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(Neb.) - Four more players ink with Chadron State

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CHADRON – The Chadron State College football program continued to add to its roster Thursday. On Wednesday, 25 high school seniors signed National Letters of Intent. The Eagles received five more commitments Thursday.

Wednesday was the first day high school seniors could sign a letter of intent.

[2012 Chadron State Signees](#)

“We are very excited about the young men who have committed to Chadron State. We feel that they are great athletes along with being exceptional students and citizens,” offensive coordinator Chris Stein said. “This is an important time in the history of Chadron State football and all of these young men are happy to be a part of it.”

The 30 commits Chadron State received will be featured primarily on defense. Nine are defensive backs, seven are linebackers and five are defensive linemen. The remaining nine are comprised of six receivers, one offensive lineman, one quarterback and one tailback.

Eight players are from Nebraska. They are Trey Allison of Gordon, Buomkuouth Lual of Grand Island, Sawyer Burke of Brady, Frantzee LeCrete of Lewellen (Garden County High), Wade Reeves of Chadron, Eric Vejvoda of Ralston, Parker Young of Hershey and Will Burgess of Omaha.

Seven are from Colorado, six are from California and five from Louisiana.

The Rocky Mountain recruits are Marcus Brown of Colorado Springs, Austin Gutierrez of Longmont (Skyline High), Dalton Hall, Jordan King and Sergi Ruiz all from Frederick High, Palmer White from Horizon High and Timmy Ornelas of Fort Lupton.

The California natives joining CSC are Maurice Boyd, Brian Wood and Ryan Wood of Stockton, Isaac Griffen of San Diego, Marcus Phillips of La Mesa and Cody Paul of Los Alamitos.

The Louisiana recruits include Tre Brown, Courtland Joshua and Cortez Mitchell all of Donaldsonville, D’Vonnte Matthews of Jeanerette and Treston Decoud of Mandeville.

Two teammates from Grandview, Mo., have also inked with CSC. They are Christian Drummer and Zane Moore.

Also joining the Eagles are Taylenn Arnett of Lusk, Wyo., and Jamel Gilliam from Fayetteville, Ga.

The Eagles, who finished the 2011 season with a 6-5 record and a 6-3 mark in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, return 60 letter winners and 17 starters. Since 2000, Chadron State has won or shared the RMAC title five times. No other school in the conference has more than three championships during that stretch.

Profiles of each student-athlete follow.

Feb. 2 Signees

Will Burgess, quarterback, 6-1, 192 pounds (Omaha, Neb./Omaha Central)

A three-year starter at quarterback for Omaha Central and helped lead his team to the Class A State Semifinals ... Named all-district honorable mention by the Nebraska High School Coaches Association in 2010 ... Threw for over 1,000 yards and had just three interceptions in 2011.

Video Highlights: <http://www.hudl.com/athlete/23435/will-burgess#highlights>

Christian Drummer, linebacker, 6-2, 210 pounds (Grandview, Mo./Grandview High)

A big linebacker from Missouri who had an excellent 2011 campaign ... Finished the season with 66 tackles and 13 sacks ... He also forced two fumbles.

Video Highlights: <http://www.hudl.com/athlete/184161/christian-drummer>

Zane Moore, inside receiver, 6-1, 205 pounds (Grandview, Mo./Grandview High)

Another decent-sized receiving prospect ... Joins high school teammate, Christian Drummer, in the 2012 signing class ... In 2011, he had 26 receptions for 324 yards, averaging over 12 yards a catch ... Defensively, he added 25 tackles, 1.5 sacks and blocked two kicks.

Video Highlights: <http://www.hudl.com/athlete/184175/zane-moore>

Cody Paul, tailback, 5-5, 170 pounds (Los Alamitos, Calif./Los Alamitos High)

A shifty tailback who ran for 1,260 yards and 21 touchdowns last fall ... Named his league's offensive player of the year ... Ran for more than 700 yards as a junior ... Gained recognition when he was a 12-year-old Pop Warner player when his highlight film found a national audience on

YouTube ... It's been seen by nearly 9 million people ... Bench presses 310 pounds and is a member of his high school's 1,200-pound club.

Video Highlights: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R0N6VqpzcOY>

Palmer White, inside receiver, 6-4, 220 pounds (Thornton, Colo./Horizon High)

A big tight end who primarily blocked in high school but could prove valuable as an inside receiver at Chadron State ... He had six receptions for 96 yards and a touchdown and he added 10 pancake blocks ... He also played on the offensive line and at fullback at Horizon High.

Video Highlights: <http://www.ncsasports.org/football-recruiting/co/brighton/horizon-high-school1/palmer-white>

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