

## SMU Football: Signing Day Central

### Transfer and Junior College Signees

#### Jaylan Knighton | RB | Lauderdale, Fla. | Miami / Deerfield Beach

**2022 (Sophomore at Miami):** Played in 10 games, making four starts...Registered 78 carries for 423 yards and one TD...Added nine receptions for 82 yards.

**2021 (Freshman at Miami):** Played in eight games, making six starts...Led the Hurricanes with 145 rushes for 561 yards and eight TDs...Registered 20 receptions for 280 yards and three TDs.

**2020 (at Miami):** Saw action in nine games, making two starts...Rushed for 209 yards and one TD, averaging 4.0 yards per carry on 52 attempts...Caught 11 passes and had one TD catch...Suffered a season-ending injury against Duke.

**Prep:** A four-star prospect by 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals...Rated No. 146 in the Rivals Top 250...Ranked the No. 5 running back nationally and No. 25 player in Florida by Rivals... Listed as the No. 88 player in the ESPN300...Rated the No. 11 running back nationally and No. 15 player in Florida by ESPN...Ranked the No. 104 player nationally by 247 Composite...Listed as the No. 10 running back in the country and No. 19 player in Florida by 247 Composite... Selected to participate in 2020 Under Armour All-America Game...Participated in The Opening in the summer of 2019...Helped lead Deerfield Beach to the semifinals in the Florida Class 8A state playoffs...Finished the 2019 season with 1,414 rushing yards and 19 rushing TDs, averaging 9.7 yards per carry, while adding 13 receptions for 267 yards and two TDs...Ended career as all-time leading rusher in Broward County history with 5,150 yards.

#### Jonathan McGill | S | Coppell, Texas | Stanford / Coppell

**2022 (Junior at Stanford):** Started all 12 games...Was second on the team with 51 tackles (28 solo), including 5.5 TFLs for 20 yards and one sack for seven yards...Registered seven pass breakups...Had one interception and two fumble recoveries...Added one kick return for 12 yards...**AWARDS:** Team Captain...Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Week (Oct. 15).

**2021 (at Stanford):** Started the final two games after missing the first 10 with an injury... Registered two interceptions for 43 yards...Had 13 tackles (10 solo), including one TFL...Added one breakup...**AWARDS:** Pac-12 All-Academic Honor Roll.

**2020 (Sophomore at Stanford):** Played in six games, making four starts...Had 17 tackles,

including three TFLs...Added two breakups...**AWARDS:** Pac-12 All-Academic Honor Roll.

**2019 (Freshman at Stanford):** Played in 12 games, making six starts...Registered 35 tackles, including three TFLs...Added three breakups, one interception and one fumble recovery for a TD.

**Prep:** Ranked as the nation's No. 41 safety by 247Sports and No. 43 corner by Rivals...Nation's No. 73 athlete by ESPN...2018 District 6-6A MVP...In 2017, All-State DB and District 9-6A MVP, helping Coppell to a district championship...In 2016, named District 9-6A Defensive Newcomer of the Year...A 2015 MaxPreps All-American...Registered 273 career tackles (12 for loss), 10 interceptions, 25 pass deflections, five fumble recoveries and two forced fumbles...Added 2,251 all-purpose yards and 20 TDs...Also lettered in track.

**Jordan Miller | DL | Jacksonville, Fla. | Miami / Sandalwood**

**2022 (Senior at Miami):** Played in 12 games...Registered 18 tackles (6 solo)...Added three TFLs and a sack.

**2021 (Junior at Miami):** Played in 11 games...Registered 19 tackles (10 solo), 4.5 TFLs and 1.5 sacks...Added a fumble recovery.

**2020 (Sophomore at Miami):** Played in all 11 games, making two starts...Registered 11 tackles (3 solo), including one TFL and a half sack.

**2019 (Freshman at Miami):** Played in all 13 games...Registered 12 tackles (4 solo), including 2.5 TFLs.

**2018 (at Miami):** Redshirted...Saw action in one game.

**Prep:** A three-star prospect by 247Sports and Rivals...Ranked as the No. 86 defensive tackle nationally by 247Sports...Played senior season at Sandalwood after attending Palatka High School for first three years of high school.

**Elijah Roberts | DL | Miami, Fla. | Miami / Christopher Columbus**

**2022 (Junior at Miami):** Played in eight games, making one start...Registered nine tackles (6 solo)...Added one sack.

**2021 (Sophomore at Miami):** Played in seven games...Registered eight tackles (three solo), including a half TFL and half sack.

**2020 (Freshman at Miami):** Saw action in five games...Registered four tackles (2 solo) and a

forced fumble.

**Prep:** A four-star prospect by 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals...Ranked the No. 13 strong-side defensive end and No. 47 player in Florida by Rivals...Rated the No. 14 strong-side defensive end and No. 55 player in the state by 247 Composite...Listed as the No. 31 defensive end and No. 56 player in Florida by ESPN...Helped lead Columbus to a Florida Class 8A state championship..Finished the 2019 season with 31 tackles, eight TFLs and six sacks.

**Cale Sanders Jr. | DB | Porter, Texas | Fresno State / New Caney**

**2022 (Sophomore at Fresno State):** Played in 13 games, making nine starts...Registered 32 tackles (27 solo)...Added one TFL, two forced fumbles and six breakups.

**2021 (Freshman at Fresno State):** Played in 13 games, making four starts...Registered 20 tackles (18 solo), including a TFL...Added a forced fumble, an interception and three breakups... Part of a defense that only allowed 20.5 points/game, including two shutouts...**AWARDS:** Mountain West Freshman of the Week (Aug. 30).

**Prep:** A three-star prospect by 247Sports...Registered 227 career tackles (122 solo)...Had 24 TFLs, six sacks, four interceptions, 25 passes defended, four fumble recoveries and a forced fumble...Also played running back and on special teams...Helped New Caney to three district titles...Named the district 9-5A Offensive MVP...Earned first-team All-Montgomery County honors in 2019...Was a second-team All-County and first-team District 9-5A selection in 2018... Named District 21-5A Newcomer of the Year and a second-team All-Montgomery County defensive back in 2017...Also lettered in track.

**Key'Shawn Smith | WR | San Diego, Calif. | Miami / Lincoln**

**2022 (Junior at Miami):** Played in eight games, making three starts...Registered 13 catches for 199 yards and two TDs...Added three carries for 14 yards...Had 640 kick return yards, including two of 70+ against Bethune-Cookman and a 90-yard return for a TD against MTSU.

**2021 (Sophomore at Miami):** Started all 12 games...Registered 33 receptions for 405 yards and three TDs...Added 22 kick return yards.

**2020 (Freshman at Miami):** Played in nine games...Had two catches for 58 yards.

**Prep:** A three-star prospect by 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals...Rated the No. 78 player in California by ESPN...Listed as the No. 84 player in the state by Rivals...Ranked as the No. 86 player in California by 247Sports...Caught 46 passes for 808 yards and eight receiving TDs as a senior...Returned a punt and kickoff for TDs while adding three rushing TDs in final high school season.

**Ahmad Walker | LB | Warner Robins, Ga. | Liberty / Warner Robins**

**2022 (Sophomore at Liberty):** Played in 12 games, making 11 starts...Was third on the team with 63 tackles (33 solo), including 11 TFLs for 46 yards and four sacks for 29 yards...Added one interception, two breakups and a QBH...Had one forced fumble and a fumble recovery.

**2021 (Freshman at Liberty):** Played in 11 games, making three starts...Registered 37 tackles (20 solo), including 5.5 TFLs for 19 yards and three sacks for 13 yards.

**Hyrin White | OL | DeSoto, Texas | Missouri / DeSoto**

**2022 (at Missouri):** Did not see action.

**2021 (Senior at Missouri):** Started all 11 games played at right tackle... Part of an offensive line that blocked for an offense that averaged 400+ yards/game, 29.1 ppg and 44 TDs...AWARDS: PFF All-SEC Honorable Mention...SEC Academic Honor Roll.

**2022 (Junior at Missouri):** Did not see action due to injury.

**2019 (Sophomore at Missouri):** Played in 11 games, making two starts...Part of an offensive line that allowed just 6.08 tackles for loss and 2.25 sacks per game.

**2018 (Freshman at Missouri):** Played in eight games.

**2017 (at Missouri):** Redshirted.

**Prep:** A three-star prospect...Ranked as high as the No. 28 OT in the class by Scout.com... Helped DeSoto to a 16-0 record in 2016...Named 8-6A all-district second-team as a junior.

**Charles Woods | CB | Dallas, Texas | West Virginia / Illinois State / Justin F. Kimball**

**2022 (Senior at West Virginia):** Redshirted...Played in four games, making three starts... Registered seven solo tackles.

**2021 (Junior at West Virginia):** Played in 11 games, making four starts...Registered 31 tackles (22 solo), including two TFLs...Added two interceptions, four breakups and two fumble recoveries...AWARDS: Big 12 Co-Newcomer of the Week (Oct. 25)...PFF All-Big 12 Honorable Mention.

**2020 (at Illinois State):** Started all four games in the COVID 19-shortened season...Had 20 tackles (12 solo), including two TFLs for six yards...Added two interceptions and five breakups.

**2019 (Sophomore at Illinois State):** Started all 15 games...Ranked second in the Missouri Valley with 17 passes defended...Had 48 tackles, including 4.5 TFLs...Added 13 breakups with four interceptions (1 TD)...Registered 10 punt returns for 43 yards...**AWARDS:** HERO Sports FCS Sophomore All-America Honorable Mention.

**2018 (Freshman at Illinois State):** Played in 11 games, making three starts...Registered 16 tackles (11 solo), including 1.5 TFLs...Added three breakups...Had three kick returns for 66 yards.

**Prep:** As a senior, had 35 receptions for 678 yards and 27 carries for 148 yards and 16 total TDs...Completed 13-of-18 passes for 103 yards...Amassed over 1,000 kick return yards...Named first-team all-district as a senior and second team as a junior...Also lettered in track and basketball.

## High School Signees

### Kevin Allen | DL | Fort Worth, Texas | Everman

As a senior, registered 112 tackles (74 solo), including 27.5 TFLs and 5.5 sacks...Added one forced fumble and one recovery...Finalist for the 2022 Landry Award...Named district 5-5A Defensive MVP...As a junior, had 93 tackles (33 solo) with 13.5 TFLs and two sacks...Chose SMU over Tulane, Washington State, UTSA and North Texas among others.

### Jamarion Carroll | WR | Wichita Falls, Texas | Hirschi

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports, ESPN and Rivals...Also plays basketball and runs track...District 4-4A D-I First-Team selection as a junior...Rushed 22 times for 156 yards and two touchdowns...Caught 66 passes for 1,132 yards and 15 touchdowns...Averaged over seven yards per catch...Also returned two kickoffs for touchdowns...Chose SMU over Texas Tech, San Diego State and Tulsa among others.

### Braeden Flowers | DE | San Antonio, Texas | Central Catholic

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports and ESPN...Recorded 15 tackles, five tackles for loss, three sacks and two pass break ups as a junior...Caught 27 passes for 485 yards and six touchdowns...Chose SMU over Houston, Colorado State, Tulane and UTSA among others.

### Reagan Gill | OL | Houston, Texas | Jersey City

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports and ESPN...Two-time first-team all-district selection...Chose SMU over Tulane, Tulsa, UTSA and UNLV among others.

### Lonnie Johnson | WR | Keller, Texas | Timber Creek

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports...As a junior, had 62 catches for 854 yards and 11 TDs...Chose SMU over TCU, Houston, Memphis and Oklahoma State among others.

**Alex Kilgore | LB | Katy, Texas | Katy Paetow**

A three-star prospect by 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN...District 19-6A first team...Helped Katy Paetow to a State Championship as a junior... Named district 10-5A D-1 first team as a sophomore...Chose SMU over Tulane, UTSA, Navy and Army among others...Also lettered in track and field.

**Jaxson Lavender | WR | Lucas, Texas | Lovejoy**

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports and Rivals...Ranked as the 104th overall prospect in the state by ESPN...First Team All-District selection as a junior... District 7-5A-II special teams MVP as a sophomore...Rushed 30 times for 193 yards and a touchdown in 2022...Caught 46 passes for 795 yards and 10 touchdowns...Chose SMU over TCU, Kansas, Texas Tech and Tulsa among others.

**Keldric Luster | QB | McKinney, Texas | McKinney**

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports, ESPN and On3Sports...As a senior, named first-team all-district 5-6A...Named District 7-5A D-II Overall MVP as a junior at Frisco Liberty...Completed 123 passes for 2,200 yards and 24 touchdowns in 2022 at McKinney High. Rushed 90 times for 742 yards and nine touchdowns...Chose SMU over Indiana, Air Force and Navy among others.

**Brandon Miyazono | LB | Frisco, Texas | Frisco**

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports and ESPN...Also plays basketball and competes in track and field...District 7-5A D-II All-Purpose MVP as a junior and Defensive Newcomer of the Year as a sophomore...Recorded 73 tackles and eight tackles for loss his junior season...Rushed 87 times for 908 yards and 12 touchdowns...Caught nine passes for 102 yards and two touchdowns... Chose SMU over Colorado, Memphis and North Texas among others.

**Abdul Muhammad | CB | Dallas, Texas | South Oak Cliff**

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports, ESPN and Rivals...Experienced at cornerback and safety... Helped lead South Oak Cliff to back-to-back Class 5A-II state championships...Recorded 102 tackles, five pass break ups and two interceptions his junior season...Chose SMU over TCU, Kansas, Arizona State, California and Colorado State among others.

**Randy Reece | WR | Dallas, Texas | South Oak Cliff**

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports, ESPN and Rivals...District 6-5A-II Offensive MVP as a junior...Helped lead South Oak Cliff to back-to-back Class 5A-II state championships... Caught 46 passes for 865 yards and scored 10 touchdowns in 2021...Chose SMU over Arizona, Georgia Tech, Houston, Indiana, Kansas and Louisville among others.

**Tripp Riordan | TE | Frisco, Texas | Wakeland**

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports, Rivals and On3Sports...Also played basketball as a sophomore and threw shot put as a freshman...2021 Texas District 5-5A D-1 First-Team selection as a junior...Caught 66 passes for 958 yards and scored 10 touchdowns his senior season...Chose SMU over Florida State, Texas Tech, Air Force, Indiana and Colorado among others.

**Sean Scott | OL | Stevenson Ranch, Calif. | West Ranch**

A three-star prospect...Registered 26 tackles over his final two seasons at West Ranch...Added a fumble recovery...Chose SMU over California, Hawaii and Nevada.

**Alex Woods IOL | Port Saint Lucie, Florida | Treasure Coast**

A three-star prospect by 247 Sports, On3Sports and Rivals...Transitioned from DL to OL his junior season...Earned Second Team All-State recognition...Helped Treasure Coast to a district title...Chose SMU over Akron, Coastal Carolina, Arkansas State and Appalachian State among others.

**Daemian Wimberly | DL | Austin, Texas | Vandegrift**

A three-star prospect...Helped Vandegrift to a 14-2 record and an appearance in the 2022 Class 6A Division II Championship...Had 81 tackles and 13.5 sacks as a senior...Part of a 12-2 squad in 2021 that reached the Texas 6A D-II regional final...Chose SMU over TCU, Texas Tech, Arizona State, Baylor, Colorado, Memphis and Oregon State among others.