

# AP 1976 AAA All-Ohio Football Team

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Tackles — Janis Trupovniaks, Codiz, 6-6, 250, Sr.; and John Walday, Toronto, 6-3, 270, Sr.

Guards — Pat Cahill, Huron, 6-foot, 200, Sr.; and Randy Sinnell, South Point, 6-1, 205, Sr.

Center — Bob Murtha, Orrville, 6-3, 207, Sr.

Quarterbacks — Rick Trocano, Brocklyn, 6-2, 195, Sr.

Running backs — Tom Fouchey, Cincinnati Reading, 5-9, 175, Sr.; Kevin Cannon, New Lexington, 6-foot, 165, Sr.; Greg Jones, Elyria West, 5-9, 171, Sr.; and Bryan Thomas, Elyria Catholic, 5-11, 195, Jr.

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 Ends — Rick Howard, Ironton, 6-foot, 165, Sr.; and David Bond, Trenton Edgewood, 6-4, 215, Sr.

Tackles — Jack Neal, Piquetteburg, 6-1, 250, Jr.; Steve Evisitor, Urbana, 6-4, 220, Sr.; and Dan Green, Wallerston, 6-foot, 205, Sr.

Middle guard — Tim Hopkins, Brookville, 6-1, 185, Sr.

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Deep backs — John Cacchio, Ready, 5-11, 175, Sr.; Jeff Scott, Port Clinton, 5-9, 170, Jr.; and Dan Moosburger, Dayton Chamaine-Julienne, 6-1, 160, Sr.

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**HONORABLE MENTION**  
 Mike Conley, Kirilind; Mike Pribe, Cleveland Holy Name; Dave Bentz, Brooklyn; Bob Conwell, Cleveland Benedictine; Eldridge Dixon, Cleveland Latin; John Cooper, Cleveland Holy Name; Larry White, Eastland; Charles Bartley, Chagrin Falls; Doug Sanders, Oberlin Firelands; Richie Bistritz, Chagrin Falls.

Gary Goals, Beloit West Branch; Tom Cowie, Newton Falls; Tim Welch, Cortland Lakeview; Ray Hughs, Robinson; Tim Ford, Atterbury; Tim Hoffman, Cortland Lakeview; Keith Hansen, Bluffton; Mike Vic Harrison, Girard; Jeff Watson, Akron South; Ken Christello, Brookfield; Lawrence Lison, Akron Hoban; Jim Jantzweiler, Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary; Bill Bonzio, Girard; Corey Burks, Akron South.

Greg Kendziorski, Cadiz; Mike Bishop, Tom Priest and Clay Corper, Cochransville; Tom Bonds, West Muskingum; Lyle Drake, Carrollton; Tom Lockard, West Lafayette; Rick Weaver, Bob Herald, Trenton; Lou Zedler, Buckeye South; Dan Patterson, Uhrichville Claymont; Gary Lee and Dan Hall, Buckeye North; Tracy Van Meter, Philo; Rusty Atkins, Millersburg West Holmes; Steve Miles, Meadowbrook.

Al Leuzenthal and B.J. Dickey, Ottawa-Glenora; Jim Bleemfield, Van Wert; Tim Conley, Willard; Jeff Malcolm and Tom Onwick, Newark; Corey Hamilton, North Robinson Crawford; Ron Keith, St. Mary's; Mike Urwin, Ontario; Greg Laird, Port Clinton; Dave Harmiller, Lima; Keith Allen Jackson, Fostoria; Alfred Lotova, Geneva.

Randy Penrod and Dave Sufronko, Nelsonville-York; Paul Unger, Ironton; Ken Shawyer and Brian Mink, Gallipolis; Doug Cooner, Wellston; Mark Helms, Washington Court House; Dale Schneider and Gary Baiter, Wheelersburg; Brian Davis, Warren.

Bryan Price and Matt Stevenson, Cincinnati; John Shans, Newark Licking Valley; Dave Noble and Kevin Parsons, Piquetteburg; Gary Cummings, Cochransville; Dave Comar, and Greg Storie, Carrollton; Rick Shaw, Utopia; Paul Tortorella, Wapakoneta; Joe Borner, Ashville; Teays Valley; Jeff Wall, Marion Elain; Tim Lantz, Marion Elain; Bob Stuller, Hamilton Lakewood.

Chris Wilkes, Urbana; Chris Chaney, Hamilton Basin; Jeff Bush, Indian Lake; Ed Ullery, Brookville; Mike Bahr, Blanchester; Doug Jacoby, Finneytown; Matt Henkens, Ballbrook; David Butts, St. Paris; Graham, and Randy McDivitt, Eaton.

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Tackles — Terry Gifford, Piquette, 6-3, 245, Sr.; and Chris Shisler, Lewisburg, 6-3, 230, Sr.

Guards — Tom Ruffin, Arlington, 6-2, 225, Sr.; and Rellie Davins, West Liberty-Salem, 6-foot, 184, Sr.

Center — Greg Galas, West Jefferson, 6-2, 220, Sr.

Quarterback — Tom Oates, Fairport Harbor Harding, 6-2, 190, Sr.

Running backs — Tim Williams, Oak Hill, 6-2, 170, Sr.; Gary Leaver, Jackson, 5-10, 165, Sr.; and Wayne Hamilton, Carroll Station Licking Heights, 6-3, 220, Sr.

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Tackles — Jim Beardley, Berlin Center Western Reserve, 6-2, 220, Sr.; and Tim Zelwick, Ashabula St. John, 6-2, 224, Sr.

Middle guard — Greg Hendricks, Fostoria St. Wendelin, 6-10, 205, Sr.

Linebacker — Bruce Fields, Bluffton, 5-11, 175, Sr.; Tom Puyog, West Alexandria, 5-10, 170, Sr.; and Mitch Laurel, Sandusky St. Mary's, 5-11, 195, Sr.

Deep backs — Pat Riley, Front St. Joseph, 5-10, 150, Sr.; Jeff Buntous, Cochransville, 5-7, 135, Sr.; and Rick Gault, Newark Catholic, 6-foot, 160, Sr.

**SECOND TEAM OFFENSE**  
 Ends — Steve Wharton, New Albany, and Darryl Shuffler, Alumnae Valley; tackles — Joe Paternoster, Gnadenhuetten Indian Valley South, and Dave Dierke, Jamestown Greenview; guards — Keith Cunningham, Albany Alexander, and Steve Huzak, Marion Catholic; center — Don Stoddard, Winsor; running backs — Al Graber, Dalton, and running back — Dave Affholder, Fostoria St. Wendelin; Dave Myers, Carey; Tim Magorien, Woodsfield, and Carl Rosser, Cincinnati Country Day.

**SECOND TEAM DEFENSE**  
 Ends — Joe Rice, West Salem Northwestern, and Dave Frantz, Versailles; tackles — Tim Endstev, Ridgeway Ridge, and Jeff Cullio, Frankfort Adena; middle guard — Everett Hartana, Sullivan Black River; linebackers — Doug Nale, Oak Hill; Mark Schmitz, Versailles; and Jeff Roberts, Newark Catholic; and deep backs Scott Rulan, Mechanicsburg; Wayne Yoder, West Liberty-Salem, and Don Robertson, Centerville.

**THIRD TEAM OFFENSE**  
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 Ends — Chad Linhardt, Cuyahoga Heights, and Chris Wensler, Bluffton; tackles — Mike Bell, Amersburg, and Steve Bradley, Middlefield Cardinal; middle guard — Jack Townsend, Cedarville; linebackers — Jack Renner, Susardeck Garaway; Ken Morgan, Sullivan Black River, and Tom Granata, Tiffin Calvert; and deep backs — Steve Schrock, Sugar Creek Garaway; Bob Ininger, Arlington, and Andy Anderson, Bainbridge Pain Valley.

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 Tom McCoy, Mike Severino, Perry Detora and Mark Cellini, Ashabula St. Mary's; and Mike Huf, Marysville; Scott Hackett, Dalton.

Mike Bonding, Newark Catholic; Doug McCombs, Galion Northstar; Bob Stutz and Randy Welsensstein, Summit Station; Luciano Martins, Good Backer, Geneva; Mike Marshall, Amanda-Clearmont; Chris Horton, Centerville; Tony Miller, Donville; Larry Saulino and Wayne Minko, Cochransville; Tom Finney, Marion Catholic; Tom Jurek, West Jefferson; Tom Pollock and P.D. Murphy, Mossgater; Ron Manning, Doug Henderson, and Rick Humphries, Hanoverton United; Bob Glass, Hillsdale; Dan Elston and Rusty Lloyd, Southington; Jamie Bowman, West Salem; Northwestern; Curly Boldman and Josh Thompson, Wayne; Mike Williams, and Bill Butzer, Dayton; Jeff Johnston, Columbus; Ken Gilber, Smithville; Dan Adair and Mark Staudacher, Mineral Ridge; Ed Hausholder, Sebring; Mike Huff, Marysville; Scott Hackett, Dalton; Bob Adams, Yellow Springs; Dick Weeks and Brian Abbott, South Charleston Southeastern; Scott Carr, Cedarville; Joe Schmidt, Covington; Phil Ferguson, Cedarville; John Bassler, West Alexsandra; Tom Jurek, South; Jeff Harkley, Lewisburg; Twin Valley North; Mike Huf, Marysville; Don Shaw, Chillicothe; Steve Uthig and Don Shaw, Chillicothe; Tom Pollock and P.D. Murphy, Mossgater; Ron Manning, Doug Henderson, and Rick Humphries, Hanoverton United; Bob Glass, Hillsdale; Dan Elston and Rusty Lloyd, Southington; Jamie Bowman, West Salem Northwestern; Curly Boldman and Josh Thompson, Wayne; Cole, Dan Adair and Mark Staudacher, Mineral Ridge; Ed Hausholder, Sebring; Mike Huff, Marysville; Scott Hackett, Dalton; Tom Haughwout, McCreville; Tony Acklinson, Fostoria St. Wendelin; Tim Wieber, Mark Davis and Mike Moses, Sandusky St. Mary's; Greg Wharsh, Ridgeway; Ridenour; Steve Fisher and Mike Jay, Fremont St. Joseph; Rich Friedrich, Carey.

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