

Warriors Sign 20 Recruits

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The Wayne State University football team is proud to announce that 20 high school players have signed national letters of intent to join the Warriors in the fall of 2001.

“Our coaches did a great job getting such a large group of athletes to sign with us,” said head coach **Steve Kazor**, who led the Warriors to a 4-6 record last season. “This large amount of recruits shows the commitment our administration and staff at Wayne State have towards Warrior football. This is the best recruiting class at Wayne State University in the past few years.”

Below are biographies of the 20 signees.

Firas Iyad Al-Osachie (Birmingham, Mich./Birmingham Groves H.S.) – Al-Osachie is a 6-5, 285-pound defensive lineman who was First Team All-Area and All-League as well as Honorable Mention All-State under head coach Jim MacDougall.

Marques Anthony (Ypsilanti, Mich./Willow Run H.S.) – A 6-4, 195-pound wide receiver, Anthony was named First Team All-Area, All-West and All-Conference under head coach John Korican. He had 34 catches for 816 yards and 12 touchdowns as a senior. Anthony is the son of Claudean and Scott Anthony.

Anthony Baker (Saginaw, Mich./Saginaw H.S.) – Baker is a 6-2, 185-pound wide receiver who was named First Team All-Conference and All-County as well as Honorable Mention All-State under head coach Don Durrett.

Mohamed Bazzi (Dearborn, Mich./Dearborn Fordson H.S.) – The 6-2, 225-pound linebacker was named First Team All-Metro, All-West, All-Conference and All-State as a senior under head coach Jeff Stergalas. A three-year starter, Bazzi had 145 tackles, 28 tackles for loss, three deflected passes and four forced fumbles.

Bryan Brandenburg (Harrison Township, Mich./L’anse Creuse H.S.) – Brandenburg is a 6-5, 190-pound quarterback who was named All-County, All-League, All-Conference and All-State under head coach Don Roda. He passed for 22 touchdowns as a senior. Brandenburg also participates in basketball. He has a grade point average of 3.40 and is a member of the National Honors Society.

Earl Carruthers (Waterford, Mich./Waterford Mott H.S.) – The 5-10, 185-pound defensive back was named All-Conference, All-County, All-Dream Team and All-State under head coach Ken Schmidt.

Daniel Dzieszkowski (Utica, Mich./Lutheran North H.S.) – The 6-1, 240-pound linebacker was named All-Conference three straight years under head coach Matt Neidgk. Dzieszkowski has a grade point average of 3.10.

Justin Ellington (Southfield, Mich./Southfield Lathrup H.S.) – Ellington is a 6-3, 260-pound offensive lineman who played under head coach Stephen Thomas.

Mike Griffie (Farmington, Mich./Farmington H.S.) – The 6-2, 185-pound receiver was a four-year player under head coach John Bechtel. He was named All-League, All-State and Third Team All-County as a senior. Also participated in track and basketball. He is the son of Vera and Robert Griffie.

Aaron Hannah (Clinton Township, Mich./Clintondale H.S.) – The 5-9, 170-pound defensive back was named All-League and All-County as a senior under head coach Jim Scarcelli. Hannah was a three-sport athlete, competing in basketball, football and track. He has a grade point average of 2.90.

John Herstein (Fenton, Mich./Fenton H.S.) – A 6-3, 265-pound defensive end, Herstein was named All-State Honorable Mention and First Team All-League in 1999 and 2000 under head coach Don Buchanan. He is also an accomplished wrestler, finishing third in his weight class at the State Division II Wrestling Tournament in 1999-2000. He currently is ranked second in the state as a heavyweight. Herstein has a grade point average of 3.296.

Randy Hutchison Jr. (Tecumseh, Mich./Tecumseh H.S.) – Hutchison is a 6-1, 185-pound quarterback who was named All-League four times, All-Dream Team twice and All-State Honorable Mention. As a senior, Hutchison threw for 2,407 yards and 25 touchdowns under head coach Randy Hutchison. He led Tecumseh to the playoffs for only the second time in the school's history. For his career Hutchison threw for 5,366 yards and 57 touchdowns. He is the son of RaeLynn and Randy Hutchison.

Juwaun Kenney (Detroit, Mich./Henry Ford H.S.) – The 6-3, 240-pound offensive lineman was named Second Team All-City and Honorable Mention All-Metro under head coach Mike Marshall.

Bob Marten (Allen Park, Mich./Allen Park H.S.) – Marten is a 5-10, 181-pound quarterback/wide receiver who was named First Team All-West as a senior under head coach Tom Hoover. As a quarterback, Marten was a three-year starter who completed 128 of 232 passes for 1,925 yards and 17 touchdowns.

John Radney (Detroit, Mich./Henry Ford H.S.) – A 5-10, 190-pound running back/defensive back, Radney was named First Team All-City and was named Honorable Mention All-Metro under head coach Mike Marshall. Radney rushed for 1,100 yards and 12 touchdowns as a senior. On defense, Radney had 74 tackles and four interceptions.

Joe Ruggiero (Livonia, Mich./Franklin H.S.) – The 6-1, 195-pound quarterback was named All-West Honorable Mention and All-Conference as a senior under head coach Richard Lee.

Dan Smitherman (Westland, Mich./Westland John Glenn H.S.) – Smitherman is a 5-11, 180-pound running back/defensive back who was named First Team All-West and All-State under head coach Chuck Gordon. He rushed for a school record 2,225 yards and 29 touchdowns on 299 carries as a senior.

Adam Stallard (West Bloomfield, Mich./West Bloomfield H.S.) – A 6-7, 260-pound tight end, Stallard was a four year letterman under head coach Dan Shrewsberry.

Don Thelmas (Port Huron, Mich./Port Huron H.S.) – The 5-11, 175-pound wide receiver was named First Team All-Conference in football, basketball and track. Thelmas played football under Eddie Kendall. He has a grade point average of 3.20.

Stephen Wayne (Farmington, Mich./Farmington H.S.) – A 6-0, 185-pound kicker. Wayne was named All-Lakes Division of WLAA and All-North Metro Detroit Honorable Mention. He also was named All-State in soccer. Wayne is the son of Mary Sue and Roger Wayne.

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