GRAND HAVEN BUCCANEERS

2025 RECORD:
2-7 OVERALL
1-6 OK RED (7TH place)

Grand Haven Head Coach
Andrew BiedenBender 4th yr: (5-22)

Coaches' Comments:

"Very excited about this group. We had some big injuries plague us before the season started last season and when we had a good chunk of our players healthy, we were competing at a very high level. We return all of our offensive production. Our offensive line is young but very talented and are excited to prove themselves. The offseason has been great and we look forward to the challenge of the 2026 season!

Key Returnees: QB- Easton Hintz, WR/RB-KV Korenstra, WR-Amani Frierson, RB-Andrew Willemsen, OL-Collin Knittel, LB-Luke Ratke, LB-Steele Wharton-Bickley, DL-Chase Dusterwinkle, WR-Lennon Jorgensen, DL- Cal Brunsting

Returning Starters: Offense(5), Defense (6)

Key Newcomers: TE-Grayam Beyer, OL-Brenner Jansen, OL/DL-Blake Williams, OL-Matt Fuller, WR-Drew Hammerle, DB-Jabez Madison

2026 Buccaneers Football Schedule

Thurs. Aug. 27	Spring Lake	H
Thurs. Sept 3	Reeths-Puffer	A
Fri. Sept. 11	Hudsonville	A
Fri. Sept. 18	East Kentwood	H
Fri. Sept. 25	Rockford	A
Fri. Oct. 2	Jenison	A
Fri. Oct. 9	West Ottawa	H
Fri. Oct. 16	Caledonia	H
Fri. Oct. 23	Grandville	A

WEST MICHIGAN OKSPORTS

GRAND HAVEN LOOKS TO TALENTED SENIOR GROUP TO MAKE NOISE IN OK RED

Grand Haven Football Preview

Optimism reigns supreme with Coach Andrew BiedenBender and the Grand Haven Buccaneers heading into the 2026 season. Injuries cut short expectations in 2025, but that led to many underclassmen getting experience and will hopefully contribute to a solid '26 campaign. If the Bucs can continue to build on that experience, they could surprise people in the always tough OK RED conference this fall.

Returning to the lead the Grand Haven offense is Senior QB, Easton Hintz who threw for 975 yds and 9 TD's last season while rushing for another 300. His dual threat capability will be enhanced by speedy Senior WR/RB - KV Korenstra who has committed to Ferris State. Hintz will also look to throw to talented WR Amani Frierson as well as JR, Lennon Jorgenson. Up front, the Bucs O-Line will be anchored by Junior, Matt Fuller as well as Seniors, Collin Knittel, and Soph. Brennen Jansen. The Bucs return some talent on "O" and will look to exploit that advantage.

Defensively, Grand Haven will return a solid core, led by the big men in the middle, DT's Chase Dusterwinkle and Calvin Brunsting. Their strength up front will be complemented by the senior LB trio of Steele Wharton-Bickley, Luke Ratke, and Frank Mulcahy. Coach Biedenbender is hopeful that this group can lead the Bucs to continued improvement and a successful season.

Grand Haven returns a great deal of talent in 2026, but does have to deal with the gauntlet that is the OK RED schedule. With a strong senior group, the Bucs could have what it takes to do some damage this fall.