2010 NORTH CAROLINA

NATIONAL LETTER OF INTENT SIGNEES

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (High School/Previous)
Quinton Alton	ATH	6-6	265	Memphis, Tenn. (Hillcrest)
Nick Appel	OL	6-6	310	Vienna, Va. (Bishop O'Connell)
Giovanni Bernard	RB	5-10	205	Davie, Fla. (St. Thomas Aquinas)
Russell Bodine	OL	6-4	290	Scottsville, Va. (Fork Union M.A.)
Tre Boston	ATH	6-1	185	Cape Coral, Fla. (North Ft. Myers)
D.J. Bunn	DB	6-0	205	Smithfield, N.C. (Smithfield HS/Hargrave M.A.)
P.J. Clyburn	LB	6-2	215	Statesville, N.C. (West Iredell)
Ethan Farmer	ATH	6-3	255	Tabor City, N.C. (South Columbus)
Brendon Felder	WR	5-10	175	Monroeville, Pa. (Gateway)
Sean Fitzpatrick	TE	6-5	235	Pittsford, N.Y. (Pittsford-Mendon)
Carlos Gray	DT	6-3	290	Pinson, Ala. (Pinson)
James Hurst	OL	6-7	305	Plainfield, Ind. (Plainfield)
Tim Jackson	DL	6-5	235	St. Petersburg, Fla. (Gibbs)
T.J. Leifheit	OL	6-7	320	Wilmington, N.C. (Hoggard)
Ty Linton	LB	6-2	215	Charlotte, N.C. (Charlotte Christian)
Darius Lipford	LB	6-3	215	Lenoir, N.C. (Hibriten)
Kareem Martin	DL	6-6	245	Roanoke Rapids, N.C. (Roanoke Rapids)
Jabari Price	DB	6-0	175	Pompano Beach, Fla. (Blanche Ely)
Sean Tapley	ATH	6-1	185	Jacksonville, Fla. (Raines)
Brandon Willis	DL	6-3	270	Duncan, S.C. (Byrnes)
Reggie Wilkins	ATH	5-10	175	Shelby, N.C. (Crest)

QUINTON ALTON
ATHLETE, 6-6, 250
MEMPHIS, TENN. (HILLCREST)

Ranked the No. 32 tight end in the country by Scout.com • Started at both defensive end and tight end for Hillcrest as a senior • Considered the No. 23 prospect in Tennessee by Rivals.com • Only began playing football as a senior • Spent most of his prep career focused on basketball until deciding to tryout for the football team this past spring • Had five catches for 86 yards at tight end and posted 21 tackles, including three sacks and two forced fumbles at defensive end • Named first-team all-region and all-city • Played five games with a broken hand • Helped Hillcrest (5-5) to its best record in seven years • Also plays basketball and averaged 10 points per game • Coached by William Johnson • Born June 25, 1992.

NICK APPEL
OL, 6-6, 310
VIENNA, VA. (BISHOP O'CONNELL)

Two-way starter on the offensive and defensive lines as a senior • Named a Top 60 player by DCSportsFan.com • Started three years at offensive line and two on the defensive line • Played several different positions along the defensive line • Started at right tackle and was named second-team all-conference as a junior and senior • Ranked among the top 50 players in Virginia by The Roanoke Times • Earned All-Arlington County honors as a junior and senior • Coached by Steve Trimble • Competes in the shot put for the track and field team • Son of Susan Appel and Reginald Bouknight • Born Jan. 21, 1992.

GIOVANNI BERNARD
RB, 5-10, 205
DAVIE, FLA. (ST. THOMAS AQUINAS)

Ranked the No. 2 running back in Florida by the Orlando Sun-Sentinel • Ranked the No. 12 running back in the country Rivals.com and is the nation's No. 13 back according to Scout.com • Considered the No. 16 running back by ESPN.com • Member of the Rivals250 and Scout300 • Selected as the No. 13 player in Florida by the Orlando Sentinel • Ranked the No. 26 player in Florida by Rivals.com • Considered the No. 36 player in Florida by Scout.com • Helped guide St. Thomas Aquinas to consecutive 5A state titles as a sophomore and junior • As a senior, St. Thomas was 13-1 and finished No. 13 in USA Today's Final Super Top 25 • Ran for 1,528 yards and 18 touchdowns on 160 carries as a junior • Coached by George Smith • Older brother, Yvenson, was an all-conference tailback at Oregon State and is currently in the CFL • Son of Yvens Bernard • Full name is Giovanni Govan Bernard • Born Nov. 22, 1991.

RUSSELL BODINE
OL, 6-4, 290
SCOTTSVILLE, VA. (FORK UNION M.A.)

Rated the No. 8 center in the country by Rivals.com and ESPN.com • Started at both offensive guard and defensive tackle as a senior • Had 42 tackles and three sacks on defense • Ranked the No. 15 player in Virginia by The Roanoke Times and SuperPrep • Named first-team all-state at the highest of three private school divisions for two straight seasons • Team advanced to the state playoffs as a senior and finished with a 7-4 mark • Played center as a sophomore and junior • Coached by Micky Sullivan • Son of Gail and Brian Bodine • His father, Brian, is a teacher at Fork Union • Born June 30, 1992.

TRE BOSTON
ATHLETE, 6-1, 185
CAPE CORAL, FLA. (NORTH FT. MYERS)

Ranked the No. 8 athlete in Florida by the Orlando Sun-Sentinel • Ranked the No. 37 player in Florida by Scout.com • Posted 41 tackles with 16 solo stops and four interceptions as a junior • Also caught 43 passes for 736 yards and five touchdowns • Named first-team all-area at defensive back his final two seasons • Ranked among the top 100 players in the country at his position by Rivals.com • Was named MVP of the John Carrigan Rotary South All-Star Classic in Ft. Myers in December, 2009 • Scored 17 touchdowns as a senior, including 11 rushing, five receiving and one on defense • Led his team with 103 carries for 841 yards, an average of 93.4 yards per game • Also had 24 receptions for 364 yards • Picked off six passes for 119 yards and recovered one fumble • Coached by Barry Goettemoeller • Son of Iris Mota • Full name is Jayestin Tre'von Boston • Born June 25, 1992.

D.J. BUNN
DB, 6-0, 205
SMITHFIELD, N.C. (SMITHFIELD/HARGRAVE M.A.)

Enrolled at UNC in January after spending one semester at Hargrave Military Academy • Ranked among the top 30 in North Carolina by Rivals.com as a senior at Smithfield High School • Rated the No. 55 cornerback in the country by Rivals.com • Ranked among the top 35 players in North Carolina by SuperPrep • Member of PrepStar's High School All-Atlantic Region Team • Played wingback, safety and cornerback for Smithfield-Selma High School • Ended the season with 508 yards and nine touchdowns on 81 carries • Had 165 receiving yards and three touchdowns, and also threw a touchdown pass • Posted 78 tackles, nine pass breakups and an interception on defense as a senior • Scored all three touchdowns in a victory over Chapel Hill High School in 2008 • Coached by Anthony Barbour at Smithfield and Robert Prunty at Hargrave • Son of Regina and Danny Bunn • His father, Danny, was a fullback for the Tar Heels in the early 1980s • Born Jan. 21, 1991.

P.J. CLYBURN
LB, 6-2, 215
STATESVILLE, N.C. (WEST IREDELL)

Ranked the No. 37 safety in the country and the No. 16 player in the state by Rivals.com • Rated the No. 82 outside linebacker in the country according to Scout.com • Rated among the top 25 players in North Carolina by Rivals.com and Scout.com • Member of the All-Charlotte Observer first team as a kick returner • Ranked the No. 16 prospect in North Carolina by The Charlotte Observer • Considered the No. 18 athlete in the country by ESPN recruiting analyst Tom Lemming • Had 65 tackles and an interception as a senior • Also averaged 40 yards per return on 14 chances with four going for scores • Coached by Mark Weycker • Son of Montobia Gray and Patrick Clyburn • Born March 19, 1991.

ETHAN FARMER
ATHLETE, 6-3, 260
TABOR CITY, N.C. (SOUTH COLUMBUS)

SuperPrep All-America • Considered the No. 5 player in North Carolina by SuperPrep • Ranked the No. 6 prospect in North Carolina by The Charlotte Observer • Made 85 tackles, including 27 tackles for losses and five sacks, as a senior • Considered the No. 12 tight end in the country by Rivals.com • Member of North Carolina's Shrine Bowl Team • Had six receptions for 120 yards as a senior • Caught 15 passes for 275 yards and three touchdowns as a junior • Also had 55 tackles at defensive end as a junior • Coached by Jake Fonvielle • Full name is Ethan Gregory Farmer • Born July 3, 1992.

BRENDON FELDER
WR, 5-10, 175
MONROEVILLE, PA. (GATEWAY)

Played his senior season for Gateway, where he helped lead the team to a 12-1 record as a senior, including a berth in the WPIAL Quad A championship game • Lined up at several different positions throughout the season, including wide receiver, kick returner, tailback and quarterback in wildcat formations • Accumulated more than 1,600 all-purpose yards and 20 touchdowns as a senior, including three punt returns for touchdowns and two kickoff returns for touchdowns • Named to the Pittsburgh Post Gazette's Fabulous 22 team • Also saw time as a defensive back • Played basketball and ran track • Attended Danvers (Mass.) St. John's Prep before moving to Monroeville for his senior season • Played in the Max Emfinger All-American Bowl Game Classic in Austin in January • Coached by Terry Smith at Gateway • Son of Aaron Felder and Wanda Laws-Felder • Born Dec. 29, 1991.

SEAN FITZPATRICK
TE, 6-5, 235
PITTSFORD, N.Y. (PITTSFORD-MENDEN)

Enrolled at Carolina in January, 2010 • Rated the No. 33 tight end in the country by Scout.com •Ranked the No 3 player in New York and the No. 34 tight end in the nation by Rivals.com • Played tight end, quarterback, wide receiver, fullback, defensive line, linebacker and safety at Pittsford-Menden High School • Team captain • Two-time all-county and member of the Greater Rochester First Team • Team advanced to the Section V Class AA quarterfinals • Coached by Keith Molinich • Also played basketball and averaged 13 points and 10 rebounds per game • Son of Dennis and Edina Fitzpatrick • Born Feb. 6, 1992.

CARLOS GRAY
DT, 6-3, 290
PINSON, ALA. (PINSON)

Three-year starter at defensive tackle who also played on the offensive line • Considered one of the top 50 players in Alabama by TideSports.com • Started at defensive tackle for Pinson High School in Alabama • Posted 42 tackles, eight tackles for losses and five sacks as a senior • Coached by Matt Glover • Also played basketball and competed in the shot put in track • Son of Trinet Gray-Hall • Born June 30, 1992.

JAMES HURST
OL, 6-7, 305
PLAINFIELD, IND. (PLAINFIELD)

Enrolled at Carolina in January, 2010 • SuperPrep All-America • Ranked the No. 10 overall player in the country and the No. 2 offensive tackle by Rivals.com • Considered the No. 3 offensive tackle in the nation by Scout.com and by recruiting analyst Tom Lemming • Member of the ESPN150 • Ranked the No. 24 player in the country regardless of position by Scout.com • Was the overall MVP at the U.S. Army Junior National Combine • Competed in the Under Armour All-American Game and was named the game's most outstanding offensive lineman by Scout.com • Rated Indiana's No. 1 player by Rivals.com • Considered the No. 6 overall prospect in the Midwest by SuperPrep • Younger brother of Nelson Hurst, a tight end for the Tar Heels • Graded out at 98 percent as a senior at Plainfield High School • Coached by Brian Woodard • Earned first-team all-conference, all-area and all-state honors as a junior and senior • Earned area player of the year honors as a senior • Also saw some playing time on the defensive line • Played all four years on varsity • Helped team advance to the third round of the state playoffs all four seasons • Son of Tim and Susan Hurst • Born Dec. 17, 1991.

TIM JACKSON
DL, 6-5, 235
ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (GIBBS)

Ranked the No. 7 defensive end in Florida by the Orlando Sun-Sentinel • Considered one of the top 100 players in Florida by SuperPrep • Named all-county by the St. Petersburg Times • Three-year starter on the defensive line at Gibbs High School • Played in the North-South Pinellas County High School All-Star Game • Helped lead Gibbs to its first district championship in school history • Posted 56 tackles, 12 sacks, and 3 forced fumbles as a senior • Coached by Donnie Abraham • Son of Al and Cassandra Jackson • Born Oct. 24, 1991.

T.J. LEIFHEIT
OL, 6-7, 320
WILMINGTON, N.C. (HOGGARD)

Enrolled at Carolina in January, 2010 • SuperPrep All-America • Considered the No. 10 offensive tackle in the country by ESPN recruiting analyst Tom Lemming • Ranked the No. 8 player in North Carolina and the No. 31 offensive tackle in the country by Rivals.com • Member of the Scout300 • Nominated for the Offense-Defense All-America Game • Ranked the No. 4 prospect in North Carolina by The Charlotte Observer • Helped lead Hoggard to the state playoffs all three seasons, including the state title as a sophomore • Three-time all-area selection • Ranked the No. 19 offensive tackle in the country by Scout.com • Coached by Scott Braswell • Member of North Carolina's Shrine Bowl Team • Played final three years at Hoggard and freshman season at Topsail High School • Named all-state, all-region and all-conference as a senior • Was all-region and all-conference performer as a junior • Son of Terry Leifheit and Alicia Williams • His father, Terry, played college football at UTEP • Born April 2, 1991.

TY LINTON
LB, 6-2, 215
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (CHARLOTTE CHRISTIAN)

Two-sport star in football and baseball who also plans to play baseball for the Tar Heels • Ranked the No. 11 prospect in North Carolina by The Charlotte Observer • Considered the No. 11 inside linebacker in the country by recruiting analyst Tom Lemming • Ranked the No. 25 player in North Carolina and the No. 63 linebacker in the country according to Rivals.com • Is ranked 20th in North Carolina by SuperPrep • Ranked the No. 27 outside linebacker in the country by ESPN.com • Started on both sides of the ball and helped lead Charlotte Christian to the NCSIAA 11-man Division I championship game • Named to the NCISAA Division I all-state team three times • Recorded 12 sacks on defense • Ran for 542 yards and seven touchdowns on 118 carries on offense • Coached by Jason Estep in football • Helped lead Christian to the baseball NCISSA 3A state championship as a junior • Son of Maria and Jim Linton • Born Jan. 7, 1991.

DARIUS LIPFORD
LB, 6-3, 215
LENOIR, N.C. (HIBRITEN)

One of the highest rated linebackers in North Carolina • Member of North Carolina's Shrine Bowl team • Had a sack and forced a fumble in the Shrine Bowl • SuperPrep's 13th-ranked player in North Carolina • Ranked the No. 25 prospect in North Carolina by The Charlotte Observer • Considered the No. 39 outside linebacker prospect in the country by ESPN.com • Earned first-team all-state • Coached by Chuck Cannon • Son of Joyce and Darrell Lipford • His father, Darrell, was a star running back who once scored seven touchdowns in a prep game and is the all-time leading rusher at Western Carolina University • Born Oct. 17, 1990.

KAREEM MARTIN
DL, 6-6, 245
ROANOKE RAPIDS, N.C. (ROANOKE RAPIDS)

Ranked the No. 5 prospect in North Carolina by The Charlotte Observer • Is Rivals.com's No. 28 weakside defensive end prospect in the country • Ranked the No. 34 defensive end in the country by Scout.com • Member of North Carolina's Shrine Bowl Team • Had eight tackles in the Shrine Bowl, including one for a loss, recovered two fumbles and forced a fumble which led to a touchdown, to earn MVP honors for the North Carolina defense • Member of the Scout300 • Named first-team all-state by NCpreps.com • Finished his senior season with 163 tackles, 10 forced fumbles, three fumble recoveries, four sacks and one interception • Also had 25 tackles for a loss of 101 yards • Twice named the area defensive player of the year and was the Northern Carolina Conference lineman of the year in 2009 • Helped lead Roanoke Rapids to an undefeated season and a conference title • Had 121 tackles and five sacks as a junior • Coached by Russell Weinstein • Also plays basketball • Born Feb. 19, 1992.

JABARI PRICE
DB, 6-0, 175
POMPANO BEACH, FLA. (BLANCHE ELY)

Named an All-American Scholar by the United States Achievement Academy • Played in Florida's annual Dade vs. Broward County high school all-star game in January • Rated the No. 83 cornerback in the country by Rivals.com • Opponents only threw his way 23 times all season and he made five interceptions and broke up 12 passes • Played cornerback and free safety • Finished his senior season with 39 tackles and five forced fumbles • First-team selection on the Sun-Sentinel Class 6A-5A-4A All-County team as a senior • Named All-Broward county as a senior • Helped lead Ely to an 11-2 record and the state 5A regionals, where they nearly pulled off an upset of St. Thomas Aquinas, the nation's No. 1 team • Coached by Rodney Gray • Son of Portia Williams and Lalanda Price • Born Aug. 31, 1992.

SEAN TAPLEY
ATHLETE, 6-1, 185
JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (RAINES)

SuperPrep All-America • Ranked the No. 37 wide receiver in the country and the No. 25 player in Florida by SuperPrep • Considered the No. 13 wide receiver in Florida by the Orlando Sun-Sentinel • Ranked the No. 51 wide receiver in the country by Scout.com • Rated the No. 69 wide receiver in the country and one of the top 100 players in Florida by Rivals.com • Member of the Jacksonville Times-Union Super 11 • Had 33 receptions for 607 yards and 11 touchdowns as a senior • Finished his junior season with 29 catches for 498 yards and four touchdowns • Coached by Duran Wiley • Full name is Sean Shrone Tapley • Son of Tyrone Tapley • Born Sept. 1, 1991.

BRANDON WILLIS
DL, 6-3, 270
DUNCAN, S.C. (BYRNES)

Enrolled at Carolina in January, 2010 • SuperPrep All-America • One of five winners of the Franklin D. Watkins Trophy, which is given to an African-American high school male athletes who help promote high academic standards and a commitment to community service • Willis volunteered at local soup kitchens, volunteered for breast cancer awareness program, and developed and ran several local sports camps for local youth • Finalists are chosen based on their unweighted grade point average (Willis had a 4.0 GPA), their personal statements, extra curricular activities, community service, and letters of recommendation • Considered the No. 6 defensive tackle in the country and No. 69 player in the nation by Rivals.com • Member of the Rivals100 team • Member of the Scout300 • Ranked the No. 3 player in South Carolina by Rivals.com • Considered the No. 4 player in South Carolina by The Charlotte Observer • Ranked the No. 8 defensive tackle in the country by Scout.com • Rated the No. 5 defensive tackle by ESPN recruiting analyst Tom Lemming • Member of the ESPN150 • Played in the prestigious U.S. Army All-America game in San Antonio • Earned first-team all-state, all-region and all-conference honors his final two seasons in high school • Named the conference defensive lineman of the year as a senior • Made 127 tackles, including 13 sacks, as a senior • Had 144 tackles, including 24 tackles for loss and 13 sacks, as a junior • Coached by Chris Miller • Son of Gary and Wanda Willis • Born Aug. 5, 1991.

REGGIE WILKINS
ATHLETE, 5-10, 175
SHELBY, N.C. (CREST)

Member of North Carolina's Shrine Bowl Team • Played primarily quarterback in high school, but is expected to transition to wide receiver in college • Had two catches in the Shrine Bowl and took home the award as the fastest player at the all-star game • Ranked as one of the top 100 cornerbacks in the country by Scout.com, but is expected to play wide receiver at UNC • Rushed for 792 yards and eight touchdowns while passing for 392 yards and another four scores as a senior • Coached by Roy Kirby • Son of Vicki and Rickie Wilkins • Full name is Reggie Maurice Wilkins • Born Nov. 18, 1990.