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LAKERS INK 27 RECRUITS IN CLASS OF 2012

Allendale, Mich. -- Grand Valley State University head football coach Matt Mitchell announced the signing of 27 student-athletes to attend and play football for the Lakers in the fall of 2012.

"It was a little easier recruiting this year because we were able to put the same staff on the road in the same recruiting areas for the second straight year," said Mitchell. "Our coaches have built solid relationships with high school coaches and did an outstanding job of recruiting to our positional needs and finding kids that want to be a part of Grand Valley State University and our football program. We always recruit the state of Michigan first, but after that I feel our coaches did a great job of finding kids from the surrounding states," added Mitchell.

Grand Valley State's 2012 class consists of 27 total players from Michigan (19), Indiana (3), Ohio (2), Illinois (1), North Carolina (1) and Wisconsin (1).

"Our name recognition and the success of our football program enables our coaching staff to get in on some players that are being recruited at the Division I level," said Mitchell. "It is important for us to continue to battle those Division I schools for those players if we want to continue to build our program," added Mitchell.

Grand Valley State will open the 2012 campaign at Western Oregon, Sept. 1 at 4 p.m. (ET).

Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Hometown/High School
Tommie Bush	LB	6-3	218	Eastpointe, Mich./Michigan Collegiate
Jeremy Byers	TE	6-3	215	Macomb, Mich./Macomb Dakota
Sean Charette	QB	5-10	175	Lake Orion, Mich.
Jacques Christian	DB	5-9	174	St. Clair Shores, Mich./South Lake
Nate Cole	DB	5-11	174	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser
Blake Cook	DL	6-2	225	Mason, Mich.
Branden Delk	DB	6-1	190	Kalamazoo, Mich./Central
Terrell Dorsey	RB	5-11	214	Mansfield, Ohio
Collin Enstad	DL	6-1	215	Sun Prairie, Wisc.
Brandon Haan	P	6-2	210	Byron Center, Mich./South Christian
Dylan Heyvaert	DL	6-3	232	Granger, Ind./Mishawaka Penn
Cameron Hobbs	OL	6-5	256	Sanford, Mich./Sanford-Meridian
Zach Jolly	OL	6-7	266	Brighton, Mich.
Joe Moran	LB	6-2	227	Loveland, Ohio
Mike Parker	DL	6-3	218	Libertyville, Ill.
Tom Pawlowski	LB	6-1	219	Smokey Mountain, N.C.
Joe Robbins	DB	6-3	190	Petoskey, Mich.
Ian Sampson	DL	6-2	217	Carmel, Ind.
Gabe Sanders	DB	5-11	177	Detroit, Mich./Michigan Collegiate
Troy Sassick	WR	6-4	186	Washington, Mich./Pontiac Notre Dame Prep
Adam Smith	DL	6-2	227	Ypsilanti, Mich.
Urston Smith	WR	6-1	196	Elkart, Ind./Elkhart Memorial
Scott Tackett	DL	6-4	218	Holland, Mich.
David Talley	LB	6-2	214	Southfield, Mich./St. Mary's Prep
Jake Vento	WR	5-10	170	Farmington Hills, Mich./Harrison
Kevin Vicari	WR	5-10	175	Grand Rapids, Mich./Catholic Central
Joe Warner	TE	6-4	230	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Brother Rice

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Tommie Bush (Linebacker, 6-3, 218, Eastpointe, Mich./Michigan Collegiate)

2011 (Senior): AP All-Sate First Team (D5/D6)...Detroit News All-Metro East First Team...All-Macomb County Team...Macomb County Player of the Year.

2011 (Senior) Stats

Rushed for 1,372 yards and 28 touchdowns; 39 tackles (14 for loss), 12 sacks, 4 forced fumbles

Jeremy Byers (Tight End, 6-3, 220, Macomb, Mich./Dakota)

2011 (Senior): All-Conference (Macomb Area Red)...Detroit News All-Metro East Second Team...All-Macomb Second Team...Michigan High School Football Coaches Assoc. All-Star Game.

2011 (Senior) Stats

15 receptions for 176 yards, 1TD

2010 (Junior) Stats

11 receptions for 121 yards, 1 TD

Sean Charette (Quarterback, 5-10, 175, Lake Orion, Mich.)

2011 (Senior): All-OAA...Detroit News All-Metro North Second Team...Passed for 1,850 yards, 17 TD's, 0 interceptions

2010 (Junior):

Passed for 1,503 yards, 20 TD's

2009 (Sophomore):

Passed for 1,139 yards, 14 TD's

2008 (Freshman):

Passed for 1,110 yards, 14 TD's

Career:

Set a school record in both passing yards (5,602) and TD's (65).

Jacques Christian (Defensive Back, 5-9, 174, St. Clair Shores, Mich./South Lake)

2011 (Senior): Detroit News All-State Team Honorable Mention...Detroit News All-Metro East First Team.

2011 (Senior) Stats

68 tackles, 3 forced fumbles, 2 interceptions, 1 fumble recovery.

Nate Cole (Defensive Back, 5-11, 175, Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser)

2011 (Senior): Michigan High School Football Coaches Assoc. All-Star Game...Oakland Press MIP...All-OAA...Detroit News All-Metro North Honorable Mention...All-State honorable mention.

2011 (Senior) Stats

53 tackles, 4 forced fumbles, 3 fumble recoveries, 3 interceptions, 25 break-ups

2010 (Junior):

All-Area

All-OAA Honorable Mention

2010 (Junior) Stats

61 tackles, 5 forced fumbles, 3 fumble recoveries, 1 interception, 19 break-ups

2009 (Sophomore) Stats

30 tackles, 2 forced fumbles, 10 break-ups

Blake Cook (Defensive Line, 6-3, 235, Mason, Mich.)

2011 (Senior): Lansing State Journal Class A All-Area...All-Conference.

2011 (Senior) Stats

48 tackles, 2 sacks, 24 rushes for 118 yards, 6 receptions for 96 yards (team captain)

2010 (Junior): All-Conference

2010 (Junior) Stats

37 tackles, 1 interception, 1 sack, 12 rushes for 72 yards, 12 receptions for 168 yards

2009 (Sophomore): Honorable Mention All-League

2009 (Sophomore) Stats

19 tackles, 6 rushes for 30 yards, 4 receptions for 44 yards

Branden Delk (Safety, 6-1, 190, Kalamazoo, Mich./Central)

2011 (Senior): Kalamazoo Gazette All-Area D1-D4

2011 (Senior) Stats

913 rush yards on 139 carries (6.6 ypc), 10 TD. 7 catches, 219 yards, 2 TD. 40 tackles, 1 interception.

Terrell Dorsey (Running Back, 5-11, 215, Mansfield, Ohio)

2011 (Senior): All-NW District Honorable Mention (Toledo Blade)

2011 (Senior) Stats

988 rush yards on 166 attempts, 14 rush TD, 8 catches, 115 rec. yards, 2 rec TD's

2010 (Junior) Stats

384 rush yards on 77 attempts, 4 rush TD's, 6 catches, 112 receiving yards, 1 rec. TD

2009 (Sophomore) Stats

696 rush yards on 164 attempts, 4 rush TD's, 7 catches, 86 rec. yards, 1 rec. TD

Dylan Heyvaert (Defensive Line, 6-3, 235, Mishawaka, Ind./Penn)

2011 (Senior): IndyStar All-State (5A Honorable Mention)...All-NIAC First Team.

2011 (Senior) Stats

83 total tackles (18 for loss), 63 solo tackles, 8 sacks, 2 pass break-ups, 1 fumble recovery

2010 (Junior) Stats

47 total tackles (12 for loss), 28 solo tackles, 3 sacks, 1 pass break-ups, 1 fumble recovery, 1 blocked punt

Cameron Hobbs (Offensive Line, 6-5, 256, Sanford, Mich./Sanford-Meridian)

2011 (Senior): AP All-State Team Honorable Mention (D5/D6)...Offense & Defense First Team All-Conference (Jack Pine)...Holland Sentinel Division 5/6 Player of the Year Honorable Mention.

Zach Jolly (Offensive Line, 6-6, 265, Brighton, Mich.)

2011 (Senior): All-KLAA First Team...Coaches Award...Brighton Scholar Medal Athlete.

2010 (Junior): All County Honorable Mention...All-KLAA...Brighton Scholar Medal Athlete.

Joe Moran (Linebacker, 6-3, 240, Loveland, Ohio)

2011 (Senior): First Team All-Conference (Fort Ancient Valley Conference)...All-SW District Honorable Mention (Dayton Dailey News)...All-TSF Linebackers.

2011 (Senior) Stats

74 tackles (14 for loss), 5.5 sacks, 3 forced fumbles, 1 punt block

2010 (Junior): Second Team All-Conference (FAVC)

2010 (Junior) Stats 56 tackles, 3.5 sacks

Mike Parker (Defensive Line, 6-4, 220, Libertyville, Ill.)

2011 (Senior): All-Conference...All-State Academic...Team Captain.

2011 (Senior) Stats

53 total tackles (4 for loss), 6 QB Hurries, 8 sacks, 1 pass break-up, 2 forced fumbles, 1 blocked kick

2010 (Junior) Stats

9 total tackles (1 for loss), 1 sack, 1 forced fumble (injured in fourth game)

Joe Robbins (Defensive Back, 6-3, 190, Petoskey, Mich.)

2011 (Senior): AP All-State First Team (D3,D4)...All-Big North First Team...Michigan High School Football Coaches Assoc. All-Star Game.

2011 (Senior) Stats

Rushed for 1,769 yards and 33 TD's (school records)

2010 (Junior): All-Area...First team All Big North.

2010 (Junior) Stats

36 tackles, 7 interceptions 932 yards rushing /receiving, scored 15 TDs.

Ian Sampson (Defensive Line, 6-2, 225, Carmel, Ind.)

2011 (Senior): Earned All-Conference honors...Led team to 5A State Championship.

2011 (Senior) Stats

Tallied 91 tackles and 6 sacks this season as a senior.

2010 (Junior): Honorable mention All-State

Gabe Sanders (Defensive Back, 5-11, 177, Detroit, Mich./Michigan Collegiate)

2011 (Senior): All-Macomb County Second Team...Detroit News All-Metro East Second Team...Rated 2 star prospect on Scout.com...147th ranked Corner Back in Country by Scout.com.

Troy Sassack (Wide Receiver, 6-4, 190, Pontiac, Mich./Notre Dame Prep)

2011 (Senior): AP All-State Honorable Mention (D3/D4)...All-Conference 1st Team (Catholic League AA)...All-Region Honorable Mention...All-County Honorable Mention...All-Area Honorable Mention...All-Catholic-Detroit Catholic League...All-League...Detroit News All-Metro North Honorable Mention.

2011 (Senior) Stats

35 catches, 617 yards, 10 TD; 20 tackles (1.5 for loss), 4 interceptions, 2 defensive TD

2010 (Junior): Schuman NUC Receiver MVP award...Invited NUC Ultimate 100 Camp July.

2010 (Junior) Stats

25 catches, 346 yards, 2 TD; 14 tackles (1.5 for loss), 3 interceptions

2009 (Sophomore) Stats

Led team with 3 interceptions

Adam Smith (Defensive Line, 6-2, 227, Ypsilanti, Mich.)

2011 (Senior): Team MVP and Team Defensive MVP...All S.E.C. Conference First Team (DL).

2011 (Senior) Stats

45 tackles, 15 assists (14 tackle for loss), 12 sacks, 10 Offensive pancakes

2010 (Junior): All S.E.C. Conference Honorable Mention.

2010 (Junior) Stats

26 tackles, 10 assists (6 tackles for loss), 7 sacks, 3 offensive pancakes

Urston Smith (Wide Receiver, 6-1, 197, Elkhart, Ind./Memorial)

2011 (Senior): IndyStar All-State (5A Honorable Mention)...All-Northern League Conference.

2011 (Senior) Stats

38 catches, 719 yards, 6 TD's

Scott Tackett (Defensive Line, 6-4, 218, Holland, Mich.)

2011 (Senior): All-Conference (OK White)...Holland Sentinel All-Area Team.

2011 (Senior) Stats

45 tackles (7 for loss), 7 for loss

David Talley (Linebacker, 6-3, 215, Southfield, Mich./Orchard Lake St. Mary's

2011 (Senior): AP All-State First Team (D3,D4)...All-Area First Team...All-Catholic League-Central...Detroit News All-Metro North Second Team...Detroit News Blue Chip Players #41 in the state.

2011 (Senior) Stats

89 solo tackles (148 total), 17 tackles for loss, 5.5 sacks, 3 forced fumbles and 1 fumble recovery; 7 solo tackles and 1 sack in State Championship game.

Jake Vento (Wide Receiver, 5-10, 170, Farmington Hill, Mich./Harrison)

2011 (Senior): Played QB/WR/Safety/Punter...Team record 10-1...OAA White Div Player of the week...2011 All Conference - Quarterback...2011 All Area - Safety...2011 All State - Specialist...2011 All State Dream Team - Specialist...Detroit News All-Metro North First Team (Specialist)...All-Obersver First Team...Associated Press Honorable Mention All-State (D1/D2)...Southeastern Elite First Team...All-OAA White...Harrison Team Captain...Harrison Team 2011 - Team MVP Award...Harrison Team 2011 - Scholar/Athlete Award.

2011 (Senior) Stats

Passing - 71/118 - 1,342 yds (60.2% completion rate) / 3 INT's / 14 TD's

Rushing - 73 carries / 450 yds / 6.2 yd avg / 8 TD's

Receptions - 2 rec / 119 yds / 2 TD's

K.O. returns - 13 returns / 487 yds / 37.5 yd avg / 3 TD's (long of 94 yds)

Punt returns - 10 returns / 191 yds / 19.1 yd avg / 2 TD's

2010 (Junior): Played WR/Safety/Punter...2010 Div 2 State Champions (MHSAA) 14-0 record...2 time OAA White Div Player of the week...2010 All Conference Player - Receiver...2010 All Area - Receiver...2010 All State - receiver...2010 All Oakland County Dream Team - Specialist...2010 Farmington Hills Harrison Team - Outstanding Back Award...Jake also joined the Harrison All-Time Leaders list for receptions as a receiver...Harrison school record - Longest K.O. return - 97 yds vs. Novi (2010).

2010 (Junior) Stats

Rushing - 13 carries / 221 yds / 17 yd avg / 1 TD

Receptions - 43 rec / 911 yds / 21.2 yd avg / 12 TD's

K.O. returns - 6 returns / 337 yds / 56 yd avg / 2 TD's (Long of 97 yds)

Punt returns - 5 returns / 96 yds / 1 TD

Kevin Vicari (Wide Receiver, 5-9, 180, Grand Rapids, Mich./Catholic Centra)

2011 (Senior): Associated Press First Team All-State (offensive utility)...Detroit Free Press First Team All-State (defensive back)...Detroit News First Team All-State (defensive back)...Grand Rapids Press Dream Team (offensive utility)...First Team All-Conference (OK Gold)...Fox 17/Cornerstone University Champions of Character Award...Voted Team Offensive MVP by teammates and coaches.

2011 (Senior) Stats

All-Purpose Yards: 1,572 (10.3 yds/touch)...881 receiving yards (8 touchdowns), 332 rushing yards (5 touchdowns), 359 return yards...107 total tackles, 2 fumble recoveries, 1 interception return for touchdown

2010 (Junior): First Team All-Area...First Team All-Conference (OK Gold)... Division 4 State Champion Player of the Game by WBBL Radio (Caught 2 TD's in final 3 minutes to bring team back from a ten-point deficit to a 27-23 win over Williamston).

2010 (Junior) Stats

All-Purpose Yards: 878...402 receiving yards (5 touchdowns), 476 rushing yards (6 touchdowns)...149 total tackles, 1 fumble recovery, 1 interception

Joey Warner (Tight End, 6-3, 230, Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Brother Rice)

2011 (Senior): Detroit News Blue Chip Players #54 in the state...All-Catholic League Team (Central)...Detroit News All-Metro North Honorable Mention...Rated 2 star prospect on Scout.com...90th ranked Tight End in Country by Scout.com

2011 (Senior) Stats

14 catches, 186 yards, 1 TD, 30 tackles, 13 sacks, 3 pass deflections, 1 forced fumble.

Brandon Haan (Punter, 6-2, 210, Byron Center, Mich./South Christian)

2011 (Senior): Michigan All State Honorable Mention...Grand Rapids Press Dream Team - 1st team Punter...All-OK Gold...Grand Rapids South All-Area

2011 (Senior) Stats

41.3 yard per punt average, 38 yard net average, 26 punts, 1 touchback, 8 downed inside the 20, had a 74 yard punt; 42 total tackses (6 for loss), 2 sacks, 100 total tackles; 25/26 on PAT's, 12 touchbacks on 40 kickoffs.

2010 (Junior): All-OK Gold...Grand Rapids South All-Area...Grand Rapids Press Dream Team Honorable Mention.

2010 (Junior) Stats

45.5 yard per punt average on 31 punts, 16 touchbacks on 36 kickoffs.

Career 43.5 yard per punt average and 39.4 net yard average.

Collin Enstad (Defensive Line, 6-1, 215, Sun Prairie, Wisc.)

2011 (Senior): Associated Press Honorable Mention All-State...Wisconsin Football Coaches Association All-Region...All-Big Eight First Team...Big Eight Lineman of the Year.

2011 (Senior) Stats

115 tackles (22 for loss, single season school record), 3 sacks, 3 forced fumbles

Tom Pawlowski (Linebacker, 6-1, 225, Smokey Mountain, N.C.)

2011 (Senior): All-WNC 2A/3A.

2011 (Senior) Stats

120 total tackles (5 for loss), 80 solo tackles, 2 interceptions, 2 fumble recoveries, 2 defensive TD's;

Austin Copley (Defensive Line, 6-4, 265, Joliet, Ill./Joliet J.C.)

Enrolled in January 2012

2011 (Sophomore) Stats

39 total tackles (10 for loss), 3 sacks

2010 (Freshman) Stats

40 total tackles (6 for loss), 2 sacks