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LAKERS SIGN 24 RECRUITS IN CLASS OF 2007

Allendale, Mich. -- Grand Valley State University head football coach Chuck Martin announced the signing of 24 student-athletes to attend and play football for the Lakers in the fall of 2007.

The class of 2007 features signees from five states, including 17 from Michigan, three from Illinois, two from Ohio, and one each from Indiana and California.

"I thought our coaching staff did an outstanding job of identifying the talent that best fit our needs in Michigan," said third-year head coach Chuck Martin. "Our number one goal is to always recruit Michigan first and we felt like we were able to get what we wanted from our home territory," added Martin.

The Laker signees include 15 on the offensive side of the ball and nine on the defensive side.

"I am so impressed with the quality of the student-athlete we are able to recruit to Grand Valley State," added Martin. "Our name recognition enables us to get in on some players that are being recruited at the Division I level," added Martin.

GVSU returns 49 letterwinners in 2007, including eight starters on offense and nine on defense, from a squad that finished 15-0 and claimed its fourth NCAA DII Football National Championship in the last five years. GVSU is 79-5 the last six years with four NCAA DII National Championships (2002, 2003, 2005, 2006) and five title game appearances (2001, 2002, 2003, 2005 and 2006). GVSU is 85-5 in its last 90 games dating back to the sixth game of the 2000 season.

Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Hometown/High School
Alex Ahee	OL	6-5	292	Grosse Pointe Shores, Mich./Grosse Pointe North
Brandon Allen	LB	6-4	205	Joliet, Ill./Joliet (Central) Township
Gary Anderson	DB	5-10	193	Pittsburg, Calif./Diablo Valley C.C.
Mike Anderson	QB	6-3	231	Niles, Ill./Niles West
Kevin Battle	RB	5-8	161	Muskegon, Mich./Muskegon Reeths Puffer
James Berezik	RB	5-11	190	Fraser, Mich./Warren DeLaSalle
Zach Breen	RB	5-10	192	Rockford, Mich.
Oji Cathey	DB	5-10	172	Farmington Hills, Mich./Oakland C.C.
Andrew Cottrell	LB	5-10	222	West Chester, Ohio/Lakota West
Dominique Darden	DB	6-0	170	North Beverly Hills, Mich./Birmingham Groves
Devin Favors	RB	5-9	194	Liberty Township, Ohio/Lakota West
Greg Gay	RB	6-0	175	Macomb, Mich./Macomb Dakota
Mike Hilliard	LB	6-3	192	Fruitport, Mich.
Blair Hollis	LB	6-1	221	Eastpointe, Mich./Orchard Lake St. Mary's
Brad Howard	LB	6-0	243	Mishawaka, Ind.
Lawrence Kimble	RB	5-9	170	Muskegon, Mich./Mona Shores
Andrew Lorman	SS	6-1	208	Cary, Ill./Cary-Grove
Tim Lelito	OL	6-4	281	Saint Clair, Mich./St. Clair
Brandon Miller	QB	6-3	190	Rochester Hills, Mich./Avondale
Mark Morrison	OL	6-5	322	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Birmingham Seaholm
Marshawn Selby	WR	5-7	160	Jackson, Mich.
Andre Thomas	LB	6-1	230	Detroit, Mich./Denby
Ricky Thomas	DL	6-1	249	Detroit, Mich./Orchard Lake St. Mary's
J.D. Steenland	TE	6-3	236	Hudsonville, Mich./Grand Rapids C.C.