



**ISRAEL
ABANIKANDA**
BROOKLYN, NY/
ABRAHAM LINCOLN

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RB JR 5-11 215

2021: Played in 13 games, starting six...led Pitt in rushing yards (651) and rushing touchdowns (seven) on 123 carries (5.3 avg.)...the Panthers' top receiver out of the backfield with 24 catches for 197 yards (8.2 avg.) and a score...also paced Pitt in kickoff returns, averaging a team-best 29.4 yards per attempt (seven for 206 yards and a TD)...finished third on the team in scoring with 54 points on nine total touchdowns...rushed for a career-high 140 yards on 21 carries (6.7 avg.) at Virginia Tech, the first 100-yard game of his career...against New Hampshire, rushed for 75 yards and a touchdown on 13 carries (5.8 avg.) and also had four catches for 55 yards (13.8 avg.)...at Duke, had 67 yards on 10 carries (6.7 avg.) and four catches for 24 yards (6.0 avg.)...rushed nine times for 55 yards (6.1 avg.) and two TDs against Wake Forest in the ACC Championship Game...had a 98-yard kickoff return touchdown against Virginia—Pitt's first kick return TD since 2018—and was named the ACC Specialist of the Week.

2020: Played in seven games...compiled 95 yards and a touchdown on 28 carries (3.4 avg.)...had two catches for 11 yards (5.5 avg.) and a TD...rushed for a season-high 41 yards on nine carries (4.6 avg.) against Louisville...in his collegiate debut against Austin Peay, had 26 yards on five carries (5.2 avg.), including a 10-yard TD...had a 15-yard scoring reception at Boston College...enrolled at Pitt in January 2020 following his early graduation from Abraham Lincoln and participated in the Panthers' abbreviated spring drills.

HIGH SCHOOL: New York Gatorade Player of the Year who led the Public Schools Athletic League (PSAL) in rushing and scoring as a senior...rushed for 1,350 yards and totaled 166 points (scoring 25 touchdowns and eight 2-point conversion runs)...scored TDs three different ways (20 rushing, three receiving and two on kickoff returns)...collected 30 tackles and two interceptions as a defensive back... New York State Sportswriters Association (NYSSWA) Class AA Co-Player of the Year...NYSSWA All-Class AA first-team selection as a senior and second team as a junior...Brooklyn Borough Most Valuable Player... New York City Coaches NYC Player of the Year...a

defensive selection on the 2018 American Family Insurance ALL-USA New York Football Team... three-time first team All-PSAL...two-time first team All-City...two-time Brooklyn Borough "Big 44" ... selected to the National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame 2020 NFF Team of Distinction, which honors graduating senior players across the country who best capture the scholar-athlete ideal through exemplary academic achievement, athletic accolades and community involvement...rated the No. 1 overall prospect in New York by 247Sports, No. 5 by Rivals and No. 7 by ESPN...rated the nation's No. 15 running back by 247Sports...Most Valuable Running Back at The Opening New Jersey regional...played under Coach Shawn O'Connor... two-time 100-meter Gold Medalist at the New York City Mayor's Cup Race...100-meter Bronze Medalist at the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) Outdoor Track and Field Championship.

PERSONAL: Israel Adewale Abanikanda, born 10/5/02, is the son of Saidi and Mariam Abanikanda...has one brother and one sister... father played football at Georgia Tech...brother, Michael, played collegiately at Buffalo and Temple... media and professional communications major.

ABANIKANDA CAREER STATISTICS

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2020	7/0	28	95	3.4	10	1	6
2021	13/6	123	651	5.3	28	7	42
TOTAL	20/6	151	746	4.9	28	8	48
RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2020	7/0	2	11	5.5	15	1	6
2021	13/6	24	197	8.2	25	1	6
TOTAL	20/6	26	208	8.0	25	2	12
KICK RETURNS	KR	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.	
2020	0	0	-	-	0	0	
2021	7	206	29.4	98	1	6	
TOTAL	7	206	29.4	98	1	6	



DESLIN ALEXANDRE

POMPANO BEACH, FL/
DEERFIELD BEACH

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DL SR+ 6-4 275

2021: Played in 12 games, starting 11 at defensive end...Honorable Mention All-ACC...compiled 41 tackles, 3.5 TFLs and 2.5 sacks on the year...twice matched his career high with six tackles against Virginia and Wake Forest (ACC Championship Game)...had a personal-best 2.5 TFLs and two sacks against Virginia...had five tackles and 1.5 TFLs at Tennessee...posted four stops in three additional contests (Clemson, Duke and North Carolina)...selected a captain by his teammates.

2020: Played in all 11 games, starting two at defensive end...starting assignments came in the opener against Austin Peay and the season finale at Georgia Tech...totaled 18 tackles, 6.5 tackles for loss, three sacks and a fumble recovery...had a season-high four stops with a TFL at Miami...had three tackles, two TFLs and a sack at Georgia Tech...had three stops and an assisted TFL against Notre Dame...also had sacks against Syracuse and Florida State...recovered a fumble against Syracuse...named to the All-ACC Academic Football Team for the second consecutive year.

2019: Started all 13 games at defensive end and compiled 38 tackles, 10.5 TFLs, 5.5 sacks and a fumble recovery...had a career-high six stops in three different contests (Virginia, UCF and the Quick Lane Bowl against Eastern Michigan)...named to the Pro Football Focus ACC Team of the Week for his performance against North Carolina...had five stops, including two TFLs and a sack in the overtime win over the Tar Heels...had 1.5 sacks in the UCF victory...had key fumble recovery at Duke (forced by Patrick Jones II) that Pitt parlayed into a TD in the eventual 33-30 victory...named to the All-ACC Academic Football Team.

2018: Played in 13 games, serving as a reserve defensive end and on special teams...totaled five tackles and one TFL on the year...twice had a season-high two stops (Albany and UCF)...had TFL assists against UCF and Virginia Tech.

2017: Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2017 following his early graduation from Deerfield Beach and participated in spring drills...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Despite not playing football until his junior year at Florida Class 8A program Deerfield Beach, Alexandre attracted considerable recruiting interest as a long and athletic defensive line prospect...rated one of the top 25 defensive end prospects in Florida by Scout...helped Deerfield Beach to a 20-5 record (.800) over his two seasons as a defensive line starter...as a senior, helped the Bucks to a 10-3 record and the semifinals of the Class 8A state play-offs...All-Broward County 8A-6A Honorable Mention...played under Coach Jevon Glenn...before transitioning to football, was a standout basketball player.

PERSONAL: Deslin Alexandre, born 6/11/98, is the son of Marise Saint-Louis and Destine Alexandre...has three sisters and one brother...earned his bachelor's degree in communication and is now enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.

ALEXANDRE CAREER STATISTICS

	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2018	13/0	0	5	5	1.0-1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	13/13	18	20	38	10.5-49	5.5	0	1	0	2	
2020	11/2	12	6	18	6.5-21	3.0	0	1	0	2	
2021	12/11	13	28	41	3.5-25	2.5	0	0	0	2	
TOTAL	49/26	43	59	102	21.5-96	11.0	0	2	0	6	



Deslin Alexandre was voted a captain by his teammates in 2021.



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MYLES ALSTON
 VIRGINIA BEACH, VA/
 OCEAN LAKES

WR FR* 6-1 180

2021: Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2021 following his early graduation from Ocean Lakes and participated in spring drills...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Highly recruited receiver prospect who had nearly 20 offers...team did not have a 2020 fall season due to COVID-19...as a junior, had 17 receptions for 212 yards (12.5 avg.) and a touchdown and also had an interception return for a TD...*The Virginian-Pilot* Hampton Roads Top 50 (No. 9)...rated one of Virginia's top 25 overall prospects by Rivals (No. 19), ESPN (No. 23) and 247Sports (No. 25)...played under Coach Joe Jones.

PERSONAL: Myles Nicolas Alston, born 10/3/02, is the son of Michael and Natasha Alston...has three brothers...communication major.



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MATT ALTSMAN
 ZELIENOPLE, PA/PITTSBURGH
 CENTRAL CATHOLIC

OL SO* 6-0 280

2021: Played in one game (New Hampshire).

2020: Joined team as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games.

HIGH SCHOOL: Three-year starter at guard for traditional power Pittsburgh Central Catholic...first team All-Class 6A Conference...as a senior, helped the Vikings to a 12-2 record, the WPIAL Class 6A championship and PIAA playoff berth...Central compiled a 29-9 record (.763) over his three varsity seasons...played under Coach Terry Totten.

PERSONAL: Matt Ryan Altsman, born 9/27/01, is the son of Mark and Kim Altsman...has two sisters and one brother...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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TREY ANDERSEN
 EAGLE MOUNTAIN, UT/
 LEHI

OL FR* 6-6 285

2021: Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2021 and participated in spring drills...originally a class of 2019 recruit who spent most of 2019-20 on a mission trip...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: As a senior tight end at Lehi, averaged 17.4 yards per reception, totaling 28 catches for 487 yards and two touchdowns...was rated Utah's No. 16 overall prospect by 247Sports and No. 22 by ESPN...was also a two-time Utah state champion in the shot put...played under Coach Ed Larson.

PERSONAL: Trey Haus Andersen, born 8/27/00, is the son of Jason and Suni Andersen...has two brothers and one sister...father was a four-year letterman on the offensive line at BYU from 1994-97 and was selected by the New England Patriots in the 1998 NFL Draft, spending two seasons with the Patriots (1999-2000) and one with the Kansas City Chiefs (2002)...brother, Teague, is a freshman offensive lineman at Utah State...communication major.



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KHALIL ANDERSON
 ATLANTA, GA/
 RIVERWOOD

DB FR* 5-11 180

2021: Played in two games (Georgia Tech and Virginia Tech), preserving a freshman redshirt.

HIGH SCHOOL: Rated one of the country's top 25 cornerback prospects by 247Sports...intercepted eight passes over his final two seasons...as a senior, scored five touchdowns on returns (three punts, one kickoff and one interception)...led Riverwood with nearly 700 all-purpose yards...Georgia Class 6A All-State...Region 7-6A Defensive Player of the Year...*Atlanta Journal-Constitution* All-Metro...Georgia Athletic Coaches Association (GACA) All-Class AAAAA North...rated the No. 24 overall prospect in Georgia by 247Sports...selected to play in the Florida vs. Georgia All-Star Game...played under Coach Robert Edwards.

PERSONAL: Khalil Denard Anderson, born 10/1/02, is the son of Barry and Mia Anderson...has two brothers...father, who played defensive back at NC State (1986-89), is a longtime NFL official and was a member of the first all-Black crew to officiate a league game in NFL history...brother, Khai, played defensive back at Georgia State (2015-19)...other brother, Khari, played baseball at the University of Montevallo (2017-18)...cousin, Steve Wallace, was an offensive lineman at Auburn who went on to win three Super Bowls while with the San Francisco 49ers (1986-96)...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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RYAN BAER
EASTLAKE, OH/
NORTH

OL FR 6-7 335

Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2022 following his early graduation from North.

HIGH SCHOOL: Highly coveted offensive lineman who garnered more than 24 scholarship offers...selected first team All-Ohio Division II by the Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association...first team Northeast Lakes All-District...first team *News Herald* All-Star... as a senior, earned a 91% blocking grade while compiling 78 knockdowns...rated Ohio's No. 11 overall prospect by ESPN, No. 14 by Rivals and No. 15 by 247Sports...played under Coach Shawn Dodd.

PERSONAL: Ryan Lee Baer, born 10/11/03, is the son of Russ and Michelle Baer...has two brothers and two sisters...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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HABAKKUK BALDONADO
ROME, ITALY/CLEARWATER
ACADEMY INTERNATIONAL (FL)

DL SR* 6-5 260

2021: Started all 14 games at defensive end...voted All-ACC (second team)...compiled 42 tackles, 11.5 TFLs, nine sacks, a forced fumble and fumble recovery on the year...twice had a career-high seven tackles (Western Michigan and Wake Forest in the ACC Championship Game)...had a personal-best 2.5 TFLs against Western Michigan... had four tackles, a career-high two sacks, a forced

fumble and fumble recovery at Tennessee...had four stops and 1.5 sacks against North Carolina.

2020: Limited to four games due to injury...totaled three tackles on the year...had a season-high two tackles against Virginia Tech.

2019: Played in all 13 games as a reserve defensive end...totaled 30 tackles, 5.5 TFLs, four sacks and a fumble recovery...named to the Pro Football Focus ACC Team of the Week for his performance against Delaware...had a season-high four stops and 1.5 sacks against the Blue Hens...also logged four tackles against Ohio, Penn State and Duke...had three tackles, including two TFLs and a sack against UCF...recovered a fumble at Duke.

2018: Played in one game as a true freshman, preserving a redshirt...lone appearance came on special teams against Clemson in the ACC Championship.

HIGH SCHOOL: Gained significant FBS recruiting interest despite playing just one season of high school football in the United States...played three years of American football in his native Italy (Rome) before moving to Florida in 2017...played defensive end and receiver at Clearwater Academy International under Coach Jesse Chinchar... totaled 83 tackles, a whopping 30.5 sacks, nine forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries on defense...as a receiver, averaged 24.4 yards per reception (nine catches for 220 yards) and scored two touchdowns.

PERSONAL: Habakkuk Thomas Baldonado, born 9/6/99, is the son of Paola Franceschelli...has one brother...earned his bachelor's degree in economics and is now enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.

BALDONADO CAREER STATISTICS											
	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2018	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	13/0	12	18	30	5.5-21	4.0	0	1	0	0	0
2020	4/0	2	1	3	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2021	14/14	23	19	42	11.5-54	9.0	1	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	32/14	37	38	75	17.0-75	13.0	1	2	0	0	0



JAYLON BARDEN
LIZELLA, GA/
WESTSIDE

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WR JR 5-11 175

2021: Played in the initial eight games, contributing as a reserve wide receiver and return specialist, before missing the balance of the season due to injury...averaged a team-high 19.3 yards per catch (nine catches for 174 yards) with two touchdowns...had nine punt returns for 90 yards (10.0 avg.) and six kickoff returns for 117 yards (19.5 avg.)...had a season-high 60 receiving yards (on two catches) with a 22-yard TD catch against Western Michigan...had a season-high three catches (for 33 yards) against New Hampshire...had a 19-yard scoring reception against Miami...had a career-long 47-yard kickoff return against Massachusetts...had a career-long 32-yard punt return against Miami.

2020: Played in nine games, starting two...starting assignments came in the opening two contests of the season (Austin Peay and Syracuse)...totaled seven catches for 140 yards (20.0 avg.) and a touchdown on the year...had a career-long 68-yard reception in his collegiate debut against Austin Peay...had a career-high five catches (for 65 yards) against Virginia Tech, including an 11-yard TD.

HIGH SCHOOL: Prolific wideout who was selected first team All-Georgia Class AAA after averaging 112.2 receiving yards per game as a senior...compiled 68 receptions for 1,234 yards (18.1 avg.) and 15 touchdowns, earning Georgia 3-AAA All-Region Player of the Year...over four varsity seasons, totaled 149 catches for 2,760 yards (18.5 avg.) and 25 TDs...rated one of the top 30 overall prospects in Georgia by 247Sports...played under Coach Sheddric Risper.

PERSONAL: Jaylon Tyae' Barden, born 2/15/01, is the son of Takenya Waters and Jeffery Barden...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

BARDEN CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2020	9/2	7	140	20.0	68	1	6
2021	8/0	9	174	19.3	47	2	12
TOTAL	17/2	16	314	19.6	68	3	18

PUNT RETURNS	PR	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2020	0	0	-	-	0	0
2021	9	90	10.0	32	0	0
TOTAL	9	90	10.0	32	0	0

KICK RETURNS	KR	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2020	0	0	-	-	0	0
2021	6	117	19.5	47	0	0
TOTAL	6	117	19.5	47	0	0



GAVIN BARTHOLOMEW
SCHUYLKILL HAVEN, PA/
BLUE MOUNTAIN

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TE SO 6-5 255

2021: Played in all 14 games, starting eight...compiled 28 catches for 326 yards (11.6 avg.) and four touchdowns on the year...Honorable Mention All-ACC...named a second team Freshman All-American by The Athletic and Pro Football Network...posted season highs with five catches for 50 yards (10.0 avg.) at Syracuse, including a four-yard TD...had three catches for 48 yards (16.0 avg.) against New Hampshire...had three catches for 23 yards (7.7 avg.) and a one-yard scoring reception against North Carolina...had a 29-yard TD catch at Duke...had an eight-yard TD at Virginia Tech...enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2021 following his early graduation from Blue Mountain and participated in spring drills.

HIGH SCHOOL: Played a variety of roles for Blue Mountain, including tight end, defensive end, punter and, as a senior, quarterback...was team's leading receiver as a junior, compiling 27 receptions for 527 yards and five touchdowns...his senior year, was team's starting quarterback for its final five games, completing 36-of-66 passes for 521 yards and four touchdowns, while also rushing for 145 yards and three TDs...averaged 21.8 yards per catch as a senior with six catches for 131 yards and two scores...had a 35-yard interception return for a TD as well...Class 4A All-EasternPAFootball.com...rated Pennsylvania's No. 36 overall prospect by ESPN...played under Coach Cory Mabry.

PERSONAL: Gavin Thomas Bartholomew, born 4/30/03, is the son of Eric and Diane Bartholomew... has one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

BARTHOLOMEW CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2021	14/8	28	326	11.6	37	4	24



DYLAN BENNETT

MONTOURSVILLE, PA/
MONTOURSVILLE

LB FR* 6-3 225

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2021: Joined team as a training camp walk-on... did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: An all-state honoree at Montoursville following a highly productive senior season... Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 3A defensive selection after collecting 71 tackles, six TFLs, three sacks, two interceptions (one returned for a touchdown) and two forced fumbles... first team All-Pennsylvania Heartland Athletic Conference (PHAC) at linebacker and tight end... helped Montoursville to three PHAC titles and a combined 31-6 mark (.838) over his final three varsity seasons...played under Coach J.C. Keefer...also a standout wrestler who compiled a 141-23 record (.860), four district titles, three regional titles and two state runner-up finishes.

PERSONAL: Dylan Keith Bennett, born 3/17/02, is the son of Keith and Stacey Bennett...has one brother and one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



RASHAD BATTLE

ATLANTA, GA/
CREEKSIDE

DB JR 6-3 200

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2021: Played in seven games, serving on special teams and as a reserve safety...totaled nine tackles on the year...had a career-high four tackles against Massachusetts...had three stops against Western Michigan.

2020: Played in all 11 games, serving on special teams and as a reserve cornerback...totaled seven tackles on the year...had a season-high three tackles in the opener against Austin Peay... had two stops against Virginia Tech.

HIGH SCHOOL: Considered one of the top defensive backs in the state of Georgia...first team Georgia 5-AAAAAA All-Region...*Atlanta Journal Constitution* All-Metro...totaled seven interceptions over his junior and senior seasons, returning two for touchdowns...helped Creekside to the Georgia High School Association (GHSA) Class AAAAAA playoffs each of his final two years...rated the No. 36 overall prospect in Georgia by Rivals... rated the nation's No. 35 cornerback by 247Sports, No. 36 by Rivals and No. 50 by ESPN...played under Coach Maurice Dixon.

PERSONAL: Rashad Jacari Battle, born 4/16/02, is the son of Timothy and Janell Quant...has two brothers and one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

BATTLE CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2020	11/0	5	2	7	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2021	7/0	8	1	9	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	18/0	13	3	16	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0



Gavin Bartholomew went from unheralded recruit to key contributor for the Panthers, earning Freshman All-American honors in 2021.



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TYLER BENTLEY

WEST CHESTER, OH/
LAKOTA WEST

DL SR* 6-2 300

2021: Played in all 14 games, starting six at defensive tackle...collected 20 tackles, 2.5 TFLs and a sack on the year...matched his career high with three stops at Duke...had two tackles, including 1.5 TFLs (tying his career best) at Syracuse... had an eight-yard sack—the first of his career—against Michigan State in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl.

2020: Played in nine games, starting three at defensive tackle...starting assignments came against NC State, Miami and Notre Dame...totaled 11 tackles and two tackles for loss...posted career highs with three tackles and 1.5 TFLs at Miami... had two stops with an assisted TFL at Boston College.

2019: Played in all 13 games as a reserve defensive tackle...totaled seven stops and two TFLs on the year...twice had a season-high two tackles (Duke and Virginia Tech)...had a three-yard TFL against North Carolina.

2018: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: Considered one of Ohio's top defensive line prospects...a three-year starter at defensive tackle...two-time first team All-Greater Miami Conference...*Journal-News* All-Area... compiled 60 tackles, a sack and two forced fumbles as a senior...rated the No. 20 overall prospect in Ohio by ESPN, No. 41 by 247Sports and No. 43 by Rivals...played under Coach Larry Cox.

PERSONAL: Tyler Christopher Bentley, born 8/22/00, is the son of Henry and Kachelle Bentley...has one sister...father played football at Southern University...administration of justice major.

BENTLEY CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2019	13/0	2	5	7	2.0-6	0.0	0	0	0	1
2020	9/3	5	6	11	2.0-5	0.0	0	0	0	0
2021	14/6	5	15	20	2.5-10	1.0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	36/9	12	26	38	6.5-21	1.0	0	0	0	1



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NOAH BIGLOW

WESLEY CHAPEL, FL/
ARMWOOD

DB FR* 5-11 180

2021: Played in four games, preserving a redshirt... appeared on special teams and as a reserve corner against Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Virginia and Syracuse...had a tackle against UMass... logged a pass breakup against New Hampshire.

HIGH SCHOOL: Standout cornerback for Florida power Armwood whose senior year was limited due to injury...as a junior in 2019, was named to the *Tampa Bay Times* All-Tampa Bay Team...helped Armwood to a 12-2 record and the semifinals of the 2019 Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) Class 7A playoffs...had six interceptions (one returned for a touchdown), eight pass breakups and two fumble recoveries that year...played under Coach Evan Davis.

PERSONAL: Noah Justin Biglow, born 10/28/02, is the son of Danny and Michelle Biglow...has one brother...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



Veteran defensive tackle Tyler Bentley recorded his first career sack in the 2021 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl.



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JADEN BRADLEY
FAYETTEVILLE, NC/
DEMATHA CATHOLIC (MD)

WR
SO
6-3
195

2021: Played in 12 games as a reserve wide receiver...had nine catches for 129 yards (14.3 avg.) on the year...had a season-high two receptions in three different games (Massachusetts, Duke and North Carolina)...posted a season-high 45 receiving yards against UMass, including a 28-yard catch that was his longest of the year.

HIGH SCHOOL: Wide receiver prospect who drew multiple Power 5 offers despite being new to the position...a former quarterback at traditional power DeMatha Catholic who made an impressive switch to wideout his junior year...selected to play in the Big 33 Football Classic (Pennsylvania vs. Maryland)...ranked the No. 21 overall prospect in Maryland by Rivals...played for Coach Bill McGregor.

PERSONAL: Jaden Glen Bradley, born 3/25/03, is the son of Patricia and Damon Bradley...has one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

BRADLEY CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2021	12/0	9	129	14.3	28	0	0



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BAM BRIMA
WORCESTER, MA/
LOYALSOCK TOWNSHIP (PA)

DL
JR*
6-5
275

2021: Played in six contests as a reserve defensive end...totaled five tackles, a sack and a fumble recovery...had a career-high three stops at Virginia Tech...had a 10-yard sack against Michigan State in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl...recovered a fumble against New Hampshire.

2020: Played in three contests...had one tackle (against Austin Peay).

2019: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: One of the top defensive end prospects in Pennsylvania...totaled 71 tackles, 13 tackles for loss and seven sacks as a senior at Loyalsock...compiled 77 tackles, 10 TFLs and two sacks his junior season in leading the Lancers to the District 4 championship and PIAA Class 3A playoffs...selected to the *Sun-Gazette* All-Star Team...rated the No. 17 overall prospect in Pennsylvania by ESPN, No. 21 by 247Sports and No. 22 by Rivals...played under Coach Justin Van Fleet...selected to play in the Big 33 Football Classic...also a four-year letterman in basketball.

PERSONAL: Bambanga Momodu Brima, born 12/21/00, is the son of Anthony and Annie Brima...has one brother and one sister...English writing major.

BRIMA CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2020	3/0	0	1	1	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2021	6/0	3	2	5	1.0-10	1.0	0	1	0	0
TOTAL	9/0	3	3	6	1.0-10	1.0	0	1	0	0



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TAELEN BROOKS
PITTSBURGH, PA/
WOODLAND HILLS

RB
FR*
6-1
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2021: Joined team as a fall walk-on...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: An all-conference linebacker at Woodland Hills who also made significant contributions as a running back...as a senior, helped team to a berth in the WPIAL Class 5A playoffs...played under Coach Tim Bostard...selected to play in the Pennsylvania Scholastic Football Coaches Association (PSFCA) East-West All-Star Game.

PERSONAL: Taelen Lorenzo Brooks, born 10/29/02, is the son of Alanna Lucas and Clark Brooks...has two brothers...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



MYLES CANTON

UPPER MARLBORO, MD/
DEMATHA CATHOLIC (RMU)

LB SR+ 6-1 210

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2021: Did not play in any games.

2020: Joined Pitt in August as a walk-on transfer from nearby FCS program Robert Morris...did not play in any games.

AT ROBERT MORRIS (2017-19): Played in 33 career contests, making 13 starts at safety...compiled career totals of 107 tackles, five tackles for loss, two sacks, two interceptions, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery.

HIGH SCHOOL: All-Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (WCAC) defensive back for perennial power DeMatha...as a senior, was responsible for 13 turnovers (six interceptions and seven forced fumbles)...helped the Stags to a 12-0 record, the WCAC title and a No. 4 ranking in the USA TODAY Super 25 high school rankings...played under Coach Elijah Brooks.

PERSONAL: Myles Xavier Canton, born 3/29/99, is the son of Francis and Charmaine Canton...has one brother...earned his bachelor's degree in administration of justice and is pursuing a second major in communication.



DANTE CAPUTO

WEXFORD, PA/
NORTH ALLEGHENY (WISCONSIN)

DB JR* 5-11 190

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2021: Joined Pitt as a training camp walk-on following his transfer from Wisconsin...did not play in any games.

AT WISCONSIN (2019-20): Was a two-year walk-on safety for the Badgers.

HIGH SCHOOL: A two-time all-conference linebacker at North Allegheny under Coach Art Walker...compiled 124 tackles, 25.5 TFLs, 6.5 sacks, four blocked punts, three forced fumbles and two interceptions over his three-year varsity career...helped the Tigers to a combined record of 27-8

(.771) and three berths in the WPIAL Class 6A playoffs...a two-time team captain...four-year scholar-athlete honoree.

PERSONAL: Dante Francis Caputo, born 12/14/00, is the son of Bernard and Megan Caputo...has two brothers and one sister...father played cornerback at Allegheny College (1983-87)...sister, Gianna, was a swimmer at TCU...cousin, Michael Caputo, played safety at Wisconsin (2011-15)...economics major.



DANIEL CARTER

MARGATE, FL/
ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

RB JR* 5-10 240

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2021: Played in all 14 games, making one start (Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl against Michigan State)...had eight carries for 29 yards (3.6 avg.) and one touchdown on the year...added two catches for 13 yards (6.5 avg.) and a score...rushed for 20 yards (matching his career high) and a TD on four carries against Massachusetts...had a two-yard scoring reception at Georgia Tech.

2020: Played in nine games...rushed for 57 yards and a touchdown on 14 carries (4.1 avg.) and had one catch for five yards...rushed for a season-high 20 yards on four carries (5.0 avg.) at Florida State...in the season opener against Austin Peay, rushed for 18 yards on four carries (4.5 avg.), including a two-yard TD, and added a five-yard reception.

2019: Played in four games as a true freshman, preserving a redshirt...appearances came against Syracuse, Georgia Tech, North Carolina and Virginia Tech.

HIGH SCHOOL: Rushed for more than 2,000 yards over his final two seasons at Florida powerhouse St. Thomas Aquinas...considered one of the nation's top running back prospects...rushed for 1,206 yards and 21 touchdowns as a senior in leading the Raiders to a 13-2 record and the Class 7A state championship game...rushed for 827 yards and 18 scores as a junior...All-Florida Class 7A (third team)...first team All-Broward County...*Sun Sentinel* "Super 11"...rated the nation's No. 19 running back by Rivals, No. 32 by 247 Sports and No. 37 by ESPN...rated Florida's No. 28 overall prospect by Rivals...played under Coach Roger Harriott.

PERSONAL: Daniel Wayne Carter, born 6/19/00, is the son of Darryl and Tonya Carter...has four brothers and three sisters...administration of justice major.

CARTER CAREER STATISTICS

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2019	4/0	0	0	-	-	0	0
2020	9/0	14	57	4.1	9	1	6
2021	14/1	8	29	3.6	11	1	6
TOTAL	27/1	22	86	3.9	11	2	12

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2019	4/0	0	0	-	-	0	0
2020	9/0	1	5	5.0	5	0	0
2021	14/1	2	13	6.5	11	1	6
TOTAL	27/1	3	18	6.0	11	1	6



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JASON COLLIER JR.
WEST DEPTFORD, N.J/
WEST DEPTFORD

OL JR* 6-6 325

2021: Played in 13 games, serving as a reserve guard and on the field goal/PAT unit.

2020: Transitioned from tight end to offensive line...did not play in any games.

2019: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: The leading receiver each of his final two seasons for West Deptford's run-oriented Wing-T offense...averaged 16.8 yards per reception, compiling 29 receptions for 487 yards and four touchdowns during that span...also a productive defensive lineman...totaled 59 tackles, nine tackles for loss, four sacks, four forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and two blocked kicks over his senior and junior years...first team All-Colonial Division...rated the nation's No. 14 Tight End "Y" prospect by ESPN...rated the No. 13 overall prospect in New Jersey by ESPN, No. 26 by 247Sports and No. 35 by Rivals...played under Coach Jason Morrell...also a four-year track and field letterman who threw the discus, shot put and javelin.

PERSONAL: Jason Allen Collier Jr., born 7/15/01, is the son of Jason and Colleen Collier Sr... administration of justice major.



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ADDISON COPELAND III
BUFFALO, NY/WESTERN
NEW YORK MARITIME CHARTER

WR FR 6-2 180

Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2022 following his early graduation from Western New York Maritime Charter.

HIGH SCHOOL: Considered the top wide receiver prospect in the state of New York...starred for co-op program Western New York Maritime Charter/Health Sciences...an all-purpose threat on offense who also excelled as a defensive back...led team to a 10-3 record and the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class B semifinals...first team All-Western New York...rated New York's No. 2 overall prospect by 247Sports, No. 5 by Rivals and No. 7 by ESPN...played for Coach Ty Parker.

PERSONAL: Addison Dwight Copeland III, born 8/27/03, is the son of Monica Kuhn and Addison Copeland Sr...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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TAMARION CRUMPLEY
CINCINNATI, OH/
WINTON WOODS

DB FR* 6-1 195

2021: Did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: One of Ohio's top cornerback prospects...Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association (OPSWA) Division II All-State (second team)... All-Southwest Ohio District (first team)... All-Eastern Cincinnati Conference (first team)... led Winton Woods to a 9-1 record and the Ohio Division II playoffs...rated Ohio's No. 31 overall prospect by 247Sports, No. 35 by Rivals and No. 46 by ESPN...played for Coach Andre Parker.

PERSONAL: Tamarion Lamont Crumpley, born 7/16/03, is the son of Tamara Crumpley...has one brother...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



JUSTIN CULLINS

BALTIMORE, MD/
CALVERT HALL COLLEGE H.S.

RB JR 5-7 175

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Joined the team as a 2022 spring walk-on running back.

HIGH SCHOOL: Two-year varsity player at Calvert Hall College High as a receiver and return specialist...played under Coach Donald Davis...a sprinter on the track and field team...member of the Black Student Union (BSU) leadership program.

PERSONAL: Justin Amori Cullins, born 9/18/01, is the son of Kevin and Pamela Cullins...has four brothers and two sisters...a studio art major whose work has been featured in numerous art shows and museums in Maryland.



DEVIN DANIELSON

PITTSBURGH, PA/
THOMAS JEFFERSON

DL SR* 6-2 300

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2021: Played in all 14 games as a reserve defensive tackle...totaled 14 tackles, three TFLs and two sacks...twice had a season-high three stops (against North Carolina and Michigan State in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl)...had a six-yard sack against the Spartans...had an 11-yard sack against Western Michigan.

2020: Played in all 11 games, starting seven at defensive tackle...had 21 tackles, three tackles for loss and two sacks on the year...had a career-high four stops with a six-yard sack against NC State...had a seven-yard sack at Florida State.

2019: Played in all 13 games, making one start at defensive tackle (Ohio)...had 12 tackles and one TFL on the year...had a season-high two stops in four separate contests (Penn State, Duke, Virginia Tech and Boston College)...had a two-yard TFL against Boston College.

2018: Played in three games as a true freshman, preserving a redshirt...appearances came at defensive tackle against Virginia, Virginia Tech and Stanford in the Sun Bowl...had one tackle against the Hokies.

HIGH SCHOOL: One of Western Pennsylvania's most dominating linemen in recent years...a two-way starter at perennial power Thomas Jefferson, helping the Jaguars to three consecutive WPIAL championships and a combined 34-6 record (.850)...Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 4A on defense...first-team All-Big Nine Conference selection on both sides of the ball...Big Nine Defensive Player of the Year...*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* "Fabulous 22"...*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* "Terrific 25"...collected 20 quarterback sacks for his career...played under former Pitt offensive lineman Bill Cherpak (1985-89) at Thomas Jefferson...in Cherpak's initial 23 seasons as the Jaguars' head coach, Danielson became only the third lineman to start as a freshman...rated the No. 16 overall prospect in Pennsylvania by Rivals, No. 18 by ESPN and No. 23 by 247Sports.

PERSONAL: Devin James Danielson, born 12/23/99, is the son of Adam and Michelle Danielson...has one brother and one sister...married his wife, Alexandra, in May 2022...administration of justice major.

DANIELSON CAREER STATISTICS

	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2018		3/0	0	1	1	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2019		13/1	5	7	12	1.0-2	0.0	0	0	0	0
2020		11/7	5	16	21	3.0-16	2.0	0	0	0	0
2021		14/0	7	7	14	3.0-18	2.0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		41/8	17	31	48	7.0-36	4.0	0	0	0	0



Pittsburgh native Devin Danielson has been an important stalwart at defensive tackle for Pitt's vaunted rushing defense in recent seasons.



VINCENT DAVIS

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL/
CARDINAL GIBBONS

RB SR 5-8 180

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2021: Played in all 14 games, starting six...rushed for 593 yards and four touchdowns on 142 carries (4.2 avg.)...added 23 receptions for 125 yards (5.4 avg.)...rushed for a season-high 100 yards on 12 carries (8.3 avg.) against Virginia...netted 79 yards on 13 carries (6.1 avg.) at Syracuse.

2020: Played in all 11 games, starting nine...rushed for a team-high 632 yards on 143 carries (4.4 avg.)...ranked second with six rushing scores...Pitt's leading receiver out of the backfield with 24 catches for 154 yards (6.4 avg.) and a TD...sparked Pitt's season-ending 34-20 win at Georgia Tech by rushing for 247 yards and a touchdown on 25 carries (9.9 avg.)...yardage and carries were both career highs...his TD against the Yellow Jackets was a 38-yard burst that sealed the victory with two minutes remaining...also had a career-best 74-yard run at Georgia Tech that marked Pitt's longest rush of the season...Davis' 247 rushing yards were the most by a Pitt player since 2017 (Darrin Hall, 254 at Duke)...he also posted the most rushing yards in a game by a Pitt sophomore since 2014 (James Conner, 263 vs. Duke)...had 66 yards on 17 carries (3.9 avg.) against Syracuse...netted 53 yards and a TD on nine carries (5.9 avg.) against Virginia Tech...also had a personal-best 41 receiving yards on five catches (8.2 avg.) against the Hokies.

2019: Made immediate contributions as a true freshman, playing in 11 contests...logged 61 carries for 314 yards (5.1 avg.) and a team-high five rushing touchdowns...also had 28 yards on five receptions (5.6 avg.)...posted season highs in rushing yards (69) and carries (15) in Pitt's 34-30 Quick Lane Bowl victory over Eastern Michigan...had an eight-yard TD run in the EMU win...had 67 yards on six carries (11.2 avg.) at Georgia Tech...his 61-yard TD burst against the Yellow Jackets marked Pitt's longest rush of the season...had 50 yards and a TD on 12 carries (4.2 avg.) against Ohio.

HIGH SCHOOL: Rushed for more than 1,000 yards as a senior in leading Cardinal Gibbons to the first state championship in school history...ran for 1,107 yards and 13 touchdowns on 212 carries (5.2 avg.) to help the Chiefs to a 13-2 mark and the Florida Class 5A title...rushed for 2,049 yards and

24 TDs over his junior and senior seasons...rated the nation's No. 32 running back and Florida's No. 78 overall prospect by Rivals...played under Coach Matt DuBuc.

PERSONAL: Vincent Kip Davis Jr., born 3/28/01, is the son of Marcie Blackmon and Vincent Davis Sr...has two brothers and two sisters...media and professional communications major.

DAVIS CAREER STATISTICS

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2019	11/0	61	314	5.1	61	5	30
2020	11/9	143	632	4.4	74	6	36
2021	14/6	142	593	4.2	26	4	24
TOTAL	36/15	346	1,539	4.5	74	15	90
RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2019	11/0	5	28	5.6	28	0	0
2020	11/9	24	154	6.4	19	1	6
2021	14/6	23	125	5.4	28	0	0
TOTAL	36/15	52	307	5.9	28	1	6



LUKE DELGAUDIO
SHAVERTOWN, PA/
DALLAS

WR SO* 6-2 200

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2021: Played in two games (New Hampshire and Georgia Tech).

2020: Joined team as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games.

HIGH SCHOOL: A two-way standout for Dallas, starring at wide receiver and defensive back...averaged 16.2 yards per catch as a senior, compiling 44 receptions for 713 yards and eight touchdowns...had an interception and 18 tackles in the secondary...also compiled more than 300 yards returning punts and was a highly regarded long snapper...Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 4A...All-Wyoming Valley Conference (WVC)...Citizens' Voice All-Stars...helped lead Dallas to a 15-1 record and the PIAA Class 4A championship game as a senior...played under Coach Rich Mannello...also an All-WVC performer in basketball.

PERSONAL: Luke Walter DelGaudio, born 5/20/02, is the son of Dr. Walt and Kavita DelGaudio...has two brothers and one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



SIRVOCEA DENNIS

SYRACUSE, NY/CHRISTIAN BROTHERS ACADEMY (PEDDIE SCHOOL)

LB SR 6-1 230

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2021: Played in and started 13 games, missing one contest (New Hampshire) due to injury...named All-ACC (second team) after leading Pitt with 87 tackles and adding 9.5 TFLs, four sacks, a blocked field goal, a fumble recovery and an interception (returned for TD)...twice honored as the ACC's Linebacker of the Week (Clemson and North Carolina)...was responsible for one of the season's biggest plays when he intercepted a Clemson shovel pass, returning it 50 yards for a touchdown to put the Panthers up 21-7 in the third quarter as Pitt held a double-digit advantage the rest of the game...collected a game-high 10 tackles, three tackles for loss and an eight-yard sack against the Tar Heels...posted a career-high 12 tackles and two sacks against Wake Forest in the ACC Championship Game...posted eight stops, 2.5 TFLs, a 14-yard sack and blocked a field goal at Georgia Tech...had his first career fumble recovery at Syracuse...named to the All-ACC Academic Football Team.

2020: Enjoyed a highly productive sophomore season en route to All-ACC accolades (third team)...compiled 57 tackles, a team-high (tied) 14.5 tackles for loss and four sacks...finished third in the ACC in total TFLs...played in 10 games, starting two...lone missed contest was Virginia Tech (Nov. 21) for health reasons...made his first career start at Boston College (Oct. 10) and responded by collecting a game-high 11 tackles, including 4.5 TFLs and 1.5 sacks...his TFL total was an ACC single-game high...was named the ACC Linebacker of the Week for his Boston College performance...had seven stops and four tackles for loss against Notre Dame...totaled seven tackles, three TFLs and two sacks at Florida State.

2019: Played in eight contests as a true freshman, serving on special teams and as a reserve linebacker...had one tackle (vs. Ohio).

PREP SCHOOL: Spent a postgraduate year (2018-19) at The Peddie School in New Jersey under Coach Christopher Malleo...was the Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) Defensive Player of the Year...first team All-MAPL at linebacker...

received the Maurice P. Shuman Football Award, annually presented to Peddie's outstanding football player.

HIGH SCHOOL: A standout at Christian Brothers Academy as a quarterback and defensive back...New York State Sportswriters Association (NYSSWA) All-Class AA...All-Central New York...led CBA to a 24-6 record (.800) during his varsity career, including a 10-1 mark and berth in the state semifinals his junior year...played under CBA coach Casey Brown...also played basketball and lacrosse... National Honor Society.

PERSONAL: SirVocea Levitticus Dennis, born 3/9/00, is the son of SirVantis and Corliss Dennis...first name is pronounced "sir-voss-E-ay"...has one brother and one sister...brother, SirVantis Dennis II, played football at Albany...law, criminal justice and society major.

DENNIS CAREER STATISTICS

	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2019		8/0	1	0	1	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2020		10/2	35	22	57	14.5-63	4.0	0	0	0	0
2021		13/13	35	52	87	9.5-47	4.0	0	1	1	0
TOTAL		31/15	71	74	145	24.0-110	8.0	0	1	1	0



SOLOMON DESHIELDS

MILLVILLE, NJ/
MILLVILLE SENIOR

LB SO* 6-2 230

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2021: Played in 13 games, serving on special teams and as a reserve linebacker...totaled nine tackles...twice recorded a season-high two tackles (Georgia Tech and Miami).

2020: Played in four contests, serving on special teams and as a reserve linebacker...appearances came against Austin Peay, Notre Dame, Florida State and Georgia Tech...enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2020 following his early graduation from Millville Senior and participated in the Panthers' abbreviated spring drills.

HIGH SCHOOL: A two-way standout considered one of the top "athletes" in New Jersey...a heavily recruited prospect who excelled at defensive back and as a pass catcher...New Jersey All-Group 4 (first team)...NJ.com All-State (second team)...first team All-West Jersey Football League (WJFL)

Continental Division...collected 68 tackles, eight sacks and four interceptions...as a receiver, had 661 yards on 44 catches (15.0 avg)...rated one of the nation's top 35 athletes by Rivals...rated the No. 18 overall prospect in New Jersey by 247Sports, No. 20 by Rivals and No. 22 by ESPN...played under Coach Dennis Thomas...also lettered in basketball and track and field.

PERSONAL: Solomon Etroy DeShields, born 4/23/02, is the son of Amy Fletcher and Warren DeShields and the stepson of Jennifer DeShields...has three brothers and one sister...father played football at Rowan University...brother (Jaelin) played at Stevenson University and Clarion University...Africana studies major.

DeSHIELDS CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2020	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2021	13/0	4	5	9	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	17/0	4	5	9	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0



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M.J. DEVONSHIRE
 ALIQUIPPA, PA/
 ALIQUIPPA (KENTUCKY)
DB | JR* | 5-11 | 190

2021: Played in 13 games as a reserve cornerback... totaled 18 tackles, one TFL, four pass breakups and one interception...his INT came in overtime at the goal line against North Carolina, sealing a 30-23 victory...had a career-high six stops against Michigan State in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl... broke up two passes and had a two-yard TFL against Wake Forest in the ACC Championship Game.

AT KENTUCKY (2019-20): Played in 12 career games for the Wildcats over two seasons...totaled six tackles and two pass breakups...only played in three contests during the '19 campaign to preserve a redshirt.

HIGH SCHOOL: Enjoyed a highly accomplished career at traditional Pennsylvania power Aliquippa... a three-sport standout who excelled in football, basketball and track...equally versatile on the football field for Coach Mike Warfield, playing defensive back, wide receiver and returning kicks... as a senior, led the Quips to a 14-1 record and the WPIAL and PIAA Class 3A championships... compiled 27 catches for 571 yards (21.2 avg.) and

scored 24 total touchdowns (scored four different ways) his final season...added eight interceptions on defense, including three in the state title game...had eight kickoff or punt return touchdowns, one short of the national high school record...had five return TDs that were nullified due to penalties...Pennsylvania Football Writers Class 3A Player of the Year...*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Co-Player of the Year...*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* High School Athlete of the Year... averaged more than 17 points per game in basketball, leading the Quips to the WPIAL and PIAA playoffs...won two PIAA track titles (100 and 200 meters).

PERSONAL: Marlin Devonshire Jr., born 9/12/00, is the son of Marlin and Theresa Devonshire Sr... has two sisters and one brother...brother, Keir Jeter, played football at Edinboro University... communication major.

DEVONSHIRE CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2019*	3/0	5	0	5	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	1
2020*	9/0	1	0	1	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	1
2021	13/0	10	8	18	1.0-2	0.0	0	0	1	4
TOTAL	25/0	16	8	24	1.0-2	0.0	0	0	1	6

*at Kentucky



M.J. Devonshire's first collegiate interception clinched an overtime win for Pitt over North Carolina in an ESPN Thursday night game.



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ELLIOT DONALD
PITTSBURGH, PA/PITTSBURGH
CENTRAL CATHOLIC

DL FR* 6-2 265

2021: Played in one game (New Hampshire), preserving a freshman redshirt.

HIGH SCHOOL: Nationally regarded defensive lineman who was named to the Rivals 100 (No. 93) and the ESPN 300 (No. 81)...did not play as a senior due to COVID-19 concerns...as a junior, compiled 55 tackles, 13 tackles for loss, 11 sacks and two forced fumbles in leading Central Catholic to the WPIAL Class 6A championship and the PIAA title game...Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 6A Team...*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* "Fabulous 22"...*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* "Terrific 25"...rated the nation's No. 8 defensive tackle by Rivals and No. 17 by 247Sports...rated the nation's No. 9 defensive end by ESPN...rated Pennsylvania's No. 5 overall prospect by Rivals, No. 6 by ESPN and No. 11 by 247Sports...played for Coach Terry Totten.

PERSONAL: Elliot Lee Donald, born 4/5/03, is the son of Akita Donald...has one brother and one sister...nephew of former Pitt All-America defensive tackle Aaron Donald (2010-13), who now stars for the Los Angeles Rams, and Archie Donald, who played linebacker at Toledo...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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OWEN DREXEL
MONTCLAIR, NJ/
MONTCLAIR

OL SR+ 6-3 305

2021: Started 12 games at center, missing two contests (New Hampshire and Syracuse) due to injury...Honorable Mention All-ACC...instrumental up front for an offense that averaged a school-record 41.4 points and 486.6 yards per game...the Panthers ranked third nationally in scoring and eighth in total offense...named to the All-ACC Academic Football Team.

2020: Served as the top reserve at center for the second consecutive season...played in six games, making one start (at Boston College)...starting

assignment came at center when senior starter Jimmy Morrissey shifted to right guard due to injuries on Pitt's offensive front.

2019: Played in one game (Boston College).

2018: Played in two games (Virginia Tech and Miami).

2017: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: Considered one of the top three center prospects in the East region according to Scout...a four-year varsity starter, including his final three at Montclair under Coach John Fiore...was a starter as a freshman at Glen Ridge...All-New Jersey Group 5...All-North Jersey Super Football Conference (NJSFC) Liberty Blue Division...NJ.com "Top 50"...rated the nation's No. 13 center prospect by ESPN and No. 19 by Scout and 247Sports...rated the No. 7 overall prospect in New Jersey by Scout, No. 29 by 247Sports and No. 33 by ESPN...selected to play in the Blue-Grey All-American Bowl held in the Dallas Cowboys' AT&T Stadium... National Honor Society.

PERSONAL: Owen Charles Drexel, born 6/4/99, is the son of Paul Drexel and Diane Lyon Sillup...has one brother and one sister...earned his bachelor's degree in political science and is now enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.



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TERRENCE ENOS JR.
REDFORD, MI/
CASS TECHNICAL

OL FR* 6-4 315

2021: Did not play in any games and redshirted...enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2021 following his early graduation from Cass Technical and participated in spring drills.

HIGH SCHOOL: One of Michigan's top offensive line prospects...Associated Press Division 1-2 All-State (second team)...*Detroit News* 2021 Class Top 50 Players (No. 13)...Detroit Public School League (PSL) All-City...PSL All-Division 1-2 Team...rated one of Michigan's top 20 overall prospects by Rivals (No. 17) and ESPN (No. 20)...played under Coach Thomas Wilcher...also a basketball letterman.

PERSONAL: Terrence Ian Enos Jr., born 2/13/03, is the son of Terrence Enos Sr. and Tracey Daniels...has one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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TREVOR FAULKNER
PITTSBURGH, PA/
AVONWORTH (AIR FORCE)

TE FR* 6-4 240

Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2022 as a mid-year transfer walk-on from Air Force.

2021 (AT AIR FORCE): Did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: A first-team All-Allegheny Conference performer at tight end and defensive end for Avonworth...helped the Antelopes to a combined 19-3 record (.864) over his final two varsity seasons...as a junior, Avonworth went 15-1, winning the WPIAL Class 2A championship—the program’s first since 1959—and advancing to the PIAA Class 2A final...during that historic season, Faulkner averaged 20.3 yards per catch (19 receptions for 386 yards) with eight touchdowns, while collecting 66 tackles, 13 TFLs and seven sacks on defense...played under Coach Duke Johncour.

PERSONAL: Trevor Scott Faulkner, born 8/23/02, is the son of Eric and Stacy Faulkner...has two brothers...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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JAMES FINERAN
TOWSON, MD/
CALVERT HALL COLLEGE H.S.

LS FR* 6-5 220

2021: Joined team as a fall walk-on...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Highly regarded long snapper who earned acclaim as Maryland’s top prospect at his position according to Kohl’s...playing 14 games over the 2019-20 seasons, successfully handled each of his 108 snap attempts for Calvert Hall College High...played under Coach Donald Davis...selected to play in the Big 33 Football Classic (Maryland vs. Pennsylvania)...an accomplished student who received induction into the National Honor Society.

PERSONAL: James Vincent Fineran IV, born 3/24/03, is the son of James and Sophie Fineran...has one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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SEAN FITZSIMMONS
MONACA, PA/
CENTRAL VALLEY

DL FR 6-3 290

Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2022 following his early graduation from Central Valley.

HIGH SCHOOL: Four-year starter who earned status as one of Pennsylvania’s elite defensive linemen...finished his career with 122 tackles for loss and 52 sacks...compiled 123 tackles, 49 TFLs and 21 sacks as a senior...led Central Valley to 27 consecutive wins to close his prep career, including a 7-0 victory over Wyoming Area that clinched the Warriors’ second straight PIAA Class 3A championship...selected to the MaxPreps Small Town All-America High School Football Team...Mr. PA Football Lineman Award (Small School Class 1A-3A)...Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 3A...PAFootballNews.com Class 3A Player of the Year...recipient of the Bill Fralic Memorial Award, presented to the WPIAL’s top interior lineman and named after the legendary Pitt offensive tackle...named the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Player of the Year, becoming the first lineman to win the award...*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* “Fabulous 22”...Trib HSSN Football Player of the Year...Northwestern Six Offensive and Defensive Lineman of the Year...*Beaver County Times*’ 22 All-Star selection...rated Pennsylvania’s No. 21 overall prospect by Rivals and 247Sports and No. 23 by ESPN...played under Coach Mark Lyons.

PERSONAL: Sean Holland FitzSimmons, born 10/17/03, is the son of George and Shelby FitzSimmons...has two brothers...comes from a football family: father played at Indiana State (1987-91), paternal grandfather Jim FitzSimmons played at UTEP (1965-67) and maternal grandfather played at IUP (1970-71)...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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BYRON FLOYD
 MENTOR, OH/
 MENTOR

LS SO* 6-1 240

2021: Did not play in any games.

2020: Joined team as a training camp walk-on... played in the season opener against Austin Peay.

HIGH SCHOOL: A two-year starter at offensive guard and long snapper for Mentor coach Steve Trivisonno...*News-Herald* Football All-Stars... All-Greater Cleveland Conference (GCC)...helped team to a 13-1 record and the semifinals of the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) Division I playoffs.

PERSONAL: Byron Edward Floyd, born 12/14/01, is the son of Byron Floyd and Kenny Ice...has one brother and one sister...grandfather, Ed Floyd, played football and wrestled at John Carroll University...economics major.



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DORIEN FORD
 PITTSBURGH, PA/
 BALDWIN

DL FR* 6-4 305

2021: Did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: A four-year starter at Baldwin who evolved from a fullback into an exceptional two-way lineman and nationally regarded prospect... Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 6A Team... *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* "Fabulous 22"... *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* "Terrific 25"...rated one of Pennsylvania's top 20 prospects by ESPN (No. 11), Rivals (No. 12) and 247Sports (No. 19)... rated the nation's No. 26 defensive tackle prospect by Rivals, No. 29 by 247Sports and No. 35 by ESPN...played under Coach Tim Sweeney.

PERSONAL: Dorien Wayne Ford, born 2/21/03, is the son of Margo Dooley and Glenn Ford II...has two brothers and one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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JAKE FRANTL
 ERIN, WI/HARTFORD UNION
 (GEORGIA KNIGHTS PREP)

QB FR* 6-0 205

2021: Joined team as a training camp walk-on... did not play in any games and redshirted.

PREP SCHOOL: Spent one academic year (2020-21) at Georgia Knights Prep Academy, where he captained the football team.

HIGH SCHOOL: Threw for 2,900 yards and 35 touchdowns in earning all-state accolades as a senior quarterback at Hartford Union...North Shore Conference and Washington County Player of the Year...led team to an 11-1 record and the North Shore Conference title...played under Coach John Redders...selected to play in the Wisconsin Football Coaches Association All-Star Game...also a track and field letterman.

PERSONAL: Jacob Steven Frantl, born 6/26/02, is the son of Steve and Carla Frantl...has one sister... father was a standout linebacker at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls (1982-85)...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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GEORGE FRENCH II
 BETHLEHEM, PA/
 BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC (MAINE)


OL SO* 6-7 320

2021: Joined Pitt as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games.

PRIOR TO PITT: Enrolled at Maine in January 2021 and was on the Bears' team for the pandemic-delayed spring season...spent the 2020 season as a walk-on at Penn State...did not play in any games.

HIGH SCHOOL: A two-time letterman at offensive tackle for Bethlehem Catholic coach Joe Henrich... team won three district titles during his varsity career...recipient of the Bethlehem Catholic Richard P. Culver Iron Man Award...selected to play in the Pennsylvania Scholastic Football Coaches Association (PSFCA) East-West All-Star Game...also played basketball and lacrosse.

PERSONAL: George Williston French II, born 7/20/02, is the son of Bill and Kelly French... has one sister, Katherine, who is a member of the rowing team at Colgate University...communication major.



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RYLAND GANDY
 BUFORD, GA/
 BUFORD
DB FR 6-0 180

Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2022 following his early graduation from Buford.

HIGH SCHOOL: Cornerback prospect who starred for perennial Georgia power Buford...held nearly 20 Power Five scholarship offers...helped lead team to three consecutive 6A championships...All-Region 8-AAAAAA honoree...rated one of Georgia's top 40 overall prospects by ESPN...played under Coach Bryant Appling.

PERSONAL: Ryland Dempsey Gandy, born 8/16/03, is the son of Ricky and Rajounnda Gandy...has one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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BRANDON GEORGE
 READING, PA/
 BERKS CATHOLIC
LB SR 6-3 245

2021: Played in all 14 games, serving on special teams and as a reserve middle linebacker...totaled 34 tackles and five TFLs...achieved career highs with eight tackles and two TFLs against New Hampshire...had four stops against Michigan State in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl.

2020: Played in all 11 games, serving on special teams and as a reserve middle linebacker...totaled 16 tackles on the year...had a season-high four stops (all solo) against Virginia Tech...logged a 14-yard punt return against Austin Peay.

2019: Played in the season's final 11 games as a true freshman, serving on special teams...totaled five tackles (all solo) on the year...had a season-high two stops (both coming on the kickoff coverage unit) against North Carolina.

HIGH SCHOOL: Four-year standout on both sides of the ball for perennial Pennsylvania Class 4A power Berks Catholic...compiled 347 career tackles at linebacker, while rushing for 2,753 yards and 41 touchdowns at fullback...as a senior middle linebacker, compiled 108 tackles, eight tackles for loss, two fumble recoveries and an interception...rushed for 959 yards and 13 TDs on 123 carries (7.8 avg.)...led the Saints to an 11-3 record and fourth consecutive berth in the PIAA Class 4A playoffs...during his four-year varsity career, Berks Catholic went a combined 48-8 (.857)...Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 4A defensive selection...Berks Football League Section 2 Linebacker of the Year...rated Pennsylvania's No. 15 overall prospect by 247Sports, No. 20 by Rivals and No. 21 by ESPN...played under Coach Rick Keeley...selected to play in the Big 33 Football Classic...state runner-up in the discus and bronze medalist in the shot put...also a starter for the basketball team...his exploits in three sports earned him *Reading Eagle* Athlete of the Year.

PERSONAL: Cornelius Brandon George, born 11/19/00, is the son of Neil and Stacie George...marketing, business information systems and supply chain management major.

GEORGE CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2019	11/0	5	0	5	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2020	11/0	7	9	16	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2021	14/0	18	16	34	5.0-8	0.0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	36/0	30	25	55	5.0-8	0.0	0	0	0	1



Brandon George was one of 19 defensive players to tally multiple tackles for loss for Pitt's aggressive defense last season.



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MATT GONCALVES
 MANORVILLE, NY/
 EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR

OL JR* 6-6 315

2021: Played in 13 games, starting five contests at right tackle...starting assignments came in five victories: New Hampshire, North Carolina, Virginia, Syracuse and the ACC Championship Game against Wake Forest...was an important contributor for a Pitt offense that averaged a school-record 41.4 points and 486.6 yards per game...the Panthers ranked third nationally in scoring and eighth in total offense.

2020: Played in nine games, starting Pitt's final three contests at left tackle...named a Freshman All-American by the Football Writers Association of America (FWAA)...in his initial start against Virginia Tech (Nov. 21), helped the Panthers compile a season-high 556 yards in a 47-14 win...made subsequent starts at Clemson (Nov. 28) and Georgia Tech (Dec. 10)...Pitt rushed for a season-high 317 yards in a 34-20 victory over the Yellow Jackets.

2019: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: The consensus No. 1 offensive line prospect in the state of New York according to the scouting services...distinguished himself in both the run and pass games up front for Eastport-South Manor...played offensive tackle, tight end and defensive end during his varsity career...American Family Insurance ALL-USA New York Football Team...*Newsday* All-Long Island...All-Suffolk County...rated the No. 4 overall prospect in New York by Rivals and No. 5 by ESPN and 247Sports...played under Coach Christopher Prokesch...also a four-year letterman in basketball.

PERSONAL: Matthew Dylan Goncalves, born 1/26/01, is the son of William Goncalves and Dawn Goncalves-Brown and stepson of Bob Brown...has two brothers, one stepbrother and one stepsister...brother, Billy, played baseball at SUNY Cortland...administration of justice major.



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DAVID GREEN
 WEST MIFFLIN, PA/PITTSBURGH
 CENTRAL CATHOLIC

DL SR* 6-1 280

2021: Played in 14 games, starting one (Tennessee) at defensive tackle...totaled 23 tackles, four TFLs and 1.5 sacks on the season...had a career-high four tackles and 1.5 TFLs (including a sack assist) at Duke...had two stops and a seven-yard sack at Tennessee...tallied three tackles against Western Michigan.

2020: Played in nine games, making five starts at defensive tackle...totaled 12 tackles, two tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks on the year...had a season-high three tackles at Boston College...logged his first career sack against Louisville...had two stops and an assisted sack against Syracuse.

2019: Played in 12 games as a reserve defensive tackle...had two tackles on the season, logging one each against Duke and Eastern Michigan (Quick Lane Bowl).

2018: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: A three-year starter at defensive end for perennial WPIAL power Central Catholic...also played fullback for the Vikings...Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 6A...All-Northern Seven Conference...*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* "Fabulous 22"...*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* "Terrific 25"...helped lead Central Catholic to a three-year mark of 39-6 (.867), including two WPIAL championships and a PIAA title...rated the No. 23 overall prospect in Pennsylvania by ESPN, No. 25 by 247Sports and No. 28 by Rivals...played for Coach Terry Totten.

PERSONAL: David S. Green, born 10/18/99, is the son of John and Terese Green...has two brothers...earned his bachelor's degree in sociology and is now pursuing a second major in law, criminal justice and society.

GREEN CAREER STATISTICS

	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2019		12/0	1	1	2	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2020		9/5	5	7	12	2.0-4	1.5	0	0	0	0
2021		14/1	9	14	23	4.0-19	1.5	0	0	0	1
TOTAL		35/6	15	22	37	6.0-23	3.0	0	0	0	1



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CAM GUESS
 BELLE VERNON, PA/
 BELLE VERNON AREA


P SO* 5-11 200

2021: Played in one game (New Hampshire), debuting as a holder for an extra-point placement.

2020: Walk-on who enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2020 following his early graduation from Belle Vernon Area and participated in the Panthers' abbreviated spring drills...did not play in any games.

HIGH SCHOOL: Accounted for 56 points as a senior specialist at Belle Vernon Area, converting 53-of-56 extra points and 1-of-2 field goals...also averaged 40 yards per punt...helped the Leopards to a 10-2 record and the WPIAL Class 4A championship game...Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 4A...first team All-Big Eight as a kicker and punter...earned a No. 1 rating as a punter at the 2019 Kohl's Kicking Camps...played under Coach Matt Humbert.

PERSONAL: Cameron Bonari Guess, born 10/14/01, is the son of Larry and Christina Guess...has two brothers and one sister...marketing major.



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STEPHON HALL
 MONACA, PA/
 CENTRAL VALLEY

DB FR* 6-1 190

2021: Did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Diverse talent for Central Valley who was impactful as a defensive back, running back, receiver and returner...compiled 64 tackles, 14 pass breakups and a forced fumble on defense...scored 13 touchdowns (11 rushing and two on kickoff returns)...averaged nearly 50 yards on five kickoff returns (five for 247) and 35.3 on punt returns (three for 106)...Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 3A...Class 3A Northwestern Six Defensive Player of the Year...*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* "Fabulous 22"...led team to consecutive WPIAL Class 3A championships as a junior and senior...was injured in the 2020 WPIAL title game and missed the final two contests, including Central Valley's PIAA championship win over

Wyomissing...selected to play in the Big 33 Football Classic (Pennsylvania vs. Maryland)...rated Pennsylvania's No. 16 overall prospect by 247Sports and No. 25 by Rivals...played under Coach Mark Lyons.

PERSONAL: Stephon Hall, born 12/1/02, is the son of Amber Patterson and Wendell Hall...has two brothers and one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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ERICK HALLETT II
 CYPRESS, TX/
 CY-FAIR

DB SR* 5-11 195

2021: Started all 14 games at free safety...totaled 70 tackles and 2.5 TFLs...paced Pitt with three interceptions (tied), nine pass breakups, two forced fumbles and one fumble recovery (tied)...Honorable Mention All-ACC...honored with the John D. Swofford Most Valuable Player Award after he intercepted two passes—returning one for a 19-yard touchdown—in Pitt's 45-21 victory over Wake Forest in the ACC Championship Game...collected four tackles, two pass breakups and an interception (which led to a short Pitt TD drive) at Virginia Tech and was named ACC Defensive Back of the Week...had a career-high 10 stops against Michigan State in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl...posted nine stops against Miami...had eight tackles, a tackle for loss and a PBU against North Carolina...had five tackles and two PBUs against Clemson...forced and recovered a fumble against Massachusetts.

2020: Played in 10 games, starting the final four contests of the season...his initial starting assignment of the year came at cornerback against Florida State (Nov. 7)...his subsequent starts (Virginia Tech, Clemson and Georgia Tech) occurred at safety...totaled 30 tackles, two TFLs, four pass breakups and two interceptions...had a season-high seven stops against Virginia Tech and Clemson...logged interceptions against Austin Peay and Georgia Tech...logged two PBUs against Virginia Tech.

2019: Played in 12 games, making one start (at Syracuse)...in addition to duty at safety, saw significant special teams action throughout the season...totaled 14 tackles and two pass breakups...had a season-high four tackles against UCF...had two tackles and two PBUs at Duke.

Erick Hallett II continued

2018: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: One of the Houston area's top prospects who helped lead Cy-Fair to the Texas Class 6A Division II championship with a 15-0 record... totaled 38 tackles, six interceptions and eight passes defended as a senior...returned an interception (34 yards) and a fumble (19 yards) for touchdowns...also contributed as a return specialist, averaging 27.6 yards on kickoffs (five for 138) and 11.2 on punts (21 for 235)...compiled 10 total INTs over his junior and senior seasons...*Houston Chronicle* All-Greater Houston...two-time first team All-District 17-6A...played under Coach Ed Pustejovsky...also a track and field letterman.

PERSONAL: Erick Paul Hallett II, born 4/24/00, is the son of Erick and Nia Hallett...has one brother and one sister...earned his bachelor's degree in philosophy and political science, and is now pursuing a second major in media and professional communications.

HALLETT CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2019	12/1	9	5	14	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	2
2020	10/4	20	10	30	2.0-6	0.0	0	0	2	4
2021	14/14	45	25	70	2.5-3	0.0	2	1	3	9
TOTAL	36/19	74	40	114	4.5-9	0.0	2	1	5	15



Erick Hallett II had two of Pitt's four interceptions in the 2021 ACC Championship Game and returned one 19 yards for a touchdown.



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RODNEY
HAMMOND JR.

NORFOLK, VA/
BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

RB SO 5-9 200

2021: Played in 12 games...rushed for 504 yards and five touchdowns on 102 carries (4.9 avg.)... also had eight catches for 57 yards (7.1 avg.) and two scores...rushed for a season-high 100 yards on 17 carries (5.9 avg.) with three TDs against New Hampshire...became the first Pitt freshman to rush for 100 yards since V'Lique Carter, who had 137 against Duke on Oct. 27, 2018...Hammond also became the first Pitt freshman to rush for three TDs since Dion Lewis had three against Cincinnati on Dec. 5, 2009...named the ACC Rookie of the Week and to the Football Writers Association of America's "Fresh Four" for his New Hampshire performance... came off the bench to start the fourth quarter against Clemson when injuries struck Pitt's backfield and rushed for 66 yards on 11 carries (6.0 avg.)...rushed for a game-high 81 yards and a TD on 16 carries (5.1 avg.) at Duke...posted season highs with three catches for 30 yards and a TD against Wake Forest in the ACC Championship Game...had a 15-yard TD catch at Syracuse.

HIGH SCHOOL: Rated one of the nation's top 20 running back prospects by ESPN...as a junior, rushed for more than 1,500 yards and 18 scores, while intercepting six passes as a defensive back... did not have a 2020 fall season due to COVID-19... abbreviated 2021 spring season was highlighted by a 305-yard, four-TD performance on just 12 carries (25.4 avg.) against Wilson...two-time All-Tidewater selection...*Virginian-Pilot* Hampton Roads Top 50 (No. 5)...rated one of Virginia's top 20 overall prospects by ESPN (No. 9), Rivals (No. 14) and 247Sports (No. 19)...played under Coach William Robertson.

PERSONAL: Rodney Leon Hammond Jr., born 9/20/02, is the son of Regina Daggs and Rodney Hammond...has four brothers and one sister... enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

HAMMOND CAREER STATISTICS

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2021	12/0	102	504	4.9	25	5	30
RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2021	12/0	8	57	7.1	22	2	12



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DAYON HAYES
PITTSBURGH, PA/
WESTINGHOUSE
DL JR 6-3 275

2021: Played in all 14 games as a primary reserve at defensive end...totaled 16 tackles, 7.5 TFLs and two sacks...had a career-high three tackles—each behind the line of scrimmage for 13 total yards in losses—against Michigan State in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl...had two stops and 1.5 TFLs with a six-yard sack at Syracuse...had a four-yard sack against Wake Forest in the ACC Championship Game.

2020: Played in five games as a reserve defensive end...had three tackles, 2.5 sacks and one forced fumble on the year...made his collegiate debut against Austin Peay in the season opener and had a career-high two sacks (for 15 yards in losses) and a forced fumble...had an assisted sack at Miami.

HIGH SCHOOL: The Pittsburgh City League's most heralded recruit in at least two decades, garnering more than 25 scholarship offers...collected an astounding 23.5 sacks his senior year and had 49.5 over his final two seasons...Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 3A...Mr. PA Football Lineman of the Year (Class 1A-3A)...*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* "Fabulous 22"...*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* "Terrific 25"...rated the nation's No. 10 strongside defensive end prospect by 247Sports...rated the nation's No. 15 weakside defensive end by Rivals...a consensus top 10 overall prospect in Pennsylvania...rated the state's No. 3 overall prospect by Rivals, No. 4 by 247Sports and No. 8 by ESPN...as a senior, led Westinghouse to an 8-4 record, the PIAA Class 3A playoffs and its first City League title in 23 years...played under Coach Donta Green.

PERSONAL: Dayon S. Hayes, born 8/26/01, is the son of Nevada Webb...has two sisters and one brother...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

HAYES CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2020	5/0	2	1	3	2.5-18	2.5	1	0	0	0
2021	14/0	8	8	16	7.5-31	2.0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	19/0	10	9	19	10.0-49	4.5	1	0	0	1



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AYDIN HENNINGHAM
DELRAY BEACH, FL/
DEERFIELD BEACH
LB SO* 6-2 225

2021: Did not play in any games and redshirted.

2020: Played in six games on special teams...enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2020 following his early graduation from Deerfield Beach and participated in the Panthers' abbreviated spring drills.

HIGH SCHOOL: Two-way player for Florida Class 8A Deerfield Beach as a wide receiver and safety...also excelled as a punt returner (averaging 21.1 yards per return)...helped team to a 10-4 record and the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) Class 8A championship game...as a junior at Park Vista, was first team All-Palm Beach 8A-6A and also earned third-team all-state recognition in the athlete category...*Sun Sentinel* Broward County Top 50 Prospects (No. 17)...rated one of the top 100 overall prospects in Florida by Rivals (No. 65) and ESPN (No. 78)...played under Deerfield Beach coach Jevon Glenn.

PERSONAL: Aydin Henningham, born 11/19/00, is the son of Pauline Henningham and Clinton Hudson...has two sisters and one brother...law, criminal justice and society major.



Pittsburgh City League product Dayon Hayes has a bright future after posting 10 TFLs and 4.5 sacks in his first two seasons.



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BRANDON HILL
APOPKA, FL/
WEKIVA

DB JR* 5-11 195

2021: Played in all 14 games, starting 13 at strong safety...totaled 81 tackles, one TFL, six pass break-ups, two interceptions, one fumble recovery and one forced fumble...All-ACC (second team)...Paycom Jim Thorpe Award semifinalist...helped clinch a 41-34 win at Tennessee by collecting a team-high seven tackles and intercepting a pass at Pitt's 17 and returning it 25 yards, allowing the Panthers to run out the final 4:52 on the clock...earned ACC Defensive Back of the Week for his performance at Tennessee...posted a career-high 11 tackles and three PBUs against Clemson...had nine tackles and a TFL at Georgia Tech...also had nine tackles against North Carolina...in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl, halted a Michigan State drive in Pitt territory with an interception, which the Panthers parlayed into a touchdown and 14-10 halftime lead...forced a fumble against Miami...recovered a fumble at Duke.

2020: Played in 10 games, starting two contests at safety (Florida State and Georgia Tech)...compiled 27 tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss, two forced fumbles and one interception...made his first collegiate start at Florida State (Nov. 7) and figured prominently in the 41-17 win...collected a game-high eight tackles, forced a fumble and put an exclamation point on the victory with a 50-yard interception return for a touchdown...was named the ACC Defensive Back of the Week for his performance against the Seminoles...logged eight tackles with a forced fumble against Notre Dame...had five stops at Georgia Tech...had 1.5 TFLs in the opener against Austin Peay.

2019: Played in four games as a true freshman, preserving a redshirt...appearances came against UCF, Delaware, Duke and Eastern Michigan in the Quick Lane Bowl.

HIGH SCHOOL: One of the top defensive back prospects in Central Florida...had five interceptions and 12 pass breakups as a senior safety for Wekiva...averaged an amazing 28.4 yards per interception return...also collected 29 tackles and four tackles for loss...on offense, carried 36 times for 202 yards (5.6 avg.) and six touchdowns...helped Wekiva to an 11-2 record and back-to-back district titles...the

No. 6-ranked player in the *Orlando Sentinel* Central Florida "Super60"...rated the nation's No. 34 safety prospect by ESPN...played under Coach Rich Bedesem.

PERSONAL: Brandon Donovan Hill, born 9/6/00, is the son of Adrienne and Maurice Hill...has one brother...law, criminal justice and society major.

HILL CAREER STATISTICS

	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2019	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2020	10/2	17	10	27	1.5-2	0.0	2	0	1	1	1
2021	14/13	37	44	81	1.0-1	0.0	1	1	2	6	6
TOTAL	28/15	54	54	108	2.5-3	0.0	3	1	3	7	7



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GABE HOUY
PITTSBURGH, PA/
UPPER ST. CLAIR

OL SR+ 6-6 325

2021: Played in 13 games, starting 12...made nine starts at right tackle and three at right guard...lone missed contest was against Virginia (Nov. 20) due to injury...All-ACC (third team)...instrumental up front for an offense that averaged a school-record 41.4 points and 486.6 yards per game...the Panthers ranked third nationally in scoring and eighth in total offense...named ACC Offensive Lineman of the Week for his effort at Georgia Tech...yielded zero sacks and zero pressures as Pitt posted 52 points and 580 total yards (399 passing) against the Yellow Jackets...named to the All-ACC Academic Football Team for the second consecutive season.

2020: Played in nine games, making eight starts at right tackle...named to the All-ACC Academic Football Team.

2019: Played in 12 contests, starting the initial six games of the season at right guard...missed the Oct. 18 Syracuse game due to injury.

2018: Played in six contests, making one start in his first active season...started at right tackle in place of injured senior Alex Bookser in the year's opening game against Albany.

2017: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: Rated one of the top two guard prospects in Pennsylvania by Scout...named to the *Pennsylvania Football News* 2016 #TeamPA, which recognized the best players in the state regardless of classification...*Pennsylvania Football News* All-Class 5A (first team)...*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* "Fabulous 22"...All-Allegheny Nine...*The Almanac* All-Star Team...a three-year starter on Upper St. Clair's offensive line...also started at defensive tackle as a senior and helped anchor a unit that allowed just 14.6 points per game...collected 30 tackles on defense...rated the No. 18 overall prospect in Pennsylvania by ESPN, No. 20 by Rivals, No. 21 by Scout and No. 23 by 247Sports...played under Coach Jim Render...an all-conference performer in basketball...High Honor Roll student.

PERSONAL: Gabriel Renato Houy, born 2/8/99, is the son of Dr. Jeff and Lori Houy...has two brothers...mother is a reporter for Pittsburgh's WPXI-TV...earned his bachelor's degree in administration of justice and is pursuing a second major in communication.



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RYAN JACOBY
 MENTOR, OH/
 MENTOR (OHIO STATE)

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JR*
6-4
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2021: Joined Pitt as a transfer from Ohio State in August 2021...played in the final three games of the year (Syracuse, ACC Championship Game against Wake Forest and the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl against Michigan State)...was a starter against Michigan State as a sixth offensive lineman.

AT OHIO STATE (2019-20): Served as a reserve offensive lineman for the Buckeyes during the 2019 and '20 seasons...did not play in any games in 2020...redshirted as a freshman in 2019...a decorated student, Jacoby was named a 2020 Big Ten Conference Distinguished Scholar for earning a grade-point average of at least 3.70...2020 Academic All-Big Ten Conference.

HIGH SCHOOL: A two-time first-team All-Ohio Division I offensive tackle at Mentor under Coach Steve Trivisonno...received more than 20 scholarship offers and was rated Ohio's No. 8 overall prospect by 247Sports...led Mentor to a combined 24-4 record (.857) over his junior and senior seasons...his junior year, Mentor averaged 41.2 points per game en route to a 13-2 record and the

Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) Division I championship game...the Cardinals averaged 36.9 points his senior season, finishing with an 11-2 mark...finalist for the Tony Fisher Award, presented to *The News-Herald* Player of the Year.

PERSONAL: Ryan Timothy Jacoby, born 10/2/00, is the son of Michael and Lisa Jacoby...has one brother and one sister...media and professional communications major.



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NAHKI JOHNSON
 PITTSBURGH, PA/
 WEST MIFFLIN

DL
FR*
6-2
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2021: Played in two games (Massachusetts and New Hampshire), preserving a redshirt...totaled three tackles on the year...had two tackles against UMass and one stop against UNH...enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2021 following his early graduation from West Mifflin and participated in spring drills.

HIGH SCHOOL: Earned national accolades as a defensive end prospect...named to the Rivals 250 (No. 169) and Top247 (No. 199)...rated the nation's No. 7 weakside defensive end prospect by Rivals and No. 13 by 247Sports...senior year was hindered due to injury...as a junior, compiled eight sacks and four forced fumbles and was named the Big Eight Defensive Player of the Year...*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* "Terrific 25"...rated Pennsylvania's No. 7 overall prospect by Rivals, No. 8 by 247Sports and No. 17 by ESPN...played under Coach Rod Steele.

PERSONAL: Nahki Sakou Johnson, born 3/28/03, is the son of Annette Reed and Shawn Johnson...has three sisters and two brothers...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



DEANDRE JULES

GERMANTOWN, MD/
NORTHWEST

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DL JR* 6-3 310

2021: Played in seven games as a reserve defensive tackle...totaled two tackles...logged stops against Tennessee and New Hampshire.

2020: Played in six games as a reserve defensive tackle...totaled six tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss and a sack assist on the year...had his most productive game at Miami, collecting three tackles, 1.5 TFLs and a sack assist...had two stops against Austin Peay.

2019: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: The top defensive end prospect in Maryland according to Rivals and 247Sports...four-year varsity contributor at Northwest...collected 59 tackles, 11 tackles for loss, 10 sacks, two forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and one blocked kick as a senior...helped Northwest to a 9-3 record and the Maryland 4A regional finals...rated the No. 14 overall prospect in Maryland by Rivals, No. 16 by 247Sports and No. 19 by ESPN...played under Coach Mike Neubeiser...selected to play in the Big 33 Football Classic.

PERSONAL: Deandre Patrick Jules, born 5/8/01, is the son of Sabrina Jules...has two sisters and one brother...law, criminal justice and society major.

JULES CAREER STATISTICS

	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2020		6/0	2	4	6	1.5-3	0.5	0	0	0	0
2021		7/0	1	1	2	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		13/0	3	5	8	1.5-3	0.5	0	0	0	0



CALEB JUNKO

AKRON, OH/
HUDSON

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PK/P FR* 6-1 200

2021: Joined team as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: An All-Suburban League specialist at Hudson, averaging 45 yards per punt under Coach Jeff Gough...helped team to a 9-1 record, the district championship and Region 5 final of the Ohio Division II playoffs as a senior...was also a four-year letterman and three-year starter in soccer.

PERSONAL: Caleb Micheal Junko, born 10/1/02, is the son of Dr. Jeff and Meredith Junko...has two brothers and one sister...comes from a football family...grandfather, Bob Junko, was a longtime Pitt football coach and administrator...brother, Josh, is a junior receiver for Pitt...father and uncle (Mike Junko) played football at Akron, while another uncle (Jay Junko) played wide receiver and punter for Pitt...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



JOSH JUNKO

AKRON, OH/CUYAHOGA VALLEY
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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WR JR* 6-1 200

2021: Played in one game (New Hampshire).

2020: Did not play in any games.

2019: Joined team as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: All-Principals Athletic Conference (PAC) wide receiver...Honorable Mention all-district...compiled 35 receptions for 460 yards (13.1 avg.) and six touchdowns as a senior...helped team to an 8-3 record and the Ohio Division IV playoffs...played under Coach Dan Larlham...played in the Summit County Thanks4Giving All-Star Game...also was an all-conference baseball player.

PERSONAL: Joshua Elsen Junko, born 8/1/00, is the son of Dr. Jeff and Meredith Junko...has two brothers and one sister...comes from a football family...grandfather, Bob Junko, was a longtime Pitt football coach and administrator...brother, Caleb, is a redshirt freshman specialist for Pitt...father and uncle (Mike Junko) played football at Akron, while another uncle (Jay Junko) played wide receiver and punter for Pitt...communication major.



BANGALLY KAMARA

AKRON, OH/
EAST

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LB JR 6-2 225

2021: Played in all 14 games, serving on special teams and as a reserve Money linebacker...totaled 11 tackles, two sacks and a forced fumble...had a season-high three stops against Michigan State in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl...had a 10-yard sack that forced a fumble at Syracuse...logged a three-yard sack at Duke.

2020: Played in all 11 games in his initial collegiate season, largely serving on special teams...had five tackles on the year...saw his most extensive action on defense (Star linebacker) in the season opener against Austin Peay and had a career-high four stops...had one tackle on the kickoff cover unit at Florida State.

HIGH SCHOOL: Decorated linebacker who also played tight end, wide receiver, kicker and punter... Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association (OPSWA) Division III All-State (first team)...Northeast Inland All-District (first team)...Greater Akron Best of Preps All-Star Team...led East to the Akron City Series championship, including five consecutive shutout victories to close the season...rated the No. 7 overall prospect in Ohio and the nation's No. 23 outside linebacker by 247Sports...rated No. 26 in Ohio by ESPN and No. 38 by Rivals... played under Coach Marquies Hayes.

PERSONAL: Bangally Umar Kamara, born 10/13/01, is the son of Umar and Fatima Kamara...has five brothers...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

KAMARA CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2020	11/0	1	4	5	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2021	14/0	7	4	11	2.0-13	2.0	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	25/0	8	8	16	2.0-13	2.0	1	0	0	0



CALIJAH KANCEY

MIAMI, FL/
MIAMI NORTHWESTERN

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DL JR* 6-0 280

2021: Started all 14 games at defensive tackle... first team All-ACC...third team Associated Press All-American...paced Pitt in tackles for loss (13) and ranked second in sacks (seven)...had 35 total tackles and added a forced fumble...had a career-high six tackles with a sack against North Carolina... totaled four stops—including a career-high three TFLs—against Virginia...matched his personal best with 1.5 sacks against the Cavaliers...had four tackles and an eight-yard sack against Massachusetts and was named to the Pro Football Focus National Team of the Week...had three stops, a TFL and forced fumble against Clemson.

2020: Played in all 11 games, starting four in his first fully active season...starting assignments came in each of the final four contests...named a Freshman All-American by the Football Writers Association of America (FWAA), Rivals and The Athletic...totaled 27 tackles, seven tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks...had a season-high five stops with one TFL against Notre Dame...had four tackles, including 2.5 TFLs and a career-high 1.5 sacks against Syracuse...had four stops at Clemson.

2019: Made one appearance in the Quick Lane Bowl win over Eastern Michigan, preserving a redshirt.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team All-Florida Class 6A defensive lineman for powerhouse Miami Northwestern...helped team to back-to-back Florida 6A state titles...the Bulls went a combined 23-8 his final two seasons and played in the 2017 GEICO State Champions Bowl...compiled more than 200 tackles as a junior and senior...rated one of the nation's top 45 defensive tackle prospects by Rivals...played under Coach Max Edwards.

PERSONAL: Calijah Demetrius Kancey, born 3/1/01, is the son of Schquinina Smith...has three sisters and one brother...administration of justice major.

KANCEY CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2019	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2020	11/4	12	15	27	7.0-21	1.5	0	0	0	2
2021	14/14	23	12	35	13.0-82	7.0	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	26/18	35	27	62	20.0-103	8.5	1	0	0	3



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WILL KING IV
 HOLLAND, MI/
 HOLLAND CHRISTIAN

DL SO* 6-4 280

2021: Did not play in any games.

2020: Joined team as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games.

HIGH SCHOOL: Did not play organized football until his senior year at Holland Christian...collected 91 tackles, 20 tackles for loss and four forced fumbles as a defensive end...played under Coach Chris Kuipers...also a baseball letterman.

PERSONAL: William Louis King IV, born 10/13/01, is the son of William and Elizabeth King...has one brother and one sister...communication major.



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JAKE KRADEL
 BUTLER, PA/
 BUTLER SENIOR

OL SR* 6-3 305

2021: Started the initial 10 games of the season before sustaining a season-ending injury...made nine starts at right guard and one at center (New Hampshire)...Honorable Mention All-ACC...instrumental up front for an offense that averaged a school-record 41.4 points and 486.6 yards per game...the Panthers ranked third nationally in scoring and eighth in total offense.

2020: Played in and started eight contests at right guard...named to the Pro Football Focus National Team of the Week for his performance in the season opener against Austin Peay.

2019: Played in 12 games, starting the final seven contests of the year at right guard...named to the Pro Football Focus ACC Team of the Week for his performance at Duke...came off the bench against the Blue Devils and did not surrender a single pass pressure, while being equally effective in the run game...earned his first collegiate start in the following contest at Syracuse and stayed in the starting lineup for the balance of the season...named to the All-ACC Academic Football Team.

2018: Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2018 following his early graduation from Butler Senior and participated in spring drills...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: One of Pennsylvania's most highly recruited offensive line prospects...was a standout in all three phases for Butler, starting on the offensive and defensive lines as well as punter... Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 6A... *Pennsylvania Football News* All-Class 6A... *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* "Fabulous 22"...*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* "Terrific 25"...Butler County "Sweet 16"...first team All-Northern Seven Conference as an offensive guard his senior year... was a first-team selection as a defensive lineman his junior year...rated one of Pennsylvania's top 25 overall prospects by ESPN (No. 17), Rivals (No. 17) and 247Sports (No. 22)...played under Coach Rob Densmore...also participated in basketball, lacrosse and track and field.

PERSONAL: Jake Mark Kradel, born 8/3/99, is the son of Mark and Tricia Kradel...has one sister... father played football at Slippery Rock University... earned his bachelor's degree in finance and is now enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.



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ELI KOSANOVICH
 ALIQUIPPA, PA/
 ALIQUIPPA

QB JR* 6-2 210

2021: Played in one game (New Hampshire).

2020: Did not play in any games.

2019: Joined team as a training camp walk-on and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Threw for an astounding 3,189 yards, 39 touchdowns and only six interceptions as a senior for traditional power Aliquippa, the most prolific passing season in school history... completed 63% of his passes (164 of 260)... helped lead the Quips to a 14-1 record and the PIAA and WPIAL Class 3A championships... Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 3A...*Beaver County Times* Co-Player of the Year...played under Coach Mike Warfield...also lettered in basketball.

PERSONAL: Eli Kosanovich, born 11/29/00, is the son of Nick and Carla Kosanovich...has two brothers...finance major.



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NICK LAPI
UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ/
NORTHERN HIGHLANDS

LB FR* 6-2 220

2021: Joined team as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Three-year letterman at Northern Highlands for Coach Greg Russo...as a senior linebacker, collected 33 tackles and six TFLs for New Jersey Super Football Conference (NJSFC) Freedom Red Division champions...also a track and field athlete.

PERSONAL: Nicholas David Lapi, born 2/1/03, is the son of Lisa Giampaglia and Nick Lapi...has two sisters...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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JEHVONN LEWIS
BETHEL PARK, PA/
BETHEL PARK

DB SO* 5-11 180

2021: Did not play in any games.

2020: Joined team as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games.

HIGH SCHOOL: A standout running back and defensive back under Bethel Park coach Brian DeLallo... All-Allegheny Eight...*The Almanac* All-Stars...led team to a 7-4 record and the WPIAL Class 5A playoffs as a senior...as a junior, in his first varsity start, rushed for a school-record 328 yards and scored three touchdowns against Woodland Hills... finished his injury-shortened junior season with 605 rushing yards and 11 TDs...as a senior, posted 889 scrimmage yards (519 rushing and 370 receiving) with 10 TDs.

PERSONAL: Jehvonn Gyland Duane Lewis, born 5/21/02, is the son of Keonda Dunn and Michael Lewis...has two brothers...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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BUDDY MACK III
GREER, SC/
BYRNES

LB JR 6-1 205

2021: Played in 11 games, serving on special teams and as a reserve safety...totaled 11 tackles...had a career-high five stops against New Hampshire.

2020: Played in all 11 games on special teams and also served as a reserve safety...had seven tackles and a forced fumble on the year...had a season-high three tackles against Virginia Tech... had two stops in the Austin Peay opener...forced a fumble while making a tackle on the kickoff cover unit at Georgia Tech...enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2020 following his early graduation from Byrnes and participated in the Panthers' abbreviated spring drills.

HIGH SCHOOL: Rated one of the top 30 overall prospects in South Carolina by ESPN...compiled 40 tackles, nine tackles for loss, two sacks, two interceptions and four additional passes defended as a senior safety...named to the South Carolina Football Coaches Class 5A All-State Team...selected to play in the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas all-star game...helped Byrnes to an 11-2 mark and the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Class 5A playoffs... played under Coach Reggie Shaw.

PERSONAL: Thomas Earl Mack III, born 2/8/02, is the son of Thomas and Thresea Mack Jr....has one sister and one brother...grandfather, Roy Kirksey, was an offensive guard at Maryland Eastern Shore and played four NFL seasons (1971-74), spending two years with the New York Jets and two with the Philadelphia Eagles...law, criminal justice and society major.

MACK CAREER STATISTICS

	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2020	11/0	6	1	7	0-0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0
2021	11/0	4	7	11	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	22/0	10	8	18	0-0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0



CHRIS MALONEY

FORT WASHINGTON, PA/
LA SALLE COLLEGE H.S.

DL SR* 6-2 255

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2021: A walk-on his initial three years, Maloney was awarded a scholarship prior to the 2021 season... played in 13 games, serving on special teams and as a reserve defensive end...totaled three tackles and a sack assist on the year...had a career-high two stops at Duke...had a sack assist at Syracuse... honored as a Military Bowl 3M Scholar-Athlete.

2020: Played in three games (Austin Peay, Louisville and Georgia Tech).

2019: Lone appearance of the season came at Georgia Tech on special teams.

2018: Joined Pitt as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Decorated offensive and defensive lineman at La Salle College, where he started three years under Coach John Steinmetz...three-time first team All-Philadelphia Catholic League (PCL)... three-time All-Southeastern Pennsylvania...Penn Preps All-State Class 6A...also a track and field letterman.

PERSONAL: Christopher John Maloney, born 4/24/00, is the son of Brian and Christine Maloney...has two brothers and one sister...earned his bachelor's degree in health and physical activity and is now pursuing graduate studies in Pitt's School of Education.



JAKE MCCONNACHIE

VERONA, NJ/
VERONA

WR SO* 6-5 195

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2021: Did not play in any games.

2020: Joined team as a training camp walk-on... did not play in any games.

HIGH SCHOOL: A standout receiver and defensive back who helped lead Verona to a 12-0 record and the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association (NJSIAA) North1/North 2 Group 2 regional championship...compiled 46 catches for

1,012 yards (22.0 avg.) and 13 touchdowns as a senior...New Jersey Football Coaches Association (NJFCA) "Super 100" All-State...first team All-Essex County...played under Coach Kevin Batty... also participated in basketball, lacrosse and track and field...honored as Verona High School's Athlete of the Year.

PERSONAL: Jake Malcolm McConnachie, born 11/15/01, is the son of Lucinda Harris and Malcolm McConnachie...has one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



JAVON MCINTYRE

BEAR, DE/
IMHOTEP CHARTER (PA)


DB FR* 6-0 195

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2021: Played in the final three games of the year, preserving a redshirt...appearances came against Syracuse, Wake Forest (ACC Championship Game) and Michigan State (Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl)... logged one tackle at Syracuse on punt coverage.

HIGH SCHOOL: One of Pennsylvania's top safety prospects...team did not have a 2020 fall season due to COVID-19...his junior year, compiled 53 tackles and a fumble return touchdown...was named All-Philadelphia Public League...helped team to an 8-5 record, the Philadelphia Class 4A City Championship and a berth in the PIAA playoffs...selected to play in the Big 33 Football Classic (Pennsylvania vs. Maryland)...rated the state's No. 14 overall prospect by ESPN, No. 18 by 247Sports and No. 22 by Rivals...played under Coach Devon Johnson.

PERSONAL: Javon Grover McIntyre, born 11/11/02, is the son of Theresa Brown and Eric McIntyre...has four sisters and one brother...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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MATT METROSKY
GREENSBURG, PA/GREENSBURG
CENTRAL CATHOLIC

OL FR* 6-1 290

2021: Joined team as a training camp walk-on... played in one game (New Hampshire), preserving a redshirt.

HIGH SCHOOL: Played center, guard and long snapper at Greensburg Central Catholic for Coach Bret Colbert, earning all-conference accolades...a three-sport athlete who was also an all-county, all-conference and all-district tennis player as well as a district qualifier in the shot put.

PERSONAL: Matthew Michael Metrosky, born 3/21/03, is the son of Jeff and Lisa Metrosky...has one brother...brother, Zach, played offensive line for Saint Vincent College (2015-19)...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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MARCUS MINOR
LANHAM, MD/DEMATHA
CATHOLIC (MARYLAND)

OL SR+ 6-4 325

2021: A mid-year graduate transfer from Maryland, Minor went on to start all 13 games he played in at left guard...lone missed contest (Nov. 11 against North Carolina) was due to injury...All-ACC (third team)...instrumental up front for an offense that averaged a school-record 41.4 points and 486.6 yards per game...the Panthers ranked third nationally in scoring and eighth in total offense.

AT MARYLAND (2017-20): Played in 26 games, making 17 starts on the Terps' offensive front over four seasons...made 13 starts at tackle and four at guard...three-time Academic All-Big Ten.

HIGH SCHOOL: Highly regarded prospect at perennial power DeMatha Catholic...first team American Family Insurance ALL-USA Maryland Football Team...first team All-Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (WCAC)...named to the ESPN 300 (No. 228)...rated the No. 5 overall prospect in Maryland by ESPN, No. 6 by Rivals and No. 9 by 247Sports...rated one of the country's top 20 guard prospects by ESPN (No. 17) and 247Sports

(No. 19)...helped lead DeMatha to a 12-0 record, its fourth consecutive WCAC title and No. 4 ranking in the USA TODAY Super 25... played under Coach Elijah Brooks.

PERSONAL: Marcus Jamal Minor, born 7/8/99, is the son of Kenneth and Yvonne Minor...earned his bachelor's degree in communications from Maryland...currently enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.



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COLE MITCHELL
FREDERICK, MD/
LINGANORE

TE FR* 6-5 255

2021: Did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Signed with Pitt in June 2021 after impressing the coaching staff as a tight end during a rising stars camp...contributed on offense, defense and special teams as a senior at Linganore, which had its fall season moved to the spring due to the COVID-19 pandemic...*Frederick News-Post* Defensive Player of the Year in 2021 after tallying 47 tackles, 10 tackles for loss and seven sacks in just five games...represented Team Maryland at the 2021 Big 33 Game.

PERSONAL: Cole Allen Mitchell, born 8/24/02, is the son of Chet and Jennifer Mitchell...father was a two-year letterman (1995-96) in football at James Madison as an offensive lineman and received the team's John Kraus Award for spirit and determination in 1996...mother also played basketball at James Madison...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



Grad transfer Marcus Minor immediately brought a veteran edge to Pitt's offensive line last season, starting 13 games.



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TERRENCE MOORE
 MASSILLON, OH/
 MASSILLON WASHINGTON

OL FR* 6-5 310

2021: Played in four games, preserving a redshirt...served as a reserve center...game appearances came against Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Duke and North Carolina...enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2021 following his early graduation from Massillon Washington and participated in spring drills.

HIGH SCHOOL: Decorated lineman for traditional Ohio power Massillon Washington...Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association (OPSWA) Division II All-State (first team)...Northeast Inland All-District (first team)...as a senior, paved the way for an offense that produced 327.1 yards per contest, including 185.1 on the ground...helped the Tigers to three consecutive Ohio Division II state championship games and a combined 38-4 mark (.905)...rated one of the nation's top 50 offensive tackles by Rivals...rated Ohio's No. 21 overall prospect by Rivals and No. 22 by ESPN...played under Coach Nate Moore.

PERSONAL: Terrence Joseph Moore, born 4/27/03, is the son of Nate and Rebecca Moore...has two brothers and one sister...communication major.



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JOHN MORGAN III
 UPPER MARLBORO, MD/
 DeMATHA CATHOLIC

DL SR* 6-2 265

2021: Played in all 14 games, starting three at defensive end...starting assignments came against Massachusetts, Tennessee and Michigan State (Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl)...totaled 27 tackles, 6.5 TFLs, 5.5 sacks and a forced fumble...logged a career-high four stops against Miami...had a career-high 1.5 sacks against Virginia...equaled his career best with two TFLs at Georgia Tech...forced a Michigan State fumble that was returned for a 26-yard touchdown by teammate Cam Bright in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl.

2020: Played in all 11 games as a reserve defensive end...collected 13 tackles, seven tackles for loss and four sacks on the year...twice had a season-high three tackles (Austin Peay and Miami)...matched his personal high with two TFLs, including a six-yard sack, at Miami...also logged sacks against Syracuse, Florida State and Georgia Tech.

2019: Played in all 13 games as a reserve defensive end...totaled 14 tackles, four TFLs and two sacks...twice had a season-high three stops (Duke and Syracuse)...had a personal-best two TFLs against UCF...had sacks at Georgia Tech and Syracuse.

2018: Played in three games as a true freshman, preserving a redshirt...appearances came at defensive end against Virginia Tech, Clemson (ACC Championship) and Stanford (Sun Bowl)...had one tackle against the Hokies.

HIGH SCHOOL: Considered one of the top defensive linemen in Maryland...rated the No. 1 strong-side defensive end in the state by Rivals...rated the No. 11 overall prospect in Maryland by ESPN, No. 12 by Rivals and No. 14 by 247Sports...excelled as a pass rusher, compiling eight sacks as a senior...also was a starter at tight end...All-Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (WCAC)...helped DeMatha to a combined 18-5 record (.783) over his final two varsity seasons...his junior year, DeMatha finished 12-0, capturing the WCAC title and finishing No. 4 in the USA TODAY Super 25 high school rankings...played under Coach Elijah Brooks...selected to play in the Maryland Crab Bowl all-star game (Washington D.C. vs. Baltimore).

PERSONAL: John Douglas Morgan III, born 6/6/00, is the son of John and Tisa Morgan Jr...has one brother and one sister...father played football at Bowie State...grandfather played basketball and ran track at Alabama A&M...law, criminal justice and society major.

MORGAN CAREER STATISTICS

	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2018		3/0	1	0	1	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2019		13/0	8	6	14	4.0-15	2.0	0	0	0	1
2020		11/0	8	5	13	7.0-33	4.0	0	0	0	0
2021		14/3	17	10	27	6.5-36	5.5	1	0	0	1
TOTAL		41/3	34	21	55	17.5-84	11.5	1	0	0	2



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KONATA MUMPFIELD
 HOSCHTON, GA/
 DACULA (AKRON)

WR SO 6-1 180

Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2022 as a transfer from Akron with immediate eligibility.

AT AKRON (2021): Selected All-Mid-American Conference (second team)...named a Freshman All-American by The Athletic, Pro Football Network and Maxwell Football Club...started all 12 games and led the Zips in receptions (63), receiving yards (751) and touchdown catches (eight)...compiled three 100-yard receiving games...had a career-high 122 yards on 11 receptions (11.1 avg.) with two TDs against Western Michigan...had six catches for 106 yards (19.7 avg.) and two scores against Bowling Green...had 10 catches for 109 yards (10.9 avg.) against Miami (Ohio).

HIGH SCHOOL: A two-way standout at Dacula under Coach Clint Jenkins, excelling as a wide receiver and defensive back...compiled 43 catches for 820 yards (19.1 avg.) and 13 touchdowns as a receiver while intercepting three passes on defense his senior year...he additionally had three punt return TDs...All-Region 8-AAAAAA...*Gwinnett Daily Post* All-County...led team to the semifinals of the state playoffs as a junior and senior.

PERSONAL: Konata Mumpfield, born 10/24/02, is the son of Ceeprian and Michelle Mumpfield...has three brothers and one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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P.J. O'BRIEN
 POMPANO BEACH, FL/
 DEERFIELD BEACH

DB SO 6-0 185

2021: Played in 12 games, serving on special teams and as a reserve safety...totaled 17 tackles and a pass breakup...had a season-high five stops with a PBU against New Hampshire...logged three tackles against Massachusetts and Duke...enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2021 following his early graduation from Deerfield Beach and participated in spring drills.

HIGH SCHOOL: Heavily recruited defensive back prospect out of Deerfield Beach who garnered more than 30 scholarship offers...rated the nation's No. 20 cornerback prospect by ESPN...rated one of Florida's top 60 overall prospects by ESPN and 247Sports...was highly productive despite a limited senior season, compiling 43 tackles, four interceptions (one for a TD) and six pass breakups in just five contests...first team All-Broward County 8A-6A...played under Coach Jevon Glenn...also a track and field letterman.

PERSONAL: Phillip Shane O'Brien Jr., born 12/12/02, is the son of Phillip O'Brien Sr. and Takeiha Greene...has three brothers...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

O'BRIEN CAREER STATISTICS											
DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU	
2021	12/0	4	13	17	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	1	



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SAMUEL OKUNLOLA
 BROCKTON, MA/
 THAYER ACADEMY

DL FR 6-4 240

Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2022 following his early graduation from Thayer Academy.

HIGH SCHOOL: Highly regarded edge rusher who earned more than 50 scholarship offers from across the country...All-New England...All-Independent School League (ISL)...ISL Co-Most Valuable Player...a two-way player for Thayer Academy...compiled 49 tackles, 25 tackles for loss, 17 sacks, three forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries...averaged 31.7 yards per reception as a tight end (222 yards on seven catches)...rated Massachusetts' No. 2 overall prospect by Rivals, No. 5 by 247Sports and No. 6 by ESPN...played for Coach Jeff Toussaint.

PERSONAL: Samuel Okunlola, born 9/27/03, is the son of Jomel and Monica Okunlola...has three brothers...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



**NICK
PATTI**

HILLSDALE, NJ/
ST. JOSEPH REGIONAL

QB SR* 6-3 225

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2021: Played in nine games, making one start... starting assignment—the second of his career—came against Michigan State in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl...on the year, completed 14-of-19 passes (74%) for 161 yards and rushed four times for 36 yards (9.0 avg.) and two touchdowns... against Michigan State, completed 2-of-5 passes for 21 yards and rushed three times for 27 yards (9.0 avg.) and a TD before missing the final 3½ quarters due to injury...scored Pitt's first touchdown against the Spartans on a dazzling 16-yard scramble but sustained his injury at the end of the play... threw for a season-high 58 yards on 5-of-5 passing against Massachusetts in the season opener... added a nine-yard rushing score against UMass.

2020: Played in two contests (Notre Dame and Florida State)...completed 2-of-5 passes for 17 yards and rushed twice for eight yards against the Irish...served as the Panthers' goal-line quarterback in a 41-17 win at Florida State, rushing for two scores (a one-yard plunge followed by a two-yard run)...had five total carries for three yards against the Seminoles.

2019: Served as the top backup to starting QB Kenny Pickett...played in six games with one start (Delaware)...completed 26-of-43 passes (61%) for 301 yards with three touchdowns and one interception on the year...also rushed for 27 yards on five carries (5.4 avg.)...made his first career start against Delaware when Pickett was out due to injury and finished 23 of 37 (62%) for 271 yards with two TDs and one INT in the 17-14 win...Pitt entered the final period trailing 14-10, but took the lead for good on Patti's 12-yard TD pass to Taysir Mack with 10:33 to go...his 271 passing yards were the most by a Pitt QB in their starting debut since John Turman threw for 316 yards and two TDs against Penn State on Sept. 11, 1999...Patti also saw critical time in the Panthers' 35-34 victory over UCF...relieving an injured Pickett, he played in two series and completed 2-of-3 passes for 16 yards, including a six-yard scoring strike to Dontavious Butler-Jenkins late in the third quarter...also rushed for 18 yards on two carries against the Knights.

2018: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: Rated one of the country's top 20 pro-style quarterbacks by Rivals...threw for nearly 4,600 yards and 43 touchdowns over his three varsity seasons at New Jersey power St. Joseph Regional...his senior year, threw for 2,039 yards and 17 touchdowns while rushing for an additional six TDs...directed St. Joseph to three consecutive state title games and a combined 27-10 mark (.730)...his junior year, he led the Green Knights to a 10-2 record and the Non-Public, Group 3 championship...All-Non Public, Group 3...first team All-Bergen County...rated the No. 9 overall prospect in New Jersey by Rivals, No. 20 by 247Sports and No. 23 by ESPN...played under Coach Augie Hoffmann.

PERSONAL: Nicholas Joseph Patti, born 3/29/00, is the son of Joseph and Kathleen Patti...has one brother...earned his bachelor's degree in finance and marketing and is now enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.

PATTI CAREER STATISTICS

PASSING	G/GS	ATT.	COMP.	PCT.	YDS.	TD	INT	EFFIC.
2019	6/1	43	26	60.5	301	3	1	137.64
2020	2/0	5	2	40.0	17	0	0	68.56
2021	9/1	19	14	73.7	161	0	0	144.86
TOTAL	17/2	67	42	62.7	479	3	1	134.53
RUSHING	G/GS	ATT.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.	
2019	6/1	5	27	5.4	10	0	0	
2020	2/0	7	11	1.6	13	2	12	
2021	9/1	4	36	9.0	16	2	12	
TOTAL	17/2	16	74	4.6	16	4	24	



Nick Patti backed up Kenny Pickett for much of the last three years, appearing in 17 games and starting two in that time.



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DAKOTA
PETERS

NEW CASTLE, PA/
SHENANGO (AKRON)

OL SR* 6-6 295

2021: Played in one game (New Hampshire).

2020: Joined team as a walk-on following his mid-year transfer from the University of Akron and participated in the Panthers' abbreviated spring drills...did not play in any games.

AT AKRON (2018-19): Did not play in any games...redshirted as a freshman in 2018.

HIGH SCHOOL: A first-team All-Big Seven offensive tackle at Shenango under Coach Mike Comness...a three-year letterman and two-time captain for the Wildcats...selected to play in the Penn-Ohio All-Star Football Classic...also lettered in baseball...four-year member of Shenango's Peer Leadership program.

PERSONAL: Dakota Robert Peters, born 5/5/00, is the son of Bob and Lauren Peters...has one brother and one sister...earned his bachelor's degree in marketing and is now enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.



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ANGELO
PRIORE

PITTSBURGH, PA/
BALDWIN


RB SO* 5-10 200

2021: Did not play in any games.

2020: Joined team as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games.

HIGH SCHOOL: A standout running back at Baldwin under Coach Loran Cooley...rushed for 720 yards and eight touchdowns on 81 carries (8.9 avg.) as a senior, helping the Highlanders to the WPIAL Class 5A playoffs, their first postseason berth in six years...missed virtually his entire junior season due to injuries...as a sophomore, rushed for 759 yards and seven TDs.

PERSONAL: Angelo Michael Priore, born 9/27/01, is the son of Michael and Angela Priore...has one brother...philosophy major.



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HUDSON
PRIMUS

WASHINGTON D.C./
ARCHBISHOP CARROLL

DB JR* 6-0 190

2021: Did not play in any games.

2020: Did not play in any games.

2019: Joined team as a fall walk-on and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Starting quarterback for Archbishop Carroll under Coach Robert Harris...despite an early season shoulder injury, threw for 515 yards and five touchdowns, while rushing for an additional 114 yards and two TDs...also had a two-point conversion rush...selected to play in the DC State Athletic Association (DCSAA) All-Star Game...also a track and field letterman who twice competed at the prestigious Penn Relays in Philadelphia...highly distinguished student...Principal's List...National Honor Society.

PERSONAL: Hudson Fitzgerald Primus II, born 5/19/01, is the son of Hudson and Celina Primus...has two sisters...communication major.



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JAKE
RENDA

PRINCETON, NJ/
IMG ACADEMY (FL)

TE FR* 6-4 245

2021: Did not play in any games and redshirted...enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2021 following his early graduation from IMG Academy and participated in spring drills.

HIGH SCHOOL: New Jersey native who transferred to IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla., for his senior year...was a tight end at IMG Academy after previously playing quarterback his initial three high school seasons...a freshman varsity starter at Princeton High School before going on to play QB and defensive end at Notre Dame High as a sophomore and junior...rated the nation's No. 27 tight end prospect by ESPN...played under IMG head coach Bobby Acosta.

PERSONAL: Louis Jacob Renda, born 2/9/03, is the son of Joe and Meg Renda...has one brother and one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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JAHVANTE ROYAL
 MIRAMAR, FL/
 ST. THOMAS AQUINAS
DB SO* 6-3 195

2021: Played in six games, serving on special teams and as a reserve cornerback...totaled three tackles...logged one stop in the New Hampshire, Duke and Syracuse games.

2020: Played in two games (Florida State and Clemson), contributing on special teams and as a reserve corner.

HIGH SCHOOL: A two-way player as a wide receiver and defensive back for powerhouse St. Thomas Aquinas, which went 14-0 and captured the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) Class 7A championship...the Raiders ranked No. 3 in the *USA TODAY* "Super 25"...rated the nation's No. 19 safety by Rivals...rated the nation's No. 26 "athlete" by ESPN...rated one of the top 60 overall prospects in Florida by ESPN (No. 52) and Rivals (No. 60)...*Sun Sentinel* Broward County Top 50 Prospects (No. 11)...played under Coach Roger Harriott.

PERSONAL: Jahvante Anthony Royal, born 8/17/01, is the son of Dorene Weir...has four brothers and four sisters...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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BEN SAULS
 TIPP CITY, OH/
 TIPPECANOE
PK SO* 5-10 185

2021: Played in all 14 games, serving as Pitt's primary kickoff specialist...averaged 62.3 yards on 104 kickoffs with 44 touchbacks (42%)...had four tackles on kickoff cover, including a personal-best two at Tennessee...converted both of his extra-point attempts against Massachusetts for two points on the season...finished 2 of 4 on PATs overall.

2020: Made his lone appearance in the opener against Austin Peay...converted an extra-point try to complete the scoring in Pitt's 55-0 victory over the Governors.

HIGH SCHOOL: Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association (OPSWA) Division III All-State (first team) as a placekicker...accounted for 31 points as a senior, converting 3-of-5 field goals and 22-of-23 extra points...kicked a school-record 55-yard field goal as well as a 49-yarder in the same game...averaged a school-record 43.5 yards per punt...rated the nation's No. 12 kicker by 247Sports and No. 19 by ESPN...played under Coach Matt Burgbacher...also was an All-Ohio selection in soccer and led Tippecanoe to its first boys soccer state title.

PERSONAL: Benjamin Joseph Sauls, born 7/31/01, is the son of Christine Diehl and Mark Sauls...has one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

SAULS CAREER STATISTICS

KICKING	G	FG	FGA	PCT.	XP	XPA	PCT.	PTS.
2020	1	0	0	-	1	1	100.0	1
2021	14	0	0	-	2	4	50.0	2
TOTAL	15	0	0	-	3	5	60.0	3



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SAM SCARTON
 HERMITAGE, PA/
 HICKORY
PK JR* 6-1 195

2021: Earned All-ACC (third team) in his first year as Pitt's starting placekicker, converting 17-of-21 field goals (81%) and 69-of-72 extra points (96%)...his season point total of 120 set a Pitt kick scoring record, surpassing the prior mark of 115 set by Dan Hutchins in 2009...ranked 13th nationally and second in the ACC in total points scored...his average of 8.6 points per game ranked 27th nationally and third in the ACC...in Pitt's 54-29 win at Duke, Scarton was perfect on each of his 10 placements, converting four field goals and six PATs, for a career-high 18 points, tying the school single-game kick scoring record set by Conor Lee in a four-overtime 36-33 victory at Notre Dame in 2008...had a season-long 47-yard field goal against the Blue Devils...converted each of his seven placements (two field goals and five PATs) for 11 points in a 41-34 win at Tennessee...totaled 10 points in a 52-21 win at Georgia Tech, making his lone field goal attempt (a 46-yarder) and each of his seven PATs...named to the All-ACC Academic Football Team.

2020: Did not play in any games.

2019: Joined team as a training camp walk-on and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Converted 11-of-15 field goals (73%) over his final two seasons at Hickory...had long field goals of 52 and 50 yards...as a senior kickoff specialist, had 77% of his kicks result in touchbacks...Pennsylvania Football Writers All-Class 3A at kicker...two-time all-region and all-district as both a kicker and punter...played under Coach Bill Brest...selected to play in the West Penn All-Star Game and NFBD All-Star Game...also earned three letters in soccer and three in track and field at Hickory...all-region honoree in soccer...four-year Academic Letter Winner.

PERSONAL: Samuel John Scarton, born 11/6/00, is the son of Ronald and Cathy Scarton...has two brothers and one sister...brother, Jake, was a two-year walk-on kicker with the Pitt football team (2017-18)...mechanical engineering major.

SCARTON CAREER STATISTICS

KICKING	G	FG	FGA	PCT.	XP	XPA	PCT.	PTS.	
2021	14	17	21	81.0	69	72	95.8	120	
EFFICIENCY	FGM-FGA	PCT.	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	BLK
2021	17-21	81.0	0-0	5-5	7-8	5-7	0-1	47	1



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AK'BAR SHABAZZ II

MARIETTA, GA/
HARRISON

DB FR* 6-1 195

2021: Joined team as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Two-year letterman under Coach Matt Dickmann at Harrison, which competes at the 7A level, the state's largest classification...compiled 63 tackles, five TFLs, eight passes defended, two fumble recoveries, a forced fumble and an interception as a senior...helped team to a Georgia Class 7A playoff berth as a senior...his junior year, the Hoyas went 15-0 and won the Class 6A title.

PERSONAL: Ak'Bar Amin Shabazz II, born 1/7/03, is the son of Ak'Bar and Hermina Shabazz...has three sisters and one brother...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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SHAYNE SIMON

WEST ORANGE, NJ/
ST. PETER'S PREP (NOTRE DAME)

LB SR* 6-3 235

Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2022 as a graduate transfer from Notre Dame.

AT NOTRE DAME (2018-21): Played in 32 career games, making eight starts at linebacker...totaled 27 tackles, three TFLs and five pass breakups...starting assignments all came during the 2020 season, when the Irish advanced to the College Football Playoff and finished 10-2...had 14 stops, one TFL and four PBUs during the '20 campaign...had a career-high four stops, a TFL and two PBUs in Notre Dame's 47-40 double-overtime win over No. 1 Clemson.

HIGH SCHOOL: Nationally regarded linebacker prospect under Coach Rich Hansen at St. Peter's Prep...selected to play in the prestigious U.S. Army All-American Bowl in San Antonio, Texas...compiled 108 tackles, 23 tackles for loss, six sacks and nine interceptions over his final two varsity seasons...first team All-New Jersey...first team New Jersey All-Non Public School...first team All-New Jersey Super Football Conference (NJSFC)...*Hudson Reporter* Defensive Player of the Year and first team All-Area...in his final two years, led St. Peter's Prep to a combined 17-7 record (.708) and consecutive trips to the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association (NJSIAA) Non-Public Group 4 championship game...rated one of New Jersey's top-five prospects by ESPN (No. 3), 247Sports (No. 4) and Rivals (No. 4)...rated the nation's No. 7 outside linebacker prospect by 247Sports and No. 12 by Rivals...rated the country's No. 15 safety prospect by ESPN.

PERSONAL: Shayne Allan Simon, born 3/14/00, is the son of Amy Ellis and Michael Simon...has one brother...earned his bachelor's degree in finance from Notre Dame...enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.

SIMON CAREER STATISTICS (AT NOTRE DAME)

	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2018		9/0	2	2	4	0.5-2	0.0	0	0	0	1
2019		11/0	2	7	9	1.5-2	0.0	0	0	0	0
2020		11/8	9	5	14	1.0-1	0.0	0	0	0	4
2021		1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		32/8	13	14	27	3.0-5	0.0	0	0	0	5



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KEDON SLOVIS
SCOTTSDALE, AZ/
DESERT MOUNTAIN (USC)

QB SR 6-3 215

Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2022 as a transfer from Southern California with immediate eligibility.

AT USC (2019-21): Played in 27 games, making 26 starts over three seasons at USC...completed 68% of his passes (652 of 953) for 7,576 yards with 58 touchdowns and 24 interceptions for the Trojans...as a junior in 2021, completed 65% of his passes (193 of 297) for 2,153 yards with 11 TDs and eight INTs...as a sophomore captain in 2020, completed 67% of his passes (177 of 264) for 1,921 yards with 17 TDs and seven INTs, earning first team All-Pac 12...as a freshman in 2019, threw for 3,502 yards with 30 touchdowns against nine interceptions, while completing 72% of his passes (282 of 392)...garnered first team Freshman All-America honors from the Football Writers Association of America (FWAA) and was the Pac-12 Offensive Freshman of the Year and Associated Press Pac-12 Newcomer of the Year.

HIGH SCHOOL: Threw for more than 5,500 yards with 50 touchdowns over his final two seasons at Desert Mountain...as a senior, completed 62% of his passes (183 of 294) for 2,542 yards with 18 TDs and six INTs...his junior year, hit 64% of his passes (251 of 392) for 2,987 yards and 32 TDs with five INTs...rated the nation's No. 16 pro-style quarterback prospect by Rivals and No. 17 by ESPN...played under Coach David Sedmak...Slovis' quarterbacks coach at Desert Mountain was NFL Hall of Famer Kurt Warner.

PERSONAL: Kedon Gregory Slovis, born 4/11/01, is the son of Max and Lisa Slovis...name is pronounced KEE-den SLOH-vis...has two brothers...earned his bachelor's degree in communication from USC and is now enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.

SLOVIS CAREER STATISTICS (AT USC)

PASSING	G/GS	ATT.	COMP.	PCT.	YDS.	TD	INT	EFFIC.
2019	12/11	392	282	71.9	3,502	30	9	167.64
2020	6/6	264	177	67.0	1,921	17	7	144.12
2021	9/9	297	193	64.9	2,153	11	8	132.71
TOTAL	27/26	953	652	68.4	7,576	58	24	150.24

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2019	12/11	45	(-57)	(-1.3)	9	0	0
2020	6/6	23	(-57)	(-2.5)	24	0	0
2021	9/9	26	(-36)	(-1.4)	11	0	0
TOTAL	27/26	94	(-150)	(-1.6)	24	0	0



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ISAIAH STEWART
UNION, NJ/
UNION

WR JR* 6-2 190

2021: Played in one game (New Hampshire).

2020: Did not play in any games.

2019: Joined team as a training camp walk-on and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: An all-conference wide receiver at Union under Coach Lou Grasso...despite an injury-shortened senior season, averaged 17.2 yards per catch, totaling 23 receptions for 396 yards and five touchdowns...spent his initial three years at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High, where he earned all-division honors as a junior after catching 73 passes for 941 yards and five touchdowns...selected to play in the Phil Simms North-South Football Classic...also a track letterman.

PERSONAL: Isaiah Sobrino-Stewart, born 1/2/00, is the son of Tony and Dee Stewart...has two sisters and one brother...father played football at Iowa, where he was a standout running back and senior captain...Tony Stewart was selected in the 11th round of the 1991 NFL Draft by the Seattle Seahawks and went on to play four seasons in the Canadian Football League (Calgary Stampeders and Hamilton Tiger-Cats)...communication major.



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JUDSON TALLANDIER II
LARGO, MD/
DEMATHA CATHOLIC

DB SR* 6-0 185

2021: Played in all 14 games, making one start (Syracuse) at safety...totaled 27 tackles and one pass breakup...had a career-high five stops at Duke...logged four tackles in the Tennessee and Michigan State (Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl) games... had three tackles and a PBU at Syracuse.

2020: Played in all 11 games, serving on special teams and as a reserve safety...totaled eight tackles on the year...had a season-high four tackles at Clemson.

2019: Played in four games in special teams capacities (UCF, Delaware, Virginia Tech and the Quick Lane Bowl against Eastern Michigan).

2018: Played in one game (Sun Bowl against Stanford) to preserve a freshman redshirt.

HIGH SCHOOL: Earned acclaim as one of the top two cornerbacks in Maryland according to the scouting services...rated Maryland's No. 13 overall prospect by Rivals, No. 17 by 247Sports and No. 22 by ESPN...compiled 39 tackles, 15 pass breakups and an interception his senior year...All-Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (WCAC)...helped DeMatha to a combined 18-5 record (.783) over his final two varsity seasons...his junior year, DeMatha finished 12-0, capturing the WCAC title and finishing No. 4 in the *USA TODAY* Super 25 high school rankings...played under Coach Elijah Brooks...selected to play for the Team USA Under 19 National Team, which defeated Canada, 47-7, in International Bowl IX at the Dallas Cowboys' AT&T Stadium.

PERSONAL: Judson Tallandier II, born 8/12/00, is the son of Judson Tallandier and Samira Malik... is the nephew of Ridwan Malik, who was a defensive back for West Virginia from 2004-07... communication major.

TALLANDIER CAREER STATISTICS

	DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2018		1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2019		4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2020		11/0	6	2	8	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2021		14/1	16	11	27	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL		30/1	22	13	35	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	1



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BRANSON TAYLOR
LORAIN, OH/
ELYRIA CATHOLIC

OL SO* 6-5 320

2021: Played in 12 games, serving on the PAT/ field goal unit and as a reserve offensive tackle.

2020: Played in the final three contests of the year (Virginia Tech, Clemson and Georgia Tech) as a reserve offensive tackle.

HIGH SCHOOL: Widely considered one of Ohio's top offensive linemen after not allowing a sack as a senior for Elyria Catholic...Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association (OPSWA) Division V All-State (first team)...selected the Northeast Lakes District Co-Offensive Player of the Year for Division V...Lorain County Most Valuable Offensive Lineman...led team to an 8-4 record and the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) Division V playoffs...rated the nation's No. 22 offensive tackle by 247Sports...rated Ohio's No. 6 overall prospect by 247Sports, No. 15 by ESPN and No. 34 by Rivals... played under Coach Brian Fox...also a first-team all-county performer in basketball.

PERSONAL: Branson Gregory Taylor, born 2/13/02, is the son of Heather Roule and the late Brian Taylor...has one brother...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



Judson Tallandier II, a valuable reserve safety and special teams contributor in recent seasons, will wear No. 0 beginning in 2022.



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**NATE
TEMPLE**
ABBEVILLE, SC/
ABBEVILLE

DL JR* 6-4 245

2021: Played in seven games, appearing on special teams and as a reserve defensive end...totaled two tackles...logged stops against Massachusetts and Duke.

2020: Played in the initial five games on special teams and as a reserve defensive end before sustaining a season-ending injury...had two tackles and a pass breakup in the opener against Austin Peay.

2019: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: Three-year starter at defensive end for South Carolina power Abbeville...during his varsity career, the Panthers went a combined 42-1-1 (.966) and won three South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Class 2A championships...collected 12.5 sacks with an additional 11 tackles for loss as a senior...American Family Insurance ALL-USA South Carolina Football Team...All-Lakelands...selected to play in the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas all-star game...rated the No. 15 overall prospect in South Carolina by ESPN and No. 28 by 247Sports...played under Coach Jamie Nickles.

PERSONAL: Nathan Anthony Temple, born 8/25/00, is the son of Tony and Shannon Temple...has one brother and one sister...communication major.



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**GAVIN
THOMSON**
PITTSBURGH, PA/PITTSBURGH
CENTRAL CATHOLIC

WR JR* 6-0 185

2021: Played in five games, appearing on special teams and as a reserve wide receiver.

2020: Played in six games, serving on special teams and as a reserve wide receiver...had two catches for 12 yards in the season opener against Austin Peay.

2020: Joined team as a training camp walk-on and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Two-year starting wide receiver at traditional power Central Catholic under Coach Terry Totten...first team WPIAL All-Class 6A...two-time PAFootballNews.com All-Academic Gold Team honoree...helped the Vikings to a combined 17-7 record over his final two seasons, including a berth in the WPIAL Class 6A championship game as a junior...also a track and field letterman who placed seventh in the high jump at the WPIAL championship meet.

PERSONAL: Gavin Rae Thomson, born 3/13/01, is the son of Alfred and Kelli Thomson...has two sisters and one brother...communication major.



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**SAM
VANDER HAAR**
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA/
BOX HILL SENIOR SECONDARY

P FR 6-0 205

Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2022, continuing Pitt's Australian punter connection...Kirk Christodoulou, also a Melbourne native and Prokick Australia product, served as the Panthers' starting punter from 2018-21.

PRIOR TO PITT: An Australian rules football player from his youth, Vander Haar went on to work with the renowned Prokick Australia program that has produced many successful collegiate and NFL punters...Prokick Australia's "exports" include Minnesota Vikings punter Jordan Berry, the San Francisco 49ers' Mitch Wishnowsky, the Seattle Seahawks' Michael Dickson as well as the Houston Texans' Cameron Johnston.

PERSONAL: Samuel Thomas Vander Haar, born 5/4/97, is the son of Michael and Lynda Vander Haar...has two sisters and one brother...married his wife Hallie, a Duquesne University graduate, in June 2022...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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PETER VARDZEL
 CHARLESTON, SC/
 WANDO

WR	FR*	6-0	185
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2021: Joined team as a training camp walk-on...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: All-region wide receiver under Coach Rocco Adrian at Wando...over a seven-game season shortened due to the pandemic, compiled 35 catches for 582 yards (16.6 avg.) and four touchdowns...averaged 19.2 yards on 10 kickoff returns and 8.3 yards on eight punt returns... National Honor Society member.

PERSONAL: Peter Vardzel, born 5/2/03, is the son of Jerry and Suzie Vardzel...has two brothers and two sisters...brother, John, played wide receiver at Pitt from 2018-21, while another brother, Michael, played receiver for the Panthers from 2016-19...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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CARTER WARREN
 PATERSON, NJ/
 PASSAIC TECH

OL	SR+	6-5	325
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2021: Started all 14 games at left tackle...All-ACC (second team)...instrumental up front for an offense that averaged a school-record 41.4 points and 486.6 yards per game...the Panthers ranked third nationally in scoring and eighth in total offense... honored as the ACC Offensive Lineman of the Week for his performance in Pitt's 27-17 victory over Clemson...Warren, who did not surrender a sack against the Tigers, was Pitt's highest-graded offensive lineman as the Panthers' gouged Clemson for 464 yards (302 pass and 162 rush).

2020: Played in nine games, starting the season's initial eight contests at left tackle...came off the bench to contribute in Pitt's season finale at Georgia Tech.

2019: On the strength of a productive offseason, seized the left tackle position in training camp and went on to start all 13 contests.

2018: Did not play in any games.

2017: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: One of New Jersey's most decorated offensive linemen...first team All-New Jersey...first team All-Group 5...was a fixture at left offensive tackle for Passaic Tech and spearheaded a rushing attack that compiled 2,229 yards (an average of 185.8 yards per game) his senior season...helped lead Passaic Tech to a 9-3 mark and third consecutive North 1, Group 5 championship final...his junior year, Warren blocked for a 1,000-yard rusher in helping his team go 10-2 and win the North 1, Group 5 title...rated the No. 9 overall prospect in New Jersey by ESPN and No. 10 by Rivals and 247Sports...played under Coach Matt Demarest.

PERSONAL: Carter Saint Warren, born 1/19/99, is the son of Todd and Lynette Warren...has one sister...has two cousins who played college football: Darnell Carter, who was a linebacker at Virginia (2006-10), and Keith Lumpkin, who was an offensive lineman at Rutgers (2011-15)...earned his bachelor's degree in administration of justice and is pursuing a second major in communication.



Carter Warren was invited to the Reese's Senior Bowl and could have turned pro but elected to return to Pitt for another season.



JARED WAYNE

PETERBOROUGH, ONTARIO/
CLEARWATER ACADEMY
INTERNATIONAL (FL)

WR SR 6-3 210

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2021: Played in 13 games, starting four... lone missed contest (New Hampshire) was due to injury...starting assignments came against Western Michigan, North Carolina, Virginia and Wake Forest (ACC Championship Game)...finished second on the team in receptions (47), receiving yards (658) and receiving touchdowns (tied with six)...a former high school quarterback, he was also utilized on gadget plays and finished 2-of-3 passing for 36 yards and a TD...matched his career high with 100 receiving yards (on five catches) against Western Michigan...twice equaled his career high of six receptions: Massachusetts (for 55 yards) and Miami (78 yards and a TD)...had five receptions for 81 yards and a TD at Duke...threw a 16-yard touchdown pass to Lucas Krull at Tennessee, giving Pitt a 14-13 lead...also connected with Krull on a 20-yard completion against Wake Forest in the ACC Championship Game...named one of five finalists for the Jon Cornish Trophy, given to the top NCAA football player who is from Canada.

2020: Played in eight games, starting three... starting assignments came against Louisville, Florida State and Georgia Tech...compiled 21 receptions for 326 yards (15.5 avg.) and a touchdown...logged a season-high five catches in three different games (Syracuse, Clemson and Georgia Tech)...had a season-high 66 receiving yards on just two catches (33.0 avg.) at Florida State...his scoring reception was a 17-yarder against Syracuse.

2019: Played in eight games as a true freshman, starting the final four contests of the season... compiled 18 catches for 261 yards (14.5 avg.) and a touchdown on the year...achieved career highs with six receptions for 100 yards (16.7 avg.) against Boston College...became the first Pitt freshman to log a 100-yard receiving effort since 2013, when Tyler Boyd had five such outings...his first collegiate touchdown was a 19-yard reception in the Quick Lane Bowl victory over Eastern Michigan.

HIGH SCHOOL: A native of Canada who played at Florida's Clearwater Academy International as a senior...compiled 61 receptions for 1,157 yards (18.9 avg.) and 14 touchdowns in leading the Knights to an 11-0 mark, the first undefeated

season in school history...previously played at Trinity College School in Port Hope, Ontario, where he was a quarterback, wide receiver and safety... rated the No. 4 Canadian prospect by ESPN... played under Clearwater Academy International coach Jesse Chinchar.

PERSONAL: Jared Emmanuel Wayne, born 10/7/00, is the son of Shelley McLaughlin and Patrick Wayne...has two sisters...father was a linebacker in the Canadian Football League...administration of justice major.

WAYNE CAREER STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.
2019	8/4	18	261	14.5	31	1	6
2020	8/3	21	326	15.5	49	1	6
2021	13/4	47	658	14.0	40	6	36
TOTAL	29/11	86	1,245	14.5	49	8	48



MARQUIS WILLIAMS

POMPANO BEACH, FL/
CARDINAL GIBBONS

DB SR* 5-9 180

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2021: Started all 14 games at cornerback... compiled 34 tackles, two TFLs, one interception and three pass breakups...twice matched his career high with five stops against Duke and Wake Forest (ACC Championship Game)...added an INT against Wake Forest...had three tackles with a personal-best two TFLs against Clemson.

2020: Played in 10 games, starting eight at cornerback...compiled 22 tackles, four pass breakups and two interceptions on the season...had interceptions against Louisville and Miami...against the Hurricanes, returned his INT 34 yards to the Miami 1 to set up a Pitt TD...had a career-high five stops against Syracuse...had a personal-best two pass breakups against NC State.

2019: Played in eight games, serving on special teams and as a reserve cornerback...had four tackles on the season...had a season-high three stops against UCF.

2018: Played in four games as a true freshman, preserving a redshirt...appearances came at cornerback against Albany, UCF, Syracuse and Stanford in the Sun Bowl...had a solo tackle against Albany.

HIGH SCHOOL: Compiled 34 tackles, four tackles for loss, two interceptions, two forced fumbles and one fumble recovery as a senior at Cardinal Gibbons... also averaged 35 yards per kickoff return (seven for 245 yards)...helped Cardinal Gibbons to an 11-2 mark and the Region 4-5A final...played under Coach Matt DuBuc...rated one of the top 100 overall prospects in Florida by Rivals...also a track and field letterman.

PERSONAL: Marquis Trevon Williams, born 11/2/98, is the son of Berthea Carter and Caleb Williams... first name is pronounced "mar-QUEZ"...has one brother and one sister...uncle, Tyrone Carter, was a two-time All-American at Minnesota and won the 1999 Thorpe Award as college football's top defensive back...Carter played 11 NFL seasons (2000-10), including six with the Steelers (2004-09), and won two Super Bowls while in Pittsburgh... administration of justice major.

WILLIAMS CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2018	4/0	1	0	1	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2019	8/0	4	0	4	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2020	10/8	16	6	22	0-0	0.0	0	0	2	4
2021	14/14	26	8	34	2.0-3	0.0	0	0	1	3
TOTAL	36/22	47	14	61	2.0-3	0.0	0	0	3	7



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SAM WILLIAMS
 PEMBROKE PINES, FL/
 CALVARY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

DL SO* 6-3 235

2021: Did not play in any games.

2020: Did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Highly productive playmaker on the defensive side of the ball...collected 63 tackles, 20 tackles for loss, six sacks, one forced fumble, one fumble recovery and a blocked punt from his defensive end position...first team All-Broward County 5A-1A...led Calvary Christian Academy to a 10-2 record and the regional final of the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) Class 3A playoffs...*Sun Sentinel* Broward County Top 50 Prospects (No. 38)...rated one of the nation's top 50 weakside defensive end prospects by 247Sports...played under Coach Kirk Hoza.

PERSONAL: Samuel Thomas Williams, born 11/18/01, is the son of Thomas and Cassandra Williams...has two sisters...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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A.J. WOODS
 GERMANTOWN, MD/
 NORTHWEST

DB SR 5-11 195

2021: Played in 13 games, starting one at cornerback...starting assignment was the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl against Michigan State...missed the Nov. 11 contest against North Carolina due to injury...compiled 27 tackles, a TFL assist, seven pass breakups, an interception and a forced fumble on the year...twice had a season-high five stops (Virginia Tech and Virginia)...had four stops and two pass breakups against Michigan State...recorded the longest interception return in ACC Championship Game history when he picked off a Wake Forest pass and returned it 73 yards to the Demon Deacons' 3...Pitt cashed in with a touchdown to go up 38-21 en route to a 45-21 victory...forced a fumble against Virginia.

2020: Played in all 11 games, making three starts at cornerback...starting assignments came against Austin Peay, Florida State and Virginia Tech...totaled 17 tackles, one tackle for loss, two pass breakups and an interception...had a career-high seven stops and his first collegiate INT against Florida State...had four stops, a two-yard TFL and one PBU at Clemson.

2019: Played in 10 games on special teams as a true freshman...totaled 78 yards on five kickoff returns (15.6 avg.)...posted season highs with three kickoff returns for 45 yards (15.0 avg.) against Duke...had a season-long kick return of 20 yards against Delaware...had three tackles on kickoff coverage for the year, recording one stop in the Penn State, Delaware and Duke contests.

HIGH SCHOOL: A two-way standout at Northwest under Coach Mike Neubeiser...as a cornerback, collected 35 tackles, 17 passes defended, two forced fumbles and two blocked punts...as a wide receiver, averaged 21.6 yards per reception (14 catches for 303 yards) with five touchdowns...helped Northwest to a 9-3 record and the Maryland 4A regional finals...rated the No. 9 overall prospect in Maryland by ESPN and No. 25 by Rivals and 247Sports...selected to play in the Big 33 Football Classic.

PERSONAL: Anthony Woods Jr., born 3/28/01, is the son of Tony and Sandra Woods...has one sister...communication major.

A.J. Woods continued

WOODS CAREER STATISTICS

DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	SACKS	FF	FR	INT	PBU
2019	10/0	0	3	3	0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2020	11/3	15	2	17	1.0-2	0.0	0	0	1	2
2021	13/1	21	6	27	0.5-1	0.0	1	0	1	7
TOTAL	34/4	36	11	47	1.5-3	0.0	1	0	2	9
KICK RETURNS	KR	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TD	PTS.				
2019	5	78	15.6	20	0	0				
2020	0	0	-	-	0	0				
2021	0	0	-	-	0	0				
TOTAL	5	78	15.6	20	0	0				



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KYI WRIGHT
 FARRELL, PA/
 FARRELL

TE | JR* | 6-3 | 265

2021: Played in the initial five games before missing the balance of the season due to injury.

2020: Played in eight games, making two starts... starting assignments came against Austin Peay and Clemson...had three catches for 34 yards (11.3 avg.) on the year...receptions came in three separate contests (Austin Peay, Syracuse and Clemson)...twice had a season-long 16-yard catch (Austin Peay and Clemson).

2019: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: A highly productive quarterback and linebacker who led Farrell to an undefeated season and the state championship as a senior...completed 72% of his passes (95 of 132) for 1,746 yards and 29 touchdowns with only two interceptions...also rushed for 717 yards and 14 TDs on 84 carries (8.5 avg.)...defensively, compiled 99 tackles, nine tackles for loss, two interceptions (one returned for a TD) and a fumble recovery...led Farrell to a 15-0 record and the PIAA Class 1A title...selected to the MaxPreps Small Schools All-America Team (first team)...Pennsylvania Football Writers Class 1A Player of the Year...WKBN Big 22 Pennsylvania Player of the Year...first team District 10 All-Region 1...rated the No. 17 overall prospect in Pennsylvania by Rivals, No. 29 by ESPN and No. 30 by 247Sports...played under Coach Jarrett Samuels... also a 1,000-point scorer and all-state honoree in basketball.

PERSONAL: Kyi Dorian Wright, born 9/26/00, is the son of Kavon Wright and the late Robert Brown... has two sisters and one brother...his aunt, Lisa Stewart, was an outstanding volleyball player at Pitt (1984-87) and received the prestigious Panther Award as a senior...administration of justice major.



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NATE YARNELL
 AUSTIN, TX/
 LAKE TRAVIS

QB | FR* | 6-6 | 215

2021: Enrolled at the University of Pittsburgh in January 2021 following his early graduation from Lake Travis and participated in spring drills...did not play in any games and redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Rated one of the country's top 25 pro-style quarterback prospects by 247Sports... was sidelined as a senior due to injury...his junior season, posted a 6-0 record as Lake Travis' starter, coming on in relief for a key stretch when senior starter Hudson Card (a 2020 Texas Longhorns signee) was out due to injury...in those starting assignments, averaged 208 yards passing and threw 11 TDs while completing 67% of his attempts...on the year, Yarnell completed 68% of his passes for 1,501 yards and 17 touchdowns... played under Coach Hank Carter.

PERSONAL: Nathaniel Ryan Yarnell, born 10/10/02, is the son of William Yarnell and Brande Teis and the stepson of Christina Yarnell...has three brothers...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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BLAKE ZUBOVIC

BELLE VERNON, PA/
BELLE VERNON AREA

OL | SR* | 6-4 | 320

2021: Played in 13 games, making four starts...emerged as one of Pitt's most versatile offensive linemen, contributing at multiple positions...made one start at center (Syracuse) and three starts at guard (Duke, Virginia and the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl against Michigan State).

2020: Played in seven games, making two starts at right guard...starting assignments came in consecutive games against Virginia Tech and Clemson.

2019: Did not play in any games..

2018: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL: Coveted offensive line prospect who was named Pennsylvania Football News Class 4A All-State (first team)...*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* "Terrific 25"...two-time All-Big Nine Conference selection as a guard and tackle...on the defensive front, played tackle and end...led Belle Vernon to a 10-1 record, the Big Nine title and the WPIAL Class 4A playoffs...rated a top 20 overall prospect in Pennsylvania by ESPN (No. 16), Rivals (No. 18) and 247Sports (No. 18)...played under Coach Matt Humbert...selected to play for the Team USA Under 19 National Team, which defeated Canada, 47-7, in International Bowl IX at the Dallas Cowboys' AT&T Stadium...also lettered in baseball for Belle Vernon...National Honor Society.

PERSONAL: Blake Eric Michael Zubovic, born 6/8/00, is the son of Eric and Julie Zubovic...has two sisters...earned his bachelor's degree in accounting and is now enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.



A.J. Woods' 73-yard interception return against Wake Forest was the longest INT return in ACC Championship Game history.



Pittsburgh area native Blake Zubovic showcased his versatility with a start at center in the Panthers' 31-14 victory at Syracuse.



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DYLAN DEVENEY
 MEDFORD, NJ/
 HUN SCHOOL (GEORGIA TECH)

TE JR* 6-6 265

Joined Pitt as a transfer from Georgia Tech with immediate eligibility.

AT GEORGIA TECH (2019-21): Played in 22 career games with eight starts at tight end over three seasons at Georgia Tech...compiled three-year totals of 14 receptions for 102 yards (7.3 avg.) and one touchdown.

PREP SCHOOL: Spent a postgraduate academic year (2018-19) at the Hun School...as a member of the football team during the 2018 season, compiled 12 catches for 282 yards (23.5 avg.) and a touchdown over six games...played under Coach Todd Smith...rated one of the nation's top 30 tight end prospects by ESPN.

HIGH SCHOOL: A standout two-sport athlete (baseball and basketball) who did not begin playing football until mid-fall of his senior year at Shawnee in 2017...played in the season's final six games (catching six passes for 94 yards) and helped team to the South Jersey championship...played under Coach Tim Gushue...a 1,600-point scorer in basketball who led his team to the state championship as a senior...was committed to Lafayette College as a baseball prospect before electing to pursue football at the prep school level.

PERSONAL: Dylan George Deveney, born 1/20/00, is the son of George and Fran Deveney...has one brother and one sister...brother, Connor, is a sophomore tight end at Richmond...earned his bachelor's degree in business administration from Georgia Tech and is now enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.



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C'BO FLEMISTER
 WILLIAMSON, GA/
 PIKE COUNTY (NOTRE DAME)

RB SR* 5-11 200

Joined Pitt as a graduate transfer from Notre Dame.

AT NOTRE DAME (2018-21): Played in 25 career games, serving as a reserve running back... compiled 471 yards and 10 touchdowns on 110 carries (4.4 avg.)...also had three receptions for 49 yards (16.3 avg.)...had his most productive season in 2020, when he netted 299 yards on 58 carries (6.4 avg.) with five TDs...during that '20 campaign, set a personal best with 127 yards on 13 carries (9.8 avg.) against USF.

HIGH SCHOOL: Rushed for 3,321 yards and 43 touchdowns at Pike County...as a senior in 2017, compiled 2,348 yards and 35 TDs...named the Georgia Sports Writers Association 2017 Class AAA Offensive Player of the Year and first team all-state...played under Coach Brad Webber.

PERSONAL: C'Borius K. Flemister, born 6/20/00, is the son of Ronnie and Cinell Flemister...has three brothers and one sister...will pursue post-baccalaureate studies at Pitt after earning his bachelor's degree in anthropology from Notre Dame.



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KARTER JOHNSON
 PICKERINGTON, OH/
 PICKERINGTON CENTRAL
 (BUTLER C.C.)


TE JR 6-2 250

PRIOR TO PITT: Spent two seasons (2020-21) at Butler (Kan.) Community College, where he converted from a defensive line prospect into a tight end...compiled career totals of 22 catches for 293 yards (13.3 avg.) and four touchdowns in 13 games for the Grizzlies...originally signed with Texas Christian as a defensive lineman in 2019... did not appear in any games as a freshman at TCU and subsequently transferred to Butler.

HIGH SCHOOL: A standout defensive lineman for Pickerington Central, an Ohio Division I (largest classification) program...selected All-Ohio

(second team) by the Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association (OPSWA)...first team All-Central District...first team All-Ohio Capital Conference (OCC)...led team to an 11-3 record and the Region 3 championship as a senior...played under Coach Jay Sharrett...rated the nation's No. 21 defensive tackle and Ohio's No. 12 overall prospect by Rivals.

PERSONAL: Karter Neveon Johnson, born 11/24/00, is the son of Kristina Newman... has three brothers and two sisters...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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DEREK KYLER
DEKALB, IL/
DEKALB (DARTMOUTH)

QB	SR+	6-0	180
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Joined Pitt as a June graduate transfer following a highly accomplished career at Dartmouth.

AT DARTMOUTH (2017-21): Played in 30 career games, starting 20 at quarterback...was 18-2 as a starter...led the Big Green to a 9-1 record and the Ivy League championship as a senior in 2021, when he completed a school-record 70.7% of his passes (169 of 239) for 1,972 yards and 17 touchdowns with just one interception...ranked second among all Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) quarterbacks in completion percentage and fourth in pass efficiency (162.66 rating)...selected All-Ivy League (second team) and was the runner-up for the Bushnell Cup, annually presented to the Ivy Player of the Year... for his career, completed an Ivy League-record 69.3% of his passes (362 of 522) for 4,409 yards with 42 TDs and only six INTs...his career pass efficiency rating (164.55) also set an Ivy record.

HIGH SCHOOL: Compiled more than 3,600 yards in total offense as a senior at DeKalb under Coach Matt Weckler...threw for 2,615 yards and 35 touchdowns with only six interceptions, while rushing for 1,003 yards...led team to a 10-3 record and a berth in the state semifinals for the first time in 36 years...All-Illinois Class 6A... three-time first-team all-conference...two-time conference MVP...*Daily Chronicle* Offensive Player of the Year...a three-sport standout who also excelled in baseball and basketball...captained DeKalb's football and baseball teams.

PERSONAL: Derek Michael Kyler, born 4/15/99, is the son of Greg and Stephanie Kyler...has one brother and one sister...graduated from Dartmouth with a bachelor's degree in government...enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.



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KYLE LOUIS
EAST ORANGE, NJ/
EAST ORANGE CAMPUS

LB	FR	5-11	200
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HIGH SCHOOL: First-team All-New Jersey linebacker who led East Orange to a 13-0 record and the North Jersey, Group 5 Regional Championship...in the title game, a 30-24 win over Clifton in triple overtime, Louis collected a game-high 11 tackles (all solo) with a forced fumble...in the semifinals, had a 70-yard punt return that broke a scoreless tie early in the fourth quarter, sparking East Orange to a 14-0 win over West Orange...on the season, collected 118 tackles, 32 tackles for loss, two forced fumbles and one interception...led an East Orange defense that surrendered only 100 points on the season (7.7 ppg.) and logged five shutouts...rated New Jersey's No. 10 overall prospect by Rivals, No. 26 by 247Sports and No. 27 by ESPN...played under Coach Rae Oliver.

PERSONAL: Kyle Galy Louis, born 3/9/04, is the son of Keshia Chisolms and Galy Louis... has two brothers...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

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BUB MEANS

LOVEJOY, GA/
LOVEJOY (LOUISIANA TECH)

WR | SO* | 6-2 | 215

Joined Pitt as a transfer from Louisiana Tech with immediate eligibility.

PRIOR TO PITT: A wide receiver at Louisiana Tech during the 2020-21 seasons...during the '21 campaign, compiled 22 receptions for 430 yards (team-high 19.6 yards per catch) and two touchdowns in 11 contests (two starts)...also averaged 20.3 yards on 12 kick returns (244 yards)...had a career-high 94 receiving yards (on two catches) with a TD against Mississippi State...had a personal-best five catches (for 67 yards) and a score against NC State...posted career highs with four kickoff returns for 90 yards (22.5 avg.) with a long return of 27 against UTSA...did not appear in any games in 2020...spent the 2019 season at Tennessee as a defensive back, appearing in four games.

HIGH SCHOOL: Garnered 25 scholarship offers out of Lovejoy, which he helped to the Georgia 6A state playoffs as a senior...twice selected first team All-Region 4-6A...compiled nearly 900 receiving yards with 11 touchdown catches over his final two varsity seasons...played under Coach Edgar Carson.

PERSONAL: Jerrod Means, born 1/10/01, is the son of Nicole Henderson and Jerrod Means...has four brothers and one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

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ISAIAH MONTGOMERY

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA/
LANDSTOWN

OL | FR | 6-4 | 290

HIGH SCHOOL: Earned stature as one of Virginia's top offensive linemen...three-time All-Beach District...first team Class 6 All-Region A...first team All-Tidewater...rated Virginia's No. 18 overall prospect by Rivals, No. 29 by ESPN and No. 31 by 247Sports...played under Coach Tommy Reamon.

PERSONAL: Isaiah Jaron Montgomery, born 1/2/04, is the son of Micheal and Ronda Montgomery...has one brother and one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.

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CHE NWABUKO

AUSTIN, TX/
MANOR

WR | FR | 5-10 | 165

HIGH SCHOOL: Dynamic all-purpose player who excelled as a receiver, running back and return specialist...compiled more than 1,000 all-purpose yards in each of his final two seasons and had 2,984 over his three-year varsity career...district's Utility Player of the Year...as a senior receiver, had 45 catches for 739 yards (16.4 avg.) and eight touchdowns...also rushed for 215 yards on 41 carries (5.2 avg.) and a score...led Manor to a 9-3 record and the Texas Class 5A Division I playoffs...played under Coach James Keller...also an outstanding sprinter who earned three gold medals at the University Interscholastic League (UIL) State 5A Track and Field Championships (100 meters, 200 meters and 400-meter relay).

PERSONAL: Che Nwabuko, born 6/7/04, is the son of Danielle Yett and Chux Nwabuko II...name is pronounced Chay Wah-boo-koo...has one brother and one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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JIMMY SCOTT
CHEEKTOWAGA, NY/
ST. FRANCIS

DL | FR | 6-2 | 250

HIGH SCHOOL: The top defensive end prospect in the state of New York...compiled 43 tackles, five sacks and a forced fumble on defense...as a running back on offense, scored seven touchdowns (six rushing and one receiving)...finalist for the Trench Trophy, presented to Western New York's Lineman of the Year...first team All-Western New York...rated New York's No. 3 overall prospect by Rivals and 247Sports and No 5 by ESPN...played under Coach Jerry Smith.

PERSONAL: Jimmy L. Scott III, born 4/13/04, is the son of Jimmy and Mya Scott...has one sister...enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences.



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TYLAR WILTZ
BREAUX BRIDGE, LA/
INDEPENDENCE
(MISSOURI STATE)

LB | SR+ | 6-1 | 210

A graduate transfer from Missouri State who will have one season of immediate eligibility at Pitt.

AT MISSOURI STATE (2019-21): Two-time All-Missouri Valley Football Conference at linebacker...a third-team selection on the 2021 Phil Steele FCS All-America Team after leading the Bears in tackles (106), tackles for loss (14.5) and forced fumbles (four)...helped team to an 8-4 record and the 2021 NCAA FCS Playoffs...played in 33 career games at MSU, making 24 starts...compiled career totals of 212 tackles, 21.5 TFLs, four forced fumbles, three fumble recoveries and three interceptions.

AT INDEPENDENCE C.C. (2018): Collected 46 tackles as a starting linebacker under Coach Jason Brown at Independence C.C. in Kansas...enrolled at Independence after spending the 2017 season at NCAA Division II program Southern Arkansas University.

HIGH SCHOOL: A three-sport standout at Louisiana's Breaux Bridge High, where he lettered in football, basketball and track and field...was an all-state performer in football as a senior and twice earned all-district accolades...played under Coach Terry Martin.

PERSONAL: Tylar Kane Wiltz, born 11/18/98, is the son of Kevin Wiltz and Tara Gordon...has five sisters and four brothers...graduated from Missouri State with a bachelor's degree in biology...enrolled in Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business.