

2023 EARLY SIGNING DAY

Wednesday, December 21, 2022

K-STATE SIGNS 26 DURING 2023 EARLY PERIOD

MANHATTAN, Kan. – Kansas State head coach **Chris Klieman** announced the signing of 26 prospects during the early 2023 signing period on Wednesday.

Thus far, K-State's Class of 2023 is comprised of 23 high school student-athletes and three community-college transfers. The class includes 15 players on defense and 11 on offense. There are six defensive backs, five linebackers, four wide receivers, three defensive ends, three offensive linemen and two tight ends, while there is one defensive tackle, one quarterback and one running back.

The 26 prospects signed are the most by the Wildcats during the early signing period since it was established for the Class of 2018. The previous high was 23 during the 2020 period.

Kansas State cast a wide net in the 2023 early signing period as 13 states are represented. It is the most states from one signing class since at least 1997. The state of Kansas leads in terms of most from one state with six, while there are three apiece from Florida and Missouri, two from the states of Arizona, Texas, Alabama and Iowa. Additionally, there is one prospect apiece from the states of Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Minnesota and Oklahoma.

One of the Sunflower State products is quarterback **Avery Johnson**, who is the consensus top player in the state of Kansas by every major recruiting service.

With the signing of **Jack Fabris**, the Wildcats have signed a player from the state of Georgia each of the last 10 years and have inked a total of 23 signees from the Peach State.

Of the 26 signees on Wednesday, 13 are expected to enroll at K-State for the 2023 spring semester. The list includes: **Jayce Brown, Andre Davis, Collin Dunn, Wesley Fair, Avery Johnson, Terry Kirksey Jr., Will Lee III, Chiddi Obiazor, Austin Romaine, Kameron Sallis, Trey Spivey, Rex Van Wyhe, and Wesley Watson.**

Kansas State will look to add more prospects to the Class of 2023 during the regular signing period, which opens on Wednesday, February 1.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETES (23)

NAME	POS	HT	WT	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
Jordan Allen	DE	6-3	245	Olathe, Kan. (Olathe South)
Will Anciaux	TE	6-6	220	Wichita, Kan. (Kapaun Mt. Carmel)
Camden Beebe	OL	6-2	320	Kansas City, Kan. (Piper)
Jayce Brown	WR	6-0	170	Fort Walton Beach, Fla. (Choctawhatchee)
Andre Davis	WR	6-4	200	Leawood, Kan. (Blue Valley)
Ryan Davis	DE	6-4	235	Phoenix, Ariz. (Sandra Day O'Connor)
Collin Dunn	LB	6-0	195	Tuscaloosa, Ala. (Hillcrest)
Jack Fabris	S	6-1	195	Bogart, Ga. (North Oconee)
Wesley Fair	S	6-1	185	Wichita, Kan. (Wichita Collegiate)
Jackson Fullmer	OL	6-4	280	Eagle, Idaho (Rocky Mountain)
Joe Jackson	RB	5-10	195	Haines City, Fla. (Ridge Community)
Avery Johnson	QB	6-2	175	Wichita, Kan. (Maize)
Donovan McIntosh	CB	6-2	170	St. Louis, Mo. (St. Mary's)
Andrew Metzger	TE	6-4	225	Aurora, Colo. (Regis Jesuit)
Asa Newsom	LB	6-3	225	Waverly, Iowa (Waverly-Shell Rock)
Chiddi Obiazor	DE	6-5	245	Eden Prairie, Minn. (Eden Prairie)
Austin Romaine	LB	6-2	230	Hillsboro, Mo. (Hillsboro)
Kameron Sallis	S	6-1	200	Arlington, Texas (Kennedale)
Trey Spivey	WR	6-4	190	Chandler, Ariz. (Hamilton)
Kanjial Thomas	CB	5-10	175	Del City, Okla. (Del City)
Asher Tomaszewski	DT	6-3	280	Schererville, Ind. (Mount Carmel [IL])
Devin Vass	OL	6-6	275	Bartow, Fla. (Lakeland)
Wesley Watson	WR	6-1	190	College Station, Texas (A&M Consolidated)

COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT-ATHLETES (3)

NAME	POS	HT	WT	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
Terry Kirksey Jr.	LB	6-2	230	Mobile, Ala. (Hutchinson CC)
Will Lee III	CB	6-2	185	Kirkwood, Mo. (Iowa Western CC)
Rex Van Wyhe	LB	6-5	225	Rock Rapids, Iowa (Iowa Central CC)

Italics denotes expected to enroll in January

2023 K-STATE FOOTBALL

BY STATE



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HIGH SCHOOL (23)

Jordan Allen, Will Anciaux, Camden Beebe, Jayce Brown, Andre Davis, Ryan Davis, Collin Dunn, Jack Fabris, Wesley Fair, Jackson Fullmer, Joe Jackson, Avery Johnson, Donovan McIntosh, Andrew Metzger, Asa Newsom, Chiddi Obiazor, Austin Romaine, Kameron Sallis, Tre Spivey, Kanjil Thomas, Asher Tomaszewski, Devin Vass, Wesley Watson



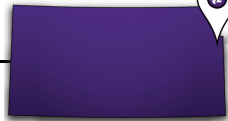
COMMUNITY COLLEGE (3)

Terry Kirksey Jr., Will Lee III, Rex Van Wyhe



JORDAN ALLEN

DE | 6-3 | 245
Olathe, Kan.
Olathe South HS



AT OLATHE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Eagles under head coach Ron Litchfield... Rated the 32nd-best weakside defensive end in the Class of 2023 by Rivals, while On3 ranked him as the fourth-best overall player in the state of Kansas... A first team all-state selection by the *Wichita Eagle* as a linebacker during his senior campaign, while he was an honorable mention pick as a receiver... Also earned first team all-state honors from Sports in Kansas and KSHSAA Covered... An honorable mention all-state selection by the *Wichita Eagle* and Sports in Kansas in 2021.

PERSONAL: Jordan Allen was born June 13, 2005... Son of David Allen and Sarah Ganss... Plans on majoring in business administration.



CAMDEN BEEBE

OL | 6-2 | 320
Kansas City, Kan.
Piper HS



AT PIPER HIGH SCHOOL: A four-year starter for the Pirates under head coach John Black... Rated as the 83rd-best interior offensive lineman in the Class of 2023 by 247Sports, which also ranked him as the 11th-best overall player in the state of Kansas... Named one of the top 11 players in the state of Kansas in 2022 by the Kansas Football Coaches Association and KSHSAA Covered, both of which also named him a first team all-state performer... Also earned first team all-state honors from Sports in Kansas in both 2021 and 2022, while he was a first team all-state honoree by the *Wichita Eagle* as a senior... An honorable mention all-state performer as a sophomore in 2020 by the *Topeka Capital-Journal*... A finalist for the 2022 Bobby Bell Award, given annually to the top small-school lineman/linebacker in the Kansas City metro area... Helped Piper earn a pair of regional championships... Also competed in basketball and track.

PERSONAL: Camden Beebe was born October 27, 2004, in Kansas City, Kansas... Son of Tom and Tamara Beebe... Has three brothers, Colton, Collin and Cooper... Father, Tom, played football at Pittsburg State, while Cooper is an offensive lineman for the Wildcats and Colton was a tight end at Minnesota... Plans on majoring in business administration.



WILL ANCIAUX

TE | 6-6 | 220
Wichita, Kan.
Kapaun Mt. Carmel HS



AT KAPAUN MT. CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL: A three-year letterwinner and two-year captain for the Crusaders under head coach Weston Schartz... Viewed as the 28th-best tight end in the Class of 2023 by ESPN, and 247Sports ranked him as the 10th-best overall player in the state of Kansas... Earned first team all-state honors as a junior and senior from Sports in Kansas, while also picking up first-team honors in 2022 by the *Wichita Eagle* and KSHSAA Covered... Was an honorable mention all-state pick as a junior by KSHSAA Covered and the *Wichita Eagle*... Earned all-city accolades as a sophomore, junior and senior... Totaled 58 receptions for 911 yards and nine touchdowns over his prep career, which included three scores as both a junior and senior... Helped Kapaun earn city league, sectional and regional championships in 2021, while the Crusaders were regional champions in 2020... Also played basketball, where he was a two-time captain and helped Kapaun earn a pair of substate championships.

PERSONAL: Will Anciaux was born November 5, 2004, in Overland Park, Kansas... Son of Todd and Kim Anciaux... Has five siblings, Ella, Nick, Adelyn, Greta and Grady... Plans on majoring in kinesiology with the hopes of becoming an orthopedic surgeon.



JAYCE BROWN

WR | 6-0 | 170
Fort Walton Beach, Fla.
Choctawhatchee HS



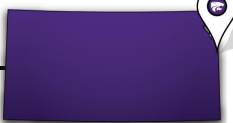
AT CHOCTAWHATCHEE HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Indians under head coach Frank Beasley... Earned first team all-area honors as a senior after hauling in 48 receptions for 925 yards and 12 touchdowns while also carding 10 interceptions on the defensive side... Helped lead Choctawhatchee to the third round of the playoffs in 2022... Also competed in basketball, baseball and track and field.

PERSONAL: Jayce Brown was born April 30, 2005... Son of Don and Stephanie Brown... Father, Don, was selected in the 1985 MLB Draft by the Cincinnati Reds... Has two siblings, Gabby and Brittany... Brittany played basketball at Florida State and currently plays professionally overseas, while Gabby plays basketball at West Florida... Plans on majoring in kinesiology.



ANDRE DAVIS

WR | 6-4 | 200
Leawood, Kan.
Blue Valley HS



AT BLUE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Tigers under head coach Allen Terrell... Viewed as the 88th-best wide receiver prospect in the Class of 2023 by Rivals, while the organization rated him the seventh-best player in the state of Kansas... Picked up first team all-state honors as a senior from the *Wichita Eagle*, while he was an honorable mention pick by Sports in Kansas and the Kansas Football Coaches Association... Registered 1,460 receiving yards and eight touchdowns over his final two seasons, which included 883 yards as a junior... The second wide receiver in as many years from Blue Valley to sign with the Wildcats, following Sterling Lockett in 2022.

PERSONAL: Andre Davis was born September 18, 2004... Son of Willie and Sheronda Davis... Father, Willie, played eight years in the NFL with Kansas City and Houston/Tennessee after playing collegiately at Central Arkansas... Willie is in his 18th season with the Chiefs' personnel department and his second as a Senior Personnel Executive in 2022... Plans on majoring in business administration.



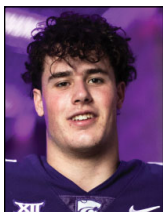
COLLIN DUNN

LB | 6-0 | 195
Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Hillcrest HS



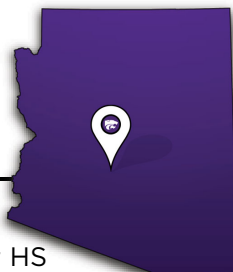
AT HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Patriots under head coach Jamie Mitchell... Regarded as the 62nd-best outside linebacker in the Class of 2023 by ESPN, and the organization rated him the 30th-best overall prospect in the state of Alabama... Earned first team all-state honors as a senior from the Alabama Sports Writers Association... Came away with 51 tackles, 8.0 tackles for loss, 2.5 sacks, an interception and a safety during his senior campaign as he earned all-region honors... Had 82 tackles, 9.0 TFLs, four interceptions and two forced fumbles as a junior... Checked in at No. 4 on *The Tuscaloosa News* Fab 5 prior to the 2022 season... Selected to play in the Alabama vs. Mississippi All-Star Game following his senior season... Also competed in basketball.

PERSONAL: Collin Dunn was born November 12, 2004, in Tuscaloosa, Alabama... Son of Ron Dunn and Felicia Dunn... Has two siblings... Plans on majoring in animal science... K-State's first signee from the state of Alabama since offensive lineman Tyler Mitchell in 2015.



RYAN DAVIS

DE | 6-4 | 235
Phoenix, Ariz.
Sandra Day O'Connor HS



AT SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR HIGH SCHOOL: A three-year letterwinner for the Eagles under head coach Brian Cole... Viewed as the 50th-best weakside defensive end in the Class of 2023 by Rivals, while 247Sports ranked him as the 16th overall best prospect in the state of Arizona... A three-time all-region selection.

PERSONAL: Ryan Davis was born September 30, 2004, in Phoenix, Arizona... Son of Scott and Denise Davis... Has one sibling, Rachel... Plans on majoring in business administration.



JACK FABRIS

S | 6-1 | 195
Bogart, Ga.
North Oconee HS



AT NORTH OCONEE HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Titans under head coach Tyler Aurandt... Viewed as the 117th-best safety in the Class of 2023 by ESPN... Named the district defensive player of the year as a senior... Earned first team all-state honors as a junior from the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* and Georgia Athletic Coaches Association after totaling 173 tackles... Also played baseball as he was a first team all-state performer who helped North Oconee win the state championship as a junior.

PERSONAL: Jack Fabris was born April 18, 2004, in Athens, Georgia... Son of Jon and Marcy Fabris... Has one brother, Michael... Father, Jon, was a football coach, including two stints as an assistant coach for the Wildcats tutoring the defensive ends from 1997 to 1998 and 2017 to 2018... Jon also coached collegiately at Georgia Tech, Washington State, Iowa State, Notre Dame, South Carolina, Georgia and Indiana... Plans on majoring in sports nutrition.



WESLEY FAIR

S | 6-1 | 185
Wichita, Kan.
Wichita Collegiate HS



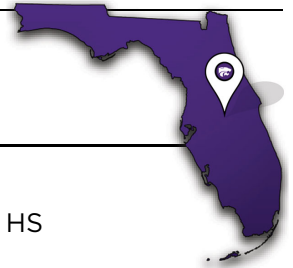
AT WICHITA COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Spartans under head coach Troy Black... Regarded as the 69th-best athlete in the Class of 2023 by ESPN, while he is ranked as the sixth-best overall prospect in the state of Kansas by 247Sports... Rated as safety by On3, which placed him at No. 73... Picked up first team all-state honors as a senior from the Kansas Football Coaches Association, Sports in Kansas and KSHSAA Covered... Earned first team all-state honors as a safety and honorable mention accolades as a quarterback during his junior campaign from the *Wichita Eagle*... An honorable mention all-state pick as a junior from Sports in Kansas... Also participated in track and basketball.

PERSONAL: Wesley Fair was born October 8, 2004, in Wichita, Kansas... Son of Jason and Dawn Fair... Has four siblings, Quentin, Michael, Zion and Kenya... Plans on majoring in business administration.



JOE JACKSON

RB | 5-10 | 195
Haines City, Fla.
Ridge Community HS



AT RIDGE COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Bolts under head coach Carl White... Regarded as the 498th-best overall prospect in the Class of 2023 by On3 Consensus... Rated the 14th-best all-purpose running back prospect in the nation by Rivals, while On3 ranks him the 66th-best overall prospect in the state of Florida... Rated No. 4 on *The Ledger's* Super 16 list prior to the 2022 season... Totaled 1,143 yards and 20 touchdowns in seven games during his senior season thanks in part to a 326-yard, six-touchdown effort as he broke the school record for single-game rushing... Rushed for 1,011 yards and nine touchdowns in addition to catching 15 passes for 342 yards and five scores as a junior.

PERSONAL: Joe Jackson was born October 4, 2004, in Winter Haven, Florida... Son of Joe and Melinda Jackson... Has one sibling, Jayla... Plans on majoring in kinesiology.



JACKSON FULLMER

OL | 6-4 | 280
Eagle, Idaho
Rocky Mountain HS



AT ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Grizzlies under head coach Chris Culig... Viewed as the 79th-best offensive guard in the Class of 2023 and the third-best overall player in the state of Idaho by ESPN... Also rated the No. 3 overall prospect in Idaho by On3... A two-time all-conference and all-state performer who helped Rocky Mountain win the 2020 state championship... Named the 2021 Idaho Underground Sports Network Offensive Lineman of the Year... Totaled 117 pancake blocks as a junior before carding 126 as a senior... Also competed in basketball.

PERSONAL: Jackson Fullmer was born June 14, 2004, in Boise, Idaho... Son of David and Mari Fullmer... Has four siblings, Dallin, Tyson, Hayden and Hudson... Plans on majoring in business administration... Will be the first Wildcat to hail from the state of Idaho since at least the 1970s.



AVERY JOHNSON

QB | 6-2 | 175
Wichita, Kan.
Maize HS



AT MAIZE HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Eagles under head coach Gary Guzman... Rated the 41st-best player overall in the Class of 2023 by 247Sports, while Rivals ranks him as the top dual-threat quarterback in the class... Also rated No. 79 overall and No. 3 among dual-threat quarterbacks by ESPN... The consensus top player in the state of Kansas for the Class of 2023 by 247Sports, ESPN, On3 and Rivals... Competed in the Elite 11 Finals in the summer of 2022, K-State's first Elite 11 quarterback since Josh Freeman in 2005... Selected to play in the U.S. Army Bowl in Frisco, Texas, while he will play in the Under Armour All-America Game on January 3, in Orlando, Florida... Named the *MaxPreps* Kansas Player of the Year in 2022... Selected as the 2022 *Wichita Eagle* Offensive Player of the Year in the state of Kansas, while the publication named him to its Top 11 team and a first team all-state performer... Also named a Top 11 player and first team all-state performer in 2022 by Sports in Kansas and KSHSAA Covered... Threw for 2,768 yards and 29 touchdowns with just three interceptions on 153-of-228 aim as a senior in addition to running for 817 yards and 15 scores on 98 carries, leading Maize to a 12-1 record and a sub-state championship... Named the league's offensive MVP as a senior... A first team all-state performer as a junior from Sports in Kansas and the *Wichita Eagle*, the latter naming him one of the top 11 players in the state in 2021... Also competed in basketball and baseball.

PERSONAL: Avery Johnson was born November 2, 2004, in Wichita, Kansas... Son of Mark Johnson and Hope Dent... Has two siblings, Lauren and Anthony... Plans on majoring in business administration.



TERRY KIRKSEY JR.

LB | 6-2 | 230
Mobile, Ala.
Hutchinson CC



AT HUTCHINSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE: Played two seasons for the Blue Dragons under head coach Drew Dallas... Regarded as the 28th-best overall community-college prospect in the Class of 2023 by Rivals... An NJCAA Honorable Mention All-America honoree... Totaled 102 tackles over his two-year career, including an 80-tackle campaign as a sophomore to also earn first team all-conference honors and help lead Hutchinson to an NJCAA National Championship game appearance... Also had 6.5 tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks as a sophomore... Totaled three games of at least 10 tackles in 2022 – collecting 12 tackles at Iowa Western, 11 tackles at Coffeyville and 10 tackles against Butler... Also had eight tackles in the NJCAA National Championship game against Iowa Western... Had 22 tackles and 2.5 tackles for loss as a freshman in 2021... Tallied a season-high six tackles against Highland, and he had an interception that was returned for 20 yards against Independence.

AT BAKER HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Hornets under head coach Steve Normand... Earned first team all-state honors as a senior from the Alabama Sports Writers Association (ASWA) and named to the All-Coastal Alabama team by AL.com... Also named a finalist for the ASWA 7A Lineman of the Year award... Finished his senior campaign with 140 tackles, including 19 tackles for loss and 15 sacks while also forcing 11 fumbles.

PERSONAL: Terry Kirksey Jr. was born July 12, 2002... Son of Terry and Shandres Kirksey... Majoring in business administration.



WILL LEE III

CB | 6-2 | 185
Kirkwood, Mo.
Iowa Western CC



AT IOWA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE: Played one season for the Reivers under head coach Scott Strohmeier... Viewed as the 15th-best overall community-college prospect in the Class of 2023 by On3, while the organization rates him the third-best community-college cornerback in the class... Also ranked No. 19 among all community-college prospects by ESPN, while 247Sports – which rated him as a safety – placed him No. 2 at that position among community-college players... Earned NJCAA First Team All-America, first team all-conference and all-region honors in 2022... Totaled 34 tackles, a tackle for loss, an interception and 10 passes defended over 12 games in 2022, which culminated with a NJCAA National Championship victory... Totaled a season-high six tackles and three passes defended in the national championship... Returned an interception 40 yards for a touchdown in Iowa Western’s national semifinal victory... Broke up a pair of passes against Garden City... Had five stops at Iowa Central and tallied his TFL at Coffeyville... Redshirted the 2021 season.

AT KIRKWOOD HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Pioneers under head coach Ferrell Shelton... A two-time all-conference selection who earned first team all-state honors from the Missouri Football Coaches Association in 2019... Collected 61 tackles, including 14 for loss and four sacks as a junior... Also competed in basketball and track.

PERSONAL: Will Lee III was born April 9, 2003, in St. Louis, Missouri... Son of William Lee Jr... Has two siblings... Uncle, Darrell Lee, was a four-year letterwinner as a defensive lineman at Florida (2000-03... Plans on majoring in physical science.



DONOVAN McINTOSH

CB | 6-2 | 170
St. Louis, Mo.
St. Mary’s HS



AT ST. MARY’S HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Dragons under head coach Ken Turner... Regarded as the 41st-best cornerback in the Class of 2023 by On3, while 247Sports viewed him as the 10th-best overall prospect in the state of Missouri... Rated as an athlete by Rivals, which ranked him No. 28... A first team all-state honoree as a senior from the Missouri Football Coaches Association after helping lead St. Mary’s to a second-straight state championship.

PERSONAL: Donovan McIntosh was born September 16, 2004, in St. Louis, Missouri... Son of Lynda Wesley... Has three siblings, Chase, Kennedy and Baylee... Cousin, Lawrence Johnson, was a safety at Southeast Missouri State... Plans on majoring in nutrition.



ANDREW METZGER

TE | 6-4 | 225
Aurora, Colo.
Regis Jesuit HS



AT REGIS JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL: A three-year letterwinner for the Raiders under head coach Danny Filleman... Rated the 34th-best tight end (Y) nationally in the Class of 2023 by ESPN, while 247Sports views him as the eighth-best overall prospect in the state of Colorado... Named to the 2022 All-Colorado team by the *Denver Post*, while has an all-state performer according to CHSAANow.com... An all-conference honoree as both a junior and senior... Totaled 515 yards and eight touchdowns over his three-year varsity career, including a 334-yard, six-touchdown showing as a senior... Also played lacrosse.

PERSONAL: Andrew Metzger was born September 27, 2004, in Denver, Colorado... Son of Joe and Cheryl Metzger... Father, Joe, played tight end at Ohio State from 1988 to 1992... Has one sibling, Madeline... Plans on majoring in business administration.



ASA NEWSOM

LB | 6-3 | 225
Waverly, Iowa
Waverly-Shell Rock



AT WAVERLY-SHELL ROCK HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Go-Hawks under head coach Mark Hubbard... Ranked No. 206 among all prospects in the Class of 2023 by On3, which viewed him as the 21st-best linebacker in the class and the third-best overall prospect in the state of Iowa... Led Waverly-Shell Rock with 66 tackles during his senior season to go along with six tackles for loss, while he had more than 1,000 yards from scrimmage and 11 touchdowns on offense... Named to the 2022 Elite Team and a first team all-state performer by the *Des Moines Register* in addition to being named a first team all-state honoree from the Iowa Print Sports Writers Association and Iowa Football Coaches Association... Voted as the Class 4A-District 2 Defensive MVP as a senior... Also named to the *Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier* All-Iron Man team in 2022... A first team all-state honoree as a junior from the *Des Moines Register* and Iowa Print Sports Writers Association... A first team all-district selection as a sophomore, junior and senior.

PERSONAL: Asa Newsom was born January 7, 2005... Son of Marcus and Stephanie Newsom... Father, Marcus, is the head track and field coach at Wartburg College... Has two siblings, Mosai – who spent four years as a defensive lineman at Nebraska – and Che’... Plans on majoring in kinesiology.



CHIDDI OBIAZOR

DE | 6-5 | 245
Eden Prairie, Minn.
Eden Prairie HS



AT EDEN PRAIRIE HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Eagles under head coach Mike Grant... Viewed as the 77th-best edge defender in the Class of 2023 by On3, while the organization ranks him as the sixth-best overall prospect in the state of Minnesota... Picked up first team all-metro honors from the *Star Tribune*, while he was a first team all-district performer... Also competed in basketball.

PERSONAL: Chiddi Obiazor (CHEE-dee oh-bee-EYE-zor) was born August 21, 2004, in Edina, Minnesota... Son of Anthony and Laurie Obiazor... Has three siblings, Namdi, Nneka, and Isy... Plans on majoring in communications... K-State’s first signee from the state of Minnesota since linebacker Brandon Archer (St. Paul) in 2002.



AUSTIN ROMAINE

LB | 6-2 | 230
Hillsboro, Mo.
Hillsboro HS



AT HILLSBORO HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Hawks under head coach Bill Sucharski... Regarded as the 47th-best inside linebacker in the Class of 2023 by ESPN... Earned first team all-state honors as both a junior and senior from the Missouri Football Coaches Association... Selected the league’s most valuable player in 2022... Recorded 117 tackles and seven sacks as a senior, while he totaled 85 tackles, 19 tackles for loss and eight sacks as a junior... Rushed for 3,196 yards and 45 touchdowns over his prep career... Also competed in baseball.

PERSONAL: Austin Romaine (roe-MANE) was born September 3, 2004, in Hillsboro, Missouri... Son of Jason Romaine and Alexia Romaine... Has three siblings, Madison, Caleigh and Anthony.



KAMERON SALLIS

S | 6-1 | 200
Arlington, Texas
Kennedale HS



AT KENNEDALE HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Wildcats under head coach Richard Barrett... Rated No. 123 among all safeties in the Class of 2023 by On3... Totaled 128 solo tackles, 10 interceptions and only allowed two touchdowns over his three-year prep career... Surrendered just three total receptions during his junior year, a season in which he carded 47 tackles and four interceptions... An all-district pick as a sophomore... Also competed in track and field.

PERSONAL: Kameron Sallis (SAL-is) was born November 19, 2004, in Pickens, Mississippi... Son of Joey Head and Tina Simmons... Has six siblings, Christopher, Jarvis, Shantanika, Joseph, Rodney and Joslyn... Plans on majoring in kinesiology..

2023 K-STATE FOOTBALL



TRE SPIVEY

WR | 6-4 | 190
Chandler, Ariz.
Hamilton HS



AT HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Huskies under head coach Michael Zdebski... Viewed as the 63rd-best wide receiver in the Class of 2023 by 247Sports, while Rivals rated him as the eighth-best overall prospect in the state of Arizona... Totaled nearly 1,000 receiving yards and 15 touchdowns over his final two seasons... Named one of Arizona's top 10 high school wide receivers entering the 2022 season by the *Arizona Republic*... Selected to play in the U.S. Army Bowl in Frisco, Texas... A three-sport athlete.

PERSONAL: Tre Spivey was born February 7, 2005... Son of Junior and Tabitha Spivey... Father, Junior, was a Major Leaguer for five seasons with Arizona, Milwaukee and Washington after playing collegiately at Cowley County Community College... Has one sibling, Kingston... Plans on majoring in architecture.



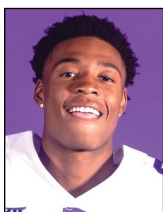
ASHER TOMASZEWSKI

DT | 6-3 | 280
Schererville, Ind.
Mount Carmel HS [IL]



AT MOUNT CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Caravan under head coach Jordan Lynch, a former Northern Illinois quarterback and 2013 Heisman Finalist... Ranked as an offensive guard by ESPN, which rated him No. 106 in the Class of 2023, while Rivals rates him the 33rd-best overall prospect in the state of Illinois... Picked up all-conference honors as both an offensive lineman and defensive lineman in 2022... Helped Lead Mount Carmel to a 14-0 record and a state championship as a senior... Earned second team all-state honors as an offensive lineman in 2021.

PERSONAL: Asher Tomaszewski (tom-uh-ZOO-ski) was born April 20, 2004, in Munster, Indiana... Son of John Tomaszewski and Angela Comsa... Plans on majoring in criminology.



KANIJAL THOMAS

CB | 5-10 | 175
Del City, Okla.
Del City HS



AT DEL CITY HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Eagles under head coach Robert Jones... Regarded as the 43rd-best cornerback in the Class of 2023 by On3, which also rated him sixth among all prospects in the state of Oklahoma... Picked up honorable mention all-state honors as a junior from the *Tulsa World*... Recorded 177 tackles, four tackles for loss, three interceptions and 14 passes defended over his four-year prep career... Played receiver in addition to defensive back, hauling in 41 receptions for 1,075 yards and 16 touchdowns, with 821 yards and 14 scores coming during his senior campaign... Also competed in basketball – helping Del City win a state championship – and track and field – winning state in the 400-meter relay.

PERSONAL: Kanijal (kuh-NYE-gel) Thomas was born August 14, 2004, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma... Son of Thomas Morgan and Montoya Hall... Has five siblings, Darreyl, Carlton, Phromas, Kamaira and Karazma... Plans on majoring in psychology.



REX VAN WYHE

LB | 6-5 | 225
Rock Rapids, Iowa
Iowa Central CC



AT IOWA CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE: Played one season for the Tritons under head coach Jesse Montalto... Rated the 10th-best overall community-college prospect in the Class of 2023 by Rivals, while is ranked No. 2 among community-college linebackers by ESPN... Picked up NJCAA Second Team All-America, first team all-conference and all-region honors in 2022 as he totaled 79 tackles, 6.5 tackles for loss, 3.5 sacks, three forced fumbles, a recovery and two pass breakups over 11 games played... Had a season-high 13 stops at Garden City, while he had 10 tackles at Butler... Carded a pair of sacks at Ellsworth, which included two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery... Also had a sack and a forced fumble at Highland.

AT CENTRAL LYON HIGH SCHOOL: A three-year letterwinner for the Lions under head coach Curtis Eben... A two-time all-district pick who earned second team all-state honors as a senior after totaling 65 tackles, 8.0 tackles for loss, 2.0 sacks and a pair of interceptions... Helped Central Lyon earn a state runner-up finish in 2020... An academic all-state performer... Also competed in basketball, baseball and track and field... Helped his basketball team earn a state runner-up finish in 2022.

PERSONAL: Rex Van Wyhe (VAN WHY) was born February 20, 2004, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota... Son of Greg and Michelle Van Wyhe... Has two siblings, Riley and a twin sister Regan... Majoring in construction management.



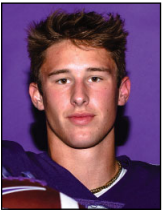
DEVIN VASS

OL | 6-6 | 275
 Bartow, Fla.
 Lakeland HS



AT LAKELAND HIGH SCHOOL: Played for the Dreadnaughts under head coach Bill Castle... Viewed as the 70th-best offensive tackle in the Class of 2023 by On3... Played in eight games during his senior campaign as he missed some time due to injury but returned in time to help Lakeland pick up a victory in the state championship... Graded out at 91% with 16 pancake blocks and no sacks allowed during the 2022 regular season... Played defensive line as a junior, totaling 38 tackles, two sacks and an interception.

PERSONAL: Devin Vass was born September 29, 2004, in Lakeland, Florida... Son of James Vass and Ashley Goff... Has two siblings, Alexis and Damian... Plans on majoring in business administration.



WESLEY WATSON

WR | 6-1 | 190
 College Station, Texas
 A&M Consolidated HS



AT A&M CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL: A three-year letterwinner for the Tigers under head coach Lee Fedora... Rated as the 183rd-best wide receiver in the Class of 2023 by ESPN... Totaled 79 receptions for 1,478 yards and 19 yards during his prep career... Named the District 11-5A Offensive MVP in as a senior despite missing time due to injury as he totaled 614 yards and nine touchdowns.

PERSONAL: Wesley Watson was born July 14, 2004... Son of Matt and Christine Watson... Father, Matt, is the Assistant Athletics Director for Equipment and Apparel at Texas A&M... Has two siblings, Wyatt and Walker... Grandfather, Mark Dennard, played collegiately at Texas A&M before spending five years in the NFL with Miami and Philadelphia... Plans on majoring in business administration.