Leslie Frazier Field, Trinity International University

- Category of Submission: College Football
- Sports Turf Manager: Andy Yeaman
- Title: Grounds Supervisor
- Education: NCA in Agriculture (Scotland)
- Full-time staff: Randy Chappell and Jonathan Ware
- Other staff: James Ware and Josh Kelsey
- Original construction: 1988
- Rootzone: Native soil, 40% loamy sand
- Turfgrass variety: Kentucky bluegrass, 5-way ryegrass, and tall fescue
- Overseed: We overseed with ryegrass by broadcasting. The process is first to core aerate, then broadcast the seed, roll and water.
- Drainage: Frazier Field uses 4, 6, and 8-inch PVC drainage pipe that are tied into existing drainage tiles.
WHY STMA SHOULD CONSIDER YOUR FIELD A WINNER?

Trinity is a small, Christian institution with fewer than 2,000 students. In 1988 Trinity started a football program in the NAIA CCAC conference. The field was built and named after the first coach, former Chicago Bear defensive back Leslie Frazier, who now coaches in the National Football League.

Our limited budget and resources make it a challenge to keep up and maintain our field; however, with hard work, diligence and pride we have one of the best fields in the division. These accolades come from outside sources such as the other teams and our suppliers, and in an age where there is only a handful of natural grass fields left this is a huge feather in our cap.

Another factor to consider for this award is that we have a small crew of only three full-time and two part-time staff for the entire university, which is more than 110 acres. This factor reinforces our application and makes this field even more prestigious for our institution to obtain.

STMA would like to thank Carolina Green, Ewing, Hunter Industries and World Class Athletic Surfaces for their continued support of the Field of the Year Awards Program.

Equipment list

- John Deere 3520 tractor with 72-inch mowing deck
- John Deere 1445 tractor with 72-inch mowing deck
- John Deere 485 lawn tractor to pull the spreader
- EarthWay pull-behind broadcast spreader
- Frontier 3-point hitch core aerator
- Agrafab 48-inch core aerator
- Jiffy model 5000 line Striper
- Agrafab 800-pound, 6-foot roller and 300-pound, 4-foot roller
- Backpack sprayers for weed control
- Turfco Mete-R-Matic 3 model F12D topdresser
- Cushman Truckster turf vehicle
- John Deere 4 x 2 Gator
- Honda Foreman Rubicon vehicle with broadcast spreader