

Miami University Football



2009 Spring Media Guide



History

First year of football 1888
 All-time bowl appearances (Record) 9 (6-3)
 Last bowl appearance.....2004 Independence Bowl
 Result Iowa State 17, Miami 13
 All-time record.....649-379-44 (.626)

Football Staff

Head Coach

Head Coach **Michael Haywood**
 Alma mater Notre Dame '86
 Record at school 1st season
 Career record Same
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Assistant Coaches

Asst. Head Coach/Recruiting Coord./Linebackers.....**Bill Elias**
 Alma Mater.....Massachusetts '77
 Offensive Coordinator/Tight Ends **Peter Vaas**
 Alma Mater.....Holy Cross '74
 Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers.....**Carl Reese**
 Alma Mater.....Missouri '66
 Wide Receivers..... **Cedric Cormier**
 Alma Mater.....Colorado '02
 Defensive Backs **Lance Guidry**
 Alma Mater..... McNeese State '95
 Offensive Line.....**Bill Mottola**
 Alma Mater.....Springfield College '89
 Defensive Line **Antoine Smith**
 Alma Mater.....Maine '01
 Running Backs **KiJuan Ware**
 Alma Mater.....Springfield College '97
 Quarterbacks.....**Morris Watts**
 Alma Mater.....Tulsa '61
 Director of Football Operations **J.D. Vonderheide**
 Alma Mater.....Miami '04
 Director of Video Operations **Dan Siegle**
 Alma Mater.....Miami '99
 Graduate Assistant/Defense.....**Karl Maslowski**
 Alma Mater.....Western Kentucky '04
 Graduate Assistant/Offense..... **Tom Anevski**
 Alma Mater.....Boston College '08

Team Information

2008 Record.....2-10
 MAC Record.....1-7 (7th place, East Division)
 Basic Offense.....Multiple
 Basic Defense.....4-3
Letterwinners Returning45
 Offense19
 Defense22
 Special Teams.....3
Letterwinners Lost19
 Offense6
 Defense10
 Special Teams.....3

Starters Returning14
 Offense8
 Defense5
 Special Teams1
Starters Lost12
 Offense3
 Defense6
 Special Teams3

Miami's Returning Three-Year Letter Winners (6)
Caleb Bostic (LB) ... Wendell Brunson (DB) ... Mark Paun (DL)
... Daniel Raudabaugh (QB) ... Jeff Thompson (DB) ...
Dustin Woods (WR)

Miami's Returning Two-Year Letter Winners (23)
Ben Bennett (DB) ... Andre Bratton (RB) ... Martin Channels
(DL)... Trevor Cook (PK) ... Brayden Coombs (WR) ...
Morris Council (DL) ... David Davis (LB) ... Peris Edwards
(DB) ... Jordan Gafford (DB) ... DeAndre Gilmore (DB) ...
Chris Givens (WR) ... Bob Gulley (OL) ... Eugene Harris (WR)
... Ryan Kennedy (LB) ... Thomas Merriweather (RB)...
Donovan Potter (WR) ... Sean Redwine (DL) ... Armand
Robinson (WR) ... Jamal Rogers (WR) ... Mike Rummier (LS)
... Brandon Stephens (DB) ... Jordan Stevens (DL) ...
D.J. Svabik (DL).

Miami's Returning One-Year Letter Winners (16)
Mitch Anderson (WR) ... Clay Belton (QB) ... Brandon Brooks
(OL) ... Jordain Brown (DL) ... Kendrick Bruton (TE) ...
Matt Kajmowicz (DL) ... Alex Kaufman (LB) ... Anthony Kokal
(DB) ... Seth Philip (K) ... Rob Reiland (TE) ... Ken Staudinger
(OL) ... J.R. Taylor (RB) ... Cornelius Ward (DB) ... Jerrell
Wedge (LB) ... Jonathan Wells (DB) ... Nate Williams (OL).

Starters Lost (12)
Joe Coniglio (DL) ... Tom Crabtree (TE) ... Travis Craven (DL)
... Kyle Decker (holder) ... Dave DiFranco (OL) ... Joey Hud-
son (LB) ... Clayton Mullins (LB) ... Nate Parseghian (PK) ...
Jake Richardson (P) ... Chris Shula (LB) ... Steve Sutter (OL)
... Robbie Wilson (DB).

Returning Statistical Leaders

Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Thomas Merriweather	140	547	3.9	4		
Passing	Att.	Cmp.	Pct.	Yds.	INT	TD
Daniel Raudabaugh	343	201	586	1960	9	8
Receiving	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Jamal Rogers	41	353	8.6	0		
Chris Givens	35	513	14.7	7		
Dustin Woods	35	377	10.8	0		
Tackles	UT	AT	Tot.	INT	TFL	SACK
Caleb Bostic	15	25	40	0	2.0	1.5
Brandon Stephens	24	6	30	0	1.0	0
Ben Bennett	22	8	30	1	2.5	0

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2009 SCHEDULE

- Sept. 5 KENTUCKY (Paul Brown Stadium)**
- Sept. 12 at Boise State
- Sept. 19 at Western Michigan
- Sept. 26 at Kent State
- Oct. 3 CINCINNATI (Family Weekend)**
- Oct. 10 at Northwestern
- Oct. 17 at Ohio
- Oct. 24 NORTHERN ILLINOIS (Homecoming)**
- Oct. 31 TOLEDO**
- Nov. 5 at Temple
- Nov. 12 BOWLING GREEN**
- Nov. 18 BUFFALO**

Game times will be determined in May or June

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MIAMI FOOTBALL TICKET INFORMATION

Season ticket packages for Miami's 2009 six-game home schedule are on sale now by calling the Miami Athletic Ticket Office at 513-529-HAWK or toll-free at 1-866-MUHAWKS (684-2957). Reserved seat season ticket packages range from \$110-\$130 for the general public and are \$105 for Miami University faculty and staff. Ticket renewal forms will be mailed in April.

2009 SPRING PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Sat.	March 21	Spring Practice Begins	11 a.m.
Mon.	March 23	Practice #2	3:30 p.m.
Wed.	March 25	Practice #3	3:30 p.m.
Fri.	March 27	Practice #4	3:30 p.m.
Mon.	March 30	Practice #5	3:30 p.m.
Wed.	April 1	Practice #6	3:30 p.m.
Fri.	April 3	Practice #7	3:30 p.m.
Sat.	April 4	Practice #8	2:30 p.m.
Mon.	April 6	Practice #9	3:30 p.m.
Tue.	April 7	Practice #10.....	3:30 p.m.
Wed.	April 8	Practice #11.....	3:30 p.m.
Mon.	April 13	Practice #12.....	3:30 p.m.
Wed.	April 15	Practice #13.....	3:30 p.m.
Thu.	April 16	Practice #14.....	3:30 p.m.
Sat.	April 18	SPRING GAME.....	1 p.m.

Check with Miami's Athletic Media Relations Office for changes



MIAMI REDHAWKS

SPRING FOOTBALL –

A to Z

Here's an A-to-Z look at 2009 spring football practice at Miami University.

AUGUST: Miami University's fall football drills begin in August. Details will be forthcoming.

BICENTENNIAL: Miami University is celebrating its 200th anniversary throughout 2009 and until mid February of 2010. MU's intercollegiate athletics program will take part in the year-long celebration on campus. Three athletic team reunions—football, baseball and men's track—will take place on Saturday, April 18.

COORDINATORS: Miami has two of the nation's premier coordinators in Carl "Bull" Reese and Peter Vaas. Together, they boast 73 years of combined coaching experience. Reese, whose last coaching assignment was as defensive coordinator for Coach Mack Brown's Texas Longhorns from 1998-2003, served on the same staff with Mike Haywood during his final season in Austin. Reese also has been defensive coordinator at LSU (1995-97), Vanderbilt (1991-94), Navy (1989-90), Missouri (1977-81 and 1986-88), the USFL's Birmingham Stallions (1982-85) and East Carolina (1970-73). Vaas has immense experience as well, most recently as Duke's offensive coordinator (2007). He has also served at Notre Dame (assistant coach, 1990-91 and 2005-06), with NFL Europe's Cologne Centurions (head coach, 2004-05), Berlin Thunder (head coach, 2000-2003) and Barcelona Dragons (assistant coach, 1998-99), and with the CFL's Montreal Alouettes (1996). Vaas was head coach of his alma mater, Holy Cross (1992-95) and for Allegheny College (1986-89). He also served as an assistant coach and offensive coordinator at New Hampshire from 1979-85.

DIRECTORS: Miami's Director of Football Operations is former RedHawk player and graduate assistant coach J.D. Vonderheide. Miami grad Dan Siegle is the team's Director of Video Operations.

EARLY ENROLLEE: True freshman Austin Moore will be getting a jump on his other classmates. The linebacker from Springfield in enrolled in classes at Miami and will participate in spring drills.

FRESHMEN: Sixteen Miami scholarship freshmen red-shirted during the 2008 season and retain four years of eligibility. The list includes Trevor Behmke (TE), Fitz Bobo (WR), Jim Broadway (P/PK), D.J. Brown (DB), Joe Clarke (WR), Andy Cruse (WR), Zac Dysert (QB), Danny Green (RB), Juilian Harrell (WR), Mike Johns (DT), Luke Kelly (LB), Nick Kemper (OL), Matt Kennedy (OL), Evan Klepec (DL), Andrew Phelan (OL) and Jaytee Swanson (LB).

GRADUATES: Among the Miami football players whose eligibility has expired are 2008 starters Joe Coniglio (DL), Tom Crabtree (TE), Dave DiFranco (OL), Joey Hudson (LB), Clayton Mullins (LB), Chris Shula (LB), Steve Sutter (OL) and Robbie Wilson (DB). Defensive line starter Travis Craven also is no longer with the program.

HOME SCHEDULE: For the second consecutive season, Miami's home-game schedule includes six contests. The season-opener on September 5 finds the RedHawks hosting Kentucky at Paul Brown Stadium in Cincinnati. The balance of Miami's home schedule will be on campus at Yager Stadium, including games against Cincinnati on October 3, Northern Illinois on October 24, Toledo on October 31, Bowling Green on November 12, and Buffalo on November 18.

INELIGIBLE: Participating in Miami's 2008 spring drills, but ineligible to compete until 2010 due to NCAA transfer guidelines, is linebacker C.J. Marck. He enrolled at Miami in January 2009 after transferring from the University of Connecticut. C.J.'s younger brother, Steve, joins the roster next fall as a freshman tight end.

JULY: The 2009 Mid-American Conference Football Media Day and Kickoff Luncheon will be held Thursday and Friday, July 30 and 31, at Ford Field in Detroit. The MAC News Media Association Meeting (Ford Field Press Box) and a MAC Media Hospitality (Ford Field/South Club) will take place Thursday evening at 7 o'clock, while the MAC Football Media Preview is scheduled for Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. (Ford Field Press Box). The MAC Football Kickoff Luncheon begins Friday at 12:30.

KENTUCKY: Coach Rich Brooks's Kentucky Wildcats will provide the competition for Mike Haywood's head coaching debut on September 5 at Cincinnati's Paul Brown Stadium. Tickets for the game are \$35 for seats in the upper bowl of the stadium, \$45 for the lower bowl, and \$75 for club-level seats.

LINEBACKERS: First-team All-MAC linebackers Joey Hudson and Clayton Mullins have graduated, so there should be a spirited battle at this position during spring drills.

MUREDHAWKS.COM: Miami's website —www.MUredHawks.com—will be the No. 1 source of information about Miami spring football. In addition to daily text updates, MURedHawks.com also will feature video and audio vignettes.

NUMBERS: A few RedHawk players will be wearing new jersey numbers this spring. Ryan Kennedy switches from No. 37 to No. 5 and Juilian Harrell moves from No. 16 to No. 20. UConn transfer C.J. Marck will wear No. 45 for the RedHawks, grayshirt lineman Brad Bednar will wear No. 72 and early freshman enrollee Austin Moore will wear No. 51 for Miami.

OPPORTUNITIES (INTERVIEW): To arrange interviews with RedHawk coaches and players, please call Miami media relations director Mike Pearson at (513) 529-4329. The coaching staff asks that requests be made prior to 12 noon of an afternoon practice.

PRACTICES: Saturday, March 21, marks the first of 15 spring practice sessions for Miami's football team. The balance of the practice dates include March 23, 25, 27 and 30, and April 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 13, 15 and 16. Miami's spring game will take place on Saturday, April 18. Though practice times are subject to change, weekday sessions will typically run from 3:30-5:45 p.m. All practices will be held on the grass fields north and northwest of Yager Stadium.

Q: Running back Quincy Landingham, who redshirted last season at Miami, will be eligible for the RedHawks in 2009.

RECEIVERS: While most programs label their receiving corps as split ends, flankers, wide receivers and tight ends, Miami's pass catchers are assigned the letters "B", "H", "X", "Y" and "Z". Their respective alignments will vary according to personnel groupings. The "B" will always operate out of the backfield. The "H" is the catch-all player and could work out of the backfield, in the slot or, at times, as a wide-out. The "X" is almost always split wide to the weak side and will be the team's deep threat. The "Y" is the traditional tight end and will be used as both a blocker and a short-to-mid-range receiver. Finally, the "Z" is typically flanked out to the strong side, but could move to the weak side in two-back situations. Because the "Z" lines up

off the ball, coaches are able to move him around with motion.

SENIOR CLASS: Miami's 2009 senior class numbers 11 players altogether. The alphabetical and numerical rosters included within this guide note those men whose eligibility will expire following next season.

TICKETS: Miami's athletic ticket manager is Alex Weikel. She is in her second year in that capacity. For ticket information, call 1-866-MUHAWKS (1-866-684-2957) or 513.529.HAWK (513-529-4295).

UNIFORMS: At Miami practices, the defense is dressed in red jerseys, the offense is attired in white jerseys, quarterbacks wear black jerseys and injured players have yellow jerseys with a red "X".

VICTORIES: Since its inaugural season in 1888, Miami football teams have won a total of 649 games, while losing 379 and tying 44. MU's 649 victories are more than any other MAC school.

WALK-ONS: More than 100 walk-ons have earned scholarships since 1990 at Miami. Among MU's 2008 players, both first-team All-MAC punter Jake Richardson and first-team All-MAC placekicker Nate Parseghian originally joined the RedHawk football program as walk-ons.

X-PERIENCE: Head coach Mike Haywood's nine assistant coaches have a total of 199 years of coaching experience at either the high school, collegiate or professional level. Quarterbacks coach Morris Watts has the most years of coaching experience with 44.

YAGER STADIUM: Miami's stadium has played host to 125 games since it opened in 1983, and the RedHawks have a .616 winning percentage (75-46-4). In the near future, Miami athletic director Brad Bates hopes to soon add a 100-yard indoor facility beyond the north endzone.

Z: Alphabetically, sophomore lineman Lee Zamos is the bottom of the RedHawk roster.



You've been a man on the go since you were named head coach on December 23rd. Are you excited to finally start on-field practice?

MH: *Well, first I love to recruit, as you well know. Recruiting is the heartbeat of any organization. However, I am excited about practicing and developing technique and the fundamentals of the players and seeing how they learn the system in which we are going to implement.*

Besides your recruiting success, how else did Miami's football program advance itself during the off-season?

MH: *During the off-season, I think our players learned how to finish. We instituted our fourth-quarter program, working out four days a week at 6:00 in the morning for an hour. We worked on conditioning in one phase and on the technique of form running in another. At the same time, on different days, we worked on the technique of fundamentals of football through eight-station drills and four-station drills. We made progress, but we still have a ways to go.*

As head coach, what are your specific objectives for spring drills?

MH: *Primarily to develop players. Learning the information and how much information each individual can retain. We're making sure that every player has an opportunity to become a starter or contributor on our football team.*

For the first time, you are going to be the man in charge. What qualities will you borrow from the predecessors under whom you have learned?

MH: *We'll start off with Nick Saban, with his leadership and toughness, and the expectation of the players living up to the level of perfection we would like for them to play. From coach Mack Brown, his organization that he brings to a team and the excitement that he brings throughout practice. And from coach Charlie Weiss, creating opportunities for players to play on offense and defense and special teams.*

You indicated at your introductory press conference that every player would have an opportunity to compete for a starting job. What will you be looking for?



MH: *Well, we're going to see how each guy improves each and every day. We're going to start from ground zero. Not doing very much blitzing or stunting. Lining up and playing technique and fundamental football just to see what guys can really play. From there, we'll see what their retention rate is. How much knowledge can they retain and at the same time, go out and execute out on the field. Each day we will give them more and more and more to see how each one develops. The people that are developing the fastest and retaining the most information will be the guys that move into the starting position.*

Your first practices with your new coaching staff coming

up. It seems to be an excellent mixture of veteran coaches and eager new coaches. What do you expect to see from them?

MH: *I expect them all to be teachers and disciplinarians. I expect for them to teach fundamentals and techniques at all times. At the same time, the gentlemen that we have employed, I expect for them to encourage players to reach a higher level of academic excellence, higher than the level that young players would expect for themselves to reach.*

Will any players be sitting out the spring drills due to injuries or other reasons?

MH: *There are several players that will be sitting out due to injuries.*

Does Miami have any early enrollees that will be taking part in spring practices?

MH: *We have C.J. Marck, a transfer from Connecticut who will be taking part in spring drills. Austin Moore, an early enrollee, and Brad Bedner, a grayshirt freshman, also will be practicing.*

Let's take a look at the offense. Peter Vaas is your offensive coordinator. He has been a head coach and an offensive coordinator. What kind of offense will he be installing and what can RedHawk fans ultimately expect to see?

MH: *It will be a pro-style offense, with multiple formations*

and multiple personnel groupings, trying to create matchups. We're going to try to get our best players matched up against our opponent's less athletic players. We want to get them the football.

So, Miami's offensive game plans could vary greatly from week to week?

MH: Every game plan will be different. Sometimes we will come out and run the ball 40 times a game. Sometimes we'll come out and run it maybe twenty times a game. We may start a game with four or five screens. It all depends on what they do on defense as opposed to what we are doing on offense.

Everybody always wants to know what the quarterback situation will be and what kinds of skills they'll have. What are you looking for in the four young men who will be competing at quarterback this spring?

MH: We're looking for a guy who can come out and be able to execute the offense. More importantly we are looking for a young man that can be a leader.

When you took over the job, you were encouraged about the way that Miami's running backs had competed last season. What do you look for in a running back?

MH: We're going to look for players who have the ability to be elusive, guys who can make plays. We're going to look for players that are physically and mentally tough because, in the backfield, you are going to be asked to do a lot of things. First and foremost, our backs are going to be asked to protect because, if you can't protect, you aren't going to be able to be back there to run the ball. Secondly, we're going to be asking guys to line up in the backfield and be able to average four yards a carry. You have to have some physical toughness to do it.

Receiver-wise, a lot of letter winners are returning. Experience in the tight end position is lacking. Will that affect the way in which you will approach the passing game at all?

MH: No, we're going to put the best eleven people on the field.

What is the role of the tight end in this offense?

MH: It all depends on how well they can block and how well they can catch. If one guy can really block, he'll be in there in most of the blocking situations and short and intermediate routes. If there's a guy who is not an effective blocker, but he can stretch the field vertically, we'll make

sure we put him in the game. He won't have to be at the point of attack or won't have to have a devastating block at the point of attack. Most importantly, we'll put him in situations where he can stretch the field vertically.

Defensively, let's start with your comments about defensive coordinator Bull Reece and what he brings to this program.

MH: Bull is a guy that really coaches kids hard on the field. More importantly, he provides an opportunity to get players on the field to play because he'll select the best eleven players. No matter if it's four down linemen, three linebackers and four defensive backs or if the best players are three down linemen, three linebackers and five DBs. He'll get the best personnel on the field and match them up appropriately for them to have success. He's an innovator when it comes to personnel, which I think is really important.

What kind of defense will the basic defense be? What will he start with?

MH: He'll start with a basic four/three defense.

I recall a comment he made about really looking forward to attacking the spread offenses of the MAC.

MH: Right. One of the things he did while he was retired was that he spent a lot of time studying spread offenses. It's really interesting because people all over the country are flying different people in to discuss this zone read and how to attack the zone read and everybody has a different opinion. Zone read is a lot better when you have better talent, when you've got the speed of Florida. However, when you add the speed of the game that they have, it's hard to stop them. When we were at Texas, we had Vince Young in the backfield. When Vince ran against USC, it looked like they were running in slow motion, despite the fact that they had so many first rounders.

The defense is going to throw a lot of different looks at your offensive group in the spring drills, too. Will that make them more adaptable?

MH: It'll be really good. When you have an offense that goes up against the same defense all the time, it's hard to adjust when you get into a game situation. However, when you go into it and you have multiple fronts and multiple coverages, it makes you better as an entire offensive unit. More importantly, it makes you better as a quarterback when you see the various fronts, the various coverages, the various tucks and blitzes. It makes you significantly better. During game time, when you get something that you hadn't seen, you can make mid-stream adjustments.



Based on Antoine Smith's personality, do you anticipate that his defensive linemen are going to be as aggressive as he is?

MH: *I would think so because he's a pretty aggressive football coach. He has really done a tremendous job for us so far on the field and off the field, especially with our study tables.*

Will Coach Smith stress quickness more than strength, or does he strive for a combination of the two?

MH: *He stresses speed and getting off on the ball, making sure that guys can get off the ball with initial quickness. He wants guys who can hold the point of attack because of their leverage.*

Miami has had a great tradition of linebackers. We had a couple of All-MAC first teamers last year. What do you expect from your linebacker group?

MH: *With all positions being open, I think we should have a spirited group with a lot of competition.*

Let's talk about the defensive secondary. What are the traits that your DBs need to have?

MH: *Defensive backs are all different. If you're a stiff-hipped guy, you can play corner. It's a little bit more difficult when you are stiff-hipped to play safety. If you are spinning down in the box, if you are running the alley, and doing these various things, it's a little bit more difficult. We look for guys who have both speed and quickness. Not all guys have to be great tacklers, but you can be a solid tackler out on the corner and just get a guy down. We're looking for guys that can judge the deep ball and go up and high-point the deep ball. Not all people can judge the distance and direction of a pass and go up and high-point. You sometimes ask, how was that guy not able to make that interception? Well, it's because they don't have the ability to do it. Those are some of the things we look for.*

You put a lot of stock in special-teams play. Miami lost a couple of first-team all-MAC players in Nate Parseghian and Jake Richardson. What kind of objectives do you have this spring regarding special teams?

MH: *First we are going to try to develop a two-deep in every special team. We are going to practice every special team in our 15 spring practices. We're going to get them all in. At the same time, we have inexperience at punter and inexperience at placekicker. We are going to try to develop some depth and continuity, and basically find us a starter at those positions.*

The 2009 non-conference schedule, with Kentucky, Boise State, UC and Northwestern, is difficult. What is the message you are telling your players about the upcoming schedule?

MH: *We are going to tell them that there is a great opportunity to play such fine teams as Kentucky, Northwestern, Boise State and Cincinnati. You have to embrace this opportunity. It's like being on stage; you go out and give your best performance so the world can see how much better you've become in a short period of time.*

Do you expect to establish a depth chart fairly soon after spring practice concludes or will you wait until next fall?

MH: *We'll have a group of players that we will line up in the beginning of two-a-days as starters. However, we will provide an opportunity for freshmen who are coming in to compete for jobs. Guys that are already here would have laid the foundation where they fall in line, so we are going to give some younger guys an opportunity when they get in.*

2009 Spring Roster

			No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown/High School
1	Dustin Woods	WR	84	Mitchell Anderson *	WR	6-3	184	Sr./Jr.	Canton, OH (Canton Central)
2	Eugene Harris III	WR	72	Brad Bednar	OL	6-4	264	Fr./Fr.	Mentor, OH (Mentor)
3	Jeff Thompson	DB	91	Trevor Behmke	TE	6-5	251	So./Fr.	Paoli, PA (Conestoga)
4	Zac Dysert	QB	13	Clay Belton *	QB	6-5	232	Jr./So.	Dayton, OH (Northmont)
5	Ryan Kennedy	LB	23	Ben Bennett **	DB	5-11	195	Sr./Jr.	Capitol Heights, MD (Gwynn Park)
6	David "D.J." Brown	DB	88	Fitz Bobo	WR	6-4	205	So./Fr.	Duquesne, PA (Duquesne)
8	Brayden Coombs	WR	44	Caleb Bostic ***	LB	6-3	232	Sr./Sr.	Galloway, OH (Westland)
9	Jamal Rogers	WR	10	Andre Bratton **	RB	5-11	181	Sr./Sr.	Woodbridge, VA (Woodbridge)
10	Andre Bratton	RB	60	Steve Bray	OL	6-1	256	Jr./So.	Cincinnati, OH (Turpin)
11	Armand Robinson	WR	23	Kevin Bresnahan	WR	6-1	178	So./Fr.	San Antonio, TX (Churchill)
12	Daniel Raudabaugh	QB	+45	Jim Broadway	P/PK	6-0	174	So./Fr.	Roswell, GA (Roswell)
13	Clay Belton	QB	56	Brandon Brooks *	OL	6-5	315	Jr./So.	Milwaukee, WI (Riverside Univ.)
14	David Davis	LB	65	Austin Brown	LS	6-4	210	So./Fr.	Hilliard, OH (Darby)
15	Andrew Cruse	WR	6	David "D.J." Brown	DB	6-1	170	So./Fr.	West Chester, OH (Lakota West)
17	Chris Givens	WR	79	Jordain Brown *	DL	6-0	294	Jr./So.	Chicago, IL (Hubbard)
+18	Anthony Kokal	DB	+26	Wendell Brunson ***	DB	5-11	196	Sr./Sr.	Ft. Pierce, FL (John Carroll)
+18	Mike Scherpenberg	QB	+82	Kendrick Bruton *	TE	6-4	258	Jr./So.	Miamisburg, OH (Miamisburg)
19	Trevor Cook	PK	93	Martin Channels **	DL	6-0	325	Sr./Sr.	Xenia, OH (Wayne)
20	Juilian Harrell	WR	+81	Joe Clarke	WR	6-3	195	So./Fr.	Tampa, FL (Alonso)
21	Jordan Stevens	DL	54	Chase Collins	LS	6-2	216	Sr./Sr.	Germantown, OH (Valley View)
22	Jordan Gafford	DB	19	Trevor Cook **	PK	6-2	189	Sr./Jr.	Sioux Falls, SD (Washington)
+23	Ben Bennett	DB	8	Brayden Coombs **	WR	6-1	195	Sr./Sr.	Cincinnati, OH (Colerain)
+23	Kevin Bresnahan	WR	85	Morris Council **	DL	6-2	259	Jr./Jr.	Decatur, GA (Southwest Dekalb)
+24	Brandon Stephens	DB	15	Andrew Cruse	WR	6-4	214	So./Fr.	Cincinnati, OH (Turpin)
+24	Quincy Landingham	RB	14	David Davis **	LB	6-1	223	Jr./Jr.	Decatur, GA (Southwest DeKalb)
+25	Cornelius Ward	CB	80	Danny Day	TE	6-5	243	So./Fr.	Parma Heights, OH (Holy Name)
+25	Danny Green	RB	92	Chris DiCesare	P	6-2	220	Sr./Sr.	St. Clairsville, OH (Bellaire St. John)
+26	Wendell Brunson	DB	4	Zac Dysert	QB	6-4	216	So./Fr.	Ada, OH (Ada)
+26	Geoff Matthews	RB	27	Peris Edwards **	DB	6-1	200	Sr./Jr.	Toledo, OH (Rogers)
27	Peris Edwards	DB	67	Justin Frost	OL	6-4	280	Jr./So.	Bellbrook, OH (Bellbrook)
31	DeAndre Gilmore	DB	22	Jordan Gafford **	DB	6-0	206	Sr./Jr.	Columbus, OH (Worthington Kilbourne)
32	Jaytee Swanson	LB	31	DeAndre Gilmore **	DB	6-1	227	Jr./Jr.	St. Louis, MO (Cardinal Ritter)
33	Jonathan Wells	CB	17	Chris Givens **	WR	6-2	205	Jr./Jr.	Chillicothe, OH (Chillicothe)
34	Thomas Merriweather	RB	+25	Danny Green	RB	5-10	198	So./Fr.	Oak Park, IL (Walther Luthren)
36	Luke Kelly	LB	75	Bob Gulley **	OL	6-4	305	Sr./Jr.	Berea, OH (Berea)
38	Jay "J.R." Taylor	RB	20	Juilian Harrell	WR	6-3	217	So./Fr.	Harrisburg, PA (Bishop McDevitt)
39	Seth Philip	PK	2	Eugene Harris III **	WR	5-10	183	Sr./Jr.	Atlanta, GA (McNair)
43	Jerrell Wedge	LB	61	Andrew Illig	OL	6-3	288	So./Fr.	Macedonia, OH (Walsh Jesuit)
44	Caleb Bostic	LB	94	Mike Johns	DT	6-4	270	So./Fr.	Oak Forest, IL (Oak Forest)
+45	Jim Broadway	P/PK	97	Matt Kajmowicz *	DL	6-4	242	Jr./So.	Hinsdale, IL (Hinsdale Central)
+45	C.J. Marck	LB	53	Alex Kaufman *	LB	6-2	223	Jr./So.	Cincinnati, OH (Lakota West)
47	Chris Rutledge	LB	36	Luke Kelly	LB	6-2	211	So./Fr.	Cincinnati, OH (Turpin)
50	Nick Kemper	OL	50	Nick Kemper	OL	6-3	274	So./Fr.	Winter Springs, FL (Lake Howell)
51	Austin Moore	LB	66	Matt Kennedy	OL	6-5	244	So./Fr.	Mt. Prospect, IL (Prospect)
53	Alex Kaufman	LB	5	Ryan Kennedy **	LB	6-1	224	Jr./Jr.	Libertyville, IL (Libertyville)
54	Chase Collins	LS	96	Evan Klepec	DL	6-4	243	So./Fr.	Canfield, OH (Boardman)
56	Brandon Brooks	OL	+18	Anthony Kokal *	DB	6-0	201	Jr./So.	Warren, OH (John F. Kennedy)
58	Brian Lane	DL	77	Kevin Koncelik	OL	6-3	287	Jr./So.	Seven Hills, OH (St. Ignatius)
59	Scott Madsen	LB	+24	Quincy Landingham	RB	6-0	229	Jr./So.	Bloomfield Hills, MI (Lahser)
60	Steve Bray	OL	58	Brian Lane	DL	6-3	279	Jr./So.	Cincinnati, OH (Moeller)
61	Andrew Illig	OL	59	Scott Madsen	LB	6-2	214	Jr./So.	Dublin, OH (Coffman)
62	Mike Rummler	LS	+45	C.J. Marck	LB	6-1	230	Jr./So.	Newtown, PA (Pennsbury)
63	Ken Staudinger	OL	+26	Geoff Matthews	RB	6-1	219	So./Fr.	Long Grove, IL (Stevenson)
66	Matt Kennedy	OL	34	Thomas Merriweather **	RB	5-10	203	Jr./Jr.	Florissant, MO (Hazelwood East)
70	Nate Williams	OL							





No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown/High School			
51	Austin Moore	LB	6-0	228	Fr./Fr.	Springfield, OH (Springfield)	71	Andrew Phelan	OL
+81	Rhys Newman	TE	6-5	278	Sr./Jr.	Oxford, OH (Talawanda)	72	Brad Bednar	OL
98	Mark Paun ***	DL	6-3	277	Sr./Sr.	Strongsville, OH (Strongsville)	74	Lee Zamos	OL
71	Andrew Phelan	OL	6-4	314	So./Fr.	West Chester, OH (Lakota West)	75	Bob Gulley	OL
39	Seth Philip *	K	6-3	200	Sr./Jr.	Columbus, OH (Whetstone)	77	Kevin Koncelik	OL
86	Donovan Potter **	WR	6-2	201	Sr./Jr.	Trotwood, OH (Chaminade-Julienne)	79	Jordain Brown	DL
12	Daniel Raudabaugh ***	QB	6-4	229	Sr./Sr.	Coppell, TX (Coppell)	80	Danny Day	TE
90	Sean Redwine **	DL	6-4	278	Sr./Jr.	Reading, OH (Moeller)	+81	Joe Clarke	WR
89	Rob Reiland *	TE	6-3	237	Jr./So.	Canton, OH (Jackson)	+81	Rhys Newman	TE
11	Armand Robinson **	WR	6-1	202	Sr./Jr.	Reynoldsburg, OH (Reynoldsburg)	+82	Kendrick Bruton	TE
9	Jamal Rogers **	WR	5-11	168	Jr./Jr.	Ft. Myers, FL (Harmony)	+82	Nate Wilburn-Ogletree	WR
62	Mike Rummler **	LS	6-2	200	Sr./Jr.	Cincinnati, OH (Moeller)	84	Mitchell Anderson	WR
47	Chris Rutledge	LB	6-1	222	Jr./So.	Dayton, OH (Northmont)	85	Morris Council	DL
+18	Mike Scherpenberg	QB	6-3	205	Sr./Jr.	Cincinnati, OH (Indian Hill/Grand Valley St.)	86	Donovan Potter	WR
63	Ken Staudinger *	OL	6-5	273	Jr./So.	Canton, OH (Hoover)	88	Fitz Bobo	WR
+24	Brandon Stephens **	DB	5-10	200	Sr./Jr.	Strongsville, OH (Strongsville)	89	Rob Reiland	TE
21	Jordan Stevens **	DL	6-4	262	Sr./Jr.	Monroeville, PA (Gateway)	90	Sean Redwine	DL
95	D.J. Svabik **	DL	6-6	278	Sr./Jr.	Van Wert, OH (Van Wert)	91	Trevor Behmke	TE
32	Jaytee Swanson	LB	6-2	217	So./Fr.	Buford, GA (Buford)	92	Chris DiCesare	P
38	Jay "J.R." Taylor *	RB	5-9	194	So./So.	Reynoldsburg, OH (Reynoldsburg)	93	Martin Channels	DL
3	Jeff Thompson ***	DB	5-10	196	Sr./Sr.	Worthington, OH (Kilbourne)	94	Mike Johns	DT
+25	Cornelius Ward *	CB	6-1	195	Jr./So.	Fort Washington, MD (Friendly Sr.)	95	D.J. Svabik	DL
43	Jerrell Wedge *	LB	5-9	227	Jr./So.	Upper Marlboro, MD (Douglas)	96	Evan Klepec	DL
33	Jonathan Wells *	CB	5-8	179	Jr./So.	Hubbard, OH (Liberty)	97	Matt Kajmowicz	DL
+82	Nate Wilburn-Ogletree	WR	6-3	183	So./Fr.	Brookville, OH (Northmont)	98	Mark Paun	DL
70	Nate Williams *	OL	6-5	307	Sr./Jr.	Parma, OH (Holy Name)			
1	Dustin Woods ***	WR	5-11	197	Sr./Sr.	Cincinnati, OH (Purcell-Marian)			
74	Lee Zamos	OL	6-5	285	Jr./So.	Kenston, OH (Kenston)			

RedHawks Begin First Season Under Michael Haywood

MICHAEL HAYWOOD, offensive coordinator at Notre Dame the past four years and a former staff member under some of college football's greatest mentors, begins his first season as Head Football Coach at Miami University.

Haywood, 44, was hired on December 23 and introduced to the local media on December 30.

In his opening remarks, he praised Miami's tremendous tradition.

"It's an institution with outstanding academics and a storied football tradition. The Cradle of Coaches, Ara Parseghian, Bo Schembechler, Bill Mallory, Jim Tressel ... what an unbelievable coaching tradition. I'm so excited about joining the Miami family, with a fan and alumni base that is nationwide. Ohio is a great state for high school football, with tremendous coaches and unbelievable student-athletes. We are looking forward to developing a relationship with the high school coaches and to recruit their student-athletes to Miami University."

Miami's Brad Bates, director of athletics, said that Haywood's experience and success at four different Bowl Championship Series (BCS) schools made him the leading candidate at Miami.

"Mike's experience with scholar-athletes at the United States Military Academy, the University of Texas and the University of Notre Dame has instilled in him high intellectual expectations for our students. His mentors have included some of the most successful coaches in college football and have given him the organizational, recruiting and leadership skills to inspire our team, program, campus and fans. And Mike's competitive success in the MAC, Big Ten, Southeastern Conference and Big 12 provides him with the knowledge and pragmatism to surround himself with a great staff to develop champions at Miami University. We are thrilled to have Mike Haywood as 'our' head football coach."

Dr. David Hodge, President of Miami University, echoed Bates's praise about the new RedHawk coach.

"We are very excited to have Mike join the Miami family," said Hodge. "His extraordinary experience with some of the most successful football programs in the country makes him an outstanding choice. He is passionate about the future of our program and has a well-thought out plan to assure success both on and off the field. Mike's values align exceptionally well with Miami, and he is a great fit for our institution."

Since 1995, Haywood has been associated with three Top Ten teams and six other Top 25 clubs. His mentors have included former Coaches of the Year Nick Saban, Mack Brown, Charlie Weis and Lou Holtz.

Through Haywood's four seasons as the offensive coordinator and running backs coach at Notre Dame (2005-08), the Fighting Irish have averaged nearly 27 points per game. He took over the majority of Notre Dame's offensive play calling in 2008 and the result was an additional 103 yards per game over the previous season.

Haywood has coached running backs since 1994 at four different schools and tutored rushers that received



All-America and all-conference accolades. He helped develop the talent in players that etched their names in their respective school's records book and produced future National Football League players in Darius Walker, Cedric Benson, LaBrandon Toefield, Domanick Davis, Kevin Faulk, Rondell Mealey and Cecil Collins.

A key figure in Notre Dame's offensive explosion in 2005, Haywood was named NCAA Division 1-A Assistant Coach of the Year that season by the American Football Coaches Association. The honor recognized not only Haywood's outstanding coaching credentials, but also his stellar work in the community throughout his coaching career.

Haywood's return to familiar turf in South Bend was the latest stop in a successful career as one of college football's top assistant coaches for the past 22 years.

A four-year football letterman at Notre Dame (1982, 1984-86), Haywood has been a collegiate coach for the past 22 years. He joined Weis's staff following two years at Texas under Brown. Prior to that, he was running backs coach at LSU for coaches Gerry DiNardo and Saban.

Haywood is no stranger to the Mid-American Conference, having served as an assistant coach at Ohio (1991-92) for Tom Lichtenberg and at Ball State (1993-94) for head coach and former Miami player Paul Schudel. He was Coach Jim Young's assistant for two seasons (1989-90) at Army, and began his coaching career at Minnesota (1988) as a graduate assistant for Coach John Gutekunst.

Haywood has coached every position and has coordinated offense, special teams and recruiting. He has recruited the Midwest as well as Florida, Texas, Louisiana,





California, Canada, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

Born Michael Anthony Haywood on Feb. 26, 1964, in Houston, Texas, he played flanker during his freshman season at Notre Dame (started five games and caught 13 passes for 128 yards in 1982), then moved to cornerback where he was a significant contributor and starter from 1984-86 (13 career starts, 78 tackles, five interceptions, two blocked kicks). Recruited by Gerry Faust, Notre Dame's coach during Haywood's senior year was Lou Holtz.

Haywood is a 1986 graduate of Notre Dame with a bachelor's degree from the College of Arts and Letters.

THE HAYWOOD FILE

Year	School	Assignment Team's	Ranking
1988	Minnesota	Graduate Assistant	--
1989	Army	Defensive Backs/Special Teams Assistant	--
1990	Army	Defensive Ends/Special Teams Coordinator	--
1991	Ohio	Outside Linebackers/Special Teams Assistant	--
1992	Ohio	Outside Linebackers/Special Teams Assistant	--
1993	Ball State	Receivers/Co-Special Teams Coordinator	--
1994	Ball State	Running Backs/Co-Special Teams Coordinator	--
1995	LSU	Running Backs	25th
1996	LSU	Running Backs/Special Teams Coordinator	12th
1997	LSU	Running Backs/Special Teams Coordinator	13th
1998	LSU	Running Backs/Special Teams Coordinator	--
1999	LSU	Running Backs	--
2000	LSU	Running Backs	22nd
2001	LSU	Running Backs/Special Teams Coordinator	7th
2002	LSU	Running Backs/Special Teams Coordinator	--
2003	Texas	Running Backs/Co-Special Teams Coordinator	12th
2004	Texas	Recruiting Coordinator/Running Backs/Co-ST Coord.	5th
2005	Notre Dame	Offensive Coordinator/Running Backs	9th
2006	Notre Dame	Offensive Coordinator/Running Backs	17th
2007	Notre Dame	Offensive Coordinator/Running Backs	--
2008	Notre Dame	Offensive Coordinator/Running Backs	--
2009	MIAMI	HEAD COACH	

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT MIKE HAYWOOD

CHARLIE WEIS, Head Football Coach, University of Notre Dame

"The Notre Dame program is very happy today for Michael Haywood and wishes him only the best at Miami University. They made a great selection of a coach who is very well prepared for an assignment like this — and although we will dearly miss him we realize it's time for him to run his own program. Michael has both the coaching pedigree and the personal character which will carry him to a successful career as a head coach."

MACK BROWN, Head Football Coach, University of Texas

"Mike is a perfect hire. He has earned the right to be a head coach with his great work at places like Texas, Notre Dame and LSU. He's a great recruiter, respects the game, and is the kind of young person we need in college athletics."

FLOYD KEITH, Executive Director, Black Coaches Association

"I can't tell you how ecstatic I am, both personally and as a representative for the BCA. Mike has been a well-known candidate for several years, and his experience and resume speak for themselves. He understands how to win. Brad Bates couldn't have hired a better candidate. Miami has done itself well."



**Cedric
Cormier**
Wide Receivers

First Season ... 2001 graduate of Colorado

CEDRIC CORMIER (kor-mee-AIR) was named wide receivers coach at Miami University on February 17, 2009.

The 29-year-old Cormier had served as wide receivers coach at the University of Montana for the past two seasons.

Prior to working at Montana, Cormier was an assistant coach at Baytown (Texas) High School, working with the wide receivers and serving as the special teams coordinator for two seasons. He was the wide receivers coach at Channelview (Texas) High School during the 2004 season.

As a player at Colorado, he was a four-year letter winner (1998-2001) and a two-year starter at wide receiver and as a kickoff returner. The Buffaloes won the Big 12 Championship in 2001 and ranked among the conference leaders in several offensive categories. Cormier played in 38 career games at Colorado, catching 52 passes and averaging more than 10 yards per grab.

Cormier was a first-team all-state quarterback at Houston's North Shore High School in 1996, also earning All-Greater Houston honors and being selected as the Houston Touchdown Club's Offensive Player of the Year.

Cormier and his wife, Roshelle, have two children, Dean and Danielle.



**Bill
Elias**

Assistant Head Coach/Recruiting
Coordinator/Linebackers

First Season ... 1977 graduate of Massachusetts

Bill Elias begins his first season as a member of the Miami coaching staff. He was named Assistant Head Coach, Recruiting Coordinator and linebackers coach on Jan. 3. Elias moves to Oxford from Gannon University in Erie, Pa., where he spent the last three years as director of athletics. He was head football coach for eight years before that. He attended Miami as a freshman following his graduation from Bedford High School in Massachusetts. Elias and Haywood worked together as coaches at LSU from 1995 through 1997, where Elias served in several capacities.

A graduate of the University of Massachusetts in 1977, he became assistant defensive secondary coach for the varsity squad and was defensive coordinator for the junior varsity team. From 1978-80, Elias coached offensive backs at the University of Delaware and also was offensive coordinator for the Blue Hens' freshman team. He coached at Eastern Michigan University from 1981-86, serving as a graduate assistant for two seasons before taking over as outside linebacker coach. Elias moved on to Butler County Community College in El Dorado, Kansas for one season, becoming the school's offensive coordinator and offensive line coach.

He left the coaching profession for three years, working in private business, but re-entered coaching from 1991-94 at Vanderbilt. In Nashville, he coached outside linebackers and defensive ends, and also was Vanderbilt's recruiting coordinator. Elias then joined LSU's staff prior to the 1994 season, coaching tight ends his first two years. For his final two seasons with the Tigers, he served as recruiting coordinator and helped LSU garner Top 10 recruiting classes. His time in Baton Rouge included three consecutive bowl appearances. Elias either coached or recruited 20 players who performed in the NFL.

Elias was named head football coach at Gannon University in 1998, developing and implementing the school's plan to move from a merit/need-based non-scholarship program to Division II status. Gannon's best team was the 2003 squad that compiled a school-best 9-1 mark, achieved fifth place in the Lambert Cup rankings, and placed 10th in the Division II regional rankings. That year, Elias was selected the Independent Football Alliance's Coach of the Year. Gannon moved into the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) in 2004 under Elias's orchestration. He was appointed as Gannon's athletic director in March of 2006 after coaching the Golden Knights to a 31-51 record through eight seasons. During his two-year tenure as AD, Elias was a member of the NCAA Division II football committee and in 2008 helped move Gannon to membership in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. As athletic director, his teams won three GLIAC championships. Gannon's nearly 350 student-athletes produced a combined 3.22 grade-point average last spring.

Elias's family includes his wife, Kathy, and their sons, Willie and Darren.





**Lance
Guidry**
Defensive Backs

First Season ... 2005 graduate of McNeese State

Lance Guidry, a 1995 graduate of McNeese State (La.), will coach Miami's defensive backs in 2009. He was hired on January 30, 2009.

Last season he was the defensive secondary coach at McNeese State.

A veteran coach in Louisiana football's high school ranks, Guidry served as secondary coach at Leesville High 1995 and '96, helping lead the Wampus Cats to the state championship game. He also coached defensive backs at Carencro (La.) High School for three seasons (1997-99), then returned years later to serve as the Golden Bears' head coach (2005-07).

In between his stints at Carencro, Guidry served as defensive coordinator and coached the secondary at McNeese State (2000-04). The Cowboys won three straight SLC crowns during that stretch, making it to the finals in the FCS Championship Series.

Guidry was an all-conference player at McNeese.

He and his wife, Starlet, have four children: Janzen, Madison, Alexis and Kaitlyn.



**Bill
Mottola**
Offensive Line

First Season ... 1989 graduate of Springfield College

Bill Mottola, who spent the last two seasons at the University of Findley as its offensive coordinator, will serve as the RedHawks' offensive line coach in 2009.

He was named to Mike Haywood's staff on January 30, 2009.

A native of Castine, Maine and a 1989 graduate of Springfield College (Mass.), Mottola's impressive coaching resume also includes stops at Maine Maritime Academy (1989-90, quarterbacks and wide receivers), Vanderbilt University (1991-93, offensive line and tight ends), University of the South (1994, quarterbacks and running backs), the United States Military Academy (1995-99, tight ends and offensive line), Western Kentucky University (2000, offensive coordinator, offensive line and tight ends), Kent State University (2001-05, offensive line) and a nine-month stint at Palmetto Ridge High School in Naples, Florida (2006).

Mottola earned his Master's Degree in education from Vanderbilt.

His family includes his wife, Jonileau, and children Ciana, Adia and Dominic.



Carl Reese
Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers

First Year at Miami ... 1966 graduate of Missouri

Carl "Bull" Reese was one of the first hires to the Miami coaching staff when he was named Defensive Coordinator on Jan. 2. Reese, whose last coaching assignment was as defensive coordinator for Coach Mack Brown's Texas Longhorns from 1998-2003, served on the same staff with Michael Haywood during his final season in Austin. The two men also were at LSU together from 1995 through 1997. One of the nation's premier defensive architects, Reese transformed the Texas defensive unit into one of the nation's annual leaders. The Longhorns' aggressive attacking scheme led the nation in total defense (236.2 ypg) and ranked first in the Big 12 in rushing (89.5 ypg/sixth NCAA), passing (146.7 ypg/third NCAA) and scoring (13.7 ppg/third NCAA) defense in 2001. UT's performance made Reese one of six finalists for the Frank Broyles Award, which honors the nation's top assistant coach. His UT defense produced six All-Americans and numerous finalists for national individual honors, including current NFL players Quentin Jammer, Casey Hampton and D.D. Lewis. Prior to his six years at Texas, Reese transformed LSU's defense into one of the SEC's best from 1995-97. The Tigers allowed just 15.3 points per game (11th nationally) and also ranked among the nation's top units in both pass efficiency defense and rushing defense. In 1995, his first season at LSU, he coordinated a defense that led the SEC and ranked sixth nationally in scoring defense. One of Reese's greatest defensive players at LSU was nose tackle Anthony McFarland. Reese served as the defensive coordinator at Vanderbilt for four years from 1991-94, where he was responsible for overseeing a unit that shattered all of the school's quarterback sack records. A 1966 graduate of Missouri, Reese was a tri-captain and fullback on the Tigers' 1966 Sugar Bowl Championship team. He was a three-year starter, led the Tigers in rushing in 1963 and earned Academic All-Big Seven honors as a senior. Reese began his coaching career as a graduate assistant under Dan Devine at his alma mater in 1966. He then served as linebackers coach at Northern Michigan from 1967-68 and Southern Illinois in 1969 before taking his first defensive coordinator job at East Carolina one year later. Reese coordinated the Pirates' defenses and served as assistant head coach for four years from 1970-73 before working in the same role at Virginia in 1974. He was linebackers coach at Kansas from 1975-76 and returned for a second stint at Missouri as defensive coordinator from 1977-81. The Tigers not only advanced to four consecutive bowl games during his time there, but they also led the nation in pass defense and ranked seventh nationally in total defense in 1981. Reese moved on to the professional level in 1982 when he served as the defensive coordinator for the Birmingham Stallions of the USFL until 1985. The Stallions led the USFL in rushing and passing defense in 1984 and in rushing, passing and total defense in 1985. Reese then returned for a third stint at Missouri in 1986 as defensive coordinator before becoming the defensive coordinator at the U.S. Naval Academy from 1989-90. He has been retired since the end of the 2003 season, and says that he's anxious to get back to work in the business he loves. He and his wife, Pamela, have two children, Jennifer and Andy, a granddaughter, Ashton, and grandson, Wayne.

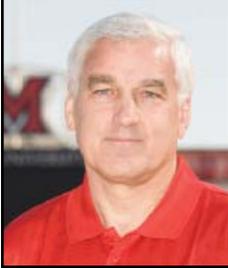


Antoine Smith
Defensive Line

First Year at Miami ... 2001 graduate of Maine

Antoine Smith begins his first season at Miami after being named Defensive Line Coach on Jan. 3. He is a seven-year coaching veteran, the last three at Youngstown State, and a former collegiate star at the University of Maine. Smith instilled a no nonsense approach during his three seasons with the Youngstown State football program. His unit had six All-Missouri Valley Football Conference selections in his three seasons. Perhaps his best player was third-team All-American Mychal Savage. He came to Youngstown State after spending two successful seasons coaching the defensive line at Lafayette. Smith made a tremendous impact for the Leopards, as the school reached the playoffs and shared two Patriot League titles during his brief time with the program. In 2005, the Leopards' defense placed in the Top 30 nationally in four categories. Lafayette ranked ninth in I-AA in scoring defense (17.0 points per game), 11th in total defense (296.9 yards per game), 19th in pass defense (166.9 yards per game) and 28th in rush defense (130.0 yards per game). The Leopards, who finished 8-4 overall and 5-1 in the conference, shared the crown with Colgate and led the league in scoring and total defense. Lafayette advanced to the playoffs as an at-large selection losing to eventual National Champion Appalachian State in the first round. In Smith's first year with the Leopards in 2004, they made their first Division I-AA playoff appearance in school history and won their first conference crown in 10 years. En route to finishing 8-4 overall, the Leopards shared the league title with Lehigh. Before moving on to Lafayette, Smith spent the 2003 season as the defensive line coach at Maine for Coach Jack Cosgrove. The Black Bears finished with a 7-5 mark while Smith's entire front-line unit received All-Atlantic 10 accolades. Smith spent the 2002 season as the defensive line coach and strength and conditioning coordinator at Minot State in North Dakota. He helped guide Minot State to the 2002 Dakota Athletic Conference championship, a 9-2 record and a berth in the NAIA playoffs, the Beavers' first since 1994. A native of Syracuse, New York, Smith spent one season as the defensive coordinator at Fowler High School in his hometown upon graduating from Maine. While in Syracuse, he was a secondary education instructor for the City School District. Smith earned his bachelor's degree in physical education and kinesiology in 2001 from Maine and his Master's degree from Minot State in 2004. During his undergraduate academic career he worked as a teaching assistant. He also served as the defensive coordinator at Orono High School while still completing undergraduate work in 2000. Smith was a three-year starter at defensive tackle for Maine and a four-year letterwinner from 1996-99. In high school, he was a three-time football captain at Fowler. Smith was also a standout wrestler, winning three state championships in both freestyle and Greco Roman. Prior to enrolling at Maine, he attended Maine Central Institute prep school. Smith is single.





Peter Vaas
 Offensive Coordinator/Tight Ends

First Year ... 1974 graduate of Holy Cross

Peter Vaas was one of the first hires to the Miami coach staff when he was named Offensive Coordinator on Jan. 2. The association between Vaas and Haywood dates back to 2005 and '06 when the two men served together on Charlie Weis's Notre Dame staff. Vaas was quarterbacks coach and Haywood was offensive coordinator during that time for the Fighting Irish. Vaas's last appearance in the collegiate ranks was 2007 when he was the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Duke. During his two seasons at Notre Dame, he helped the Irish to a 19-6 record with consecutive BCS bowl game appearances -- Fiesta & Sugar. He coached record-setting All-America quarterback Brady Quinn, who won the Maxwell Trophy and Johnny Unitas Award in 2006 after throwing for 3,426 yards and 37 touchdowns. Quinn, also the recipient of the Cingular All-America Player of the Year award, twice was named Notre Dame's MVP and finished his career with school records of 11,762 passing yards and 95 touchdown passes. Vaas served six seasons as a head coach in NFL Europe, guiding the Berlin Thunder (21-21 overall record from 2000-03) to World Bowl championships in 2001 and 2002 while earning the league's Coach of the Year honor in 2002. He then directed the Cologne Centurions (2004-05) for two seasons, compiling a 10-10 overall record. Vaas also served two seasons (1998-99) as an assistant coach for the Barcelona Dragons, helping the team to an 11-9 ledger and a berth in the 1999 World Bowl. Prior to his coaching stints in NFL Europe, Vaas was the offensive coordinator for the Montreal Alouettes of the Canadian Football League in 1996. That season, Montreal led the CFL in rushing and fewest turnovers and posted a 12-6 regular-season ledger. Vaas, a 1974 graduate of Holy Cross, returned to his alma mater as head football coach and registered a 14-30 overall record from 1992-95. He served under head coach Lou Holtz on the Notre Dame staff in 1990 (running backs) and 1991 (quarterbacks). In that two-year span, the Fighting Irish went 19-6, defeated seven top-25 opponents and played in the Orange and Sugar Bowls. The 1991 squad established a Notre Dame regular-season record by totaling 426 points. Vaas spent the previous four seasons as head football coach at Allegheny College where he compiled a 29-11-1 record from 1986-89. He guided the Gators to North Coast Athletic Conference titles in 1987 and 1988, earning league Coach of the Year honors in both of those seasons. Prior to taking the head coaching job at Allegheny College, Vaas was a member of the coaching staff at New Hampshire as the offensive backfield coach from 1979-82 and later offensive coordinator from 1983-85. He got his start in coaching at Allegheny College where he spent five seasons (1974-78) as an assistant coach. A native of Westwood, Massachusetts, Vaas was a three-year starter at quarterback at Holy Cross. He was enshrined into the Westwood High School Hall of Fame in 1992 and was inducted into Allegheny's Hall of Fame in 1999.

Vaas and his wife, Rosann, have two daughters, Katelyn and Kelly.



KiJuan Ware
 Running Backs

First Year ... 1997 graduate of Springfield College

KiJuan Ware entered his first season as an assistant coach on the Miami staff when he was named as an offensive assistant on Jan. 4. He will work on a daily basis with the running backs.

In 2008, Ware served under Haywood at Notre Dame as an offensive intern. He was responsible for film breakdowns, scouting reports, playbooks and various other duties. Ware first worked with Haywood when he served as an instructor at Notre Dame's summer camp.

Prior to joining the Fighting Irish staff, Ware was an assistant football coach at Georgetown University where he coached the wide receivers in 2006 and '07 and also was the team's recruiting coordinator in 2007. From 2004-05, he was an assistant coach at Dartmouth College where he tutored the wide receivers in 2005 and the defensive backs in 2004.

Ware received his first collegiate coaching job at his alma mater, Springfield College, and was an assistant coach from 2002-03. He spent five years as a teacher and the offensive coordinator at Weaver High School in Hartford, Connecticut.

Ware graduated from Springfield College in 1997 with a bachelor of science degree in mathematics and computer science. While at Springfield, Ware was a quarterback on the football team and was a pitcher and first baseman on the baseball team. In 2004, Ware earned a master's degree from Springfield in physical education and athletic administration.

Ware was awarded a Fullbright Scholarship in 2000 and studied in Japan and, in 2006, was one of 15 selected participants for the NCAA football Coaching Academy.

KiJuan and his wife, Michelle, reside in Oxford.



**Morris
Watts**
Quarterbacks

First Year ... 1961 graduate of Tulsa

Morris Watts begins his first season on the Miami coaching staff after being named quarterbacks coach on Jan. 4. Watts, one of college football's most innovative and experienced coaches, has been in the profession for 44 years and has competed at every level of the game. Most recently, he assisted at Broken Arrow (Oklahoma) High School last season, but has worked with a number of all-star quarterbacks over the years. Watts's former professional signal-callers include Indiana's Tim Clifford, MSU's Jim Miller, Tony Banks and Jeff Smoker, Cliff Stoudt of the USFL's Birmingham Stallions, and Vinny Testaverde of the Tampa Bay Bucs. Collegiately, Watts most recently spent one season at Mississippi State (2003), joining Jackie Sherrill's staff as offensive coordinator. He spent three different terms as offensive coordinator at Michigan State, first from 1986-90 and 1992-94 under head coach George Perles, then again from 1999-2002 under Nick Saban and Bobby Williams. Watts was the Spartans' interim head coach for the final three games of the 2002 season. Two of his greatest athletes included receiver Charles Rogers and running back T.J. Duckett. In 2001, Watts was nominated for the Broyles Award, given annually to the nation's top assistant coach. MSU led the Big Ten in passing offense (a school-record 292.5 yards per game) and total offense (447 yards per game), and was third in scoring offense (31.2 points per game) that year. That total offense mark was the second-best average in school history. Altogether, MSU won two Big Ten titles and made seven postseason bowl appearances. Watts's tenure at Michigan State was interrupted by a one-year term as quarterbacks coach of the National Football League's Tampa Bay Buccaneers (1991), where he tutored Testaverde. Watts' professional football experience also includes a stint as quarterbacks coach of the Birmingham Stallions of the USFL (1984-85). Watts spent four years at LSU, where he helped the Tigers to a combined 31-16 record from 1995-98, including a school-record three consecutive postseason bowl triumphs. Under his direction, the Tigers won back-to-back Southeastern Conference rushing titles (1996-97) and produced three of the highest-scoring teams in school history. The '95 LSU team beat Michigan State, 45-26, in the Independence Bowl, the '96 squad capped a 10-2 season with a victory over Clemson in the Peach Bowl, and the '97 Tigers beat Notre Dame 27-9 in the Independence Bowl to culminate a nine-win campaign. He also worked with the quarterbacks in Baton Rouge in 1983. Watts was offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Kansas in 1982, served as quarterbacks and wide receivers coach for Coach Lee Corso at Indiana (1973-81), was offensive coordinator, quarterbacks and wide receivers coach at Louisville in 1972, and at Drake (1965-71). Watts helped Indiana to the 1979 Holiday Bowl, one of 11 postseason classics in which he has coached. A 1961 graduate of the University of Tulsa, Watts played running back for the Golden Hurricane. He earned a master's degree from Pittsburg (Kan.) State in 1964. His family includes wife, Marlene, his daughter Charlavan, and his son, Danny.



**J.D.
Vonderheide**
Director, Football
Operations

Fourth Year ... 2004 graduate of Miami

J.D. Vonderheide begins his first season as Director of Operations for Miami University's football team.

A former Miami football letterwinner, he enters his fourth year on the RedHawks staff, having served as Miami's offensive graduate assistant coach from 2006-08.

Vonderheide lettered for three seasons as a reserve quarterback and the starting holder on placekicks and PATs for Miami. He was part of the 2003 team that won a MAC Championship and finished the season ranked No. 10 nationally, and also played a key role in Miami connecting on a program-record 17 consecutive field goals between 2002-03.

After graduating from Miami in 2004 with a physical education degree, Vonderheide spent two seasons as an assistant coach at the College of Wooster, mentoring the wide receivers.

Vonderheide is a native of Batesville, Ind., and graduated from East Central High School. A former all-Indiana selection, Vonderheide helped the Trojans to a 12-2 record and conference title as a senior. He was all-county in three different sports.

He is single.





**James
Carsey**
 Director, Strength &
 Conditioning

Ninth Year ... 1997 graduate of Ashland

Entering his fourth year as Miami's head strength and conditioning coach is **James Carsey**, an integral factor in Miami's strength and conditioning program since 2001. Carsey was named the successor to long-time strength and conditioning coach Dan Dalrymple, who departed to become the head strength coach for the New Orleans Saints, in February of 2006.

Carsey, who joined Miami's strength and conditioning program as an intern in 2001, served as the program's assistant strength coach from 2002-06. As head strength and conditioning coach, he is charged with the oversight of the entire strength and conditioning program for Miami's 19 varsity sports. His numerous responsibilities, along with working with Miami's coaches and student-athletes to promote individual and team success, have included assisting with the daily operation and scheduling of the weight room and overseeing the upkeep and purchase of weightroom equipment.

Voted the 2003-04 Miami Athletics Teammate of the Year in recognition of his commitment to Miami Athletics, Carsey has helped the RedHawk strength and conditioning program produce 30 National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA) All-Americans since joining the staff in 2001, while seven of the teams he has worked with have won league championships and eight others have captured runner-up finishes. He is a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS), Collegiate Strength Coach Certified and is certified by the USA Weight Lifting Association as a Sport Performance Coach.

A 1997 graduate of Ashland University, where he was a four-year football letterwinner, Carsey holds both bachelor's and master's degrees (2004) from his alma mater. After completing his undergraduate work, Carsey spent two seasons at North Union High School in Richwood, Ohio. In 1999, he returned to Ashland to serve as a graduate assistant football and strength coach.

He resides in Oxford with his wife, Kerrie.



**Karl
Maslowski**
 Graduate Assistant

Second Year ... 2004 graduate of Western Kentucky

Karl Maslowski begins his second year with Miami University's football program as a graduate assistant. On the field, he assists Coach Lance Guidry with the RedHawk defensive backs.

Prior to coming to Oxford, Maslowski coached outside linebackers and defensive ends from 2006-07 at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts. In 2007, the Holy Cross defensive ranked first in the Patriot League in four statistical categories.

In 2005, he spent time in Australia, coaching a semi-pro team and a high-school-aged squad in Melbourne and also assisted with the Junior National Team in Brisbane.

Maslowski was a student assistant coach at his alma mater, Western Kentucky University, in 2004. As a student-athlete, he was a member of WKU's 2002 Division I-AA national championship team. In 2003, Maslowski was the Hilltoppers' Most Valuable Player, earning first-team all-conference and third-team All-America honors.

As a prep, his Lincoln-Way High School team in New Lenox, Illinois won the Illinois High School Association's 6-A state championship.

He and his wife, Brittney, reside in Oxford.

Miami University Football Signs 24 Preps to National Letters of Intent

Head Coach Michael Haywood's First Recruiting Class Features 12 From Ohio

OXFORD, Ohio—Fourteen defensive players and 10 offensive stars comprise Miami University's 2009 football recruiting class, Head Coach Michael Haywood announced today.

"Overall, it's a solid class with some really good football players," said Haywood. "In the three weeks we had to recruit, our assistants went out on the road, primarily concentrating in Ohio, and I think they did a tremendous job.

"As we looked at the board and evaluated the talent on the team, we realized we didn't have the numbers we desired with offensive and defensive linemen. We also realized that we needed to go out and get a quarterback that can come in and run the system. Those were our main goals in this class."

Six of the nine linemen that Haywood's staff recruited play on the defensive side of the ball and average 6-3 and 263 pounds. Miami's three new offensive linemen average near 6-5 and 297 pounds.

Miami's newest class also includes a quartet of linebackers, three defensive backs, three running backs, two tight ends, a wide receiver and a quarterback.

Geographically, a dozen players are Ohio natives, including twins AUSTIN and COLLIN BOUCHER (Kettering). Other states represented among the incoming freshmen are Texas (two players) plus Virginia, Tennessee, Maryland, Missouri, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Michigan, Indiana, Louisiana and Georgia (one each).

One of the 24 freshmen, AUSTIN MOORE (Springfield, OH), is already attending classes at Miami and will practice with the team during spring drills. Another player, C.J. MARCK (Newtown, PA), also is on campus after transferring from the University of Connecticut. Marck's brother, tight end STEVE MARCK (Newtown, PA) is a member of Miami's class of 2009.

Haywood said that each of the players will have an opportunity to play as freshmen.

"Everybody will have an opportunity to play," said Haywood. "When you bring in a new coach and staff, it doesn't matter who the starters were last year. The best guy is going to win the job and nobody has any preconceived ideas. There may be five or six tailbacks lined up, five or six tailbacks have the opportunity to win the starting job and then we'll put them in order appropriately."

JOHN ANEVSKI

OL • 6-3 • 280 • Cincinnati, OH (Elder HS)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "John Anevski is a relentless football player. I had a conversation with one of our Notre Dame players who had the opportunity to play with him in high school. The first thing he said was, 'Coach, he is a pit bull in a dog fight. He never stops. You will love him.' John is relentless and what an outstanding football player he is. You meet him and you see he has great passion for the game. John's parents appreciate the game and never miss seeing him play. But they really don't push their kids to be football players. They push their kids to focus on academics first and John is a really good student. We're looking forward to him because he's a leader on the field and he leads by example." **Notes:** His Elder High team was 13-2 and played in the state semifinals ... first-team all-city and all-league selection ... brother, Tom, played at Boston College and is now a graduate assistant coach at Miami ... a member of his school's National Honor Society ... parents were born in Macedonia ... John plans to major in marketing.

AUSTIN BOUCHER

QB • 6-1 • 205 • Kettering, OH (Archbishop Alter HS)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "When you look at Austin Boucher, one of the first things you notice is that he does a nice job at reading his coverages, going to the appropriate receivers, and going through his progression reads. At the same time, you can see that he makes the right throws. There are very few throws, if any, that he can't make. He has a lot of zip on the football. Austin does a nice job of relocating in the pocket and understands how to sit in the pocket and wait for the receiver to come open. However, if it gets too crowded in there, he has the athletic ability to escape. Once you meet him, you realize what a great leader and great student of the game he is. With the tutelage of Morris Watts, I have a vision of how much better this young man can become." **Notes:** Turned down an offer from Ohio State to play at Miami ... twin brother, Collin, also is a member of Miami's 2009 recruiting class ... the Alter High football team was a perfect 30-0 in regular season play, ... team was the 2008 state champs (15-0) ... as a senior, he

passed for 1,900 yards and threw 22 touchdown passes. Also rushed for nearly 900 yards and had 15 rushing TDs ... Ohio's 2008 Division IV Player of the Year and a first-team all-state selection ... also a two-time captain for Alter's basketball team ... a four-year member of the Honor Roll ... grandfather (Roy Boucher) played tennis at Michigan.

COLLIN BOUCHER

LB • 6-2 • 223 • Kettering, OH (Archbishop Alter HS)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Collin Boucher is coming back from a knee injury. However, we watched his junior tape. He was really explosive, did a nice job of running to the football, coming off of blocks, and using his hands. He did a nice job of attacking the guards, shocking and shedding, and coming off making plays. Collin is a young man who knows how to finish plays. He has great leadership ability and really works hard at his craft." **Notes:** Twin brother, Austin, also is a member of Miami's 2009 recruiting class ... Collin is 23 minutes older than his brother ... high school team compiled a 43-3 overall record and won the 2008 state championship ... tore his ACL in the first game of his senior season ... Austin wore Collin's jersey No. 9 during their senior campaign ... recorded 79 tackles his junior year and scored 15 points per game with Alter's basketball team ... a two-time hoops captain ... he and his brother coached mentally challenged kids in basketball.

JUSTIN BOWERS

DB • 5-10 • 200 • Murfreesboro, TN (Blackman HS)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Justin Bowers is a cornerback who has great cover skills. He's a guy who can really break on the ball and who has great speed. He studies the game. We are looking for good things from Justin because he's a really good football player and is able to go up and high-point the football. He does a nice job in judging it." **Notes:** A four-year letter winner and captain of Blackman High's football squad ... was an all-region selection all four years ... dad, Joe, played at Mid Tennessee State.



AUSTIN BROWN

DL • 6-2 • 265 • Woodbridge, VA (Woodbridge)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Austin Brown is a big, physical, quick, and explosive defensive lineman. He gets off on the snap of the ball, uses his hands well, and comes off and makes the tackle. Austin causes a lot of problems in the interior line."

Notes: Brown's 2008 football team had a perfect 10-0 record during the regular season ... as senior, he accumulated 82 tackles and 10 quarterback sacks ... a two-time team MVP, first-team all-district and all-area ... also lettered in track and field as a shot putter and in baseball as a first baseman.

ERIK FINKLEA

RB • 6-1 • 195 • Cincinnati, OH (Woodward)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Erik suffered a knee injury during the season and had surgery. We watched Erik on tape and realized he was a special player. He had great vision, made unbelievable cuts, and ran with lower-body explosion. He did a nice job of catching the ball out of the backfield with his eyes and has speed. I told him he reminded me a lot of Joseph Addai, who tore his ACL the last game of his senior season. I explained to Erik that this was a similar situation for him. He's a really nice young man who has a lot of goals which he is trying to achieve." **Notes:** A four-year letter winner and two-time captain for the Woodward High football team ... squad compiled a perfect 10-0 record during the regular season, winning its league title ... he rushed for 1,415 yard and scored 19 touchdowns, earning league's Offensive Player of the Year award ... first-team all-city selection ... he tore his ACL during his senior season ... also lettered three times in track, clocking :10.8 in 100 meters.

EVAN HARRIS

LB • 6-0 • 210 • Waldorf, MD (Westlake)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Evan Harris is a guy who shows great initial quickness, and is able to dip and rip on the offenders to make the play. But he also has the physical strength to attack offensive linemen, shock and shed, and come off and make the play. We're looking for him to come in and compete for a job." **Notes:** His 2008 Westlake Wolverines were Maryland's AAA state champs, compiling a 12-2 overall record ... a two-way star, the team captain recorded 149 tackles and 37 TFLs and also rushed for 672 yards and six touchdowns ... first-team all-conference and all-county selection ... also lettered twice in both baseball and track and field.

JOSH HARVEY

OL • 6-5 • 325 • Columbia, MO (Hickman HS)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Josh Harvey fills out a chair really well. You always want your offensive linemen to be extremely intelligent, but when a young man scores what he did on his ACT in math, you're like, 'wow, this guy is sharp'. He's a really, really smart young man with a great attitude and a great love for the game. Josh is an extremely explosive 58-foot shot-put guy." **Notes:** Was an all-state offensive line selection as a senior, earning three varsity letters ... also threw the shot put and discus for the track and field squad, placing third in the state in the shot ... serves as a tutor and a teen facilitator at an after-school community center ... will major in mathematics at Miami.

PAT HINKEL

DB • 6-1 • 195 • Westlake, OH (St. Ignatius)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Pat Hinkel is a very physical player. Everyone in the area talks about how physical and how great a football player he is. He's a solid tackler, extremely explosive coming downhill, and understands the game. Pat will be a really good football player for us." **Notes:** His St. Ignatius Wildcats won the 2008 state championship with a 14-1 record ... he recorded seven interceptions, earned all-district and second-team all-state honors ... earned 10 varsity letters in football (3), basketball (3) and track and field, serving as captain for football and hoops squads ... his mother attended Miami ... brother and father were varsity athletes at John Carroll.

ROMAN LAWSON

RB • 6-0 • 220 • Garfield Heights (Shaker Heights)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Roman Lawson is a big, physical back. His dad was a pro football player, so he has been brought up in a football family. Roman is a guy who is a downhill football player. He does a nice job of pass protection and, at the same time, as big as he is and as physical as he is, he has been clocked at a :10.8 100-meter dash. So it shows that he does have good speed. It's interesting to me how hard he studies to excel in school. We are fortunate to have a guy of his caliber here." **Notes:** Averaged seven yards per carry as a running back, earning all-region honors ... a great all-around athlete, he was a 10-letter winner in football, wrestling and track and field ... compiled a 39-7 record his junior year in wrestling ... has clocked :10.9 in 100-meter competition ... Dad played football for Iowa and for Dallas Cowboys.

STEVE MARCK

TE • 6-3 • 234 • Newtown, PA (Pennsbury)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Pittsburgh offered Steve a scholarship the other day and he said, 'If Austin Boucher can turn down Ohio State, I can turn down Pittsburgh.' Steve Marck is a really good football player and does a great job at blocking at the point of attack. He runs nice routes and catches the ball well with his hands. We look for good things for him playing the tight end position." **Notes:** Joins his older brother, C.J., at Miami ... was a first-team all-state selection his senior year for a 9-3 club ... earned three letters in football, playing tight end and linebacker ... was league's javelin champ in track, winning three letters ... also lettered in baseball ... mom and dad were athletes at Lehigh and a sister was an ACC champion swimmer at North Carolina ... grandfather and great-grandfather both played for the Chicago Bears.

AUSTIN MOORE

LB • 6-0 • 228 • Springfield, OH (Springfield)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Austin Moore is a young man who had already committed to the previous staff. He started school at Miami in January. Austin is a tackle-to-tackle kind of guy. He likes to step in there and plug it up. He plays extremely tough, understands blocking schemes, and is able to react before the offensive linemen can get on him. Austin also does a fine job in the classroom." **Notes:** Recorded 460 total career tackles (298 solos), 42 TFLs and 18 QB sacks ... a two-team captain who was first-team all-area, all-county, all-conference and all-Southwestern Ohio ... also played basketball, lettering twice ... brother played baseball at Norfolk State ... a member of the National Honor Society, he plans to major in biochemistry.

ANDREW MULLER

DL • 6-4 • 270 • Charlotte, NC (Catholic)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Andrew can play either offensive line or defensive line. We're going to find out what spot is best for Andrew because he is a big guy who's explosive. He does a nice job of coming off using his hands. On the offensive side of the ball, he comes off the ball with lower body explosion and just mauls people at the point of attack." **Notes:** His high school team played in the state playoffs for four years in a row, winning the state title his freshman year ... cumulative record of his last three teams was 40-7 ... a first-team all-conference and all-county selection ... also lettered in wrestling and track and field ... dad played football at Gardner Webb University and his stepfather played basketball at UNCC.

BERNARD PINCKNEY

DB • 6-2 • 192 • Toledo, OH (Sylvania Southview)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Bernard is a big safety. He's the type of guy that we're looking to spin down in the box and create an overload. Bernard is a big physical football player who makes solid tackles and does a nice job covering the number two receiver or covering the tight end because of his athletic ability." **Notes:** His Sylvania Southview squad went 15-0 enroute to the state championship ... earned all-league, all-district and all-Toledo Blade as football player ... also was all-league pick in track and field, setting school record at 400 meters and with two relay units ... altogether, he won 10 letters in football, track and field and basketball, and was a five-time captain ... an uncle played running back for the University of Florida ... plans to be a business major at Miami.

JUSTIN SEMMES

FB • 6-2 • 229 • Clarkston, MI (St. Mary's)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "We are interested in incorporating a fullback into our offense. If it's only for short yardage at the goal line, it brings a certain amount of physical toughness to your program. As I watched Justin on tape, he was a really physical player, a down-hill type of player. He did a nice job of blocking and running with the football." **Notes:** A perennial power in Michigan, St. Mary's 2007 squad lost the state championship game in five overtimes ... Justin averaged 5.5 yards per carry and was an all-county selection ... he once scored five touchdowns in a state playoff game ... will likely graduate cum laude ... plans to study business at Miami ... a brother, Jason, plays football at Iowa.

ANTHONY SHOEMAKER

DL • 6-4 • 255 • Cincinnati, OH (Princeton)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Anthony is a great leader. When you shake his hand and look into his eyes, you realize that this man is a leader. He has unbelievable passion for the game, but he has a passion for all the things he does in life. He has a certain amount of passion and charisma that you just embrace the first time you meet him. Anthony is a big, physical young man who comes off the ball with great lower-body explosion. Because of his lower-body strength, he is able to dip and rip and create a lot of problems coming off the end." **Notes:** Led his league in quarterback sacks and was second in fumble recoveries ... in addition to lettering twice in football as a defensive end, he also was a two-time captain for his prep basketball squad ... serves as a mentor for elementary kids ... an Honor Roll student, he won awards for merit and leadership ... plans to major in sport studies at Miami.

BRIAN SLACK

TE • 6-5 • 235 • Tallmadge, OH (Hoban)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Watching Brian on tape, he does a tremendous job of really stretching the defense. He's a guy who can go vertical, stretch the defense and really go up and get the ball at the high point. Brian has great body control, catches the ball well with his hands, and comes out of his cuts really well. We are looking for really great things out of him. As many big bodies as you can get like that, with that athletic ability, it's a bonus for our program. Brian is a really nice young man and a very smart student." **Notes:** His prep football team was the 2008 Ohio Division II regional champion ... he was first-team all-league, all-Akron Beacon Journal, all-area and all-Northeast Ohio ... has been selected to play in the 2009 Big 33 All-Star Game ... caught 55 passes for 727 yards and five touchdowns ... also an exceptional basketball player, earning team MVP honors his sophomore and junior years ... an Honor Roll student ... his brother played football at Marshall ... his grandfather, Charlie Slack, still holds the NCAA record for the highest rebounding average for a season (25.6 rpg in 1956).

JOHN STEELE

DL • 6-3 • 280 • Cleveland, OH (South)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "John is a really great kid who is an over-achiever. He will play on the interior defensive line and has tremendous lower-body explosion. John uses his hands very well. What we love about him is the way he can penetrate and make plays." **Notes:** His team played in two Cleveland city championship games ... earned all-city, all-county, all-district and all-state honors as junior and senior ... recorded 69 tackles, 10 TFLs and nine QB sacks as senior ... has not only captained the football team, but also filled that roll with basketball and track and field squads ... has done community service for both the Boys and Girls Club and for the Peace Corps.

LUKE SWIFT

WR • 6-2 • 175 • Greenwood, IN (Center Grove)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Luke was primarily a running back in high school, and played a little wide receiver, too. In watching Luke on tape, the first thing that comes to your mind is, 'wow, this cat is fast ... he is really fast. But Luke isn't afraid to run between the tackles. If you trap him into the boundary, he attacks you.'" **Notes:** Rushed for 1,917 yards and 23 TDs and also caught 22 passes for 407 yards ... team had 14-1 record and won the state title ... squad was ranked No. 1 in Indiana and No. 13 nationally ... Luke was a first-team all-state selection and named Mr. Football in Indiana ... he also was a track star, competing in the high hurdles and earning all-state honors ... earned Academic All-Conference honors.



CHRIS WADE

LB • 6-1 • 220 • Slidell, LA (Northshore)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "We were fortunate that one of our old student workers from LSU called us about Chris. We started looking at his transcript and we were like, 'whoa, this kid is brilliant'. And then we watched the tape and he moved like a cat with his ability to change direction. Once he changed direction, he exploded, he accelerated, he came off and at the point of attack, he was physical. He's a big, tall, physical kid, but he was moving like a tailback. With all the spread offense that everybody runs in the MAC, Chris is a linebacker who you can leave on the field to cover number two and three receivers and have no problems. If they decide that they are going to run that zone read, that's not a problem because he's squatting over 600 pounds and benching over 350 pounds. He's able to come in there and play with the physical toughness that you need for a linebacker to play with inside the box. He's a kid that never stops smiling. You just fall in love with him because of his personality." **Notes:** Chris was his school's Athlete of the Year as both a junior and senior, winning letters in football, basketball, track and field, and power lifting ... won all-district and all-parish honors ... he ranked among the top 15 percent of his class in grade-point average and was a member of the Honors Society ... plans to major in engineering management at Miami.

ISHMAEL WHITE

DB • 6-2 • 210 • Woodstock, GA (Etowah)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Ishmael is a really nice person and a kid that you like to be around; always smiling and happy. He loves the physicality of football, always wants to be in the mix, and always wants to get better. Ishmael has a linebacker mentality playing safety, which is really good. He has great football awareness, is a solid tackler, and likes to get down in the mix." **Notes:** Team was two-time regional champs ... he recorded 90 tackles and 14 sacks his senior season ... battled through a shoulder injury ... active in community service.

EVAN WILEY

OL • 6-6 • 285 • Monclova, OH (St. John's Jesuit)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "Evan is always looking for competition and wants to compete against the best. He is a young man who is still growing. Evan plays with physical toughness, and we are really looking forward to his development in playing the offensive line." **Notes:** Was listed among Ohio's top 100 prep football players, earning letters as a tight end, an offensive guard and an offensive tackle ... also threw the shot nearly 50 feet, the discus more than 150 feet, and ran the 100 meters in :12.1 ... dad played baseball at Kent State ... active in community service.

JOSEPH "JoJo" WILLIAMS

DL • 6-2 • 280 • Houston, TX (Strake Jesuit)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "JoJo de-committed from UConn and will be a fine player for Miami. JoJo is going to play the interior line. He does a nice job of coming off the ball, using his great lower body explosion and his great first step. JoJo uses his hands well, recognizes blocking schemes, and makes plays. He's another pit bull because he is relentless. JoJo also is a great student in the classroom." **Notes:** Teammate Wes Williams also committed to Miami ... team won district championship ... ranked among top teams in Houston in 2008 ... he was a two-time all-district selection and was invited to play in the Offense-Defense All-America Game ... also participated in track and basketball ... will major in business finance at Miami.

WES WILLIAMS

DL • 6-3 • 230 • Houston, TX (Strake Jesuit)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "We really got in on Wes because of JoJo. We looked at Wes's tape and immediately began the recruiting process. He has quickness coming off the edge because of his exceptional first step. Wes comes off the ball, reads his blocks quickly, dips and rips, and makes the play. He also is good leader and a great student. Wes has lost some weight due to basketball." **Notes:** Teammate JoJo Williams also committed to Miami's 2009 class ... team finished 2008 as undefeated district champs ... he recorded 11 sacks, earning all-district honors ... was invited to play in the Bayou Bowl (Texas vs. Louisiana) ... he's a starting forward on the Strake Jesuit basketball team which is undefeated and ranked No. 1 in Texas and No. 12 nationally ... has done community service with the mentally challenged ... dad was an all-Southwest Conference linebacker and three-year starter at Texas Tech ... plans to be a business major at Miami.

(transfer) C.J. MARCK

LB • 6-1 • 238 • Newtown, PA (Pennsbury)



Coach Haywood's Comments: "We watched C.J. on tape and he was always around the ball. He shows good physical toughness, uses his hands well, comes off and make blocks, and plays with great enthusiasm and passion. He was looking for a place to transfer because there apparently was a guy in front of him who had several years to play. C.J. is looking for a place where he could come in and compete for a starting job, so we are giving him that opportunity." **Notes:** Older brother of Steve Marck, a 2009 Miami signee ... currently enrolled at Miami ... he was a 2006 first-team all-state selection at linebacker, recording 130 tackles ... played in the Big 33 All-Star Game (Pennsylvania vs. Ohio) ... also was a two-time All-American swimmer in the 100 fly and the 200 freestyle events ... a member of his high school's National Honor Society ... mom and dad were athletes at Lehigh and a sister was an ACC champion swimmer at North Carolina ... grandfather and great-grandfather both played for the Chicago Bears.