

Putnam County Football 1921 - 2024

Dan Kerns' Collection of Putnam County Sports' History

Former and Current High Schools in Putnam County

Belmore Eagles	Glandorf Dragons	*Ottawa-Glandorf Titans
Blanchard Eagles	*Kalida Wildcats	*Ottoville Big Green
*Columbus Grove Bulldogs'	*Leipsic Vikings	Palmer Wildcats
*Continental Pirates	*Miller City Wildcats	Pandora Fleetwings
Crawfis College Blue Eagles	Ottawa Lancers	*Pandora-Gilboa Rockets
*Fort Jennings Musketeers	Ottawa Public Indians	Vaughnsville Vikings
	Ottawa SPPS Trojans	

Former
Football Schools

- Continental Pirates
- Ottawa Lancers
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- Ottawa-Glandorf Titans
- Pandora-Gilboa Rockets

Coaching Career Records Thru 2024 - 10 Wins or More

Coaches	Schools	Seasons	Years Coached	Wins	Losses	Ties
Ken Schriner	Ottawa-Glandorf	1996-2024	29	204	- 122	- 0
Joe Kirkendall	Leipsic	2008-2013 & 2016-2024	15	125	- 49	- 0
Andy Schafer	Columbus Grove	2012-2024	13	101	- 53	- 0
Rick Reider	Leipsic	1970-1984	15	84	- 57	- 4
Mike Fell	Columbus Grove	1990-1999	10	75	- 30	- 0
Jim King	Pandora-Gilboa	1991-2002	12	73	- 54	- 0
Matt Hershey	Pandora-Gilboa	2017-2024	8	60	- 29	- 0
Jeff Mauki	Leipsic	1989-2000	12	58	- 64	- 0
Jerry Cooper	Columbus Grove	2000-2004	5	58	- 9	- 0
Collins Stackhouse	Columbus Grove	1947-1954	8	53	- 17	- 3
Howard Warnecke	Pandora-Gilboa	1968-1976	9	52	- 32	- 1
Scott Palte	Columbus Grove	2005-2011	7	46	- 27	- 0
Carey Arthur	Pandora-Gilboa	2003-2004 & 2008-2013	8	44	- 39	- 0
Lou Stokes	Ottawa-Glandorf	1979-1987	9	40	- 39	- 1
Al Carrino	Columbus Grove	1956-1961	6	39	- 14	- 2
Willis Hartman	Leipsic	1948-1956	9	30	- 41	- 3
Bill Shonk	Pandora-Gilboa	1961-1964	4	29	- 6	- 2
Tory Strock	Leipsic	2001-2007	7	28	- 42	- 0
Bill Bohren	Ottawa-Glandorf	1971-1974	4	24	- 12	- 3
Doug Karst	Pandora-Gilboa	1980-1984	5	24	- 25	- 1
Ernest D. Radenbaugh	Leipsic	1934-1941	8	22	- 34	- 6
Robert Markwood	Columbus Grove	1966-1971	6	22	- 31	- 0
Ralph Blauvelt	Leipsic	1921 & 1925-1929	6	21	- 24	- 5
Mark Stall	Pandora-Gilboa	1986-1990	5	21	- 29	- 0
Jim Johnson	Leipsic	1958-1961	4	15	- 17	- 1
Jim Restle	Leipsic	1964-1968	5	15	- 28	- 1
Waye Smith	Ottawa-Glandorf	1966-1970	5	15	- 37	- 0
John Terwilliger	Ottawa-Glandorf	1975-1977	3	15	- 15	- 0
Mike Richards	Columbus Grove	1977-1980	4	15	- 24	- 1
Grover Davidson	Pandora	1923-1925	3	14	- 7	- 1
Glen Hilty	Pandora	1928-1933	6	14	- 19	- 8
Dan Risser	Columbus Grove	1981-1983	3	14	- 13	- 2
Chris Myers	Pandora-Gilboa	2014-2016	3	14	- 17	- 0
Gene Lloyd	Pandora-Gilboa	1977-1978	2	13	- 6	- 1
Bob Williams	Ottawa-Glandorf	1964-1965	2	12	- 6	- 0
Mike McCarthy	Columbus Grove	1972-1974	3	12	- 16	- 1
Ray Prentiss	Leipsic	1922-1923	2	11	- 7	- 2
John Carrington	Pandora	1936-1938	3	11	- 14	- 2
Milo Bastian	Columbus Grove	1962-1963	2	11	- 7	- 2
Al Laubenthal	Ottawa-Glandorf	1990-1995	6	11	- 49	- 0
Andy Mangas	Leipsic	2014-2015	2	11	- 12	- 0
William Query	Leipsic	1930-1931	2	10	- 6	- 1
Darrel Lowell	Columbus Grove	1938-1941	4	10	- 21	- 0
Ron Reinking	Pandora-Gilboa	1965-1967	3	10	- 15	- 1
Howard Foltz	Columbus Grove	1986-1989	4	10	- 30	- 0

Books on Sport's History in Putnam County & Miller City Updated Thru 2025

Dan Kern's books on the history of PUTNAM COUNTY Football, Basketball, Baseball, Track and Golf and MILLER CITY Baseball, Girls' Basketball and Boys' Basketball through the 2025 season are available in printed form or on a flash drive memory stick. Contact Mr. Kern by email (danrkern268@outlook.com) or phone (419-596-4385) or regular mail (16544 Road H13, Continental OH 45831)

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Books on a Thumb Drive Memory Stick

On a "flash drive memory stick", one book's cost is \$15 and each additional book is \$5 each. Any two books would cost \$20, etc. Thus, you could get all nine books for \$55.

Football in Putnam County – Estimated \$40

It covers FOOTBALL and has over 225 pages of information from 1921-2024 - *Team and Individual game, season and career records *Yearly season results *Series records *Coaches for each school *Pictures of the early years *Information on football schools of the past – Continental, Ottawa SPPS and Ottawa Public.

Boys' Basketball in Putnam County - \$60

It covers BOY'S BASKETBALL and has over 450 pages of information from 1910-2025 - *Game, season and career records *Putnam County Tournaments *Yearly results *Coaches for each school *Over 50 newspaper articles *Dick Kortokrax's winning milestones *History of Gyms in Putnam County *Each State Championship team is featured *All-League teams – plus much more!

Girls' Basketball in Putnam County - \$42

It covers GIRL'S BASKETBALL and nearly 300 pages of information from 1910-2025 - *Game, season and career records *Putnam County Tournaments *Yearly results *Coaches for each school *Over 50 newspaper articles *History of Gyms in Putnam County *Each State Championship team is featured *All-League teams – plus much more!

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It has over 500 pages of information from 1910-2025 - *Players and Coaches *No Hitters *Putnam County Tournaments *Yearly spring and fall results *Game, season and career

records *Putnam County legends *Each state tournament team *40 newspaper articles *Outstanding players and teams featured – plus much more!

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It covers the BOY'S and GIRL'S PCL Track Meets and is over 300 pages of information from 1920-2025 - *It covers the Putnam County Tournament in great detail for High School and Junior High *Newspaper articles covering the PC Meet for each year *Event winners and records for each year – plus much more!

Boys' Golf in Putnam County - \$30

It has over 100 pages of information on the Putnam County League Tournaments from 1975-2024 - *Newspaper articles covering the PC Tournament for each year *Each year's individual and team results – plus much more!

Miller City Baseball Book - \$62

It has nearly 700 pages of information from 1923-2025 - *A listing of all the players and coaches and honors earned *A section on fall baseball from 1924-1973 *30 pages of pitching, offensive and defensive school records set in a game, season or career *Each season is featured with a picture or listing of players *All scores and opponents for each year *Each season's individual stats *Each player's career stats *Newspaper articles on all the games for the PCL or District Championship years *Over 100 pictures of teams, players and coaches

Girls - Miller City Basketball Book - \$42

It is nearly 300 pages of information from 1925-2025 - *A listing of all the players and coaches and honors they earned *School records set in a game, season or career *Each season is featured with a picture or listing of players *All scores and opponents for each year *Each player's season and career stats *Tournament articles *All the newspaper articles for the 1976, 2003 and 2004 seasons *Over 75 pictures of teams, players and coaches

Boys - Miller City Basketball Book - \$60

It has nearly 600 pages of information from 1924-2025 - *A listing of all the players and coaches and honors they earned *School records set in a game, season or career *Each season is featured with a picture or listing of players *All scores and opponents for each year *Each player's season and career stats *All the newspaper articles for 1931, 1946, 1948, 1950, 1952, 1956, 1958, 1962, 1979, 1984, 1991, 1993 and 2010 *Over 100 pictures of teams, players and coaches.

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Football in Putnam County 1921 - 2024

When a sports fan in Putnam County thinks of the schools having a football team, they think of Columbus Grove, Leipsic, Ottawa-Glandorf and Pandora-Gilboa. They would be shocked to discover that there had been five other schools that have had a football team over the years – Continental, Ottawa SPPS, Ottawa Public, Ottawa and Pandora.

#1 In 1922, Continental had a team coached by C.C. Romaker. Newspaper reports have them playing three games with a 0-3 record. The Pirates supported football from 1922-1931.

#2 In 1926, Ottawa Sts. Peter and Paul' first football team, coached by George Heckman, had a 1-1-1 record. They played the Leipsic reserve team three times. The Trojans supported football from 1926-1930.

#3 Ottawa Public supported a team for one year in 1945. The Indians were coached by Sheldon Hall and had a record of 0-6.

#4 In 1963, Ottawa Sts. Peter and Paul and Ottawa Public consolidated to form the Ottawa Lancer football team. This was a prelude to the consolidation with Glandorf the following year. This Ottawa team was coached by Bob Williams with a record of 0-9.

#5 In 1964, Ottawa and Glandorf consolidated to form the Ottawa-Glandorf Titans. O-G's first coach was Bob Williams and they finished with a 4-5 record. Ottawa-Glandorf has supported a football team ever since.

#6 In 1922, Pandora had a team coached by C. D. LaRue with a record of 3-4. The Pandora Fleetwings supported football from 1922-1950.

#7 In 1951, Pandora and Blanchard consolidated to form the Pandora-Gilboa school system. P-G's first team was coached by Sheldon Hall with a record of 3-6. The Rockets have supported a football team ever since.

#8 In 1924, Columbus Grove had a team coached by William Turner with a record of 1-9. The Bulldogs have supported a football team ever since.

#9 In 1921, Leipsic had a team coached by Ralph E. Blauvelt with a record of 1-4. The Vikings have supported a football team ever since. However, from 1942-1944, they did not field a team due to World War II.

In compiling this information on football in the early years in Putnam County, I used three sources – old newspapers, yearbooks and current school records.

The newspapers in Putnam County that I used were as follows: The Vidette, The Putnam County Sentinel, The Continental News-Review, The Leipsic Messenger and The Pandora Times. The various newspapers did not always report the results of athletic contests in earlier years. Thus, many games were missed.

The yearbooks from each school were very helpful, though many are also missing. Many of the pictures that are used in this book came from a yearbook or from interested individuals.

The recent history of football in Putnam County also comes directly from the coaches and their assistants. Ned Stechschulte of Columbus Grove, Joe Kirkendall of Leipsic, Ryan Keck of Ottawa-Glandorf and Matt Hershey of Pandora-Gilboa provided me with many of the stats for this book.

If you detect any mistakes, omissions or have any additional information, please contact me, Dan Kern.

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Individual Offensive Game Records Through 2024

Offensive Categories	Records	Players	Schools	Opponents	Years
Passing Completions	32	Cory Gerten	Pandora-Gilboa	vs Bluffton	2023
Passing Attempts	48	Nick Kreinbrink	Leipsic	vs Arlington	1996
Passing Attempts	48	Cory Gerten	Pandora-Gilboa	vs Bluffton	2023
Passing Yards	565	Nick Kreinbrink	Leipsic	vs Arlington	1996
Longest Pass	93	Tayt Mayberry	Columbus Grove	vs Troy Christian	2002
Passing Touchdowns	6	Nick Kreinbrink	Leipsic	vs Arlington	1996
Passing Touchdowns	6	Nick Kreinbrink	Leipsic	vs Vanlue	1996
Passing Touchdowns	6	Blake Reynolds	Columbus Grove	vs Bluffton	2019
Passing Touchdowns	6	Blake Reynolds	Columbus Grove	vs Spencerville	2019
Passing Touchdowns	6	Jacob Balbaugh	Ottawa-Glandorf	vs Elida	2019
Passing Touchdowns	6	Jacob Balbaugh	Ottawa-Glandorf	vs Elida	2020
Receptions	19	Brian Newell	Leipsic	vs McComb	1997
Receiving Yards	304	Gabe Glement	Columbus Grove	vs Spencerville	2019
Receiving Touchdowns	5	Gabe Glement	Columbus Grove	vs Spencerville	2019
Rushing Attempts	41	Garrett Nemire	Columbus Grove	vs Seneca East	2018
Rushing Yards	366	Joel McDaniel	Leipsic	vs Pandora-Gilboa	2003
Longest Run	99	Dave Basinger	Pandora-Gilboa	vs Elida	1963
Longest Run	99	Jordan Chamberlin	Leipsic	vs Arlington	2013
Rushing Touchdowns	7	Ned Laubenthal	Ottawa-Glandorf	vs Van Wert	1973
Total Touchdowns	7	Ned Laubenthal	Ottawa-Glandorf	vs Van Wert	1973
Points after a Touchdown	11	Chris Halker	Pandora-Gilboa	vs Vanlue	2021
Field Goals	4	Jeff Compton	Ottawa-Glandorf	vs Bath	1983
Longest Field Goal	52	David Samsal	Pandora-Gilboa	vs Arcadia	1999
Longest Field Goal	52	Rece Verhoff	Columbus Grove	vs Spencerville	2021
Longest Punt Return	96	Gail Long	Columbus Grove	vs Delphos Jefferson	1961
Longest Punt Return	96	Tom Hochstettler	Pandora-Gilboa	vs Columbus Grove	2009
Longest Kick Off Return	101	Randy Basinger	Pandora-Gilboa	vs Arlington	1966
Longest Interception Return	100	Erick Kreinbrink	Leipsic	vs Arlington	1991
Longest Interception Return	100	Derek Steffan	Leipsic	vs Arlington	2012

Individual Offensive Season Records Through 2024

Offensive Categories	Records	Players	Schools	Years
Passing Completions	187	Marc Kirkendall	Leipsic	2024
Passing Attempts	329	Zac Unterbrink	Ottawa-Glandorf	2015
Passing Yards	3,024	Landen Jordan	Ottawa-Glandorf	2021
Passing Touch Downs	32	Jared Breece	Pandora-Gilboa	2018
Receptions	76	Carter Nofziger	Pandora-Gilboa	2017
Receiving Yards	1,419	Caleb Kuhlman	Ottawa-Glandorf	2021
Receiving Touch Downs	15	Devin Mangas	Leipsic	2012
Receiving Touch Downs	15	Travis Maag	Pandora-Gilboa	2018
Rushing Attempts	350	Blaine Maag	Columbus Grove	2003
Rushing Yards	2,703	Blaine Maag	Columbus Grove	2003
Rushing Touch Downs	43	Blaine Maag	Columbus Grove	2003
Points	274	Blaine Maag	Columbus Grove	2003
Total Touch Downs	45	Blaine Maag	Columbus Grove	2003
Points after a Touch Down	75	Evan Verhoff	Columbus Grove	2024
Field Goals	13	Rece Verhoff	Columbus Grove	2020

Individual Offensive Career Records Through 2024

Offensive Categories	Records	Players	Schools	Years
Passing Completions	530	Dylan Schroeder	Leipsic	2015-2018
Passing Attempts	897	Dylan Schroeder	Leipsic	2015-2018
Passing Yards	6,928	Dylan Schroeder	Leipsic	2015-2018
Passing Touch Downs	77	Zach Kuhlman	Leipsic	2010-2013
Receptions	214	Aidan Morris	Pandora-Gilboa	2020-2023
Receiving Yards	3,239	Aidan Morris	Pandora-Gilboa	2020-2023
Receiving Touch Downs	35	Aidan Morris	Pandora-Gilboa	2020-2023
Rushing Attempts	921	Blaine Maag	Columbus Grove	2001-2004
Rushing Yards	6,360	Trenton Barraza	Columbus Grove	2021-2024
Rushing Touch Downs	91	Blaine Maag	Columbus Grove	2001-2004
Total Touch Downs	91	Blaine Maag	Columbus Grove	2001-2004
Points	602	Blaine Maag	Columbus Grove	2001-2004
Points after a Touch Down	205	Devin Mangas	Leipsic	2009-2012
Field Goals	27	Reece Verhoff	Columbus Grove	2018-2021