



SMU ANNOUNCES ANOTHER STELLAR RECRUITING CLASS

TWO PARADE ALL-AMERICANS, ELITE 11 MVP AMONG SIGNEES

DALLAS (SMU) – SMU today announced a stellar recruiting class of 20 student-athletes, bringing another outstanding crop of recruits to the Hilltop. This year's group will compete for BIG EAST Championships and a BCS Bowl berth.

Among the signees is Mr. Michigan Football and PARADE All-American Prescott Line, brother of SMU star and Doak Walker Award semifinalist Zach Line. Line will join January SMU enrollee, Indiana Player of the Year and fellow PARADE All-American Gehrig Dieter as newcomers to the SMU football team this fall. With two PARADE All-Americans, SMU joins Alabama, Auburn, Cal, Florida State, Ohio State, Oregon and South Carolina as the only schools with multiple PARADE picks.

With the graduation of five starters along the offensive line, the area was a focus of the class and SMU added five standouts averaging 6-5, 290 lbs.

June Jones' Run & Shoot also added a new quarterback, Neal Burcham, an ESPN.com four-star recruit who was Camp MVP at the prestigious Elite 11 Showcase, besting 23 of the nation's top prep signal callers, including Notre Dame enrollee Gunner Kiel. Notable Elite 11 alumni include Vince Young, Matt Leinart, JaMarcus Russell, Mark Sanchez, Matthew Stafford and Tim Tebow.

With nine three-star and above signees, SMU tied for the C-USA lead with Marshall and bettered both 2011 C-USA Divisional champs, Houston (8) and Southern Miss (8).

2012 SMU RECRUITING CLASS

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
Chauncey Briggs	OL	6-5	330	West Bloomfield, Mich. (West Bloomfield)
Neal Burcham	QB	6-3	185	Greenbrier, Ark. (Greenbrier)
Christian Chamagua	OL	6-6	290	Manvel, Texas (Manvel)
Brian Cramer	DL	6-4	230	Round Rock, Texas (Stony Point)
A.J. Justice	DB	6-2	185	Houston, Texas (Stratford)
Collin LaGasse	WR/DB	5-11	190	Austin, Texas (Lake Travis)
Ty Law	DB	5-10	170	Orlando, Fla. (Lake Highland Prep)
Prescott Line	RB	6-0	215	Oxford, Mich. (Oxford Area Senior)
Ajee Montes	DB	5-11	180	La Puente, Calif. (Bishop Amat)
Seaver Myers	OL	6-6	290	Friendswood, Texas (Friendswood)
Elie Nabushosi	DL	6-4	240	Frisco, Texas (Heritage)
Damien Neroes	LB	6-1	215	Garland, Texas (Garland)
Jarvis Pruitt	DL	6-3	220	Houston, Texas (Stratford)
Shakiel Randolph	DB	6-5	190	Waco, Texas (Midway)
Nick Reed	DL	6-1	265	Texarkana, Texas (Pleasant Grove)
Sam Rice	OL	6-4	270	Coppell, Texas (Coppell)
Lincoln Richard	LB	6-3	215	Everman, Texas (Everman)
Horace Richardson	DB	6-0	175	Everman, Texas (Everman)
Daijuan Stewart	WR	5-10	175	Baldwin, La. (West Saint Mary)
Chase Walling	OL	6-6	270	Dallas, Texas (Lake Highlands)

2012 SMU JANUARY ENROLLEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
Gehrig Dieter	WR	6-3	200	South Bend, Ind. (Washington)
Christian Holloway	DE	6-5	240	Torrance, Calif. (Bishop Montgomery)
Derek Longoria	LB/P	6-4	215	Brownwood, Texas (Brownwood)
Daniel Roundtree	S	6-2	210	Norwalk, Calif. (Cerritos C.C.)





CHAUNCEY BRIGGS

OL 6-5/330 West Bloonfield, Mea (West Bloonfield)

A two-star Rivals and Scout prospect... Named to the *Detroit Free Press'* Blue-chip List and Dream Team... Also named All-Area and All-Oakland County... A dominant offensive lineman who notched nine sacks on defense... Had interest from Michigan, Michigan State and Purdue.



NEAL BURGHAM

QB G-3/185 Greenbrier, Ark. (Greenbrier)

A four-star ESPN recruit and three-star Rivals prospect... Put up a tremendous performance at the Elite 11 Showcase, earning camp MVP honors... Named the No. 20 QB in the nation by ESPN... Ranked by Rivals as the ninth-best player in Arkansas... Named the 5A West Player of the Year and earned All-Conference and All-State honors... Recovering from a torn ACL injury suffered during the final regular season game... Passed for 3,409 yards and 35 touchdowns as a junior, leading Greenbrier to the quarterfinal round of the 5A state playoffs... Had offers from Cincinnati, UAB and Arkansas State... Also played basketball and ran track.



CHRISTIAN CHAMAGUA

OL 6-6/290 Manvel, Texas (Manvel)

A two-star Rivals and Scout prospect... Helped Manvel to an extraordinary season, going 15-1 and finishing as state runners-up... Notched 25 pancake blocks and 34 knockdown blocks while grading out at 88 percent by coaches... Named All-District... Had offers from Wyoming and UTEP.

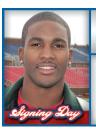


BRIAN CRAMER

DL 6-4/230

ROUND ROCK, TEXAS (STONY POINT)

A three-star Scout prospect... Notched 40 tackles, three sacks and a fumble recovery in 2011... A former quarterback who converted to play defensive line... Named preseason All-Central Texas... Also had interest from Wake Forest.



A.J. JUSTISE

DB 6-2/185 Houston Texas

HOUSTON, TEXAS (STRATFORD)

A three-star ESPN, Rivals and Scout prospect... Rated the 64th-best player in Texas by Scout... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar... Spearheaded Stratford's playoff win over Willis with a pick-six and a forced fumble... Had 97 tackles on the year with three picks... First-team All-District... Turned down offers from Rice, UAB and Virginia... Also lettered in basketball and track... Father played college basketball at Navy.



COLIN LAGASSE

WR/DB 5-11/190 AUSTIN, TEXAS (LAKE TRAVIS)

A three-star Rivals and Scout prospect... First-team All-State by the Padilla Poll... Named All-State by TheOld-Coach.com... MVP of the State Championship game, compiling 209 total yards and scoring the game-clinching touchdown late in the fourth quarter... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar... Played quarterback, running back, receiver and defensive back, as he rushed for 862 yards, caught 39 passes for 433 yards and scored 20 total touchdowns... Had offers from Rice, Duke and Army... Two-time first-team All-District performer... All-CenTex Utility Player of the Year... Also played football, baseball, basketball and track, and competed in power lifting.





TY LAW

DB 5-10/170 Orlando, fla. (Lake Highland Prep)

A three-star Rivals and Scout prospect... Rated the nation's No. 52 corner by ESPN... Ranked No. 54 on the *Orlando Sentinel*'s Central Florida Super60... Had two picks - one returned for a TD - and two punt return TDs... Had offers from West Virginia, N.C. State, Washington State and Memphis among others.



PRESCOTT LINE

RB 6-0/215 Oxford, Mich. (Oxford)

A PARADE All-American... Named Mr. Football in Michigan... A three-star Rivals and Scout prospect... Featured in "Faces in the Crowd" in the Jan. 30, 2012, issue of Sports Illustrated... Named to the Detroit Free Press' "Dream Team"... The younger brother of All-Conference running back Zach Line... Ranked as the nation's No. 55 linebacker prospect... Named All-Midwest Region by PrepStar... A state champion wrestler, going 25-0 as a junior... Averaged over 200 yards rushing per game... Exceled at both running back and linebacker, setting a school and league record with 2,454 rushing yards... Totaled 37 TDs in 2011... Notched 128 tackles as a senior, averaging 14 tackles per game... Led Oxford to a win in week two, rushing for 230 yards and five touchdowns on offense and tallying 15 tackles, a sack and an interception on defense... The 30th ranked player in the state of Michigan.



AJEE MONTES

DB 5-11/180 LA PUENTE, CALIF. (BISHOP AMAT)

A two-star Rivals and Scout prospect... Three-star player by 247Sports which ranks him as a top-100 corner...

Notched 27 tackles as a senior... First-team All-League... Named to the California Top-100 Team... Earned an invite to the Cal State All-Star Game... Also had an offer from New Mexico.



SEAVER MYERS

OL 6-6/290 Friendswood, Texas (Friendswood)

A three-star ESPN, Rivals and Scout prospect... The 77th ranked player in the state of Texas... Named third-team All-State by TheOldCoach.com... Named All-District, All-Galveston County and All-Houston Area... Tabbed a Texas Top 100 prospect by the *Houston Chronicle*... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar... Turned down offers from Texas A&M, Colorado, Houston, Iowa State, Louisville, La Tech, Rice, Utah and several others... Rated the 67th-best overall player in the state of Texas and the No. 59 offensive lineman in the nation... Also threw the shot and discus, and played baseball.



ELIE NABUSHOSI

DL 6-4/240 FRISCO, TEXAS (HERITAGE)

A three-star ESPN and Scout prospect... Notched 88 tackles, six sacks, 12 hurries, three fumble recoveries and two forced fumbles on defense, and scored two touchdowns on offense... Named first-team All-District and ranked in the top 100 in DFW by the *Dallas Morning News*... Also played basketball and ran track... Born in the Congo, came to the U.S. at age six.



DAMIEN NERGES

LB G-1/215 GARLAND, TEXAS (GARLAND)

A three-star Rivals and Scout prospect... Ranked as the nation's No. 43 middle linebacker by Scout... Racked up



85 tackles including 14 sacks as a senior... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar... A first-team All-District selection... Named District Defensive MVP... A second-team All-State pick... Turned down offers from Memphis, La. Tech and North Texas... Named the *Dallas Morning News* Defensive Player of the Week for his performance against Rowlett... Also ran track and threw the discus.



JARVIS PRUITT

LB 6-3/220 HOUSTON, TEXAS (STRATFORD)

A two-star Rivals prospect... Rated the nation's No. 66 weak-side defensive end by 247Sports... Named first-team All-District... Notched 90 tackles including 20 for-loss and four sacks... Also had offers from Colorado and New Mexico.



SHAKIEL RANDOLPH

DB 6-5/190 WACO, TEXAS (MIDWAY)

A three-star ESPN, Rivals and Scout prospect... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar... Ranked as the nation's No. 74 safety by Scout... Notched 71 tackles, two interceptions and two forced fumbles as a senior... A two-time All-District pick... Team captain... Turned down offers from New Mexico and Southern Miss... Also played basketball and ran track.



NICK REED

DL 6-1/265 Texarkana, Texas (Pleasant Grove)

A two-star Rivals and Scout prospect...Notched 10 tackles - six for-loss - and a sack in just four games despite being limited by an injured foot... A two-time All-District selection... Turned down an offer from Arkansas State... Also played baseball and basketball.



SAM RICE

0L 6-4/270

COPPELL, TEXAS (COPPELL)

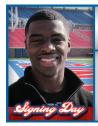
A three-star ESPN and Scout prospect... Notched 31 pancake blocks in 2011... The son of Doug Rice, SMU football letterwinner (1984-86)... A three-time All-District selection... Also the younger brother of two Division I football players... Also wrestled in high school... Had offers from Duke, Memphis and UTEP.



LINGOLN RICHARD

LB 6-3/215 EVERMAN, TEXAŞ (EVERMAN)

A three-star ESPN, Rivals and Scout prospect... The 95th-rated player in Texas and the 67th-rated line-backer in the country... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar... Named first-team All-District... Notched six receptions for 88 yards and a TD on offense and 44 tackles and two sacks on defense... Had offers from Arizona, Arkansas, Houston, North Texas and UTEP... Also played basketball and ran track.



HORAGE RICHARDSON

DB G-0/175 EVERMAN, TEXAS (EVERMAN)

A three-star Rivals prospect... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar... Played corner, running back and receiver... Ran for over 200 yards in his first start... Had 43 carries for 443 yards and five TDs on the year and added five more receiving TDs... Returned kicks and posted a 29.5 ypr average with a long of 67 yards... Notched 35 tackles on defense en route to first-team All-District honors... Also named District 7-4A Utility Player of the Year... Also lettered in basketball and track... A member of the National Honor Society.





DALJUAN STEWART

WR 5-10/175 BALDWIN, LA. (WEST ST. MARY)

A three-star ESPN and Rivals prospect... Rated the nation's No. 83 athlete by ESPN... Caught five touchdown passes in one quarter and ended up with six TDs and 414 yards receiving in a single game... Had at least 10 Division I offers, including Notre Dame, Houston, Southern Miss and Pitt.



CHASE WALLING

OL 6-6/270 DALLAS, TEXAS (LAKE HIGHLANDS)

A two-star Rivals and Scout prospect... Named to the *Dallas Morning News*' Area Top 100... First-team All-District... Notched 34 pancake blocks as a senior... Had offers from Kansas State, Tulsa, Marshall and North Texas.

JANUARY ENROLLEES



GEHRIG DIETER

WR 6-3/200 South Bend, Ind. (Washington)

A PARADE All-American... Set numerous records during his senior year... Holds national records for receiving yards in a single game (437) and receiving yards per catch (26.9)... Also holds Indiana state records for most receiving yards in a career (4,326), a season (2,171), a game (437) and in a 4A State playoff game (168)... Named the Indiana 4A Player of of the Year... Was named an Indiana High School Athletic Association first-team All-State selection and the Northern Indiana Conference MVP... A MAXPreps first-team All-American... A second-team SI.com All-American and third-team ESPN All-American... A three-star Rivals and Scout prospect.



CHRISTIAN HOLLOWAY

DE 6-5/240

TORRANCE, CALIF. (BISHOP MONTGOMERY)

A three-star Rivals recruit... Registered 65 tackles, 13 sacks and one interception during his senior season... Team Captain... An All-CIF performer... Named to the South Bay All-Area Team and was tabbed Del Rey League Lineman of the Year... Only played two seasons of high school football... Had 12 sacks and five forced fumbles as a junior... Also played basketball and volleyball.



DEREK LONGORIA

LB/P 6-4/215 BROWNWOOD

BROWNWOOD, TEXAS (BROWNWOOD)

A three-star Rivals recruit... Selected to *PrepStar Magazine*'s All-Midlands Region Team... Had 115 tackles and three interception returns for touchdowns as a senior... Also rushed for three scores... Named Academic All-District 5-3A and to the All-Big Country Super Team... A two-way player in high school, rushing for 500 yards and intercepting three passes as a junior... A preseason All-State pick by *Dave Campbell's Texas Football*... Averaged 41.8 yards as Brownwood's punter... A 2010 Class 3A second-team All-State selection.



DANIEL ROUNDTREE

5 6-2/210 Norwal K

NORWALK, CALIF. (CERRITOS C.C.)

Spent the 2011 season at junior college, helping Cerritos C.C. to the So-Cal Championship game... Notched 46 stops, with four for-loss and one interception... A three-star Rivals recruit... Redshirted in 2010 with an injury at El Camino College after recording 15 tackles there in 2009... Named All-State Honorable Mention as a prep, notching 85 tackles with seven pass break-ups and two interceptions as a senior... Has two seasons of eligibility remaining.