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SIUE Students Are Ready For Some Football

EDWARDSVILLE, Ill. – Southern Illinois University Edwardsville's Cougar Football team is headed to the red zone. With a new captain and new staff, it is predicted that SIUE students will get a taste of the mighty Cougar roar this fall.

Although known for their recent induction into Division 1 Ohio Valley Conference sports, SIUE is often overlooked when it comes to football. It is rather unknown throughout campus that the college offers football as a club sport, but as soon as people discover that it is offered, it becomes a hit for students, faculty and staff.

"SIUE has a football team?" sophomore, Haley McCloud asked, "I didn't know that! I would totally go to a game!" For many students this tends to be the typical response when they discover this tidbit of information. With this in mind, the new staff on the football team hopes to bring about more attention to their sport and gain a larger fan base.

"We are trying to bring about more sponsors for one," stated Dustin McCurdy, offensive lineman and secretary for the football team, "Along with sponsors, we are also trying to come up with ways to gain awareness across campus and the area."

The team, led by Captain Ryan McClure, has a goal to play at Korte Stadium, located on campus in hopes to bring in a larger fan base to their games. For more information about SIUE's club football team, visit the club sports page on SIUE's website, http://www.siue.edu/crec/clubsports/.

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