



Since arriving on campus in the summer of 2013, the program has celebrated a plethora of key moments over Torbush's tenure. Below is a list of some of the key moments over the last five years.

June 21, 2013 – ETSU hires former North Carolina head football coach Carl Torbush as its new head coach

Sept. 13, 2013 – For the first time in 10 years, ETSU football coaches hit the recruiting trail in anticipation of signing the program's first class in February of 2014

Nov. 2, 2013 – The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics hosts a special Homecoming reunion event for former football players as part of the weekend activities

Nov. 5, 2013 – ETSU announces it has signed a new licensing and apparel deal with Nike to provide gear for football, as well as other Buccaneer teams

Nov. 14, 2013 – During a called press conference, it is announced that ETSU's first opponent will be fellow first-year program Kennesaw State, and the game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 3, 2015

Feb. 5, 2014 – ETSU announces first recruiting class (47 players) in preparation for 2015 season

July 1, 2014 – ETSU athletics officially returns to Southern Conference

July 23, 2014 – ETSU athletics launches new logos, branding initiative

Sept. 3, 2014 – Bucs host first Media Day in over 10 years

Sept. 15, 2014 – Bucs hold first official practice in over 10 years

Sept. 27, 2014 – Over 3,000 fans turn out for an all-day tailgate event at ETSU Game Time 101, which is highlighted by the team's first official Blue-Gold Scrimmage

Oct. 23, 2014 – ETSU wraps up Blue-Gold scrimmage at Dobyns-Bennett High School in Kingsport

Nov. 1, 2014 – On a snowy, frigid day, the Bucs participate in ETSU Homecoming by playing the team's final Blue-Gold scrimmage of the fall

Dec. 18, 2014 – Coach Torbush releases the team's 2015 schedule, an 11-game slate that includes six home games and five road contests

Feb. 6, 2015 – It is announced that the Buccaneers will face the University of Tennessee on the gridiron on Sept. 8, 2018 at tradition-rich Neyland Stadium

March 18, 2015 – ETSU athletics official launches football stadium campaign and announces stadium site

April 2, 2015 – Bucs head to Erwin for scrimmage at Unicoi County High School

April 11, 2015 – ETSU football plays the Mountain States Health Alliance Blue-Gold scrimmage game to conclude the first spring practice since 2003. During the game, local business man and philanthropist Scott Niswonger presents leadership gift of \$1 million to the ETSU football stadium campaign

April 27, 2015 – The Buccaneers officially unveil the team’s new football and band uniforms for the 2015 season

May 4, 2015 – General Shale makes commitment to provide a half-million bricks to the construction of the new ETSU football stadium

Sept 3, 2015 – For the first time in 4,303 days, ETSU football returns to the gridiron as the Bucs host Kennesaw State at Kermit Tipton Stadium

Oct. 31, 2015 - Scoring 28 unanswered points in the first half, the Buccaneers collected a season-high 457 yards in total offense and the team’s defensive unit did not allow any points, as ETSU secured its first victory since reinstating its football program with a 42-9 win over Warner in front of a Halloween crowd of 6,480 fans at Kermit Tipton Stadium

Nov. 16, 2015 - In a historic groundbreaking ceremony, the ETSU Department of Intercollegiate Athletics marked the official start of construction on the Buccaneers’ new football stadium Monday afternoon on the site of the new facility

Nov. 21, 2015 - ETSU ends its first season with a 42-27 win over Kentucky Wesleyan in front of 6,302 fans at Kermit Tipton Stadium ... The Bucs out-gained the Panthers, 574-375, while holding KWC to -13 rushing yards on 16 carries

Jan. 28, 2016 -- The ETSU Department of Intercollegiate Athletics and Bristol Motor Speedway held a joint press conference to announce they have reached an agreement to host ETSU’s 2016 Southern Conference football opener at the Last Great Colosseum. The Buccaneers, who are playing a full SoCon schedule this upcoming season, will host Western Carolina on Saturday, Sept. 17.

September 3, 2016 - ETSU football defeats Kennesaw State, 20-17, in double-overtime, marking the Bucs’ first win over a FCS program since Nov. 22, 2003 (The Citadel)

September 17, 2016 - ETSU football defeats Western Carolina, 34-31, in front of a single-game record 13,863 fans at Bristol Motor Speedway

March 31, 2016 – Bucs head to Elizabethton for spring scrimmage

August 23, 2017 – The Bucs hold their first ever practice inside new stadium

August 24, 2017 - Board approves naming of William B. Greene, Jr. Stadium.

September 2, 2017 - ETSU opens William B. Greene, Jr. Stadium with a 31-10 win over Limestone in front of a capacity crowd of 9,530.