Virginia Tech's Don Strock, the nation's total offense and passing leader, was placed on the third team. Utah State's Tony Adams, who finished behind Strock for the total offense crown, was the second team quarterback.

1972 All-America Team

First Team
Offense
Tight End—Charles Young, Southern California, 6-4, 227, Senior, Fresno, Calif.
Wide Receiver—Johnny Rodgers, Nebraska, 5-9, 173, Senior, Omaha, Neb.
Tackles—John Hicks, Ohio State, 6-3, 254, Junior, Cleveland, Ohio; Jerry Sisemore, Texas, 6-4, 260, Senior, Plainview, Texas.
Guards—John Hannah, Alabama, 6-3, 264, Senior, Albertville, Ala.; Ron Runak, North Carolina, 6-1, 225, Senior, Prince George, Va.
Center—Tom Brahaney, Oklahoma, 6-2, 227, Senior, Midland, Tex.
Quarterback—John Hufnagel, Penn State, 6-1, 194, Senior, Corning, Pa.
Running Backs—Otel Armstrong, Purdue, 5-11, 194, Senior, Chicago, Ill.; Woodrow Green, Arizona State, 6-0, 200, Junior, Portland, Ore.; Greg Pruitt, Oklahoma, 5-9, 177, Senior, Houston, Tex.

Defense
Ends—Roger Goree, Baylor, 6-0, 202, Senior, Baton Rouge, La.; Willie Harper, Nebraska, 6-2, 208, Senior, Topeka, Ohio.
Tackles—Greg Marx, Notre Dame, 6-5, 260, Senior, Redford, Mich.; Derland Moore, Oklahoma, 6-3, 246, Senior, Poplar Bluff, Mo.
Middle Guard—Rich Glover, Nebraska, 6-1, 233, Senior, Jersey City, N.J.
Linebackers—Randy Gradishar, Ohio State, 6-3, 238, Junior, Champion, Ohio; John Skorupan, Penn State, 6-2½, 210, Senior, Beaver, Pa.; Richard Wood, Southern California, 6-2, 220, Sophomore, Elizabeth, N.J.

Second Team
Offense
Tight End—Gary Butler, Rice, Wide Receiver—Barry Smith, Florida State.

Third Team
Offense
Tight End—Mike Creane, Notre Dame, Wide Receiver—Steve Sweeney, California.
Tackles—Bruce Walton, UCLA; Daryl White, Nebraska.
Guards—Ken Jones, Oklahoma; Larry Ulmer, Western Michigan.
Center—Gerald Schulte, West Virginia.
Quarterback—Don Strock, Virginia Tech.
Running Backs—Bobby Hitchens, Miami, Ohio; Steve Jones, Duke; Pete Van Valkenburg, Brigham Young.

Defense
Ends—Steve Bogosian, Army; Merv Krakau, Iowa State.
Tackles—Charlie Davis, Texas Christian; John Matuszak, Tampa.
Middle Guard—Tony Cristiani, Miami, Fla.
Linebackers—Steve Brown, Oregon State; Jim Merlo, Stanford; Eddie Sheals, Kansas.
Backs—Cullen Bryant, Colorado; John Provost, Holy Cross; Jackie Wallace, Arizona.