

Fantasy Football

Names:

Since this is competitive we want to have a set of ground rules that all follow. It is a winner-take-almost-all format. The team with the most points wins and the team who comes closest to their predicted score wins. Each fantasy team will be chosen by a pair of FST students. They need to research and be able to defend their choices. "He is a really good passer," is not enough to defend your choices.

Here is what is required:

1. You will be making 5 choices: Quarterback, running back, wide receiver, kicker, and defense/special teams.
2. Team scoring will be accrued by the method at the following website:
<http://www.fantasypros.com/scoring-settings/>
3. Research your team by browsing the internet. Here are a couple of helpful sites:
<http://nytimes.stats.com/fb/index.asp>
<http://espn.go.com/> (go to the NFL stats page)
4. You need to be able to defend your choices. Here is an example of a method for choosing a quarterback. Take into consideration both the player and the opponent. A simple place to start is averaging the player and opponent data. For example, if a quarterback throws for an average of 300 yards per game, and the opposing defense allows an average of 220 yards passing per game, then assign a value of $(300 + 220) / 2 = 260$ yards of passing for that "matchup." The same basic idea can be applied to touchdowns and interceptions. You then must make a prediction of how many points your QB will get your team.
5. Do the same for each of the other spots. Then add your predictions to predict your team's total. This number must be on your final hand-in.
6. Check to make sure your team/players are playing this weekend. Injuries? Byes?
7. Write out your five choices with a defense of each choice. **This is where the grade comes from for the assignment.**

Your team (clear and neat handout) turned into the teacher by the end of class Thursday.

Good Luck!