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Mules Football has 12 commit for 2010

(WARRENSBURG, Mo.) – The University of Central Missouri Mules football squad announced its 2010 class today. The list includes nine high school student-athletes and three transfers that will wear the Cardinal and Black next season.

"My staff and I are excited for our first class." Mules Head Coach Jim Svoboda said. "These young men made a great choice coming to an outstanding institution like Central Missouri. Leadership and winning attitudes are two factors we look at and we feel that is well represented in this group. Because of our late start, this is just the beginning to an outstanding 2010 group."

Following is a complete list of the Mules' 2010 Football Commitments:

David Bax - Linebacker

6-2 * 225 * Sophomore-Tr

Jefferson City, Mo. * Southeast Missouri State / Helias H.S.

High School Head Coach: Chris Hentges – Earned first-team all-state at linebacker as a senior for Helias High School... led his team to a district title, earning first-team all-district at both linebacker and tight end... A three-year letterman, he earned first-team all-district as well at linebacker as a junior.

Colton Dill - Quarterback

6-2 * 175 * Freshman

Rogersville, Mo. * Logan Rogersville H.S.

Head Coach: Doug Smith – A dual-threat quarterback, he was second-team all-state at quarterback and as an all-purpose back... He led the Wildcats to the Class 3 state quarterfinals as a senior with an 11-2 record, throwing for 1,187 yards and rushing for 870... He ran for 10 touchdowns and rushed for 10 as well, with a 7.9 yards per carry average, earning conference Offensive Player of the Year... He also picked up first-team all-conference, all-district, and second-team all-Ozarks at quarterback.

Ryan Duman – Defensive End

6-3 * 230 * Freshman

Westminster, Colo. * Pomona H.S.

Head Coach: Jay Madden – Helped his squad to a Colorado 5A state runner-up showing with a 12-2 overall record... He was an honorable mention all-state pick, while earning first-team all-conference and all-region as a senior at defensive end... Also helped his team to a 10-2 record and a conference title as a junior... Competed in track and field as well, taking second in the state in the discus as a junior, as well as earning all-conference honors in the shot put.

Ramond Hunter - Defensive Line

6-2 * 260 * Freshman

St. Louis, Mo. * Brentwood H.S.

Head Coach: Scott Surgener – Helped the Eagles to a Missouri Class 2 state runner-up showing as a senior with a 12-2 overall record... Earned first-team all-state from both the coaches and media on the defensive line... Picked up first-team *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* All-Metro honors, as well as first-team all-district... Also selected Defensive Player of the Year by his team.

Ryan Hurr – Running Back

6-1 * 180 * Freshman

Warrensburg, Mo. * Warrensburg H.S.

Head Coach: Wiley Meade – A four-year letterman at Warrensburg, he rushed for 859 yards as a senior, averaging 8.6 yards per carry to break the school record... He earned second-team all-conference honors as both a junior and senior at running back, as well as second-team accolades as a returner... He set three school records as a returner as well, for longest return, number of TD returns, and yards per return... The team captain as well, he was on the Central Missouri KMZU Dream Team... He also competed in track, setting the school record in the long jump.

Jordan Keeney – Running Back

6-2 * 215 * Freshman

Nixa, Mo. * Nixa H.S.

Head Coach: Richard Rehagen – As a senior, led the Eagles to the Missouri Class 5 quarterfinals with a 9-4 mark as the conference Offensive Player of the Year... He was also a second-team all-state pick by both the coaches and media... Earned first-team all conference and first-team all-district as well at running back.

Trevor McAllister – Offensive Line

6-3 * 280 * Freshman

Rolla, Mo. * Rolla H.S.

Head Coach: Josh Smith – Helped the Bulldogs to a 10-2 overall record as a senior, going 8-1 in conference play... He earned All-Southwest Missouri District Coaches Association honors, helping and offense that averaged 35 points per game... He also grabbed all-conference accolades.

Gavin Otte – Wide Receiver

5-10 * 170 * Freshman

Rolla, Mo. * Rolla H.S.

Head Coach: Josh Smith – A first-team all-conference wide receiver and defensive back, he helped the Bulldogs to a 10-2 overall record as a senior... A team captain, he helped the offense average 35 points per game... Was selected All-Southwest Missouri Coaches Association at both wideout and defensive back, as well as first-team academic all-state in Missouri Class 5... Also grabbed first-team all-district honors on defense.

Mike Posey – Offensive Line

6-6 * 320 * Junior-Tr

Vacaville, Calif. * Solano C.C.

Head Coach: Floyd Burnsed – Earned first-team all-conference in both his freshman and sophomore seasons at Solano Community College in Fairfield, California... Attended Vacaville High School, playing for head coach Mike Popadopolous... Lettered four seasons there, winning the conference title, city crown, and San Juaquin Section Championship... Also competed in rugby, lettering each season.

Travis Ribbing – Running Back 6-0 * 205 * Junior-Tr

Farmington, Mo. * Missouri State University / Farmington H.S.

High School Head Coach: Todd Vaugh – Helped Farmington High School win two district, conference, and sectional titles, as well as make the 2006 state semifinals... He was a two-time first-team all-state pick, rushing for 58 touchdowns and 3,504 yards in his final two seasons... Earned J98 Dream Team honors two times, as well as Offensive Player of the Year... Grabbed first-team all-region as a returner as well... Also competed in basketball and track... He was an all-state triple jumper and long jumper as well as in the 100 and 200 meter dash... Was all-conference in the 4x100 as well, helping the track team to a conference title.

$Connor\ Smith-Defensive\ Back$

6-2 * 180 * Freshman

Rogersville, Mo. * Logan Rogersville H.S.

Head Coach: Doug Smith – The Missouri Class 3 Player of the Year, he was named first-team all-state at defensive back by both the coaches and media... He led the Wildcats to the Class 3 state quarterfinals as a senior with an 11-2 record, earning Co-Defensive Player of the Year in both the district and conference... He had 116 tackles in 12 games, including 17 in the state quarterfinals... He also picked up first-team all-district on defense, and first-team all-conference as a defensive back and wide receiver.

Cody Woods – Tight End 6-5 * 235 * Freshman

Smithville, Mo. * Smithville H.S.

Head Coach: Gregg Smith – A third-team all-state selection at tight end for the Warriors during his senior campaign, grabbing 27 passes for 402 yards and four TD's... He was also a first-team all-conference pick at tight end, and a second-team all-conference selection at defensive end... A member of the KKWK All-Star Team, he also grabbed honorable mention all-conference as a junior on the defensive line... Also played basketball for the Warriors.

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