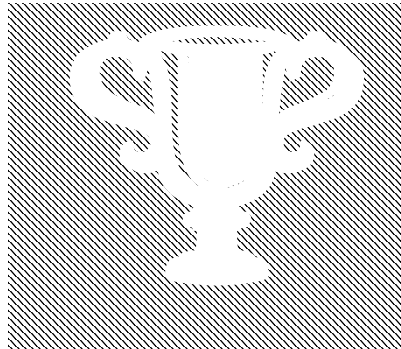


FCS/I-AA Awards

About the Awards

There are four major national awards at the FCS (formerly known as I-AA) level. The **Walter Payton Award**, the **Buck Buchanan Award**, the **Ernie Davis Award**, the **Dave Rimington Award**. The Walter Payton Award has been given each year since 1987, to First presented in 1987 to honor the top Football Championship Subdivision football player by the Sports Network and voted on by Football Championship Subdivision sports information directors. The award is named after Walter Payton, former Jackson State player and the National Football League's second all-time leading rusher. The Ernie Davis Award was first presented in 1992 to honor a Football Championship Subdivision college football player who has overcome personal, athletic or academic adversity and performs in an exemplary manner by the American Sports Wire. The award is named after the late Ernie Davis, Syracuse halfback who won the Heisman Trophy in 1961. First presented in 1995, the Buck Buchanan Award is given to the nation's outstanding Football Championship Subdivision defensive player by The Sports Network. The award is named after Junious "Buck" Buchanan, NAIA All-America defensive lineman at Grambling from 1959 through 1962 and Pro Football Hall of Fame inductee after an outstanding 13-year career. The Dave Rimington Award was first presented in 2003 to honor the best Football Championship Subdivision center by the Boomer Esiason Foundation. The award is named after Dave Rimington, a College Football Hall of Fame center from Nebraska and the only player to win the John Outland Trophy twice (1981-82).



WALTER PAYTON AWARD

Year Player, College, Position

- 1987 Kenny Gamble, Colgate, RB
- 1988 Dave Meggett, Towson, RB
- 1989 John Friesz, Idaho, QB
- 1990 Walter Dean, Grambling, RB
- 1991 Jamie Martin, Weber St., QB
- 1992 Michael Payton, Marshall, QB
- 1993 Doug Nussmeier, Idaho, QB
- 1994 Steve McNair, Alcorn St., QB
- 1995 Dave Dickenson, Montana, QB
- 1996 Archie Amerson, Northern Ariz., RB
- 1997 Brian Finneran, Villanova, WR
- 1998 Jerry Azumah, New Hampshire, RB

- 1999 Adrian Peterson, Ga. Southern, RB
- 2000 Louis Ivory, Furman, RB
2001 Brian Westbrook, Villanova, RB
- 2002 Tony Romo, Eastern Ill., QB
- 2003 Jamaal Branch, Colgate, RB
- 2004 Lang Campbell, William & Mary, QB
- 2005 Erik Meyer, Eastern Wash., QB
- 2006 Ricky Santos, New Hampshire, QB
- 2007 Jayson Foster, Ga. Southern, QB
- 2008 Armanti Edwards, Appalachian St., QB

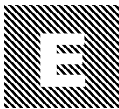


BUCK BUCHANAN AWARD

Year Player, College, Position

- 1995 Dexter Coakley, Appalachian St., LB
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- 1997 Chris McNeil, N.C. A&T, DE
- 1998 James Milton, Western Ill., LB
- 1999 Al Lucas, Troy, DT

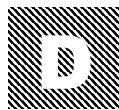
- 2000 Edgerton Hartwell, Western Ill., DL
- 2001 Derrick Lloyd, James Madison, LB
- 2002 Rashean Mathis, Bethune-Cookman, DB
- 2003 Jared Allen, Idaho St., DE
- 2004 Jordan Beck, Cal Poly, LB
- 2005 Chris Gocong, Cal Poly, DE
- 2006 Kyle Shotwell, Cal Poly, LB
- 2007 Kroy Biermann, Montana, DE
- 2008 Greg Peach, Eastern Wash., DE
- 1998 Chris Boden, Villanova, QB
- 1999 Matt Bushart, Southern U., P
- 2000 Charles Roberts, Sacramento St., RB
- 2001 Mark Leyenaar, Robert Morris, OL
- 2002 Kayode Mayowa, Sacred Heart, LB
- 2003 Steve Baggs, Bethune-Cookman, LB
- 2004 Jamaal Branch, Colgate, RB
- 2005 Bruce Eugene, Grambling, QB
- 2006 Ricky Santos, New Hampshire, QB
- 2007 Antwaun Molden, Eastern Ky., CB
- 2008 Javarris Williams, Tennessee St., RB



ERNIE DAVIS AWARD

Year Player, College, Position

- 1992 Gilad Landau, Grambling, PK
- 1993 Jay Walker, Howard, QB
- 1994 Steve McNair, Alcorn St., QB
- 1995 Earl Holmes, Florida A&M, LB
- 1996 Jason DeCuir, Howard, PK
- 1997 DeMingo Graham, Hofstra, OL



DAVE RIMINGTON AWARD

Year Player, College, Position

- 2003 Eugene Amano, Southeast Mo. St.
- 2004 Rob Hunt, North Dakota St.
- 2005 Jeff Bolton, Montana St.
- 2006 Jackie Skipper, Ark.-Pine Bluff
- 2007 Brennen Carvalho, Portland St.
- 2008 Scott Lemn, James Madison