

# BETHEL UNIVERSITY

8 NCAA PLAYOFF APPEARANCES • 5 MIAC TITLES • 2 NCAA WEST REGION CHAMPIONSHIPS

## ROYALS FOOTBALL

### PERSPECTIVES ON BETHEL UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL

**Matt Lundeen**

**Bethel QB: 1994-97**

**Career: 6th grade teacher and head football coach at Redwood Valley (MN)**

Lundeen came to Bethel after a stellar high school career at Becker High School where he played for his father, Dwight Lundeen (member of the MFCA Hall of Fame). A three-year starter at Bethel, Lundeen was a leader in the Bethel community and on the football field where he received All-MIAC honors in 1996 and 1997. He is third on Bethel's all-time passing list with 6,080 career passing yards. He also holds Bethel's single-season touchdown pass record (24) and single-game touchdown pass record (6). After graduating with a degree in elementary education, Lundeen immediately was hired as a 6th grade teacher and was charged with leading the Redwood Valley football program.



#### **Why did I choose Bethel?**

The main reason I chose to attend Bethel was because it gave me the opportunity to play football and develop life long friendships with teammates and coaches who loved Jesus.

#### **What is special/set Bethel apart?**

What set Bethel apart was the Christ centered environment throughout the entire campus. Not only did I develop amazing relationships with my teammates and coaches, I also developed remarkable relationships with other students, multiple professors, other coaches, and many other adults who worked at Bethel. To this day, these are relationships and friendships I hold very near to me. I was so blessed to be around multiple examples of authentic Christ followers that helped shape who I am to this day.

#### **How did Bethel prepare me for my current career?**

Bethel taught me how to be more than a "regular" teacher and coach. Bethel helped prepare me to use my career platforms to reflect and represent Jesus each and every day by my words and actions.

#### **Highlights of our Education Program:**

- Top-ranked education in the state of Minnesota and the upper Midwest as ranked by the National Council on Teacher Quality (NCTQ)
- NCTQ ranks Bethel's education program 13th in the country for undergraduate teacher preparation.

#### **Highlights of our academic programs are:**

- 85% four-year graduation rate (national average is 40%)
- 7th nationally in study abroad programs
- Ranked in the Top 50 "Smartest Colleges in America." Bethel joined other elite academic institutions such as MIT, Princeton, Yale, Harvard, Stanford and Duke
- 12:1 student to faculty ratio
- 96% job/graduate school placement within six months of graduation
- Factoring in total cost of education and alumni earnings, Payscale.com ranked Bethel #2 among all private schools in Minnesota for the return on your investment
- 93% of business students are employed within three months of graduation (90% employed in their direct field of study)

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