SMU Adds Strong Recruiting Class
Mustangs Best Other BCS Programs For Top recruits

DALLAS (SMU) – On the heels of its school-record fourth consecutive bowl berth, SMU today announced a strong recruiting class of 19 student-athletes and four January enrollees, bringing another talented crop of recruits to the Hilltop.

With their move to the BIG EAST, SMU went toe-to-toe with other BCS programs for prospects, edging, among others, Arizona State, Cal, Cincinnati, Houston, Iowa, Ole Miss, Memphis, Mississippi State, N.C. State, Oregon State, Purdue, Syracuse, TCU, Texas Tech, Utah, Vanderbilt, Wake Forest, West Virginia and Washington State, for certain recruits.

Running back Traylon Shead, quarterback Kolney Cassel, tight end Jeremiah Gaines and defensive end Zelt Minor are among the highest-rated recruits by Rivals.com, but SMU also added three players with NFL bloodlines, bringing in Spencer Hollie (Doug Hollie (SMU alum)), Jesse Montgomery (Alton Montgomery) and Deion Sanders, Jr. (Deion Sanders, Sr.).

“We think as coaches this is our best-looking class physically along with our best athletically at all positions since coming to SMU,” said SMU Coach June Jones. “With our move to the BIG EAST, we will be playing a step up in talent and I feel this group will be able to compete as we make our move to our new home. This class will allow us to play the game at the highest level possible.”

### 2013 SMU Recruiting Class

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### 2013 SMU January Enrollees

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CARLOS CARROLL
LINEBACKER
6’3” - 213
TUCSON, ARIZ. (SALPOINTE)

A three-star ESPN.com and 247sports.com recruit and a two-star Rivals.com and Scout.com prospect... Named All-West Region by PrepStar and a member of the ArizonaVarsity 2012 Big-30... Notched 94 tackles (58 solo, 36 assisted) with 10 quarterback sacks in 2012... Named first-team All-State... Also tabbed All-Section and All-City... Also lettered in baseball... Turned down offers from San Diego State and Air Force among others... Team went 12-2 in 2012... Team went 12-2 and reached the state semifinals.

TRAVIS FISTER
OFFENSIVE LINE
6’3” - 270
TUCSON, ARIZ. (SALPOINTE)

A three-star Scout.com and 247sports.com recruit... A two-star Rivals.com prospect and a member of the ArizonaVarsity 2012 Big-30... Named All-West Region by PrepStar... Did not allow a sack in 2012... Named first-team All-State by numerous outlets... Also tabbed first-team All-Section and first-team All-City... Earned first-team Academic All-State honors as well... Team went 12-2 and reached the state semifinals.

KOLNEY CASSEL
QUARTERBACK
6’2” - 205
YAKIMA, WASH. (EISENHOWER)

A three-star Rivals.com and 247sports.com prospect... A two-star Scout.com recruit... Named All-West Region by PrepStar... Limited to five games in 2012 due to an injury... Completed 98-of-178 pass attempts for 1,448 yards and 19 touchdowns in 2012... Completed 155 of 265 attempts in 2011 for 2,697 yards, 27 TDs and just six picks... Finished sixth in Big 9 League in total offense despite getting hurt in fifth game... A two-time first-team All-Big 9 pick... Also named first-team All-Columbia Basin and first-team All-Conference.

MYLES CROSBY
DEFENSIVE BACK
6’4” - 205
COLLEYVILLE, TEXAS (HERITAGE)

A two-star Rivals.com, 247sports.com and Scout.com prospect... Ranked as the state’s No. 9 safety by Dave Campbell’s Texas Football... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar... Racked up 118 tackles and two forced fumbles in 2012... Became one of the youngest stars in the modeling industry at age 17, posing in Calvin Klein ads for jeans, underwear and the Euphoria fragrance... Has graced the pages of Esquire, GQ and Vanity Fair, to name a few.

MASON GENTRY
DEFENSIVE END
6’7” - 255
PLANO, TEXAS (WEST)

A three-star 247sports.com recruit and a two-star Rivals.com prospect... Notched 49 tackles (36 solo, 13 assisted) with two tackles-for-loss, nine QB pressures and three sacks in 2012... Named first-team All-District 10-5A... Also lettered in baseball.

EVERETT DICKERSON
DEFENSIVE BACK
6’0” - 165
ATLANTA, TEXAS (ATLANTA)

A three-star Rivals.com, ESPN.com and 247sports.com prospect... A two-star Scout.com recruit... Ranked as the nation’s No. 40 running back by ESPN... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar... Racked up 118 tackles and two forced fumbles in 2012... Became one of the youngest stars in the modeling industry at age 17, posing in Calvin Klein ads for jeans, underwear and the Euphoria fragrance... Has graced the pages of Esquire, GQ and Vanity Fair, to name a few.

JEREMIAH GAINES
TIGHT END
6’2” - 235
RED OAK, TEXAS (RED OAK)

A three-star Rivals.com, ESPN.com, 247sports.com and Scout.com prospect... Ranked as the nation’s No. 11 prep tight end/H-back by ESPN... Ranked as the state’s No. 3 wide receiver by Dave Campbell’s Texas Football... Rated the No. 87 player in Texas by Rivals... Named first-team All-District 15-4A and the District Co-MVP... Had 30 receptions for 641 yards and seven TDs in 2012... Added 63 carries for 649 rushing yards and 13 touchdowns... Had 32 catches for 738 yards and seven TDs as a junior... Turned down offers from Arizona State, Cal, Iowa, Ole Miss, Mississippi State, Purdue, Syracuse, TCU, Texas Tech, Vanderbilt, Wake Forest and Washington State among others... Also lettered in basketball.

SPENCER HOLLIE
DEFENSIVE END
6’4” - 310
DUBLIN, CALIF. (DUBLIN)

A three-star 247sports.com recruit and a two-star Rivals.com and Scout.com prospect... Notched over 35 tackles and tallied 15 sacks in 2012... Named first-team All-Diablo Foothill Athletic League and a first-team scholar-athlete... Selected to play in the South Bay BMW West Coast Bowl; Personal: Father, Doug, is a former SMU standout who played in the NFL.
NICK HORTON
LINEBACKER
6-3 - 215
GARLAND, TEXAS (GARLAND)

A two-star Rivals.com, 247sports.com and Scout.com prospect. Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar. Missed most of his senior season with an injury. Had 52 tackles and five sacks as a junior.

CEDRIC LANCASTER
DEFENSIVE BACK
5-8 - 165
HOUSTON, TEXAS (LAMAR)

A three-star Rivals.com, ESPN.com and 247sports.com prospect. A two-star Scout.com recruit. Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar. Notched seven interceptions in 2012. Had 138 receiving yards and one TD. Returned 11 punts for 153 yards and eight kickoffs for 268 yards. Named first-team All-District and first-team All-Houston Area. Also tabbed to the Greater Houston Top 100 by the Houston Chronicle. Chose SMU over offers from Colorado State and Houston. Also lettered in track.

JUSTIN LAWLER
DEFENSIVE END
6-4 - 240
POTTSBORO, TEXAS (POTTSBORO)


DANIEL McCARTY
OFFENSIVE LINE
6-4 - 285
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (ALAMO HEIGHTS)

A three-star 247sports.com and ESPN.com recruit and a two-star Rivals.com and Scout.com prospect. Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar. Had 47 pancake blocks in 2012 and did not allow a sack. Named second-team All-State (Associated Press) and first-team All-District 27-4A. Rated as the No. 37 guard in country by ESPN.com. Also lettered in track.

ZELT MINOR
DEFENSIVE END
6-3 - 275
HOUSTON, TEXAS (LAMAR)

A three-star Rivals.com, ESPN.com and 247sports.com prospect. A two-star Scout.com recruit. Rated as the nation’s No. 30 strongside defensive end and the No. 84 player in Texas by Rivals. Named the state’s No. 9 defensive end by Dave Campbell’s Texas Football. A two-time first-team All-District selection. Named first-team 5A All-State by TheOldCoach.com. Named first-team All-Greater Houston by the Houston Chronicle. Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar. Notched 73 tackles, 28.5 sacks and 38 tackles for loss in 2012. Scored two defensive touchdowns and blocked two punts. Anchored a defense that held 11 (of 16) opponents to fewer than 14 points. Had offers from Texas Tech, Utah and Washington State among others.

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JESSE MONTGOMERY
DEFENSIVE BACK
6-3 - 175
DALLAS, TEXAS (MADISON)

A three-star Rivals.com, ESPN.com and 247sports.com prospect. A two-star Scout.com recruit. Rated as the nation’s No. 30 strongside defensive end and the No. 84 player in Texas by Rivals. Named the state’s No. 9 defensive end by Dave Campbell’s Texas Football. A two-time first-team All-District selection. Named first-team 5A All-State by TheOldCoach.com. Named first-team All-Greater Houston by the Houston Chronicle. Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar. Notched 73 tackles, 28.5 sacks and 38 tackles for loss in 2012. Scored two defensive touchdowns and blocked two punts. Anchored a defense that held 11 (of 16) opponents to fewer than 14 points. Had offers from Texas Tech, Utah and Washington State among others.

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J'MARCUS RHODES
WIDE RECEIVER
6-0 - 180
ORANGE, TEXAS (WEST ORANGE-STARK)


DARRION RICHARDSON
DEFENSIVE BACK
6-0 - 195
DELRAY BEACH, FLA. (AMERICAN HERITAGE SCHOOL)

A three-star ESPN.com and 247sports.com recruit and a two-star Rivals.com and Scout.com prospect. Posted three interceptions as a junior while limited with an ankle injury. Turned down offers from Cincinnati and others.

JERRY SAENA
OFFENSIVE LINE
6-5 - 270
PAGO PAGO, AMERICAN SAMOA (FA'ASAO MARIST)

Offensive lineman prospect. Played for Coach Filoiali'i Langkilde at Fa'asao Marist. Also played basketball. Chose SMU over offers from Houston and Hawaii.
JaBRYCE TAYLOR
WIDE RECEIVER
6-2 - 205
LUFKIN, TEXAS (LUFKIN)

A three-star Rivals.com, 247sports.com and Scout.com prospect... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar... Had 87 catches for 1,628 yards (125 ypg)... Added two picks on defense... Named second-team All-State by the Texas High School Coaches Association and honorable mention All-State by the Associated Press... Named District 14-5A MVP... Tabbed as the District Player of the Year by Dave Campbell's Texas Football... Set new Lufkin High School records for receptions and receiving yards among others... Had 40 catches for 494 yards and four TDs as a junior... Had offers from La. Tech and others... Also lettered in basketball and track.

TY LAW
DEFENSIVE BACK
5-10 - 170
ORLANDO, FLA. (LAKE HIGHLAND PREP)

Enrolled at SMU in January 2013... A three-star Rivals and Scout prospect... Rated as the nation’s No. 52 corner by ESPN... Ranked No. 54 on the Orlando Sentinel’s Central Florida Super60... Had two picks - one returned for a TD - and two punt return TDs... Had offers from West Virginia, N.C. State, Washington State and Memphis among others.

TREY WASHINGTON
DEFENSIVE BACK
6-0 - 180
GILMER, TEXAS (GILMER)

A three-star 247sports.com recruit and a two-star Rivals.com and Scout.com prospect... Named first-team 3A All-State by TheOldCoach.com... Named All-Midlands Region by PrepStar...Team went 14-2 and reached the state championship game in 2012... Had 32 receptions for 334 yards and two TDs in 2012... Notched 60 tackles (47 solo) and added three interceptions on defense as a senior... Had 34 tackles and two picks as a junior... Named first-team All-District 16-3A and second-team All-East Texas by the Longview News Journal... Also named to the Preseason East Texas Dream Team by the Tyler Morning Telegraph... Also lettered in track.

DEION SANDERS, JR.
WIDE RECEIVER
5-7 - 170
ATLANTA, GA. (ATLANTA SPORTS ACADEMY)

Enrolled at SMU in January 2013... Spent one season at Atlanta Sports Academy, a prep school... Had three picks in 2012 at ASA... Was a three-star Scout.com recruit as a high school senior... A two-star Rivals.com, 247sports.com and Scout.com prospect in 2013... Invited to play corner in the Under Armour All-American Bowl in 2012... Played both wideout and corner in high school... Also lettered in track... Had an offer from Houston as a prep senior; Personal: Father, Deion Sanders, Sr., played football and baseball at Florida State, played baseball professionally with the Cincinnati Reds, Atlanta Braves, San Francisco Giants and New York Yankees, and played football professionally with the Atlanta Falcons, San Francisco 49ers, Dallas Cowboys, Washington Redskins and Baltimore Ravens.

NATE HALVERSON
DEFENSIVE BACK
5-11 - 185
PORTLAND, ORE. (GRANT)

Enrolled at SMU in January 2013... A two-star Rivals.com, 247sports.com and Scout.com prospect... Ranked as the No. 9 player in Oregon by Scout... Named All-West Region by PrepStar... Notched 21 carries for 109 yards and five TDs as a running back and 54 receptions for 1,113 receiving yards and 13 TDs as a wideout... On defense, recorded 29 tackles (23 solo), two interceptions, and 93 interception return yards... Also returned kicks - four punts for 70 yards and two kickoffs for 82 yards... Named All-State on offense and defense by the Oregon Coaches Association and was first-team All-City... Also named Team MVP... Also lettered in track and basketball... Chose SMU over an offer from Oregon State.

TRAYLON SHEAD
RUNNING BACK
6-2 - 225
CAYUGA, TEXAS (NAVARRO JC/TEXAS/CAYUGA)

Enrolled at SMU in January 2013... Will be a junior in 2013... A four-star Scout.com prospect... Was ranked a four-star Rivals.com prospect as a prep; Sophomore (2012 at Navarro): Named an honorable mention All-American... Rushed for team highs in yardage (1,194) and touchdowns (17)... Navarro finished season with No. 4 ranking and a 10-2 record; Freshman (2010-11 at Texas): Redshirted in 2010 and then played for UT against Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Kansas, Rice and Texas Tech in 2011; Prep: Ranked as the nation’s No. 16 running back in the 2010 class... Was an All-American and a three-time first-team All-State and three-time First-Team All-District selection... Earned PARADE All-America honors as a senior... Played in the 2010 U.S. Army All-American Bowl... Finished his career as the state’s all-time leader in career TDs (141) and second all-time in rushing yards (10,291 yards)... Twice named the Texas 1A Offensive Player of the Year... Also an all-state performer and four-year letterman in basketball and a four-year letterman in track and field, placing eighth in the 100m dash at the state meet as a junior... Had offers from Texas A&M, TCU, Houston and Baylor.