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*Aggies to take place of Kent State in 2018 and 2019*

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**STATESBORO, Ga.** – The Georgia Southern Athletics Department announced Thursday that it will be making a change to its future non-conference football schedules as it adds a home and home with New Mexico State while removing Kent State from the schedule.

New Mexico State is a familiar foe for Georgia Southern as the two have met three times as members of the Sun Belt Conference. Last year in Las Cruces, Georgia Southern picked up a 22-19 win and the Eagles are currently 3-0 all time against New Mexico State.

This year, Georgia Southern will host New Mexico State in Paulson Stadium in a Sun Belt matchup. New Mexico State will be leaving the SBC after the 2017 football season.

In 2018, the Eagles will travel to Las Cruces to face the Aggies on Oct. 20 and NMSU will return to Statesboro on Oct. 19, 2019. Both of these matchups will be non-conference affairs.

"Kent State approached us in regards to making a change to the status of our scheduled series," said Georgia Southern Director of Athletics [Tom Kleinlein](#). "We respect their request and have terminated the contract with them. New Mexico State is a familiar opponent who was also looking for games, and we are excited to work out this deal with the Aggies. The El Paso and Las Cruces areas are parts of the country our fans have enjoyed traveling to and I have no doubt they will enjoy it again in 2018."

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