

Morris brothers two sides, same story

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With a height difference of almost a foot, Corey and Colby Morris make a very rare twin tandem.

Colby stands 6 feet 1 inch, while Corey is 6 feet 10 inches.

The Morris' grew up just like any other twins, "Mom says we both were the same height for a good while until it all of sudden happened [Corey's growth spurt]," Colby said.

Colby and Corey Morris are fraternal twins, which like any other siblings have a very small chance of looking exactly the same. "She [mom] tells everyone that I ate both mine and Colby's food when we were younger, and that's why I got so much bigger," Corey said. However it happened, there is no denying their sibling connection.

The twins went to Northeastern High School in Elizabeth City, N.C.

The Morris' were star athletes in high school. Corey was one of the most highly anticipated athletes to

join the Rams since the Division I transition. As a high school senior, he led his basketball team to a 25-3 record while earning All-Conference honors as well as All-State Honorable Mention honors.

Colby joined the Rams football team this season sitting out as a redshirt last year. As a high school senior he lead his football team to a 10-3 record and was awarded All-State, All-Conference and All-Area honors as well as being named Northeastern High School's Most

Valuable Player. With 197 tackles, Colby was the leading tackler in North Carolina in 2007.

Colby was also a standout in the classroom where he was a member of the National Honor Society, served as a junior marshal and graduated with honors. Their coaches say both men are hard workers and lead by example.

"We both played football and basketball together, until Corey got too big for football and I didn't get big enough for basketball," Colby said. Other than height, there are really no significant differences between the two. They like the same music, food and they both fancy themselves ladies men - each jokingly picking fun at the others' looks.

The brothers have been roommates throughout their time here and believe they will continue to room together.

"Being together at school helps our parents out a lot," Corey said. "We only need one car, and usually between seasons our parents can find one of us by simply finding the other."

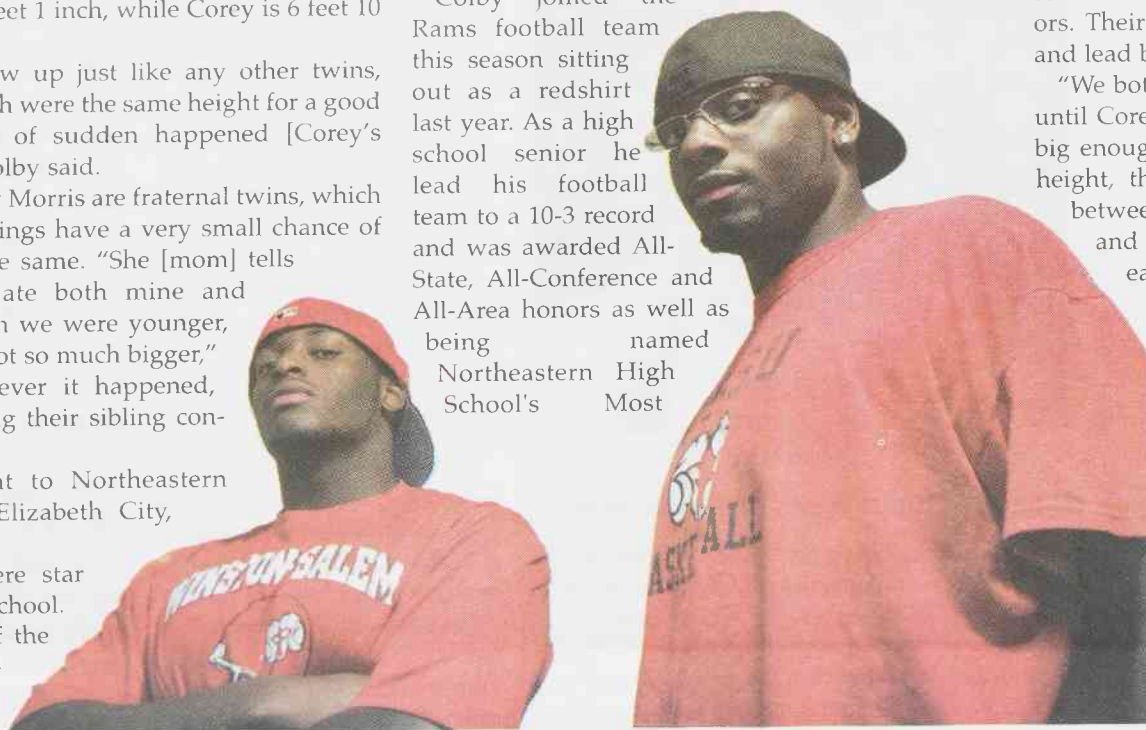


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Twins Colby (left) and Corey Morris have a height difference of nine inches.

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Despite coming into the game winless, Winston-Salem State proved to be too much for Howard, beating them 34-10 at home on Oct. 4.

The win came just in time for a team desperate for a victory.

With the Rams facing a 0-5 start heading into a showdown in Tallahassee Oct. 9, it was imperative that they win this last home game.

"When I look back, we had a great week of practice, and if we can continue to do what we did this week and ultimately tonight, we will be in good shape the remainder of the season," said head coach Kermit Blount, after the Ram victory.

The Rams ended a five-game losing streak dating back to last season when they lost a nail bitter to Norfolk State on the road, 23-20.

"We really needed that win going into Thursday's [Oct. 9] game at FAMU," said junior defensive back Edgar Scott.

The Rams were hitting on all cylinders against the Bison with the offense accumulating 429 yards of total offense, 295 of which were added by junior quarterback Jarrett Dunston.

The Rams were also stingy on defense only allowing 322 yards of total offense.

One big surprise for the Rams was the emergence of defensive lineman turned fullback Devven Sutton, who caught a 7-yard pass for a touchdown and pounded the ball in from two yards out for another score. The game was the Virginia Tech transfer's second at fullback.

"We felt that we needed to add him [Sutton] into the mix because we needed another fullback," Blount said. Dunston had the game of his life throwing for 248 yards

and running for 47. He scored a 41-yard rushing touchdown on a quarterback keeper.

Defensively, the Rams shut-down the Bison running game and limiting the passing game. The defense recorded three interceptions, including DeRon Middleton's pick in the which he returned for an 81-yard touchdown.

After the game, the Rams didn't seem daunted by playing on national television in just five days.

"We're just going to play our game," said senior lineman Joseph Blanks.

Blount said he was pleased with his team's performance as a whole.

"We finally put a complete game together," Blount said. "We struggled the last few weeks and I think that our kids are finally grasping what we are trying to do now and it's finally coming together."

By the third game he had submitted his resignation.

"When you are dealing with sensitive issues, you have to think about this in the best interest of the University," Caldwell said. "It was not just about an individual. It was a combination of circumstances.

"Coach Calcutta is a good man and a heck of a football coach," Caldwell said. Calcutta was in his second season with the Rams.

"Just one bad decision cost a lot," Caldwell said that Calcutta's public image is now tainted.

"That's the irony of all of this. It's all over the words that we say, and all of a sudden it's a crime."

During a mandatory meeting with the student athletes on Sept. 23, Caldwell said the 'N' word and the 'B' word are banned in the department.

"There is a lot of diversity on this campus. When we start using these words, we are no longer in an environment with just black folks."

At least on student athlete thinks Calcutta was treated unfairly.

Senior softball player Kendall Sutton said, "If they had given him a chance to explain himself, things would not have turned out the way they did. "He should have received a suspension from a game instead of being asked to resign," Sutton said. "We use it [N word] everyday, but there are no consequences."

Head football coach Kermit Blount refused to comment about Calcutta. "I am just focused on the future of the season," Blount said.

When the Rams take on FAMU Oct. 9, Blount will assume the offensive coordinator's responsibilities. This match-up will be televised on ESPNU.