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Half-a-hundred head for College Road

Notre Dame announces football recruiting class that numbers 54 strong

SOUTH EUCLID, Ohio, Feb. 4 -- Notre Dame Head Football Coach Adam Howard has announced the addition of 54 student-athletes to the NDC football program.

"I feel like our staff has done a tremendous job in adding some of the best players possible to our program," said Howard, whose Falcons will compete in their inaugural season in the fall of 2010. "We feel like we addressed some position needs and that we added depth in other areas that will allow us to compete in a tough slate of games in 2010."

Notre Dame's 2010 commitments include 48 high-school players and six college transfers. The class is comprised of players from five states - in addition to the wellspring of talent culled from the Buckeye State, NDC recruited student-athletes from Arizona, Colorado, Florida and Pennsylvania. Howard, on the growing recruiting pool for Falcon Football:

"We signed some notable players such as Bo Grunder (Massillon, Ohio), who was the Division-I Co-Defensive Player of the Year in the state of Ohio from Massillon Washington High School, and we expanded as far as Arizona to land one of the best wide receivers Arizona state-champion Chaparral High School. This diverse class of accomplished students and football players represent some of the best high schools in Ohio and surrounding areas, and we're excited to see them contribute to the growing campus community here at Notre Dame College."

Falcons By the Numbers:

By State ...

Ohio - 48
Florida - 3
Pennsylvania - 1
Arizona - 1
Colorado - 1

By Position ...

Defensive Backs - 10
Offensive Linemen - 10
Wide Receivers - 9
Linebackers - 8
Running Backs - 5
Defensive Linemen - 5
Tight Ends - 4
Quarterbacks - 2
Placekicker - 1

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Notre Dame announces 2010 commitments (continued)

The Falcons will play 11 games in their inaugural season, beginning with the season opener against Mercyhurst (Pa.) on Saturday, Aug. 28.

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2010 Notre Dame Recruiting Class

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
Jake Adkins	LB	6-0	215	Louisville, Ohio (Louisville)
Alex Adams	TE	6-5	260	Fairborn, Ohio (Fairborn)
Sam Amidon	WR	5-11	170	South Euclid, Ohio (Ohio Northern)
Cody Balko	OL	6-5	280	Amherst, Ohio (Amherst Steele)
Stanley Jean Baptiste	DB	5-11	170	Coral Springs, Fla. (Broward CC)
Anthony Berry	LB	5-11	205	Cincinnati, Ohio (Withrow)
Calvin Blackman	LB	5-10	205	Maple Heights, Ohio (Maple Heights)
Tevin Boykin	TE	6-4	225	Toledo, Ohio (Whitmer)
Jerel Bryant	DB	6-3	180	Euclid, Ohio (Euclid)
Brandon Bucknell	DL	5-10	275	Twinsburg, Ohio (Twinsburg)
Sam Claybourne	DL	6-2	240	McDonald, Ohio (McDonald)
John Davis	RB	5-10	185	Warren, Ohio (Newton Falls)
Michael Fields	DB	6-0	175	Spring Hill, Fla. (Nature Coast Tech)
James Flowers	QB	6-4	215	Strongsville, Ohio (Padua Franciscan)
Tre Foster	DB	5-8	170	Cincinnati, Ohio (Hughes)
Jack Foy	RB	5-9	170	Sidney, Ohio (Sidney)
Andrew Gates	OL	6-5	305	Eastlake, Ohio (North)
Justin Giar	LB	6-0	215	Warren, Ohio (Harding)
Dominic Gianoni	DL	6-3	230	Erie, Pa. (Cathedral Prep)
Aramis Greenwood	WR	6-0	185	Cleveland, Ohio (Glenville)
Bo Grunder	WR	5-11	175	Massillon, Ohio (Washington)
Brian Harp	TE	6-3	240	Minerva, Ohio (Minerva)
Carlos Hawthorne Jr.	DB	6-0	180	Cleveland, Ohio (JF Kennedy)
Joe Helton	OL	6-3	275	Cleveland, Ohio (Toledo)
Zach Herron	WR	6-3	190	Nucla, Col. (Toledo Rodger)
Travis Hernandez	WR	6-0	175	West Palm Beach, Fla. (Douglas)
Tyrone Howell Jr.	WR	5-8	160	Cincinnati, Ohio (Withrow)
Brandon Hummer	LB	5-9	190	Napoleon, Ohio (Napolean)
Justin Jacoby	DB	6-1	170	Carey, Ohio (Carey)
Demetrious Johnson	LB	6-0	220	Columbus, Ohio (Brookhaven)
Mo May	DB	5-11	186	Toledo, Ohio (Sylvania Southview)
Rob Mougey	WR	6-0	180	Tempe, Ariz. (Chaparral)
Chase Myers	DB	6-1	170	Hubbard, Ohio (Hubbard)
Joe Neff	OL	6-2	260	Louisville, Ohio (Louisville)
Brandon Nelli	OL	6-4	245	Solon, Ohio (Solon)

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Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
Ben Perko	RB	6-2	185	Perry, Ohio (Perry)
Pedro Powell	RB	5-8	195	Liberty, Ohio (Lakota East)
Matt Preston	QB	6-2	210	Warren, Ohio (Howland)
Josh Remark	DB	6-1	180	Massillon, Ohio (Washington)
Shawn Riley	RB	5-10	170	Wooster, Ohio (Akron)
Jamal Robinson	DL	6-1	255	Cleveland, Ohio (Akron)
Ricardo Ross	WR	5-9	170	Columbus, Ohio (Rossford)
Aaron Russell	LB	5-10	200	Maple Heights, Ohio (Maple Heights)
Kyle Sanning	LB	5-11	208	New Carlisle, Ohio (Tecumseh)
Devin Saunders	TE	6-6	245	Columbus, Ohio (Gahanna Lincoln)
Jared Shuster	OL	6-3	300	Elyria, Ohio (Elyria Catholic)
Josh Steigerwald	K	6-0	165	Mayfield Village, Ohio (John Carroll)
Joe Studer	DL	6-0	225	Massillon, Ohio (Washington)
Jake Underwood	OL	6-2	280	Piqua, Ohio (Piqua)
Tyler West	OL	6-4	285	Norwood, Ohio (Norwood)
Karson Williams	OL	6-4	255	New Carlisle, Ohio (Tecumseh)
Brandon Williams	DB	5-11	170	Willoughby, Ohio (South)
Zeb Winkleman	WR	6-0	170	Newark, Ohio (Newark)
Rich Zalanka	OL	6-6	265	Perry, Ohio (Perry)

Notre Dame College is a co-educational liberal arts institution in South Euclid, Ohio. The Notre Dame Department of Athletics sponsors the Falcons' participation in 23 men's and women's intercollegiate sports. The College is affiliated with the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and the American Midwest Conference (AMC). On July 10, the NCAA announced that Notre Dame had a membership application approved. The Falcons are currently competing as a Candidacy Year-One institution in the NCAA Division-II membership process.

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