

<sup>2024</sup> College Football Hall of Fame Ballot



## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

#### FROM ARCHIE MANNING

Dear Members and College Football Friends:

Welcome to the National Football Foundation's 2024 College Football Hall of Fame Ballot.

Induction into the College Football Hall of Fame represents the pinnacle of achievement in our sport, and the Hall of Fame serves as the centerpiece of the NFF's efforts to inspire future generations to greatness. We are proud to solicit your vote as part of the selection process. Your passion and insights play an important role in helping us determine who will join this elite fraternity, and we truly appreciate your participation in this revered tradition, which stretches back to 1951.

The link to the online voting system can be found throughout this issue. Please email <u>membership@footballfoundation.com</u> if you have questions. <u>You have until Friday, June 30, to vote</u>.

As you peruse the ballot, please keep in mind that of the 5.62 million who have played college football since the first game on Nov. 6, 1869, only 1,074 players and 230 coaches have been inducted, including the members of the 2023 Class who will officially join the Hall of Fame in December. In other words, less than two one-hundredths of a percent (.02%) of those who have participated can call themselves a College Football Hall of Famer.

We employ a rigorous set of objective standards to identify only the worthiest candidates, and the criteria limits us to a pool of approximately 1,500 First Team All-Americans. A district screening system further culls the list to the names you find on the ballot. As you can see, just being on the ballot is a huge honor, and all of the names seen here rank among the greatest players to ever set foot on the collegiate gridiron. The membership vote plays an important role, providing key insights to the NFF Honors Court, which makes the final decision on the inductees. <u>So, please cast your vote by June 30</u>.

The announcement of the 2024 College Football Hall of Fame Class will be made in January 2024, with specific details to be announced in the future.

During the 2024 season, each member of the Hall of Fame Class will be honored on the field at his respective school with an NFF Hall of Fame On-Campus Salute, presented by Fidelity Investments. The formal induction ceremony will follow on Dec. 10, 2024, during the 66th NFF Annual Awards Dinner Presented by Las Vegas.

Thank you for voting in this very special tradition and submitting your College Football Hall of Fame ballot.

#### Again, please be sure to cast your vote by Friday, June 30.

Kind regards,

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Archie Manning Chairman of the Board 1989 College Football Hall of Fame Inductee

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#### ON THE COVER

The NFF unveiled the 2023 College Football Hall of Fame Class in January, including: Michael Bishop (Kansas State), Luke Kuechly (Boston College), Reggie Bush (USC) and Tim Tebow (Florida). The 2023 Hall of Fame Class will be inducted during the 65th NFF Annual Awards Dinner Presented by Las Vegas on Dec. 5 at the ARIA Resort & Casino. Please see inside and vote for the candidates who you would like to see follow in their footsteps in 2024.



FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION PLAYER CANDIDATES

#### FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION PLAYER CANDIDATES (VOTE FOR 12)

Candidates are listed alphabetically. This ballot includes candidates who were selected by the Honors Court and District Screening Committees.

CANDIDATE	SCHOOL	POSITION(S)	YEARS	CANDIDATE	SCHOOL	POSITION(S)	YEARS
1. Flozell Adams	Michigan State	Offensive Tackle	1994-97	41. Bradie James	LSU	Linebacker	1999-02
2. Montee Ball	Wisconsin	Running Back	2009-12	42. Ed King	Auburn	Offensive Guard	1988-90
3. Aaron Beasley	West Virginia	Defensive Back	1992-95	43. Levon Kirkland	Clemson	Linebacker	1988-91
4. Eric Bieniemy	Colorado	Running Back	1987-90	44. Olin Kreutz	Washington	Center	1995-97
5. Justin Blackmon	Oklahoma State	Wide Receiver	2009-11	45. Antonio Langham	Alabama	Defensive Back	1990-93
6. Jerome Brown	Miami (FL)	Defensive Tackle	1983-86	46. James Laurinaitis	Ohio State	Linebacker	2005-08
7. Larry Burton	Purdue	Split End	1973-74	47. Ryan Leaf	Washington State	Quarterback	1995-97
8. Rocky Calmus	Oklahoma	Linebacker	1998-01	48. John Lee	UCLA	Placekicker	1982-85
9. Gregg Carr	Auburn	Linebacker	1981-84	49. Andy Levitre	Oregon State	Offensive LIneman	2005-08
10. Mark Carrier	USC	Safety	1987-89	50. Todd Lyght	Notre Dame	Defensive Back	1987-90
11. Ki-Jana Carter	Penn State	Running Back	1991-94	51. Marshawn Lynch	California	Running Back	2004-06
12. Russell Carter	SMU	Defensive Back	1980-83	52. Herman Moore	Virginia	Wide Receiver	1988-90
13. Matt Cavanaugh	Pittsburgh	Quarterback	1975-77	53. Kellen Moore	Boise State	Quarterback	2008-11
14. Dallas Clark	lowa	Tight End	2000-02	54. Terence Newman	Kansas State	Defensive Back	1999-02
15. Marco Coleman	Georgia Tech	Linebacker	1989-91	55. Haloti Ngata	Oregon	Defensive Tackle	2002
16. Tim Couch	Kentucky	Quarterback	1996-98				2004-05
17. Brad Culpepper	Florida	Defensive Tackle	1988-91	56. Ken Norton Jr.	UCLA	Linebacker	1984-87
18. Kenneth Davis	TCU	Running Back	1982-84	57. Michael Oher	Mississippi	Offensive Lineman	2005-08
19. Jarett Dillard	Rice	Wide Receiver	2005-08	58. Julius Peppers	North Carolina	Defensive End	1999-01
20. Ken Dorsey	Miami (FL)	Quarterback	1999-02	59. Paul Posluszny	Penn State	Linebacker	2003-06
21. D.J. Dozier	Penn State	Running Back	1983-86	60. Antwaan Randle El	Indiana	Quarterback	1998-01
22. Vaughn Dunbar	Indiana	Running Back	1990-91	61. Simeon Rice	Illinois	Linebacker	1992-95
23. Warrick Dunn	Florida State	Running Back	1993-96	62. Ron Rivera	California	Linebacker	1980-83
24. Greg Eslinger	Minnesota	Center	2002-05	63. Matt Russell	Colorado	Linebacker	1993-96
25. Deon Figures	Colorado	Cornerback	1988,	64. Larry Seivers	Tennessee	Wide Receiver	1974-76
			1990-92	65. Dewey Selmon	Oklahoma	Defensive Lineman	1972-75
26. Larry Fitzgerald	Pittsburgh	Wide Receiver	2002-03	66. Richard Seymour	Georgia	Defensive Tackle	1997-00
27. Willie Gault	Tennessee Wide Red	ceiver/Kick Returner	1979-82	67. Alex Smith	Utah	Quarterback	2002-04
28. Toby Gerhart	Stanford	Running Back	2006-09	68. Darrin Smith	Miami (FL)	Linebacker	1989-92
29. Dan Hampton	Arkansas	Defensive Tackle	1975-78	69. Kevin Smith	Texas A&M	Cornerback	1988-91
30. Kevin Hardy	Illinois	Linebacker	1992-95	70. Takeo Spikes	Auburn	Linebacker	1995-97
31. Graham Harrell	Texas Tech	Quarterback	2005-08	71. Taylor Stubblefield	Purdue	Wide Receiver	2001-04
32. Leotis Harris	Arkansas	Offensive Guard	1974-77	72. Terrell Suggs	Arizona State	Defensive End	2000-02
33. Marvin Harrison	Syracuse Kick Retu	Irner/Wide Receiver	1992-95	73. Dennis Thurman	USC	Defensive Back	1974-77
34. Garrison Hearst	Georgia	Running Back	1990-92	74. Michael Vick	Virginia Tech	Quarterback	1999-00
35. Josh Heupel	Oklahoma	Quarterback	1999-00	75. Chris Ward	Ohio State	Offensive Tackle	1974-77
36. Craig Heyward	Pittsburgh	Running Back	1984,	76. Peter Warrick	Florida State	Wide Receiver	1996-99
			1986-87	77. Eric Weddle	Utah	Defensive Back	2003-06
37. Ken Huff	North Carolina	Offensive Guard	1972-74	78. Luis Zendejas	Arizona State	Placekicker	1981-84
38. Michael Huff	Texas	Defensive Back	2002-05				
39. Daymeion Hughes	California	Cornerback	2003-06	Please see the 2024 FB	S Player Candidate b	ios on pages 5-10.	
40. Steve Hutchinson	Michigan	Offensive Lineman			-		

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#### FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION COACH CANDIDATES

FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION COACH CANDIDATES (VOTE FOR 2) Candidates are listed alphabetically.							
Name	College/University	Yrs. Coached	Overall Record	Win%			
1. Larry Blakeney	Troy	1991-2014	178-113-1	.611			
2. Jim Carlen	West Virginia	1966-69	107-69-6	.604			
	Texas Tech	1970-74					
	South Carolina	1975-81					
3. Pete Cawthon Sr.	Austin College (TX)	1923-27	97-51-11	.645			
	Texas Tech	1930-40					
4. Larry Coker	Miami (FL)	2001-06	86-47-0	.647			
	Texas at San Antonio	2011-15					
5. Mark Dantonio	Cincinnati	2004-06	132-74-0	.641			
	Michigan State	2007-19					
6. Ralph Friedgen	Maryland	2001-10	75-50-0	.600			
7. Darryl Rogers	Cal State East Bay	1965	129-84-7	.602			
	Fresno State	1966-72					
	San Jose State	1973-75					
	Michigan State	1976-79					
	Arizona State	1980-84					
8. Frank Solich	Nebraska	1998-2003	173-101-0	.631			
	Ohio	2005-20					
9. Tommy Tuberville	Mississippi	1995-98	159-99-0	.616			
	Auburn	1999-2008					
	Texas Tech	2010-12					
	Cincinnati	2013-16					

Please see the 2024 FBS Coach Candidate bios on page 12.

#### **CRITERIA FOR HALL OF FAME CONSIDERATION**

- First and foremost, a player must have received First-Team All-America recognition by a selector organization that is recognized by the NCAA and utilized to comprise its consensus All-America teams.
- A player becomes eligible for consideration by the Foundation's Honors Courts 10 full seasons after his final year of intercollegiate football played.
- While each nominee's football achievements in college are of prime consideration, his post-football record as a citizen is also weighed. He must have proven himself worthy as a citizen, carrying the ideals of football forward into his relations with his community and his fellow man, with love of his country. Consideration may also be given for academic honors and whether or not the candidate earned a college degree.
- Players must have played their last year of intercollegiate football within the last 50 years\*. For example, to be eligible for the 2024 ballot, the player
  must have played his last year in 1974 or thereafter. In addition, players who are playing professionally and coaches who are coaching on the professional
  level are not eligible until after they retire.
- A coach becomes eligible three full seasons after retirement or immediately following retirement provided he is at least 70 years of age. Active coaches become eligible at 75 years of age. He must have been a head football coach for a minimum of 10 years and coached at least 100 games with a .600 winning percentage.
- Nominations may only be submitted by the current athletics director, head coach or sports information director (SID) of a potential candidate's collegiate institution. Nominations also may be submitted by the president/executive director of a dues-paying chapter of the National Football Foundation.
- \* Players who do not comply with the 50-year rule may still be eligible for consideration by the Football Bowl Subdivision and Divisional Veterans Committees. Veterans Committee candidates must still meet the First Team All-America requirement.



#### FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION PLAYER CANDIDATE BIOS

**FLOZELL ADAMS, MICHIGAN STATE-DFFENSIVE TACKLE** – 1997 First Team All-American and Big Ten Offensive Lineman of the Year ... Threetime All-Big Ten performer who helped Spartans to three consecutive bowl appearances ... Helped running backs rush for more than 100 yards in 21 games throughout career and allowed only two QB sacks in 1997 season.

**MONTEE BALL, WISCONSIN-RUNNING BACK** — Two-time consensus First Team All-American and 2012 Doak Walker Award winner ... Tied with Hall of Famer Barry Sanders for most single-season TDs in NCAA annals (39) and boasts NCAA record for single-season points (236 in 2011) ... 2011 Big Ten Offensive POY and only player in history to rush for 100 yards in three-straight Rose Bowl games.

**AARON BEASLEY, WEST VIRGINIA-DEFENSIVE BACK** — 1995 consensus First Team All-American led the nation in INTs (10) in 1994 ... Two-time First Team All-Big East selection who led WVU to an undefeated regular season and a 1993 Big East title ... 19 career INTs and holds two of the top five single-season PBU performances in Mountaineer history.

**ERIC BIENIEMY, COLORADO-RUNNING BACK** — 1990 unanimous First Team All-American and finished third in 1990 Heisman voting ... Played in two national championships, leading Buffs to 1990 national title ... Two-time All-Big Eight pick, still holding eight CU records.

**JUSTIN BLACKMON, OKLAHOMA STATE-WIDE RECEIVER** — Twotime unanimous First Team All-American and one of only two players ever to win the Biletnikoff Award twice ... 2010 Big 12 Offensive Player of the Year en route to finishing fifth in Heisman Trophy voting ... 2012 Fiesta Bowl Offensive MVP holds NCAA record for consecutive 100-yard receiving games (14).

JERDME BRDWN, MIAMI [FL]-DEFENSIVE TACKLE — 1986 unanimous First Team All-American and finalist for both the Outland and Lombardi trophies as senior ... Helped Canes to four consecutive New Year's Day bowl games ... Ranks 10th in school history with 21 career sacks.

**LARRY BURTON, PURDUE-SPLIT END** — First Team All-American and Outstanding College Athlete of America in 1974 and a First Team All-Big Ten selection ... Led the team in receiving in both 1973 and 1974 ... Named team captain and team MVP in 1974.

**RDCKY CALMUS, DKLAHOMA-LINEBACKER** — Two-time consensus First Team All-American and 2001 Butkus Award winner ... OU's all-time leader in TFL (59) helped Sooners to the BCS National Championship at the 2001 Orange Bowl ... 2000 Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year and fourtime All-Big 12 performer posted 431 career tackles.

**GREGG CARR, AUBURN-LINEBACKER** — 1984 consensus First Team All-American and NFF National Scholar-Athlete ... Three-time First Team All-SEC selection and 1984 SEC Lineman of the Year ... Twice led Auburn in tackles, helping the Tigers to the 1983 SEC title and three consecutive bowl wins. MARK CARRIER, USC-SAFETY — Two-time First Team All-American (1988-89), earning unanimous honors in 1989 ... 1989 Jim Thorpe Award winner as the nation's top defensive back ... Two-time First Team All-Conference selection ... Led the Pac-10 in interceptions in 1989 with seven.

**KI-JANA CARTER, PENN STATE-RUNNING BACK** — 1994 unanimous First Team All-American and Heisman Trophy runner-up ... Earned MVP honors at the 1995 Rose Bowl, helping the Lions finish 12-0 with a No. 2 national ranking ... Two-time All-Big Ten selection led the league in rushing (1,539) and scoring (138 points) during prolific 1994 season.

**RUSSELL CARTER, SMU-DEFENSIVE BACK** — 1983 unanimous First Team All-American who helped SMU to consecutive top five final rankings in 1981 (No. 5, 10-1-0) and 1982 (No. 2, 11-0-1) ... Three-time All-SWC performer led Mustangs to consecutive league titles in 1981-82 ... SMU's all-time career leader in interceptions (18).

**MATT CAVANAUGH, PITTSBURGH-QUARTERBACK** — 1977 First Team All-American who led the Panthers to a 1976 national title ... Led Pitt to three consecutive bowl wins, earning MVP honors in the 1977 Sugar and 1977 Gator bowls ... Finished Pitt career ranked second all-time (behind only Tony Dorsett) with 3,916 career yards of total offense.

**DALLAS CLARK, IDWA-TIGHT END** — 2002 unanimous First Team All-American and winner of the Mackey Award as the nation's best tight end ... Two-time All-Big Ten selection who helped lowa to a share of the 2002 Big Ten title and its first-ever 11-win season (2002) ... Holds record for longest pass reception in school history (95 yards).

MARCO COLEMAN, GEORGIA TECH-LINEBACKER — 1991 First Team All-America selection and finalist for the Butkus Award ... Two-time First Team All-ACC selection, leading Jackets to the national championship and an 11-0-1 record in 1990 ... Ranks fourth all-time in Jackets' history with 50.0 TFL and 27.5 sacks in his career.

**TIM COUCH, KENTUCKY-QUARTERBACK** – 1998 consensus First Team All-American who finished fourth in Heisman voting in 1998 and ninth in 1997 ... 1998 SEC Player of the Year who led Cats to first win over Alabama in 75 years ... Set seven NCAA, 14 SEC and 26 school records.

**BRAD CULPEPPER, FLORIDA-DEFENSIVE TACKLE** — 1991 consensus First Team All-American and recipient of the NFF Campbell Trophy<sup>®</sup> as the nation's top scholar-athlete ... Two-time All-SEC selection who led Gators to first-ever SEC title in 1991 ... Ranks sixth all-time at Florida with 47.5 career TFL, a school record among defensive lineman.

**KENNETH DAVIS, TCU-RUNNING BACK** — 1984 unanimous First Team All-American who finished fifth in Heisman Trophy voting and led Frogs to first bowl in 19 seasons ... Led the nation in yards per carry (7.6) and ranked second nationally in rushing yards (1,611) in 1984 ... 1984 SWC Offensive Player of the Year who boasted nine 100-yard games in career.



FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION PLAYER CANDIDATE BIOS

JARETT DILLARD, RICE-WIDE RECEIVER — 2008 First Team All-American and 2006 Second Team All-American who holds the NCAA record for career TD receptions (60) ... Three-time All-C-USA performer set the conference record for career receiving yards (4,138) ... Holds virtually every career and single-season receiving and scoring stat in Rice history.

**KEN DORSEY, MIAMI [FL]-QUARTERBACK** — 2002 First Team All-American who led the Canes to back-to-back BCS Championship games, winning the national title his junior season ... Two-time Big East Co-Offensive Player of the Year and 2001 Maxwell Player of the Year ... Left Miami as the school record holder in career total offense and passing yards.

**D.J. DDZIER, PENN STATE-RUNNING BACK** — Named 1986 consensus First Team All-American and led PSU to perfect 12-0 season and national championship (1986) ... Finished eighth in 1986 Heisman voting ... First PSU back to lead the team in rushing for four consecutive seasons.

VAUGHN DUNBAR, INDIANA-RUNNING BACK — 1991 unanimous First Team All-American who led the nation in rushing (1,805) and finished sixth in Heisman voting ... 1991 First Team All-Big Ten selection, leading the conference with 150.4 ypg ... Team MVP posted consecutive 1,000-yard seasons and led the Hoosiers to two bowl games.

WARRICK DUNN, FLORIDA STATE-RUNNING BACK — 1996 First Team All-American and 1995 Third Team All-American who led the Noles to the 1993 national title ... Three-time First Team All-ACC performer led the league with 8.7 ppg in 1995 ... Only FSU rusher in history to gain more than 1,000 yards in three consecutive seasons.

**GREG ESLINGER, MINNESOTA-CENTER** — Two-time First Team All-American, earning unanimous honors in 2005 ... First-ever Gopher player named First Team All-Big Ten in three-straight seasons (2003-05) en route to winning the Outland Trophy and Rimington Trophy in 2005 ... 2005 NFF National Scholar-Athlete who twice anchored the Big Ten's top rushing offense.

**DEON FIGURES, COLORADO-CORNERBACK** — 1992 consensus First Team All-American and winner of the Thorpe Award ... 1992 Big Eight Defensive POY who helped the Buffs to the 1990 national title and three conference championships ... Three-time All-Big Eight performer boasts 13 INTs and 27 PBUs in career.

LARRY FITZGERALD, PITTSBURGH-WIDE RECEIVER – 2003 unanimous First Team All-American and Heisman Trophy runner-up ... 2003 Biletnikoff Award winner and first-ever sophomore to take home Walter Camp Player of the Year honors ... 2003 Big East Offensive POY set eight conference and 11 school records in just two seasons at Pitt.

WILLIE GAULT, TENNESSEE-WIDE RECEIVER/KICK RETURNER — 1982 First Team All-American ... Led Vols to three bowl berths ... Set six conference and 12 school punt/kickoff return records ... Tied NCAA record for most touchdowns by kick return in a single season (3) in 1980. **TOBY GERHART, STANFORD-RUNNING BACK** — Unanimous First Team All-American, winner of the Doak Walker award and Heisman Trophy runner-up in 2009 ... Led the nation in points (178), TDs (29) and rushing yards (1,871) during prolific senior campaign ... 2009 Pac-10 Offensive Player of the Year who is Stanford's all-time leader in career rushing TDs (44).

**DAN HAMPTON, ARKANSAS-DEFENSIVE TACKLE** — 1978 First Team All-American and two-time All-SWC selection ... Named 1978 *Houston Post* Outstanding Player of the Year in the SWC, recording 18 TFL during his senior campaign ... Helped Hogs beat No. 19 Georgia in 1976 Cotton Bowl and No. 2 Oklahoma in 1978 Orange Bowl.

**KEVIN HARDY, ILLINDIS-LINEBACKER** — 1995 consensus First Team All-American and Butkus Award winner ... Two-time First Team All-Big Ten selection who helped Illini to two bowl berths ... Team captain started 45 games (second all-time among Illini LBs) and ranks fourth all-time at Illinois in sacks (18) and TFL (38).

**GRAHAM HARRELL, TEXAS TECH-DUARTERBACK** — 2008 First Team All-American and AT&T All-America Player of the Year who finished fourth in Heisman Trophy voting ... 2008 NFF National Scholar-Athlete holds seven NCAA records, including career 400-yard games (20) ... Three-time All-Big 12 performer ranks second in league history with 15,793 career passing yards.

**LEOTIS HARRIS, ARKANSAS-DFFENSIVE GUARD** — 1977 consensus First Team All-America who led Razorbacks to wins in the 1976 Cotton Bowl and '78 Orange Bowl ... First-ever African-American All-America player at Arkansas ... Led the Hogs to a share of the 1975 Southwest Conference title.

MARVIN HARRISON, SYRACUSE-KICK RETURNER/WIDE RECEIVER – 1995 First Team All-American as a kick returner and 1995 Big East Special Teams Player of the Year ... Three-time All-Big East selection who set a conference record with a 94-yard punt return for a TD in 1995 ... Left Syracuse as the school's all-time receiving leader (2,718 yards).

**GARRISON HEARST, GEORGIA-RUNNING BACK** — 1992 unanimous First Team All-American and winner of the Doak Walker Award ... Finished third in 1992 Heisman Trophy voting after leading the nation in scoring (126 points) ... 1992 SEC Player of the Year finished career trailing only Herschel Walker in career rushing yards (3,232) at Georgia.

JOSH HEUPEL, OKLAHOMA-QUARTERBACK — 2000 consensus First Team All-American and Walter Camp Player of the Year ... 2000 Heisman Trophy runner-up who led the Sooners to a national title at the 2001 Orange Bowl ... 2000 Big 12 Player of the Year who left OU with virtually every school passing record despite only playing two seasons.

**CRAIG HEYWARD, PITTSBURGH-RUNNING BACK** — 1987 consensus First Team All-American who led the nation in rushing his final season and finished fifth in Heisman voting ... Left Pitt as the second-leading rusher in school history (behind only Tony Dorsett) with 3,086 career rushing yards ... Rushed for at least 100 yards in every game of 1987 season.

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**KEN HUFF, NORTH CAROLINA-OFFENSIVE GUARD** – 1974 consensus First Team All-American who captained the College All-Stars vs. Super Bowl Champion Pittsburgh Steelers ... First Team All-Conference and recipient of the 1974 Jacob's Blocking Trophy as the ACC's best offensive lineman ... Third overall pick in the first round of the 1975 draft and named an ACC Football Legend.

**MICHAEL HUFF, TEXAS-DEFENSIVE BACK** — 2005 unanimous First Team All-American and winner of the Thorpe Award ... Named Defensive MVP at the BCS National Championship, helping the Horns to the 2005 national title ... Two-time First Team All-Big 12 selection boasts the UT record for career defensive scores (five).

**DAYMEION HUGHES, CALIFORNIA-CORNERBACK** — 2006 consensus First Team All-American and Pac-10 Defensive Player of the Year who led the conference with eight INTs that season ... Led Cal to a share of the 2006 Pac-10 crown, marking the Bears' first league title since 1975 ... Boasts the Cal record for career passes defended (44) and ranks second all-time with 15 career INTs.

**STEVE HUTCHINSON, MICHIGAN-OFFENSIVE LINEMAN** – 2000 unanimous First Team All-American who led the Wolverines to four bowl wins, including the 1997 National Championship at the Rose Bowl ... One of only seven players in conference history to be named a four-time First Team All-Big Ten selection ... Three-time Big Ten champion.

**BRADIE JAMES, LSU-LINEBACKER** – 2002 First Team All-American and NFF National Scholar-Athlete ... Three-time All-SEC performer (First Team honors in 2001 and 2002) helped the Tigers to a 2001 conference title ... 2000 Peach Bowl Defensive MVP ranks second all-time in LSU history with 418 career tackles.

**ED KING, AUBURN-OFFENSIVE GUARD** — Two-time First Team All-American, earning unanimous honors in 1990 ... Two-time First Team All-SEC performer, helping Auburn to consecutive conference titles in 1988 and 1989 ... Led the Tigers to their first back-to-back 10-win seasons in school history (1988, 1989).

**LEVON KIRKLAND, CLEMSON-LINEBACKER** — 1991 consensus First Team All-American and 1990 Second Team All-American ... Finalist for the 1990 Butkus Award and leader of Clemson unit that led the nation in total defense ... Three-time First Team All-ACC performer and 1989 Gator Bowl MVP helped the Tigers to two conference titles.

**DLIN KREUTZ, WASHINGTON-CENTER** — 1997 consensus First Team All-American and two-time First Team All-Pac-10 selection ... Named the 1997 Morris Trophy winner as the conference's top offensive lineman and 1997 UW Lineman of the Year ... Blocked for RB Corey Dillon, who led the Pac-10 in rushing in 1996, and QB Brock Huard who broke 20 Husky records.

ANTONIO LANGHAM, ALABAMA-DEFENSIVE BACK — 1993 unanimous First Team All-American and winner of the Jim Thorpe Award ... Led Bama to four postseason berths, highlighted by the 1992 National Championship ... Three-time All-SEC selection and the Tide's all-time leader in career INTs (19). JAMES LAURINAITIS, DHID STATE-LINEBACKER — Three-time First Team All-American (consensus-2006, 2008; unanimous-2007) ... Twotime Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year who led the Buckeyes to two national championship games and four consecutive conference titles ... 2007 Butkus and 2006 Nagurski recipient, leading OSU in tackles threestraight seasons.

**RYAN LEAF, WASHINGTON STATE-QUARTERBACK** — 1997 First Team All-American who finished third in Heisman Trophy voting ... 1997 Pac-10 Offensive Player of the Year led Cougars to the first league title in school history (1997) and first Rose Bowl berth in 67 years ... Two-time All-Pac-10 performer set four WSU career records, including TD passes (59).

JOHN LEE, UCLA-PLACEKICKER — Two-time First Team All-American, earning consensus honors in 1985 ... Boasted the NCAA's highest career field goal percentage among players with at least 55 attempts (.859) ... Two-time First Team All-Pac-10 selection who helped UCLA to three league titles and finished his career as the Bruins' all-time scoring leader (390).

**ANDY LEVITRE, DREGON STATE-DFFENSIVE LINEMAN** — 2008 First Team All-American and three-time All-Pac-12 selection ... Anchor of a Beavs' offensive unit that produced a 1,000-yard rusher and receiver in both 2006 and 2008 ... Helped Oregon State to three bowl appearances and three top 25 final national rankings during his career.

**TODD LYGHT, NOTRE DAME-DEFENSIVE BACK** — Two-time First Team All-American, earning unanimous honors in 1989 and consensus laurels in 1990 ... Led Irish to 1988 National Championship and perfect 12-0 season as well as national title game appearance in 1991 Orange Bowl ... Thorpe Award finalist who posted 11 career interceptions.

MARSHAWN LYNCH, CALIFORNIA-RUNNING BACK — 2006 First Team All-American who led Cal to a share of the 2006 Pac-10 title ... 2006 Pac-10 Offensive Player of the Year led the league in rushing (1,356), allpurpose yards (1,785) and TDs (15) that season ... Two-time bowl game MVP (2005 Las Vegas, 2006 Holiday) and Cal's all-time leader in 100-yard rushing games (17).

**HERMAN MODRE, VIRGINIA-WIDE RECEIVER** — 1990 consensus First Team All-American who finished sixth in Heisman Trophy voting ... Holds the NCAA record for highest average gain per reception (22.0) with a minimum of 105 catches ... 1990 First Team All-ACC performer finished career as UVA's all-time leader in receiving yards (2,504) and TD catches (27).

**KELLEN MODRE, BDISE STATE-QUARTERBACK** — 2010 First Team All-American finished career as the winningest starting QB (.943) in college football history ... Set the NCAA record for lowest career INT percentage (.017) and tied NCAA record with four 3,000-yard passing seasons ... Boise State's all-time leading passer (14,667) earned three conference Player of the Year honors (2-WAC, 1-MWC).

HALOTI NGATA, OREGON-DEFENSIVE TACKLE — 2005 consensus First Team All-American, the Ducks' first consensus player since 1962 ... Two-time All-Pac-10 selection and first player in Oregon history to be named Pac-10 Defensive Player of the Year (2005) ... 2005 finalist for the Nagurski and Outland trophies and 2002 Freshman All-American.



FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION PLAYER CANDIDATE BIOS

**TERENCE NEWMAN, KANSAS STATE-DEFENSIVE BACK** – 2002 unanimous First Team All-American and winner of the Thorpe Award ... 2002 Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year, also earning First Team All-Big 12 honors as a specialist after leading the league in kickoff return yards (28.5 avg.) ... 2002 team captain and MVP was just the second Wildcat in history to score on both a kickoff and punt return in the same season (2002).

**KEN NORTON JR., UCLA-LINEBACKER** — 1987 First Team All-American, leading Bruins to four consecutive bowl wins ... Member of the 1985 conference championship team ... Led team in tackles in 1986 (106) and in 1987 (125) and ranks sixth in school history with 339 career tackles.

MICHAEL DHER, MISSISSIPPI-DFFENSIVE LINEMAN – 2008 unanimous First Team All-American and finalist for the Outland Trophy ... Three-time All-SEC performer (First Team—2) and recipient of the 2008 Jacobs Blocking Trophy as the conference's best blocker ... Team captain started 47-straight games and helped RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis post consecutive 1,000-yard seasons.

**JULIUS PEPPERS, NORTH CAROLINA-DEFENSIVE END** – 2001 unanimous First Team All-American and winner of the 2001 Bednarik and Lombardi awards ... 2001 Chevrolet Defensive Player of the Year who finished 10th in Heisman Trophy voting ... Two-time First Team All-ACC selection, leading the conference in TFL (24) and sacks (15) in 2000.

**PAUL POSLUSZNY, PENN STATE-LINEBACKER** — Two-time First Team All-American (consensus in 2005) and one of only two two-time winners of the Bednarik Award ... 2005 Butkus Award recipient and two-time First Team All-Big Ten performer ... 2006 NFF National Scholar-Athlete ranks second all-time at PSU with 372 career tackles.

**ANTWAAN RANDLE EL, INDIANA-QUARTERBACK** — 2001 First Team All-American ... First player in FBS history to pass for 6,000 yards and rush for 3,000 yards in career ... Rushed for more yards than any QB in FBS history upon conclusion of career.

**SIMEON RICE, ILLINDIS-LINEBACKER** — Two-time First Team All-American and three-time First Team All-Big Ten selection ... Holds conference and school record for career sacks (44.5) and Illini record for career tackles for loss (69) ... Set school record for single-season sacks (16).

**RON RIVERA, CALIFORNIA-LINEBACKER** – 1983 consensus First Team All-American ... Lombardi Award finalist in 1983 and named East-West Shrine Game Most Valuable Player ... Selected as Pac-10 Co-Defensive Player of the Year in 1983 ... Led team in tackles from 1981-83.

**MATT RUSSELL, COLORADD-LINEBACKER** — 1996 consensus First Team All-American and Butkus Award winner ... Two-time First Team All-Conference performer led Buffs to four-consecutive bowl berths and two top five final rankings (No. 3 – 1994, No. 5 – 1996) ... CU's all-time leader in unassisted tackles (282), ranking second all-time in total tackles (446).

**LARRY SEIVERS, TENNESSEE-WIDE RECEIVER** — Two-time consensus First Team All-American in 1975 and 1976 ... Two-time First Team All-SEC selection ... Currently ranks sixth in Tennessee history in career reception yardage (1,924) and seventh in career receptions (117). **DEWEY SELMON, OKLAHOMA-DEFENSIVE LINEMAN** – 1975 consensus First Team All-American and member of consecutive national championship teams (1974, 1975) ... Two-time First Team All-Big Eight selection who led OU to four league titles ... Twice recorded 100-plus tackles in a season and part of defensive unit that allowed just 11.1 ppg from 1973-75.

**RICHARD SEYMOUR, GEDRGIA-DEFENSIVE TACKLE** – 2000 First Team All-American, helping the Dawgs to four-straight bowl wins and top 20 final national rankings ... Two-year team captain and two-time First Team All-SEC selection ... 1999 UGA Defensive MVP and one of only two DLs in school history to lead the team in single-season tackles (74 in 1999).

**ALEX SMITH, UTAH-QUARTERBACK** — 2004 First Team All-American who finished fourth in Heisman Trophy voting ... 2004 SI National Player of the Year, leading Utah to its first-ever 12-0 season, a BCS bowl victory (2005 Fiesta) and a No. 4 final national ranking ... 2004 MWC Offensive Player of the Year boasted two league titles and multiple school records.

**DARRIN SMITH, MIAMI [FL]-LINEBACKER** — Two-time First Team All-American who helped the Canes to two national championships (1989, 1991) ... 1992 NFF National Scholar-Athlete led Miami to two Big East titles, never losing a conference game during his career ... 1991 Big East Co-Defensive Player of the Year and two-time First Team All-Conference performer.

**KEVIN SMITH, TEXAS AGM-CORNERBACK** — 1991 consensus First Team All-American and leader of Aggie unit that led the nation in total defense (222.4 ypg) ... Three-time First Team All-SWC performer helped Aggies to the 1991 conference title ... A&M's all-time career leader in INTs (20), INT return yards (289) and INTs returned for a touchdown (3).

TAKED SPIKES, AUBURN-LINEBACKER — 1997 First Team All-American and two-time First Team All-SEC selection ... Led Auburn to a berth in the 1997 SEC title game, a win at the 1998 Peach Bowl (game MVP) and a No. 11 final ranking that season ... Two-year Auburn Defensive MVP, ranking in the school's all-time top 10 with 331 career tackles.

**TAYLOR STUBBLEFIELD, PURDUE-WIDE RECEIVER** – 2004 consensus First Team All-American who set the NCAA record for career receptions (316) ... Two-time All-Big Ten selection who led conference in receptions for three consecutive seasons from 2002-04 ... 2004 Biletnikoff finalist who set Sun Bowl record with 196 receiving yards in 2001.

TERRELL SUGGS, ARIZONA STATE-DEFENSIVE END — 2002 unanimous First Team All-American, winning the Nagurski and Lombardi awards after leading the nation in sacks (24) and TFL (31.5) ... 2002 Pac-10 Defensive Player of the Year and Morris Trophy winner as the conference's top lineman ... Ranks second all-time in Pac-10 history with 65.5 TFL and 44 sacks in his career.

**DENNIS THURMAN, USC-DEFENSIVE BACK** — Two-time First Team All-American who led Trojans to four consecutive postseason wins, including the 1974 National Championship at the Rose Bowl ... Two-time all-conference selection who helped USC to two Pac-10 titles.



#### FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION PLAYER CANDIDATE BIOS

**MICHAEL VICK, VIRGINIA TECH-QUARTERBACK** — 1999 First Team All-American and Big East Offensive Player of the Year, finishing third in Heisman Trophy voting ... Guided the Hokies to their first-ever 11-0 regular season and national championship game appearance (1999) ... Two-time All-Big East performer who led the league in total offense (242.0 ypg) in 1999 and only lost one conference game during career.

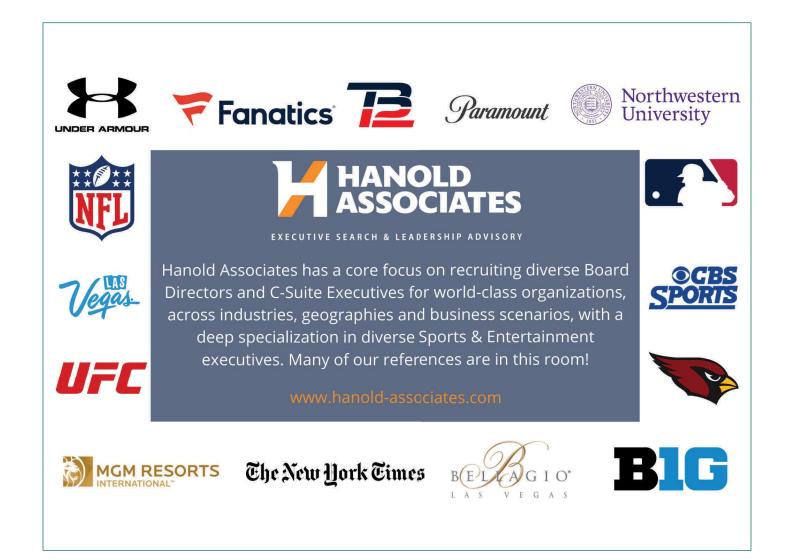
**CHRIS WARD, OHIO STATE-OFFENSIVE TACKLE** — Two-time First Team All-American (consensus-'76, unanimous-'77) ... Three-time First Team All-Big Ten selection who helped Buckeyes to at least a share of four conference titles ... Blocked for Archie Griffin during second Heisman Trophy-winning campaign.

**PETER WARRICK, FLORIDA STATE-WIDE RECEIVER** — Two-time First Team All-American (consensus-1998, unanimous-1999) led FSU to a national championship at the 2000 Sugar Bowl, earning MVP honors ... Two-time First Team All-ACC receiver finished career as the league's alltime leader in receiving (3,517) ... FSU's career leader in receiving TDs (32). **ERIC WEDDLE, UTAH-DEFENSIVE BACK** — 2006 consensus First Team All-American helped Utah to a BCS bowl victory (2005 Fiesta) and its firstever 12-0 season (2004) ... Two-time MWC Defensive Player of the Year led Utes to two league titles ... 2003 Freshman All-American holds school record for career forced fumbles (9) and ranks second in career INTs (18).

**LUIS ZENDEJAS, ARIZONA STATE-PLACEKICKER** — 1983 consensus First Team All-American who finished his career as the NCAA's all-time leader in scoring (380) ... Four-time All-Pac-10 selection, leading the league in scoring in 1983 ... Boasts the highest PAT percentage (99.3%) in ASU annals and led the team in scoring his first three seasons.

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**LARRY BLAKENEY-TROY [1991-2014]** — All-time winningest coach in Sun Belt Conference history ... Four-time conference Coach of the Year who led the Trojans to eight conference titles (5 – Sun Belt, 3 – Southland) and seven FCS playoff appearances in eight seasons ... Led Troy to four bowl games, including wins at the 2006 and 2010 New Orleans Bowl.

JIM CARLEN-WEST VIRGINIA [1966-69], TEXAS TECH [1970-74], SOUTH CAROLINA [1975-81] — Led teams to eight bowl games and 13 winning seasons in 16 years as head coach ... 1973 National Coach of the Year ... Three-time Southwest Conference Coach of the Year ... Coached Heisman Trophy winner George Rogers at South Carolina.

**PETE CAWTHON SR.-AUSTIN COLLEGE [TX] [1923-27], TEXAS TECH [1930-40]** — Led Tech to four Border Conference titles in 11 seasons at the helm ... Led 1938 team to 10-0 regular season and the school's first-ever Cotton Bowl appearance ... Boasts highest win percentage (69.3) among Tech coaches with terms of three years or more.

LARRY COKER-MIAMI [FL] [2001-06], UTSA [2011-15] — Posted a 60-15 record at Miami, including an astounding 35-3 record in his first three seasons ... Led the Canes to consecutive BCS Championship Games, winning at the 2002 Rose Bowl and becoming the first rookie head coach to lead his team to a national title since 1948 ... Led Miami to three Big East crowns and orchestrated a dominant 2001 offense that set a Big East record with 475 points scored in the regular season.

MARK DANTONID-CINCINNATI [2004-06], MICHIGAN STATE [2007-19] — Winningest coach in Michigan State history (114 wins) who boasts the most Big Ten titles in school annals (3) ... Two-time Big Ten Coach of the Year led teams to a Spartan-record 12 bowl games, ranking fourth in Big Ten history for postseason wins ... Just the second Cincy coach all-time to lead the Bearcats to a bowl in his first season. **RALPH FRIEDGEN-MARYLAND [2001-10]** — Two-time ACC Coach of the Year and only ACC coach to win the conference title in his inaugural season (2001) ... Rebuilt Terps' program that had only one winning season and no bowl game appearances since 1990, leading Maryland to seven bowl games in 10 seasons at the helm ... Posted 50 wins after six seasons behind only Hall of Famer Danny Ford (51).

DARRYL RDGERS-CAL STATE EAST BAY (1965), FRESNO STATE (1966-72), SAN JOSE STATE (1973-75), MICHIGAN STATE (1976-79), ARIZONA STATE (1980-84) — Took Fresno State to two bowl games ... Achieved an unprecedented national ranking at San Jose State ... Named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1977 and National Coach of the Year by Sporting News in 1978 ... Won the Big Ten title in 1978.

**FRANK SOLICH-NEBRASKA [1998-03], DHID [2005-20]** — Guided the Huskers to an 11-2 record and appearance in the BCS championship game at the Rose Bowl (2001 season) ... Two-time Big 12 Coach of the Year who led Nebraska to three North Division titles and the 1999 Big 12 Championship ... Winningest coach in MAC history (115 wins), boasting 12-straight non-losing seasons, 11 bowl game appearances and four MAC East crowns.

TOMMY TUBERVILLE-MISSISSIPPI [1995-98], AUBURN [1999-2008], TEXAS TECH [2010-12], CINCINNATI [2013-16] — 2004 National Coach of the Year after leading Auburn to an SEC title and a perfect 13-0 season ... Led the Tigers to four division crowns, two SEC championship game appearances, and ranks 10th in conference history with 64 SEC regular season wins ... Led Cincinnati to a 9-4 (7-1) record and a share of the AAC title in 2014.



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#### DIVISIONAL PLAYER CANDIDATES

#### DIVISIONAL PLAYER CANDIDATES (VOTE FOR 4) (Football Championship Subdivision, Division II, Division III, NAIA)

CANDIDATE	SCHOOL	POSITION(S)	YEARS	CANDIDATE	SCHOOL	POSITION(S)	YEARS
1. Ashley Ambrose	Mississippi Valley State	Defensive Back	1988-91	52. Ed Kelley	Hampden-Sydney (VA)	Defensive End	1972-75
2. Archie Amerson	Northern Arizona	Running Back	1995-96	53. Jim Kleinsasser	North Dakota	Tight End	1995-9
3. Rick Bealer	Lycoming (PA)	Defensive Back	1987-90	54. Garry Kuhlman	Delaware	Offensive Tackle	1979-8
4. Rennie Benn	Lehigh	Wide Receiver	1982-85	55. Sean Landeta	Towson	Punter	1979-8
5. Bill Borchert	Mount Union (OH)	Quarterback	1994-97	56. Jeff Loots	Southwest Minnesota S	State Quarterback	1990-9
6. John Bothe	Augustana (IL)	Center	1985-88	57. Al Lucas	Troy	Defensive Lineman	1996-9
7. Carl Boyd	Northern Iowa	Running Back	1985-87	58. Claude Mathis	Texas State	Running Back	1994-9
8. Eric Breitenstein	Wofford	Fullback	2008,	59. Vince Mazza	Ashland (OH)	-	1983-8
			2010-12	60. Steve McAdoo	Middle Tennessee State	e Offensive Lineman	1989-9
9. Vincent Brown	Mississippi Valley State	Linebacker	1984-87	61. Gary McCauley	Clarion (PA)	Tight End	1978-8
10. Joe Campbell	Middle Tennessee State	Running Back	1988-91	62. Fran McDermott	St. Mary's (CA)	Defensive Back	1978-8
11. William Campbell	Western Colorado	Defensive Back	1976-79	63. Bill McGovern	Holy Cross	Defensive Back	1981-8
12. Vin Carioscia	Franklin & Marshall (PA)	Offensive Tackle	1979-82	64. Tony Miles	Northwest Missouri Sta		
13. Peter Catan	Eastern Illinois	Defensive End		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Wide Receiver	
14. Steve Cockerham	Akron	Linebacker	1974-77	65. Carl Morris	Harvard	Wide Receiver	1999-0
15. Bruce Collie	Texas at Arlington	Offensive Tackle	1980-84	66. Robert Morris	Georgetown	Defensive End	1971-7
16. Tom Collins	Indianapolis (IN)	Defensive Back		67. Randy Moss	Marshall	Wide Receiver/	
17. Ray Condren	Gettysburg (PA)	Running Back		or. Randy moss	Marshan	Kick Returner	1550 5
18. Mark Cotney	Cameron (OK)	Defensive Back		68. Kenneth Murawski	Carpogio Mollon (PA)	Linebacker	1978-8
19. Case deBruijn	Idaho State	Punter	1978-81	69. Patrick Murray	Fordham	Placekicker	
20. Parnell Dickinson	Mississippi Valley State	Quarterback	1972-75	70. Timmy Newsome	Winston-Salem State (N		
21. William Dillon	Virginia Union	Free Safety		70. Filming Newsonie 71. Ed O'Brien	Central Florida	Placekicker	1984-8
			1979-82		Central Oklahoma	Quarterback	
22. Al Dorenkamp	Central (IA)	Linebacker Linebacker		72. Randy Page			
23. John Dorsey	Connecticut Story/ Brook		1984-87	73. Chris Parker 74. Alonzo Patterson	Marshall	Running Back Running Back	
24. Chuck Downey	Stony Brook	,			Wagner		1979-8
25. Matt Dunigan	Louisiana Tech	Quarterback		75. Ted Petersen	Eastern Illinois		
26. Armanti Edwards	Appalachian State	Quarterback		76. Martin Peterson	Pennsylvania	Offensive Tackle	
27. Tom Ehrhardt	Rhode Island	Quarterback		77. Charlie Pierce		Punter / Placekicker	
28. Keith Elias	Princeton	Running Back		78. Dave Pomante	· · ·	Defensive Lineman	1979-8
29. Curtis Eller	Villanova	Linebacker		79. Tyrone Poole	Fort Valley State (GA)	Defensive Back	
30. Blake Elliott	Saint John's (MN)	Wide Receiver		80. Gerry Quinlivan	Buffalo	Linebacker	1981-8
31. Richard Erenberg	Colgate	Running Back		81. Michael Renna	Delaware	Defensive End	
32. Jahri Evans	51 7	Offensive Lineman		82. David Rhodes	Central Florida	Wide Receiver	1991-9
33. John Fitzgerald	Central Oklahoma	Offensive Guard		83. Neil Ringers	Ohio Wesleyan	Defensive End	
34. Bernard Ford	Central Florida	Wide Receiver		84. Kirk Roach	Western Carolina	Placekicker	
35. Duane Fritz	Chadron State (NE)	Punter	1973-76	85. Bobby Saiz	Adams State (CO)	Quarterback	
36. Rick Fry	Occidental (CA)	End	1974-77	86. Jeff Schebler	Wisconsin-Whitewater	Placekicker	2006-0
37. Bob Gaddis	Mississippi Valley State	Wide Receiver	1970-72,	87. Joe Skladany	Lafayette	Linebacker	1978-8
			1974	88. Ed Smith	Bethel (KS)	Wide Receiver	
38. Chris George	Glenville State (WV)	Wide Receiver	1991-94	89. Paul Smith	Gettysburg (PA)	Return Specialist	1996-9
39. Don Greco	Western Illinois	Offensive Guard	1977-80	90. Tom Stenglein	Colgate	Wide Receiver	1983-8
40. Don Griffin	Middle Tennessee State	Safety	1982-85	91. Jimmy Terwilliger	East Stroudsburg (PA)	Quarterback	2003-0
41. Ron Hausauer	Jamestown (ND)	Offensive Guard	1978-81	92. Freddie Thomas	Troy	Defensive Back	1984-8
42. Pat Hauser	Cal State Northridge	Offensive Tackle	1980-83	93. Markus Thomas	Eastern Kentucky	Tailback	1989-9
43. Bobby Hedrick	Elon	Running Back	1977-80	94. Brad Tokar	Westminster (PA)	Running Back	1987-9
44. Chris Hegg	Truman State (MO)	Quarterback	1984-85	95. Jay Wessler	Illinois College	Running Back	1977-8
45. Bob Heller	Wesleyan (CT)	Center	1972-74	96. Tim Whelan	Tufts (MA)	Running Back	1974-7
46. Billy Hess	West Chester (PA)	Wide Receiver	1985-88	97. Mike Wiggins	Iowa Wesleyan	Punter	1983-8
47. Lynn Hieber	Indiana (PA)	Quarterback		98. Danny Woodhead	-	Running Back	
48. Rene Ingoglia	Massachusetts	Running Back		99. Jerry Woods	Northern Michigan	Defensive Back	
49. Fred Jackson	Coe (IA)	Running Back/		100. Andre Young		Defensive Lineman	
		Kick Returner	-	101. John Zanieski	Yale	Middle Guard	
50. Louis Jackson	Cal Poly	Running Back	1977-80				
51. John Jurkovic	Eastern Illinois	Defensive End					
			1988-89	Please see the 202	24 Divisional Player Canc	lidate bios on pages	16-21.

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### DIVISIONAL COACH CANDIDATES

DIVISIONAL COACH CANDIDATES (VOTE FOR 2) Candidates are listed alphabetically.							
Name	College/University	Yrs. Coached	<b>Overall Record</b>	Win%			
1. Dick Biddle	Colgate	1996-2013	137-73-0	.652			
2. Paul Durham	Linfield (OR)	1948-67	122-51-10	.694			
3. Jim Feix	Western Kentucky	1968-83	106-56-6	.649			
4. Howard Fletcher	Northern Illinois	1956-68	74-48-1	.606			
5. Ross Fortier	Minnesota Moorhead	1970-92	152-80-4	.653			
6. Morley Fraser	Albion (MI)	1954-68	81-41-1	.663			
7. Danny Hale	West Chester (PA)	1984-88	213-69-1	.754			
	Bloomsburg (PA)	1993-2012					
8. Walt Hameline	Wagner	1981-2014	223-139-2	.615			
9. Eddie Hurt	Virginia Lynchburg	1925-28	186-62-21	.730			
	Morgan State	1929-59					
10. Art Keller	Carthage (WI)	1952-82	177-87-7	.666			
11. Glenn Killinger	Dickinson (PA)	1922	170-70-15	.696			
	Rensselaer (NY)	1927-32					
	Moravian (PA)	1933					
	West Chester (PA)	1934-41, 1945-59					
12. Larry Korver	Northwestern College (IA)	1967-94	212-77-6	.729			
13. Maxie Lambright	Louisiana Tech	1967-78	95-36-2	.722			
14. Dick Lowry	Wayne State (MI)	1974-79	172-75-3	.694			
	Hillsdale (MI)	1980-96					
15. James Malosky	Minnesota Duluth	1958-97	255-125-13	.665			
16. Jim Margraff	Johns Hopkins (MD)	1990-2018	221-89-3	.711			
17. George Mihalik	Slippery Rock (PA)	1988-2015	197-111-4	.638			
18. Don Miller	Trinity (CT)	1967-98	174-77-5	.689			
19. Steve Mohr	Trinity (TX)	1990-2013	186-74-0	.715			
20. Charles Murphy	Middle Tennessee State	1947-68	155-63-8	.704			
21. Jim Ostendarp	Amherst (MA)	1959-91	168-91-5	.646			
22. Forrest Perkins	Wisconsin-Whitewater	1956-84	190-89-7	.677			
23. Bill Ramseyer	Wilmington (OH)	1972-90	175-104-4	.625			
	Virginia's College at Wise	1991-2001					
24. Dwight Reed	Lincoln (MO)	1949-71	135-75-6	.639			
25. Pete Schmidt	Albion (MI)	1983-96	104-27-4	.785			
26. Gideon Smith	Hampton	1921-40	97-46-12	.665			
27. Clyde Starbeck	Northern Iowa	1936-42, 1945-57	95-58-10	.613			
28. Clarence Stasavich	Lenoir-Rhyne (NC)	1946-61	170-64-8	.719			
	East Carolina	1962-69					
29. Lou Wacker	Emory & Henry (VA)	1982-2004	164-76-0	.683			
30. John Whitehead	Lehigh	1976-86	75-38-2	.661			
31. Alex Yunevich	Alfred (NY)	1937-41, 1946-76	177-85-12	.668			
32. Allen Zikmund	Nebraska-Kearney	1955-71	121-32-3	.785			

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#### DIVISIONAL PLAYER CANDIDATE BIOS

ASHLEY AMBROSE, MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE-DEFENSIVE BACK — 1991 First-Team All-American and First Team All-SWAC selection ... Named SWAC Defensive Back and Return Specialist of the Year in 1991 ... Led nation in punt returns during senior campaign.

**ARCHIE AMERSON, NORTHERN ARIZONA-RUNNING BACK** — Named First-Team All-American in 1996 ... Finished as school's all-time career rushing leader despite only playing two seasons (3,196 yards) ... 1996 Walter Payton Award recipient as Division I-AA's most outstanding offensive player ... Led NAU to its first I-AA playoff appearance.

**RICK BEALER, LYCOMING [PA]-DEFENSIVE BACK** — Two-time First-Team All-American who led Lyco to a berth in the 1990 NCAA Division III National Championship ... Ranks second in DIII history with 31 career interceptions and still holds DIII record with 48 punt returns in 1989 season ... Four-time All-Middle Atlantic Conference selection, earning First Team honors his last three seasons.

**RENNIE BENN, LEHIGH-WIDE RECEIVER** — Named First-Team All-American in 1985 ... Currently ranks second in NCAA Division I-AA history in touchdown receptions (44), behind only Jerry Rice ... Ranks seventh in Division I-AA history in career receiving yards (3,662).

**BILL BORCHERT, MOUNT UNION (DH)-QUARTERBACK** — Two-time First-Team All-American who led Mount Union to consecutive national titles in 1996-97 ... 1997 recipient of Gagliardi Trophy and three-time First-Team All-OAC selection ... Still holds multiple NCAA, conference and school records and boasts 14,482 career passing yards.

JOHN BOTHE, AUGUSTANA (IL)-CENTER — Named First-Team All-American in 1988 ... One of three finalists for the 1988 NCAA Division III Player of the Year Award ... Three-time First-Team All-Conference selection (1986-88) ... Helped Augustana to a 45-3-1 record.

**CARL BOYD, NORTHERN IDWA-RUNNING BACK** — Named First-Team All-American in 1987 ... Selected First-Team All-Conference and Offensive Player of the Year in 1987 ... In 1987, he was Conference Player of the Week four times ... Two-time team captain ... Totaled 2,735 career rushing yards and 1,987 receiving yards.

**ERIC BREITENSTEIN, WOFFORD-FULLBACK** — Two-time First Team All-American who is Wofford's all-time leading rusher (5,730) ... Walter Payton Award finalist set the NCAA record for 100-yard rushing games in a season (12 in 2012) ... Two-time SoCon Offensive Player of the Year and three-time First Team All-SoCon selection.

VINCENT BROWN, MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE-LINEBACKER — 1987 First-Team All-American, leading the NCAA in tackles in 1986 and 1987 ... Set NCAA All-Divisions record with 570 career tackles ... Three-time All-SWAC selection who led MVSU in tackles his last three seasons.

**JOE CAMPBELL, MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE-RUNNING BACK** — Twotime First-Team All-American selection (1990-91) ... A three-time First-Team All-Conference pick, he was named OVC Player of the Year in 1990 ... Led the team in rushing all four years. WILLIAM CAMPBELL, WESTERN COLORADO-DEFENSIVE BACK — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1978-79) ... Set school record for interceptions in a season with seven in 1979 ... Led the team in tackles his senior year with 84.

VIN CARIDSCIA, FRANKLIN & MARSHALL [PA]-DFFENSIVE TACKLE — Two-time First-Team All-American and First-Team All-Conference selection (1981-82) ... Named First-Team All-ECAC in 1982 ... Four-year letterman and a three-year starter.

**PETER CATAN, EASTERN ILLINDIS-DEFENSIVE END** — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1979-80) ... Member of the 1978 Division II National Championship team ... Holds school record for quarterback sacks in a game (6), season (21) and career (47).

**STEVE COCKERHAM, AKRON-LINEBACKER** — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1976-77) ... Concluded career as the school's all-time leader in tackles with 715 ... Led Akron to 1976 NCAA Division II Championship Game.

**BRUCE COLLIE, TEXAS AT ARLINGTON-OFFENSIVE TACKLE** — Named First-Team All-American in 1984 ... Led UTA to 1981 Southland Conference title ... Three time All-SLC selection ... Played six seasons in the NFL with San Francisco and Philadelphia.

**TOM COLLINS, INDIANAPOLIS (IN)-DEFENSIVE BACK** — Named First-Team All-American in 1985 ... All-time college football leader in career interceptions (37), representing all levels of the NCAA.

**RAY CONDREN, GETTYSBURG [PA]-RUNNING BACK** — Two-time First-Team All-American, All-ECAC and All-Conference selection (1983-84) ... Finished second in rushing in Division III in 1984 ... Named ECAC Division III Player of the Year in 1984.

MARK COTNEY, CAMERON (DK)-DEFENSIVE BACK — Named First-Team NAIA All-American and All-Conference in 1974 ... Amassed 132 career tackles and seven interceptions in two seasons at Cameron.

**CASE DEBRUIJN, IDAHO STATE-PUNTER** — Named First-Team All-American in 1981 ... Twice led the nation in punting (1980-81) and was twice the runner up (1978-79) ... Season average of 45.9 in 1981 is third all-time in I-AA.

**PARNELL DICKINSON, MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE-QUARTERBACK** — 1975 First-Team All-American and Pittsburgh Courier National Player of the Year ... Four-time All-SWAC selection and conference Player of the Year as a senior ... Finished career as SWAC's all-time leader in total offense (7,442 yards).

WILLIAM DILLON, VIRGINIA UNION-FREE SAFETY — Three-time First-Team All-America selection (1980-82) ... Tallied 16 interceptions in 1983 ... 1983 Black College Player of the Year ... Two-time First-Team All-Conference selection and Player of the Year (1981-82).



#### DIVISIONAL PLAYER CANDIDATE BIOS

**AL DDRENKAMP, CENTRAL [IA]-LINEBACKER** — Named First-Team All-American in 1974 ... Two-time First-Team All-Conference selection (1973-74) ... Captained Central to a perfect 11-0 mark and the Division III National Championship in 1974.

JOHN DORSEY, CONNECTICUT-LINEBACKER — Named First-Team All-American in 1983 ... Led the team in tackles from 1981-83 ... Two-time Yankee Conference Defensive Player of the Year (1982-83).

**CHUCK DOWNEY, STONY BROOK-SAFETY** — 1987 First-Team All-America selection ... Recorded 239 tackles and 13 interceptions on defense ... First player in Division III history to achieve 1,000 yards on both punt and kickoff returns in a career ... Currently holds 12 NCAA Division III records and 23 school records.

**MATT DUNIGAN, LOUISIANA TECH-DUARTERBACK** — 1982 First Team All-American and Southland Conference Player of the Year ... Set Tech career records for completions (550), passing yards (7,042) and TD passes (40) ... Led the SLC in total offense three straight seasons (1980-82) and finished career with a conference title in 1982.

**ARMANTI EDWARDS, APPALACHIAN STATE-QUARTERBACK** — Twotime First Team All-American and first-ever two-time Walter Payton Award winner ... First DI player (FCS or FBS) with more than 10,000 passing and 4,000 rushing yards in a career ... Two-time SoCon Player of the Year set 14 conference and 64 school records while leading App State to two FCS national titles.

**TOM EHRHARDT, RHODE ISLAND-QUARTERBACK** — 1985 First-Team All-American who led the nation in passing during his final year at URI ... Holds nearly every passing record in Rams history and led URI to consecutive 10-3 seasons and national top 10 finishes in 1984-85 ... 1985 Yankee Conference Player of the Year.

**KEITH ELIAS, PRINCETON-RUNNING BACK** — Two-time First Team All-American (1992-93) and 1993 Ivy League Player of the Year ... Princeton's all-time leader in rushing yards (4,208) and rushing touchdowns (49) ... Three-time All-Ivy performer who helped the Tigers to the 1992 conference title.

**CURTIS ELLER, VILLANDVA-LINEBACKER** — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1991-92) and was named National Defensive Player of the Year by The Sporting News in 1992 ... A three-time First-Team All-Conference selection, he twice earned Yankee Defensive Player of the Year honors.

**BLAKE ELLIDTT, SAINT JDHN'S (MN)-WIDE RECEIVER** — Two-time First-Team All-American and winner of the 2003 Gagliardi Trophy ... Twotime MIAC Player of the Year who holds NCAA All-Divisions record of 47 consecutive games with a reception ... Led SJU to 2003 DIII national title and owns 29 school records. **RICHARD ERENBERG, COLGATE-RUNNING BACK** — Named First-Team All-American in 1983 ... Broke 12 Division I-AA records ... Selected as ECAC Player of the Year in 1983 ... All-time leading rusher in Colgate history ... Two-time recipient of the Andy Kerr Award signifying Colgate's MVP (1982-83).

JAHRI EVANS, BLOOMSBURG [PA]-OFFENSIVE LINEMAN — 2005 First Team All-American who also earned Second Team All-America honors as a junior ... Two-time Division II Player of the Year finalist and three-time First Team All-PSAC East selection ... Helped Huskies to the 2005 PSAC East title and an NCAA playoff berth.

JOHN FITZGERALD, CENTRAL OKLAHOMA-OFFENSIVE GUARD — First-Team All-American who blocked for two 1,000-yard rushers in 1998 ... Led UCO to 1998 undefeated season and No. 1 final ranking ... Only three-time All-American since UCO joined NCAA.

**BERNARD FORD, CENTRAL FLORIDA-WIDE RECEIVER** — Named First-Team All-American and 1987 Harlon Hill Trophy Finalist ... Ranks in top 10 of 14 UCF records, ranking first in receiving yards in a season (1,403), allpurpose yards per game (188) and average yards per catch in career (21.8).

**DUANE FRITZ, CHADRON STATE (NE)-PUNTER** — Named First-Team NAIA All-American in 1975 ... Led NAIA II and the conference in punting in 1975 ... Averaged 42.3 yards on 65 punts in 1975.

**RICK FRY, DCCIDENTAL [CA]-END** — Two-time First-Team All-American and all-conference selection (1976-77) ... Was the NCAA annual champion for receiving in 1976-77 and set four NCAA receiving records ... Member of the Occidental Football Hall of Fame.

**BOB GADDIS, MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE-WIDE RECEIVER** — 1974 First-Team All-American and Pittsburgh Courier National Receiver of the Year ... Named 1970 NAIA Freshman of the Year en route to twice leading the NAIA in yards per catch (1971-72) ... Three-time All-SWAC selection led conference in yards per catch all four years.

**CHRIS GEORGE, GLENVILLE STATE (WV)-WIDE RECEIVER** —Two-time First-Team All-American selection and four-time WVIAC pick ... Led GSC to Division II National Playoffs in 1993 and '94 ... Member of two conference championship teams and held nine national records by career's end.

**DDN GRECO, WESTERN ILLINDIS-DFFENSIVE GUARD** — Named First-Team All-American in 1980 ... Two-time First-Team All-Conference selection – winning the conference's Lineman of the Year award in 1980 ... A 1980 team captain, he was twice named Western Illinois' MVP.

**DDN GRIFFIN, MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE-SAFETY** — 1985 First-Team All-American and Ohio Valley Conference Defensive Player of the Year ... Three-time First-Team All-Conference selection ... Recorded 210 tackles, 13 career interceptions and held school record for interceptions in a game (3).

**RON HAUSAUER, JAMESTOWN (ND)-OFFENSIVE GUARD** — Two-time First-Team NAIA All-American and First-Team All-Conference (1980-81) ... Four-year letterman ... Member of the Jamestown College Athletic Hall of Fame.



#### DIVISIONAL PLAYER CANDIDATE BIOS

**PAT HAUSER, CAL STATE-NORTHRIDGE-DFFENSIVE TACKLE** — Twotime First-Team All-American and all-conference selection (1982-83) ... Four-year starter and letterman.

**BDBBY HEDRICK, ELON-RUNNING BACK** — Named First-Team All-American in 1980 ... Ranked second in NCAA history in career rushing yards (5,604), among all divisions, at career's end (behind only Tony Dorsett).

**CHRIS HEGG, TRUMAN STATE [M0]-QUARTERBACK** — Named First-Team All-American and AFCA Division II Player of the Year in 1985 ... Twotime conference Offensive Player of the Year (1984-85) ... Still holds eight conference records.

**BDB HELLER, WESLEYAN (CT)-CENTER** — Two-time First-Team All-American in 1972-73 ... Two-time First-Team All-ECAC performer who did not allow a sack during career ... Key to 1972 offensive unit that set stillstanding school record for 1,980 rushing yards in a season.

**BILLY HESS, WEST CHESTER [PA]-WIDE RECEIVER**-1988 First Team All-American and Harlon Hill Trophy finalist ... 1988 PSAC East Player of the Year and four-time All-PSAC receiver, who also earned all-conference honors as a defensive back in 1988 ... Led West Chester to PSAC title game appearances in 1986 and 1987.

LYNN HIEBER, INDIANA [PA]-QUARTERBACK — Two-time First-Team NAIA All-American selection (1974-75) ... Won the Division II Total Offense crown in 1975 ... Selected as ECAC Division II Player of the Year, First-Team All-East and First-Team All-ECAC in 1975.

**RENE INGOGLIA, MASSACHUSETTS-RUNNING BACK** — Finished career ranked second all-time in FCS history in TDs (54) and as school's all-time leader in rushing (4,624) and carries (905) among others ... First UMass player to average more than 100 ypg rushing in career.

**FRED JACKSON, CDE [IA]-RUNNING BACK/KICK RETURNER** – 2002 First Team All-American who led Coe to its first-ever IIAC title in 2002 ... Two-time IIAC MVP and three-time All-IIAC performer ... Boasts school records for single-game punt return (113) and kick return (164) yardage and ranks third all-time with 4,054 career rush yards.

**LOUIS JACKSON, CAL POLY-RUNNING BACK** — Two-time First-Team All-American selection (1978-80) ... Member of the 1980 Division II National Championship team ... Holds school records for yards rushing in a career (3,444), season (1,463) and game (267).

JOHN JURKOVIC, EASTERN ILLINDIS-DEFENSIVE END — Two-time First-Team All-America selection in 1988 and 1989 ... Two-time Gateway Defensive Player of the Year who led team to 1986 conference title ... Set Gateway record with six sacks in a game and finished career as the conference's all-time sacks leader (27).

**ED KELLEY, HAMPDEN-SYDNEY [VA]-DEFENSIVE END** — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1974-75) ... Three-time First-Team All-Conference pick (1973-75) ... Led the defensive unit that gave up only 10.8 points per game in 1975. JIM KLEINSASSER, NORTH DAKOTA-TIGHT END — Two-time First Team All-American (1997, 1998) who also earned Honorable Mention All-America honors in 1996 ... Three-time First Team All-Conference selection led UND to the 1995 NCC title ... Highest NFL draft pick in school history ... Helped UND to two NCAA Playoff berths and a 32-10 overall record.

**GARRY KUHLMAN, DELAWARE-OFFENSIVE TACKLE** — Two-time First-Team All-American and All-ECAC selection (1980-81) ... His 1979 team led all Division I-AA teams in scoring with 35.5 points and 405.5 yards total offense per game.

**SEAN LANDETA, TOWSON-PUNTER** — 1982 First Team All-American and first punter ever named to the AP's College Division All-America Team ... Three-time First Team All-ECAC who owns Towson career punting records for punts (225) and yards (9,452) ... Also team's placekicker, leading all of Division II in punting average (43.4 ypp) and field goals (14) during 1980 season.

JEFF LODTS, SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE-QUARTERBACK — 1992 First Team All-American who also earned All-America honors in 1991 (Second Team) and 1990 (Honorable Mention) ... Led the nation in passing and total offense his last two seasons, setting NAIA records for career TD passes (102) and career passing ypg (361.2) ... 1992 Northern Sun Player of the Year who set multiple conference and school records.

AL LUCAS, TROY-DEFENSIVE LINEMAN — Two-time First Team All-American (1998-99) and winner of the 1999 Buck Buchanan Award as the nation's top defensive player ... Two-time First Team All-Southland who led Trojans to two conference titles ... Three NCAA playoff appearances, including the 1996 Semifinals and the 1999 Quarterfinals.

**CLAUDE MATHIS, TEXAS STATE-RUNNING BACK** — 1997 First Team All-American who also earned Second Team All-America honors in 1996 and Honorable Mention laurels in 1995 ... Two-time Southland Conference Player of the Year and Texas State's all-time career rushing leader (4,691) ... Career AP yards (7,423) is a Southland Conference record and ranks eighth in FCS history.

VINCE MAZZA, ASHLAND [DH]-PUNTER — 1986 First Team All-American and Ashland's first-ever Harlon Hill candidate ... Four-time First Team All-Heartland Conference performer ... Boasts three of top 10 punting-average seasons in Ashland history.

**STEVE McADOD, MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE-OFFENSIVE LINEMAN** — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1991-92) ... Earned Third-Team All-America honors by the Associated Press in 1990 ... Three-time First-Team All-Conference pick.

**GARY McCAULEY, CLARION (PA)-TIGHT END** — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1980-81) ... Member of two conference title teams ... Holds school career records for receptions (135) and receiving yards (1,736) ... Four-year starter.



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#### DIVISIONAL PLAYER CANDIDATE BIOS

**FRAN McDERMOTT, ST. MARY'S [CA]-DEFENSIVE BACK** — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1979-80) ... Played in the 1981 Japan Bowl ... Four-year starter and letterman ... Holds school records for most interceptions in a career (21), season (8) and game (4).

**BILL McGOVERN, HOLY CROSS-DEFENSIVE BACK** — Named First-Team All-American in 1984 ... Led the nation in interceptions (11) in 1984 ... Set Division I-AA career interception record with 24 ... Two-time All-ECAC performer (1983-84) ... Named 1984 team captain.

TONY MILES, NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE-ALL-PURPOSE/WIDE RECEIVER — Two time First-Team All-American who led Bearcats to backto-back Division II National Championships (1998-99) and four-consecutive MIAA titles ... Set conference and school records for career receiving yards (3,890), receptions (235) and TDs (37).

**CARL MORRIS, HARVARD-WIDE RECEIVER** – 2002 First-Team All-American who holds virtually every Harvard receiving record, including career receptions (245) and TD receptions (28) ... Ranks third all-time in Ivy history with 3,508 career receiving yards ... Holds Ivy record for career 100yard games (15) and 200-yard games (3).

**ROBERT MORRIS, GEORGETOWN-DEFENSIVE END** — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1973-74) ... Member of the Georgetown Hall of Fame and the National Slavic Honor Society.

**RANDY MDSS, MARSHALL-WIDE RECEIVER/KICK RETURNER** — Twotime First Team All-American in 1996 at both WR and KR, leading Marshall to a 15-0 record and an FCS National Championship ... 1997 unanimous First Team All-American, Biletnikoff winner and Heisman Trophy finalist in the Herd's first FBS season ... 1997 MAC Offensive Player of the Year who set the NCAA record for single-season TD receptions (26).

**KENNETH MURAWSKI, CARNEGIE MELLON (PA)-LINEBACKER** — Named First-Team All-American in 1981 ... Named First-Team All-Conference in 1981 and Second-Team in 1980 ... Two-time team defensive captain ... Totaled 243 career tackles and nine interceptions.

**PATRICK MURRAY, FORDHAM-PLACEKICKER** – 2012 First Team All-American (placekicker) and 2011 Second Team All-American (punter) .... 2012 Fred Mitchell Award winner, 2012 CFPA Placekicker of the Year and 2011 CFPA Punter of the Year ... Led the FCS in field goals/game (2.27) and set Fordham and Patriot League records with 25 field goals in 2012.

TIMMY NEWSOME, WINSTON-SALEM STATE [NC]-RUNNING BACK — 1978 First Team All-American who finished his career as the all-time leading rusher (3,843 yards) in school and conference annals ... Three-time All-CIAA selection who twice led the conference in rushing and scoring ... Led the Rams to consecutive undefeated regular seasons and CIAA titles in 1977 and 1978.

**ED O'BRIEN, CENTRAL FLORIDA-PLACEKICKER** — Named 1987 First-Team All-American ... UCF record holder for career field goals made (50), field goals attempted (77) and longest field goal made (55 yards) ... Helped UCF to 1987 Division II Semifinals. **RANDY PAGE, CENTRAL OKLAHOMA-QUARTERBACK** — Named First-Team NAIA All-American in 1983 and earned Second-Team NAIA All-America honors in 1982 ... Led UCO to an NAIA National Championship in 1982 ... Broke 14 school records.

**CHRIS PARKER, MARSHALL-RUNNING BACK** — 1995 First-Team All-America pick ... Member of 1992 national championship team, leading MU back to national title game in 1993 and '95 (national runner-up) ... Recorded 31 games with at least 100 yards rushing en route to finishing career with 5,924 rushing yards and 68 touchdowns.

ALONZO PATTERSON, WAGNER-RUNNING BACK — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1981-82) ... Finished fourth on the NCAA leading rusher list for all divisions in 1981, leading Division III with 1,487 yards ... Three-time ECAC Player of the Year (1980-82).

**TED PETERSEN, EASTERN ILLINDIS-CENTER** — 1976 First-Team All-America selection ... Team captain who blocked for Nate Anderson, EIU's first 1,000-yard rusher ... Became school's highest-ever NFL Draft pick when he was selected 93rd overall (fourth round) in 1977.

MARTIN PETERSON, PENNSYLVANIA-DFFENSIVE TACKLE — Named First-Team All-America, First-Team All-Conference and First-Team All-ECAC in 1986 ... His teams won three conference titles.

**CHARLIE PIERCE, CENTRAL FLORIDA-PUNTER/PLACEKICKER** — Named First-Team All-American ... Career record holder at UCF for punts (173), punt yardage (7,111) and points scored (297) ... Helped UCF to FCS playoffs in 1993.

**DAVE POMANTE, WHITWORTH [WA]-DEFENSIVE LINEMAN** — Named First-Team NAIA All-American in 1981 ... Two-time All-District selection ... Set school records with 20 sacks in a season and 35 in a career ... Led team with 117 tackles as a senior.

**TYRONE POOLE, FORT VALLEY STATE [GA]-DEFENSIVE BACK** — First-Team All-America selection in 1994 ... Two-time Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) Defensive Player of the Year (1993-94) who led FVSU to two conference titles ... Recorded 44 pass breakups and 17 interceptions, returning four for TDs.

**GERRY QUINLIVAN, BUFFALD-LINEBACKER** — Named First-Team All-American in 1984 ... Two-time First-Team ECAC Upstate New York selection and team captain (1983-84) ... Four-year starter and letterman ... Two-time Most Outstanding Linebacker (1983-84) ... 1984 NFF National Scholar-Athlete.

**MICHAEL RENNA, DELAWARE-DEFENSIVE END** — Two-time First-Team All-American, All-Conference and All-ECAC selection (1988-89) ... Delaware's Outstanding Senior Male Athlete in 1990 ... Finished career as the 10th leading tackler in school history with 205.



#### DIVISIONAL PLAYER CANDIDATE BIOS

**DAVID RHODES, CENTRAL FLORIDA-WIDE RECEIVER** – 1993 First-Team All-American ... Holds UCF records for receptions (213), receiving yards (3,618) and receiving TD (29) in career ... Only Knight to record three seasons with at least 1,000-yards receiving and helped team to 1993 FCS Playoffs.

**NEIL RINGERS, DHID WESLEYAN-DEFENSIVE END** — 1990 First Team All-American boasts school records for career sacks (54) and career TFL (92) ... Two-time NCAC Defensive Player of the Year and first player in conference history voted first-team all-league in four-straight seasons ... Leader of OWU unit that led nation in rush defense (18.9 ypg) in 1990.

**KIRK RDACH, WESTERN CARDLINA-PLACEKICKER** — Three-time First-Team All-America selection (1984-86) ... Four-time First-Team All-Conference pick ... Holds five Division I-AA kicking records, 10 conference records and 18 school records ... Missed only one extra point in four years.

**BOBBY SAIZ, ADAMS STATE [CD]-QUARTERBACK** — Named First-Team NAIA All-American in 1989 ... Passed for 10,169 career yards and 87 touchdowns ... Averaged 251 yards per game in total offense ... Led team to No. 1 NAIA national ranking in 1989.

**JEFF SCHEBLER, WISCONSIN-WHITEWATER-PLACEKICKER** — Twotime First Team All-American (2007, 2009) who helped Whitewater to two national championships ... Four-time First Team All-WIAC selection, ranking second all-time in scoring in the league ... 2009 Fred Mitchell Award recipient as the nation's best non-FBS kicker.

JDE SKLADANY, LAFAYETTE-LINEBACKER — Named First-Team All-American in 1981 ... Four-year starter who never missed a game ... Boasts school records for career tackles (532) and blocked kicks in a season (3) ... Team captain and two-time Team MVP who led nation's second-ranked defense in 1981.

**ED SMITH, BETHEL (KS)-WIDE RECEIVER** — Named First-Team NAIA All-American in 1985 ... Three-time First-Team All-Conference selection (1984-86) ... Holds 13 school records ... His 47 career touchdown receptions were two short of the national record.

**PAUL SMITH, GETTYSBURG [PA]-RETURN SPECIALIST** — Two-time First-Team All-American as a kick- and punt-returner ... Set three NCAA records, including still standing record of 527 all-purpose yards in a game (1999) ... 1999 Centennial Conference Co-Player of the Year and four-time All-CC First Team selection.

**TOM STENGLEIN, COLGATE-WIDE RECEIVER** — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1984-85) ... Two-time First-Team All-ECAC pick (1984-85) ... Colgate's all-time leader in receptions in a game (12), season (67) and career (144).

JIMMY TERWILLIGER, EAST STROUDSBURG [PA]-QUARTERBACK — 2005 First Team All-American and three-time Harlon Hill finalist, winning the trophy in 2005 ... Three-time PSAC East Offensive Player of the Year who set 18 Division II and two all-divisions records by career's end ... Only quarterback in history to be named a First Team All-PSAC East selection in each of his four seasons.

**FREDDIE THOMAS, TRDY-DEFENSIVE BACK** — Two-time First-Team All-America selection (1986-87) and helped lead Troy to the NCAA Division II National Championship in 1987 ... A two-time First-Team All-Conference pick, he was named team captain in 1987.

MARKUS THOMAS, EASTERN KENTUCKY-TAILBACK — Finished career ranked third all-time in FCS history in rushing (5,149) ... Two-time Ohio Valley Conference Offensive Player of the Year who led team to two conference titles ... 52 career rushing TDs.

**BRAD TOKAR, WESTMINSTER [PA]-RUNNING BACK** — Named First-Team Little All-American in 1990 ... Two-time First-Team NAIA All-America selection (1988, 1990) ... Led Westminster to two NAIA Division II National Championships ... Westminster's all-time leading rusher with 5,269 career yards.

JAY WESSLER, ILLINDIS COLLEGE-RUNNING BACK — Named First-Team NAIA All-American in 1979 ... Three-time member of the NAIA District All-Star Team ... Three-time team MVP (1978-80) and Illinois Athlete of the Year (1979-81).

**TIM WHELAN, TUFTS [MA]-RUNNING BACK** — 1976 First-Team All-American who set school single-season rushing records in consecutive seasons ... 1976 ECAC Division III Player of the Year and George H. "Bulger" Lowe Award recipient as New England's best player for all divisions ... 234 rushing attempts in 1976 is school record.

**MIKE WIGGINS, IDWA WESLEYAN-PUNTER** — Named First-Team Little All-American in 1987 and an NAIA All-American in 1986 and 1987 ... Named National Punting Champion for the NAIA in 1987.

**DANNY WOODHEAD, CHADRON STATE [NE]-RUNNING BACK** — Threetime First Team All-American finished his career as college football's all-time rushing leader (7,962 yards) ... Two-time Harlon Hill Trophy recipient holds nearly every rushing/all-purpose record in DII, RMAC and Chadron State annals ... Three-time RMAC Offensive Player of the Year led the Eagles to two RMAC titles and consecutive 12-win seasons (2006-07).

JERRY WOODS, NORTHERN MICHIGAN-DEFENSIVE BACK — Two-time First-Team All-America selection and All-Conference pick (1987-88) .... Returned 89 punts for 1,129 yards, a 12.6 yard average ... Returned kickoffs for 1,475 yards, a 24.9 yard average and current school record.

**ANDRE YOUNG, BOWLING GREEN-DEFENSIVE LINEMAN** — 1982 First Team All-American, the first-ever nose tackle to earn All-America honors at BGSU ... 1982 First Team All-Conference who led team to a 7-2 MAC record and conference title ... 1982 Team MVP who boasted 26 TFL and 13 sacks during his All-America season.

JOHN ZANIESKI, YALE-MIDDLE GUARD — Named First-Team All-American and First-Team All-Ivy League in 1984 ... Selected as the team's MVP in 1984 ... Finished second on school's quarterback sack list with 21.



#### DIVISIONAL COACH CANDIDATE BIOS

**DICK BIDDLE-CDLGATE [1996-2013]** — All-time winningest coach in Colgate and Patriot League history ... 2003 AFCA National Coach of the Year, he led Raiders to an appearance in the 2003 FCS National Championship Game ... Won seven conference titles and led teams to six NCAA playoff appearances.

**PAUL DURHAM-LINFIELD [DR] [1948-67]** — His team won seven conference championships ... Named 1962 NAIA Coach of the Year ... Was the athletics director at Linfield while coaching ... Member of the Oregon Sports, Helms Athletic and NAIA Football Coaches Halls of Fame.

JIM FEIX-WESTERN KENTUCKY [1968-83] — Named Kodak College Coach of the Year for Division II in 1973 and 1975 ... Won or shared six conference titles ... Three-time conference Coach of the Year (1973, 1978, 1980) ... The winningest coach in school history ... Charter member of the school Athletic Hall of Fame.

HOWARD FLETCHER-NORTHERN ILLINDIS [1956-68] — Coached unbeaten NCAA College Division and NAIA National Championship team in 1963 ... Led NIU to three conference titles (1963-65) ... Inducted into the NIU Athletic Hall of Fame ... Was the runner-up as Kodak College Division Coach of the Year in 1963 ... Made three appearances in the Mineral Water Bowl.

**RDSS FORTIER-MINNESOTA MODRHEAD [1970-92]** — School's all-time winningest coach ... Led his team to seven postseason playoffs and nine conference championships ... Led 1981 team to unbeaten regular season and number one ranking in the final regular season poll ... Member of the NAIA Hall of Fame.

MORLEY FRASER-ALBION [MI] [1954-68] — Led Albion to five conference championship and was named the Small College Coach of the Year in 1964 ... Coached one All-American, five conference Players of the Year and 65 first team All-Conference selections ... Was a Commander in the U.S. Navy during WWII ... Received the Distinguished American Award from the Michigan Chapter of the NFF.

**DANNY HALE-WEST CHESTER (PA) (1984-88), BLOOMSBURG (PA.) (1993-2012)** — Led Bloomsburg to berth in national championship game (2000), earning AFCA Division II Coach of the Year honors ... Led teams to nine playoff appearances and at least a share of 14 PSAC East titles ... Boasts most wins (173) in Bloomsburg history.

WALT HAMELINE-WAGNER [1981-2014] — Led Wagner to the 1987 Division III National Championship ... Boasts the most wins in school history (223), leading the Seahawks to 24 winning seasons and four NCAA playoff appearances ... 2012 NEC Coach of the Year retired with the fifth-most wins among active FCS coaches.

**EDDIE HURT-VIRGINIA LYNCHBURG (1925-28), MORGAN STATE (1929-59)** — Led Morgan State to six Black College National Championship and 14 CIAA titles ... Posted 11 undefeated seasons, including the 1943 team that did not allow a score from a single opponent ... From 1932-39, led Bears to 54-game streak without a loss.

**ART KELLER-CARTHAGE [WI] [1952-82]** — Named FWAA College Division Distinguished Coach in 1982 and four-time NAIA District Coach of the Year ... Member of the NAIA District 14 Hall of Fame ... Won eight conference titles and compiled three 14-game winning streaks ... Member of the Carthage Hall of Fame and received the President's Medal of Honor.

GLENN KILLINGER-DICKINSON (PA) (1922), RENSSELAER (NY) (1927-32), MORAVIAN (PA) (1933), WEST CHESTER (PA) (1934-41, 1945-59) — Winningest coach in West Chester history ... Member of the College Football Hall of Fame as a player and the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame ... Had only one losing season in 37 years as a head coach.

LARRY KORVER-NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE [IA] [1967-94] — Led Northwestern to two National Championships, 14 playoff appearances and 212 victories in 28 seasons on the sidelines ... Twice named NAIA National Coach of the Year, he has coached 32 players to All-American status.

MAXIE LAMBRIGHT-LOUISIANA TECH [1967-78] — Led Tech to three consecutive Division II national titles from 1972-74 ... Boasted seven conference titles and named 1970s Southland Conference Coach of the Decade ... Guided the program into Division I in 1975, earning two Independence Bowl berths, and coached 11 First-Team All-Americans throughout career.

**DICK LOWRY-WAYNE STATE [MI] (1974-79), HILLSDALE [MI] (1980-96)** — Won seven conference championships at both schools and earned five berths in the NAIA national playoffs winning the National Championship in 1985 ... He was voted NAIA Coach of the Year in 1982 and was conference Coach of the Year six times.

JAMES MALDSKY-MINNESDTA DULUTH [1958-97] — Winningest coach in Division II history at time of retirement ... Led teams to nine conference championships ... Named NSIC, MIAC and/or NAIA Coach of the Year 13 times ... Produced 33 winning seasons in 40 years at UMD.

JIM MARGRAFF-JOHNS HOPKINS [MD] [1990-2018] — 2018 National Coach of the Year and winningest football coach in Johns Hopkins history (221 wins) ... Guided the Blue Jays to 10 NCAA Playoff appearances, including the school's first-ever trip to the Semifinals (2018) ... Led Hopkins to a Centennial-record 14 conference titles.

**GEORGE MIHALIK-SLIPPERY ROCK [PA] (1988-2015)** — Most wins in SRU history, boasting 22 winning seasons in 28 years ... Six-time PSAC Coach of the Year who won or shared eight PSAC Western Division championships and made six trips to the NCAA playoffs ... Perfect 17-0 home record in his final three seasons.

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JIM DSTENDARP-AMHERST [MA] [1959-91] — Named UPI Small College Coach of the Year in 1964 ... Selected as the New York Football Writers Division II/III Coach of the Year in 1984 ... Captured 13 Little Three titles ... Named AFCA/Kodak New England Coach of the Year in 1961 and 1964.

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- Reggie Bush RB, Southern California (2003-05)
- Dwight Freeney DE, Syracuse (1998-2001)
- Robert Gallery OT, Iowa (2000-03)
- LaMichael James RB, Oregon (2009-11)
- Derrick Johnson LB, Texas (2001-04)
- **Bill Kollar** DT, Montana State (1971-73)
- Luke Kuechly LB, Boston College (2009-11)

- Jeremy Maclin WR/KR, Missouri (2007-08)
- Terance Mathis WR, New Mexico (1985-87, 1989)
- Bryant McKinnie OT, Miami [FL] (2000-01)
- Corey Moore DL, Virginia Tech (1997-99)
- Michael Stonebreaker LB, Notre Dame (1986, 1988, 1990)

- Tim Tebow QB, Florida (2006-09)
- Troy Vincent DB, Wisconsin (1988-91)
- Brian Westbrook RB, Villanova (1997-98, 2000-01)
- DeAngelo Williams RB, Memphis (2002-05)

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- Monte Cater 275-117-2 (70.1%); Lakeland [WI] (1981-86), Shepherd [WV] (1987-2017)
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