

# MADDEN SCHOOL

## Madden School Carolina Offensive Mini eBook

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Gun Ace Slot

**Play:** Read Option/QB Power (Run Game)

**Setup:** None required

**Reads:**

1. Read the numbers game in the box like explained in the video, then make the correct read either a give on the Read option or a QB Power to the opposite side

**Overview:** These two plays are all we need from the gun ace slot formation to solidify the run game. We have 3 options: QB power, and then either the give or pull on the read option. All have their specific looks that would make them effective, you just need to make the correct read within the numbers game pre-snap.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Gun Ace Slot

**Play:** PA Read

**Setup:**

1. Put the X/Square receiver on an in route
2. Block your running back

**Reads:**

1. Your first read is the X/square receiver on the in route
2. Then look to the over route to the TE
3. You also have your other TE in the flats
4. Your last read is the post route to the slot WR

**Overview:** This setup creates a very similar play to the one we run from Dagger in the Trio Panther formation. We are having everything go to the right side of the field, with different levels and timing from each route. The over route is absolutely devastating this year and is a route that must be user guarded which will then open up our other routes.

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**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Gun Ace Slot

**Play:** Posts

**Setup:**

1. Put your B/circle receiver on a drag route

**Reads:**

1. You have the flat route as a hot read if you are getting blitzed from the left
2. You also have the Drag/HB Angle combo
3. Then look to the corner route to the right TE
4. Your final read is the post over the deep middle

**Overview:** This play is very tough to stop because it is the play out of this formation that we send 5 routes out on. This formation is very tough to get pressure from so we might find our opponent sending a lot of defenders to ensure pressure. This is ideal for us in this play, it is just very imperative that we are able to get the ball out quickly and progress through our reads but still make a good, open read.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Gun Ace Slot

**Play:** Smash

**Setup:**

1. Put the tight end on the left on a streak route
2. Put the tight end on the right on a fade route
3. Smart route the slot corner route
4. Block your HB

**Reads:**

1. Your first look is to either TE (high ball down the seam) as a hot read vs a blitz
2. Then look to the high low to either the corner route or the hitch route

**Overview:** The smash concept dominates cover 2 looks and the play from Gun Ace Slot is no different. Cover 2 is a very popular look and we have so many plays from this formation that your opponent will usually not be in a setup to stop this play. The only way to stop this is to start

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manning people up and adjust the cover 2 which would then open up our other plays. With this look, we just want to make a quick read down the seam and then immediately switch our eyes to the corner and hitch. If the corner is hugging the hitch, you know you will have the corner over the top.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Gun Ace Slot

**Play:** X Spot

**Setup:**

1. Put the TE on the left on a drag route
2. Put the slot WR on a flat route
3. Put the outside WR on an in route
4. Either block the HB or put him on a wheel route

**Reads:**

1. Your first read is a quick throw to the TE on the drag
2. Then look to the receiver on the flat route
3. You also have a high low read between the in route and the post route
4. Your final read is the wheel route late vs a cover 2 look

**Overview:** This play is good because instead of our right side TE going to the right like he is in every other setup, he takes a sharp left coming across the field. We combo this with the drag route to get the user going right, and then also combo it with the in route just so we can have a high low read on the left. The flat route by the slot WR will horizontally stretch the defense which will in turn widen the window and create an easier read.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Gun Trio Panther

**Play:** Dagger

**Setup:**

1. Put the middle receiver on a drag route
2. (Optional) Block your HB

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## **Reads:**

1. Look to your drag routes across the middle
2. Then look to the Dagger route to the sideline
3. Your last option is the deep in route

**Overview:** The Dagger concept is extremely tough to guard this year because of how effective the over route is that must be user guarded. This in turn opens up all our other reads. What makes this specific dagger look effective to me is the fact that we can get a blue route to our TE that will also help immensely when trying to pick up contain blitzes to that side due to the width that he is lined up in.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Gun Bunch

**Play:** Clearout FL In

## **Setup:**

1. Put your slot WR on a flat route
2. Hot route your tight end to a drag route
3. Block your running back
4. Motion the receiver on the in route to the sideline and hike it before he sets

## **Reads:**

1. Your first look is a quick read to the left to distinguish man vs zone. If man with no outside safety wait and throw double move
2. Then look to the tight end on the drag route
3. Your last look is the in route

**Overview:** This is an absolute killer against man coverage. Along with the read option from this formation, the double move to the single WR side is something people do not anticipate when facing a gun bunch offense. If your opponent is in man coverage, they often will not have a deep half on the left side over top which will in turn make this play unstoppable if they don't. If they are not in man or sprint out to go use the double move, we then have other concepts that will work against man and zone as secondary reads.

**Formation:** Gun Bunch

**Play:** Read Option

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**Setup:** None required

**Overview:** This play is very unique because most people do not even know that there is a read option in gun bunch, and if they do they will not be expecting it. It gives us inside zone blocking from bunch which is great in its own right, but we also have the ability to keep with the QB and get a huge gain. Simple read option rules apply: if the end comes flying down, keep it. If the end squads, hand the ball off by holding A/X(PS4).

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Gun Y Off Trips

**Play:** PA Double Post

**Setup:**

1. Put the X/Square receiver on a streak
2. Put the A/X tight end on a drag route
3. Put the B/O receiver on an in route
4. Block the running back

**Reads:**

1. The first read on this play is the A/X tight end on the drag route
2. Then look for the B/O receiver on the in route
3. Finally, find the RB/R1 receiver deep on his post route

**Overview:** This play is a good levels concept that floods the left side of the field. The streak on the left side clears space for the post route to be open. Then you have the tight end and the B/O receiver underneath.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Gun Y Off Trips

**Play:** Inside Zone

**Setup:**

1. None Required

**Reads:**

1. Follow the blockers

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**Overview:** When you have a high-powered passing attack in a formation it is essential to have a run play to mix in as well. This is to keep your opponent off balance, if you get to one dimensional the passing plays will be less effective.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Gun Y Off Trips

**Play:** PA Mtn Slide

**Setup:**

1. Put the A/X tight end on a drag route
2. Put the B/O receiver on a slant route
3. Block the running back

**Reads:**

1. The first read is the A/X tight end on the drag route
2. If that is not there look for the B/O receiver on the slant
3. Then look for the X/Square receiver on the over route

**Overview:** On this play we are attacking the right side of the field. The streak takes away the deep zones leaving the X/Square receiver open for a big gain. Then we also have the A/X tight end and the B/O receiver open underneath.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Singleback Wing Pair

**Play:** 0 1 Trap

**Setup:**

1. Click on the tight end with the auto motion and hold left or to the right on the left stick and hike the ball

**Reads:**

1. Follow the blockers

**Overview:** On this run play we are going to cancel out the auto motion. This makes it less obvious to our opponent that we are running the ball up the middle. The 0 1 Trap is a very effective run play in M19.

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**Formation:** Singleback Wing Pair

**Play:** HB Dive

**Setup:**

1. None required

**Reads:**

1. Follow the blockers

**Overview:** The HB Dive is one of the hardest run plays for a defense to stop in Madden 19. You can run it directly up the middle for a solid gain. You can also take it to the outside when the opponent starts stacking the box.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Singleback Wing Pair

**Play:** HB Stretch

**Setup:**

1. None Required

**Reads:**

1. Follow the blockers

**Overview:** This is our outside run play of this formation, after you pound the ball up the middle and your opponent starts stacking the box you can use the stretch to get it to the outside for a big gain.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Singleback Wing Pair

**Play:** PA Ctr Shot

**Setup:**

1. Block the running back
2. Put the RB/R1 tight end on a curl route
3. Put the B/O tight end on a drag route

**Reads:**

1. Look for the X/Square receiver deep on the post route
2. If that is not there look for the A/X tight end on the over route to the left

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3. Then find the B/O tight end on the drag route
4. Finally, check down to the RB/R1 tight end on the curl route

**Overview:** This play is a Cover 4 bomb play. The X/Square receiver will be wide open for a huge gain against a Cover 4 every time. Then we also are flooding the left side of the field with the drag route and the over route.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Singleback Wing Pair

**Play:** PA Sprint HB Flat (Setup 1)

**Setup:**

1. Put the RB/R1 tight end on a streak
2. Put the X/Square receiver on a drag
3. Block the running back

**Reads:**

1. The first read is the X/Square receiver on the drag route
2. If that is not there find the B/O tight end on the post corner route
3. Lastly, look for the RB/R1 tight end up the seam of the field

**Overview:** This play attacks the right side of the field the B/O tight end is going to be open against any type of zone defense. Then you have a drag coming across late that will be open when your opponent starts to use the B/O tight end.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Singleback Wing Pair

**Play:** PA Sprint HB Flat (Setup 2)

**Setup:**

1. Put the B/O tight end on a fade route
2. Put the running back on an out to the right
3. Put the RB/R1 on either a curl route or a drag route

**Reads:**

1. The first read is the running back out of the backfield
2. If that is not there look for the X/Square receiver deep to the right side of the field
3. The check down on the play is the RB/R1 tight end

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**Overview:** This setup creates a high low read with the running back and the X/Square receiver. Mixing this with the first setup of this play makes it extremely difficult for the opponent to adjust to this play. This is because he will have to guess which receiver or tight end is going deep on the play.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Singleback Y Trips

**Play:** Flanker Under (Setup 1)

**Setup:**

1. Put the B/O receiver on a fade route
2. Put the A/X tight end on a flat route
3. Put the X/Square receiver on a drag route
4. Block the running back

**Reads:**

1. The first read is the X/Square receiver on the drag route
2. Then look for the A/X tight end in the flats
3. If those are not there look for the RB/R1 receiver on the post corner route

**Overview:** This play is a flood concept to the right side of the screen, the drag route combined with the flat route makes it difficult to guard both underneath routes. Then your opponent also has to worry about the deep routes as well.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Singleback Y Trips

**Play:** Flanker Under (Setup 2)

**Setup:**

1. Put the A/X tight end on a fade route
2. Put the X/Square receiver on a drag route
3. Put the B/O receiver on a slant route
4. Block the running back
5. Motion the RB/R1 receiver to the left side of the screen

**Reads:**

1. The first read is the X/Square receiver on the drag route
2. Then look for the RB/R1 receiver on the post route
3. If that is not there look for the B/O receiver on the slant route

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**Overview:** With this setup we have an effective crossing pattern concept. We have a drag route a slant route and a deep post route all attacking the middle of the field. This play will be very good to use in short yardage situations.

**Playbook:** Carolina Panthers

**Formation:** Singleback Y Trips

**Play:** PA Draw Shot

**Setup:**

1. Put the A/X tight end on a drag route
2. Put the B/O receiver on a slant route
3. Block the running back

**Reads:**

1. The first read is the A/X tight end on the drag route
2. If that is not there look for the B/O receiver on the slant route
3. Then look for the RB/R1 receiver deep on the right side
4. Finally, look for the X/Square receiver deep on the left side of the screen

**Overview:** This is the man beating play of the formation. If your opponent likes to run man coverage use this play because we have four man beating routes all in one play. Two routes that torch man coverage deep and then two quick routes underneath in case they are bringing pressure.