

# 1978 3A FOOTBALL STATE CHAMPIONS (13-0)



The '78 Geneseo Green Machine upheld the stunning tradition the football team had made for themselves from the two previous years. With a spotless 9-0 season, the Leafs also revealed a phenomenal team by winning the NCIC Championship title. They only allowed 27 points in the regular season and 58 for the whole season. The Geneseo vs. Rockton Hononegah game was won 20-0 and started off the playoffs with the raw talent and skill that is the Geneseo Green Machine. The game against Elmhurst Immaculate portrayed the promise of the Leafs, as they took the game in the last sixty seconds to win their second playoff game. The semi-final game against Sycamore was not a disappointment, with a win of 25-8 leading them to their final game. Visiting the Hancock Stadium on November 24, 1978 for the third time, Geneseo was determined to keep the State Champ title for themselves. Kankakee McNamara was a tough game, but Geneseo made it out 14-7 once again, making them the only team in Illinois Class 3A football history to 3-peat in the State Championships!

## 1978 RECORD

Geneseo 21 . . . . .Canton 0  
Geneseo 37 . . . . .North Scott, IA 6  
Geneseo 50 . . . . .Alleman 0  
Geneseo 54 . . . . .Mendota 0  
Geneseo 27 . . . . .Hall Township 0  
Geneseo 7 . . . . .Rochelle 0  
Geneseo 40 . . . . .Rock Falls 0  
Geneseo 35 . . . . .Princeton 21  
Geneseo 47 . . . . .Kewanee 0

## PLAY-OFFS

Geneseo 20 . . . . .Rockton Hononegah 0  
Geneseo 21 . . . . .Elmhurst Im Concep 16  
Geneseo 25 . . . . .Sycamore 8  
Geneseo 14 . . . . .Kankakee McNamara 7

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