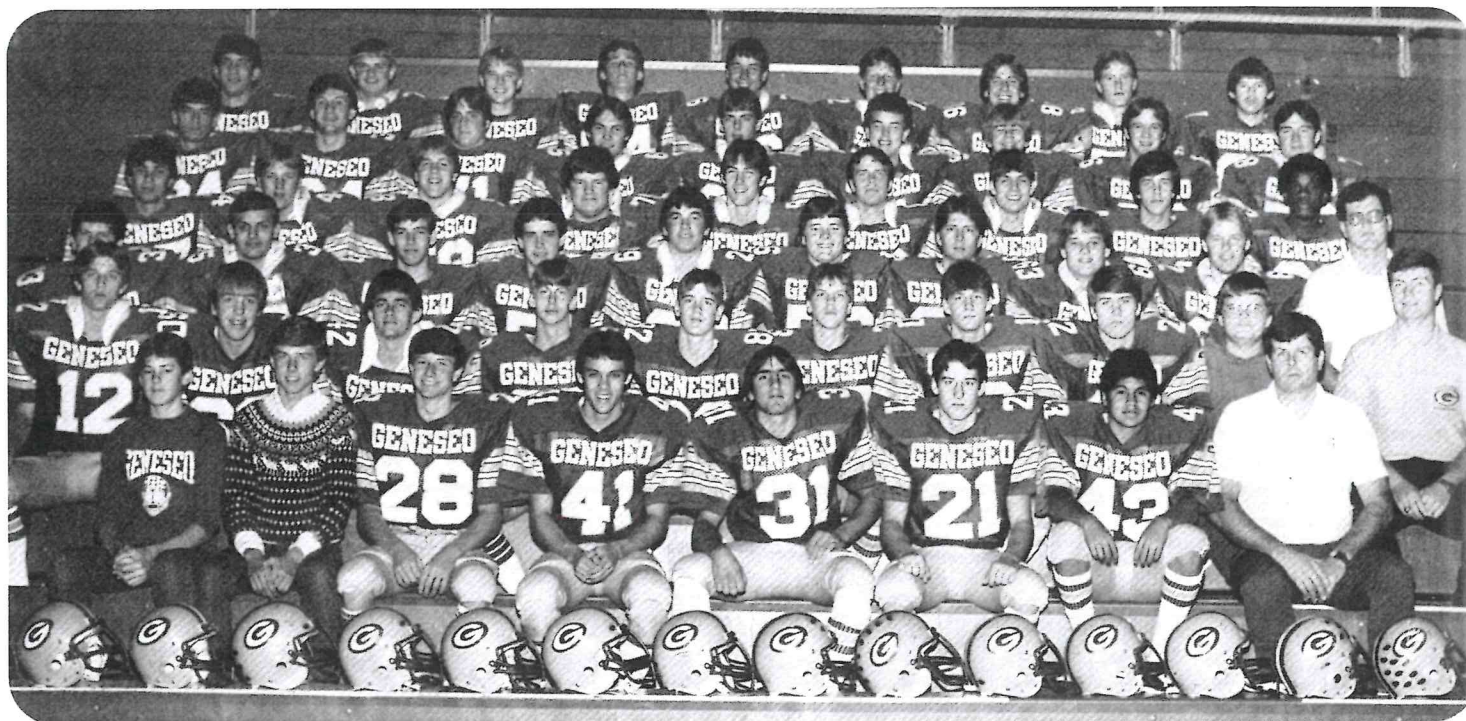


# 1982 4A FOOTBALL STATE CHAMPIONS (12-1)



There were high expectations for a team returning ten starters on a state runner-up team; the Green Machine was ready to carry on the tradition. The season started off against Canton and the first win of the season, 39-21. The regular season record was 8-1, their lone loss coming in the opener of the Conference against a powerful Sterling team. The Green Machine barely made it into the playoffs. They were the 95th team out of 96 to make it. Once they made it in, they were hard to handle. The playoffs were the ninth straight playoff bid and began against Rockton Hononegah. The first round was won by the Green Machine with a close 14-8 win in OT. This was the closest game they would see in the playoffs. The second and third rounds of playoffs were a success, with the Green Machine winning both games: Peoria Spalding, 26-3 and Lombard Montini, 46-15. Returning once again to the State Championship game, Geneseo's opponent, and only thing standing in the way of their victory, was Springfield Griffin. The Green Machine absolutely blew away Springfield Griffin and became the first 4A State Champions in Geneseo history. After building a 44-14 lead, the Green Machine cruised to a 44-36 victory.

## 1982 RECORD

Geneseo 39	. . . . .	Canton 21
Geneseo 16	. . . . .	Alleman 0
Geneseo 39	. . . . .	Princeton 0
Geneseo 12	. . . . .	Sterling 16
Geneseo 20	. . . . .	Ottawa 6
Geneseo 30	. . . . .	Streator 14
Geneseo 30	. . . . .	LaSalle 0
Geneseo 30	. . . . .	Dixon 7
Geneseo 48	. . . . .	Kewanee 0

## PLAY-OFFS

Geneseo 14 (OT)	.Rockton Hononegah 8
Geneseo 26	. . . . .Peoria Spalding 3
Geneseo 46	. . . . .Lombard Montini 15
Geneseo 44	. . . . .Springfield Griffin 36