



BGSU Football

National Signing Day Release

BOWLING GREEN, Ohio - Bowling Green State University head football coach Mike Jinks has announced the addition of 20 student-athletes to the BGSU football program on Feb. 3, 2016.

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“National Signing Day is always an exciting day for our football program,” head coach Mike Jinks said. “We are thrilled about this 2016 signing class. These are guys who are not only strong players on the field, but high-quality men off of it. We can’t wait for them to get to campus in the fall.”

2016 BGSU Recruiting Class

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (High School)
Caleb Bright	OL	6-4	290	Urbandale, Iowa (Urbandale)
Elijah Cunningham	QB	6-3	190	Springboro, Ohio (Springboro)
Torrian Hampton	DB	6-4	180	Lakeland, Fla. (Lakeland)
Dirion Hutchins	DL	6-2	215	St. Charles, Mo. (Howell)
Cameron Jefferies	DB	5-10	195	Painesville, Ohio (Riverside)
Jerry Judd	LB	6-2	200	Streetsboro, Ohio (Streetsboro)
Darrion Landry	WR	6-2	200	Baytown, Texas (Lee/Blinn CC)
Jerry McBride III	DB	6-0	190	Hannibal, Mo. (Hannibal)
Rashaun O’Neal	WR	5-11	175	Cincinnati, Ohio (Withrow)
C.J. Pickrom	DB	6-1	185	Houston, Texas (Reagan)
Armani Posey	DB	6-1	200	Detroit, Mich. (Martin Luther King)
Ty Redding	DB	6-2	155	Warren, Mich. (Warren Mott)
Leonard Skattebo*	FB	6-1	245	Rio Linda, Calif. (Rio Linda/Sacramento CC)
Odell Spencer	WR	5-11	175	Shaker Heights, Ohio (Shaker Heights)
Terence Stephens	OL	6-1	190	Imperial, Pa. (West Allegheny)
Lorenzo Taborn	OL	6-5	323	Sidney, Ohio (Sidney)
Tim Tanner-Blair	OL	6-5	270	West Chester, Ohio (Lakota West)
Joe Ware	DB	6-5	260	Crete, Ill. (Crete-Monee)
Jared Wyatt	WR	6-2	180	Wylie, Texas (Wylie East)
Marquis Zimmerman	WR	5-10	160	Lakeland, Fla. (Kathleen)

*Enrolled this spring

Breakdown By Position

QB: 1
RB: 1
WR: 5
FB: 1
OL: 4
DL: 1
LB: 1
DB: 6

Breakdown By State

Ohio: 7
Texas: 3
Florida: 2
Michigan: 2
Missouri: 2
California: 1
Illinois: 1
Iowa: 1
Pennsylvania: 1

Dates To Note

Feb. 27: 1st spring practice (TBA)
March 14: Pro Day (1:00 pm)

Caleb Bright | Offensive Line | 6-4 | 290 | Urbandale, Iowa | Urbandale HS

Earned three football letters for Coach Sam Anderson at Urbandale High School ... is expected to graduate in May of 2016 ... earned Academic All-Conference honors in all four seasons for the J-Hawks ... led team to 19 wins in three seasons ... served Urbandale as a captain during the 2015 (senior) season ... named 2015 first team All-Iowa by the Iowa Newspaper Association ... earned 2015 first team ELITE All-Iowa by Des Moines Register ... also named 2015 Iowa All-State by USA Today ... was a first team All-District player in 2015 ... garnered second team All-Conference (CIML) recognition in 2014 (junior) ... played for the North Team in the 2016 Blue-Grey All-American Bowl ... ranked as a three-star by Scout and 247Sports ... son of Scott and Toni Bright ... has one brother, Cody ... born on Feb. 21, 1998 ... plans to major in criminal justice at BGSU.

Elijah Cunningham | Quarterback | 6-3 | 190 | Springboro, Ohio | Springboro HS

Earned two letters at Springboro High School for coach Ryan Wilhite ... also lettered in basketball ... expected to graduate in May ... played on varsity for three seasons, as his Panthers compiled a three-year record of 27-7 with playoff appearances in all three seasons ... named GWOC South Offensive Player of the Year in 2015 ... passed for 3,000 yards and 33 touchdowns, while adding 435 rushing yards and eight TDs on the ground ... also named first team All-GWOC, first team All-Southwest Ohio ... earned recognition as the Art Teynor Region 15 Player of the Year ... garnered Tri-State Football Offensive Player of the Year honors following the 2015 season ... named honorable mention All-Ohio ... was selected to play in the 2016 North/South Classic ... passed for 2,062 yards and 22 touchdowns as a junior, adding nearly 400 rushing yards and seven scores on the ground ... had 1,138 passing yards and 13 total touchdowns as a sophomore ... named a three-star prospect by both 247Sports and Scout ... a two-star according to ESPN and Rivals ... son of Chris and Heather Cunningham ... has two brothers – Gideon and Syllas – and one sister – Emilia ... father, Chris, played baseball at Northern Kentucky University ... born Sept. 17, 1997 ... plans to major in environmental science.

Torrian Hampton | Defensive Back | 6-4 | 180 | Lakeland, Fla. | Lakeland HS

Was a free safety for coach Bill Castle ... led Dreadnaughts to a 10-3 record as a senior ... lost in the third round of the playoffs ... also lettered in basketball at Lakeland ... was a captain for both his football and basketball programs at Lakeland ... son of Randy and Yolanda Hampton ... has two brothers – Randy Jr. and Jamari ... born Jan. 21, 1998 ... plans to major in sport medicine.

Dirion Hutchins | Defensive Line | 6-2 | 215 | St. Charles, Mo. | Francis Howell HS

Expected to graduate from Francis Howell High School in May ... played varsity football for head coach Bryan Koch ... also lettered in wrestling and track ... led team to the Missouri State semifinals in each of his final two years ... was named first team All-Conference and All-District as a senior ... earned first team All-District and second-team All-Conference as a junior ... a three-star according to ESPN.com ... also participated in DECA ... is the son of Dwight Hutchins and JuJuane Easter-Hutchins ... has three siblings – Maverick, Mason and Mahogany ... was born on January 6, 1998 ... plans to major in criminal justice.

Cameron Jefferies | Defensive Back | 5-10 | 195 | Painesville, Ohio | Riverside HS

Was a three-year varsity starter for coach Dave Bors at Riverside High School ... also lettered in basketball and track ... was a two-time captain in both football and track ... compiled 17 wins and a conference championship in his three seasons on the Beavers varsity football team ... helped Riverside to a conference championship in 2013 ... was named All-Ohio, All-Region, All-District and All-Conference as a senior ... honored with All-District, All-County and All-Conference honors in 2014 ... totaled over 3,000 career all-purpose yards ... registered more than 1,000 career rushing and receiving yards, and totaled more than 800 return yards ... had 110 total career tackles, four interceptions and seven forced fumbles ... also registered seven sacks and blocked three kicks in his career ... earned an academic letter in all four years at Riverside High School ... ranks inside the top 20% of his 2016 graduating class ... was a state qualifier in the long jump last season, winning the district meet and finishing fourth at regionals ... son of Steven and Christina Jefferies ... has one brother – Christopher, and one sister – Valerie ... father, Steven, played basketball and ran track at University of California (Pa.) ... brother, Christopher, played basketball at Heidelberg ... born on March 13, 1998 ... currently undecided on an academic major.

Jerry Judd III | Linebacker | 6-2 | 200 | Streetsboro, Ohio | Streetsboro HS

Expected to graduate from Streetsboro High School in May ... lettered all four seasons for Coach John Arlesic ... also earned letters in basketball and track ... was a four-time captain, twice with the football team (junior and senior seasons) and twice with the basketball program (junior and senior seasons) ... helped lead the Rockets to 15 wins over his final two seasons ... totaled over 2,700 all-purpose yards as a junior with 25 total touchdowns ... added 40 tackles, 4.0 TFLs and two interceptions ... in 2013, totaled over 1,200 all-purpose yards with 10 touchdowns ... recorded 68 total tackles and an interception ... was named first team All-League in 2015 as well as All-District ... named honorable mention at quarterback ... was 2014 PTC Offensive Player of the Year ... also earned first team All-District that season to go along with special mention All-State at quarterback ... earned team Most Valuable Player honors following both his sophomore and junior seasons ... in basketball, was named All-PTC first team in 2014 and honorable mention All-State ... also qualified for the State Track & Field meet in the 4x100 meter event ... son of Jerry and Bonnie ... has one sister, Stephanie ... father, Jerry, played football at Ashland University ... born on Sept. 3, 1997 ... currently undecided on an academic major.

Darrion Landry | Wide Receiver | 6-2 | 200 | Baytown, Texas | Lee HS/Blinn CC

A graduate of Baytown Lee High School ... lettered three times for coach Marvin Sedberry Jr. ... also lettered in basketball and track ... was named All-District in both his junior and senior seasons in football ... earned All-District honors three times in basketball ... was a captain in football, basketball and track ... played two seasons at Blinn Community College ... caught 69 passes in his two seasons with the Buccaneers ... had 1,349 receiving yards and 12 touchdowns in his two seasons ... was a first team All-Conference receiver at Blinn ... son of Lajuan Landry ... has two brothers – Chris and Jacolby ... born April 12, 1994 ... undecided on a major.

Jerry McBride III | Defensive Back | 6-0 | 190 | Hannibal, Mo. | Hannibal Senior HS

A four-year member of the varsity football team at Hannibal Senior ... played for coach Mark St. Clair ... expected to graduate in May 2016 ... was a captain for the Pirates' football program in 2015 ... was named first team All-State at defensive back in both 2014 and 2015 ... back-to-back defensive MVP Missouri & Iowa ... second team American Family Insurance All-USA Team Missouri ... was named first team All-District on both offense and defense in 2014 and 2015 ... also earned first team All-NCMC on both offense and defense during his junior and senior seasons ... helped team to 28 wins over his final three seasons ... won conference championships in both his junior and senior seasons ... had 4,158 career all-purpose yards ... scored 43 touchdowns and registered 170 career tackles ... had nine career interceptions ... set a school record by returning three interceptions for touchdowns ... also set a new school mark with three kick returns for touchdowns ... lettered in track ... son of Carl and April Emerson, as well as the late Jerry McBride Jr. ... father, Jerry, played football at Indiana ... born March 27, 1998 ... plans to major in sport management.

Rashaun O'Neal | Wide Receiver | 5-11 | 175 | Cincinnati, Ohio | Withrow HS

Expected to graduate from Cincinnati Withrow High School in May ... lettered all four years for head coach Ryan Drake ... also lettered in track ... was a captain his senior season in football ... was named first team All-Ohio as a senior ... also earned first team All-Eastern Cincinnati Conference ... registered 1,000 all-purpose yards as a senior, split between 20 receptions and 30 rushes ... was a member of the 4x800 relay that finished runner up in the 2016 AAU Junior Olympic Games in New Orleans ... son of Ralph O'Neal and Constance Huey ... father was a varsity athlete at San Francisco State ... has a sister, Ayanna O'Neal, who will run track at Eastern Michigan University ... born June 14, 1997 ... plans to major in communications.

CJ Pickrom | Defensive Back | 6-1 | 185 | Houston, Texas | Reagan HS

Was a four-year member of the Houston Reagan football program ... earned three letters for coach Stephen Dixon and the Bulldogs ... also lettered in track & field and soccer ... helped the Bulldogs to a four-year record of 32-13 ... was a team captain his senior season ... was named first team All-District at defensive back in 2015 ... made 41 tackles, three interceptions and seven pass breakups as a senior ... named second team All-District as a defensive back during his junior season ... had 35 tackles, two interceptions and two forced fumbles in 2014 ... made 142 career tackles ... had 10 interceptions and five forced fumbles during his career ... earned first place in the district triple jump a year ago ... earned a second place finish in the triple jump in the area ... son of the late Cederick Pickrom Sr. and Soneria Lee ... has two siblings – Cameron and Corrie ... plans to major in kinesiology.

Armani Posey | Defensive Back | 6-1 | 200 | Detroit, Mich. | Martin Luther King HS

Expected to graduate from Detroit Martin Luther King in June ... played three years of varsity football, including his final season for the Crusaders ... led his team to the Michigan State Championship as a senior ... passed for 383 yards and five touchdowns in state championship win over Lowell at Ford Field ... completed a 39-yard touchdown pass on game's final play for thrilling 40-38 victory ... named team Most Valuable Player ... registered 98 tackles, including 10 sacks ... also had 2,600 yards passing for 25 touchdowns and 300 rushing yards and six touchdowns ... twice earned All-City and All-State honors ... the son of Anton Posey and Anitra Carmichael ... has three siblings – Ariana, Alani and Ashton ... born August 3, 1997 ... plans to major in sport management or business.

Ty Redding | Defensive Back | 6-2 | 155 | Warren, Mich. | Warren Mott HS

Was a three-year varsity member of the football program for the Warren Mott Marauders ... expected to graduate in June ... also lettered in basketball and track ... played for coaches Tom Malinov and Victor Kolpac ... was a captain of the Marauders football program during his senior season ... team went 6-4 during his senior season ... registered five interceptions and five touchdowns ... led program to a career record of 22-11, including an 11-1 record his sophomore season ... went to district finals his sophomore season, and districts all three seasons on varsity ... had 20 career interceptions, including a career-high eight during his junior season ... also totaled 16 career touchdowns ... son of Teo and Tywana Redding ... has three brothers – Teo, Tre, Tayeden ... older brother Teo is a redshirt junior wide receiver for the Falcons ... born July 30, 1998 ... plans to major in communications or sport management.

Leonard Skattebo | Fullback | 6-1 | 245 | Rio Linda, Calif. | Rio Linda HS/Sacramento CC

A graduate of Rio Linda High School ... played two seasons at Sacramento City College ... first team All-American in the Junior College ranks ... ranked as the second best fullback in JuCo by 247Sports ... played in nine games last season, scoring six touchdowns ... led Panthers in rushing with 486 yards ... added 26 catches for 191 yards and two scores ... in 2014, rushed for 243 yards and five TDs ... recorded 18 catches and 170 yards ... was a four-time captain for the Knights of Rio Linda High School ... served as a captain for football in both his junior and senior seasons ... also captained the basketball and baseball programs his senior year ... was a two-time Capital Valley Conference MVP in high school ... also named first team All-State ... son of Leonard and Becky Skattebo ... father played football at Colorado State ... has three siblings – Danielle, Cameron and Kylee ... born June 24, 1996 ... plans to major in criminal justice.

Odell Spencer | Wide Receiver | 5-11 | 175 | Shaker Heights, Ohio | Shaker Heights HS

Played at Shaker Heights High School ... played for head coach Jarvis Gibson ... had 30 catches for 463 yards and six touchdowns as a senior for the Raiders ... was named All-District ... also registered five interceptions for Shaker Heights at cornerback as a senior ... lost to St. Edward in the first round of the Division I playoffs ... son of Andre and Yohnca Spencer ... plans to major in communications.

Terence Stephens Jr. | Running Back | 6-1 | 190 | Imperial, Pa. | West Allegheny HS

Expected to graduate from West Allegheny High School in June ... played three varsity seasons for head coach Bob Palko ... earned three football letters ... also lettered in track and basketball ... served as a captain during his senior season for the football program ... helped team compile a three-year record of 33-6 ... earned two WPIAL championships ... rushed for 1,420 yards and 20 touchdowns as a senior ... earned All-State at running back, was named offensive MVP of the Parkway Conference ... was a Fab 22 All Star, a BCT All Star and a Terrific 25 All Star ... also named first team All-Conference at running back ... rushed for over 900 yards and 18 touchdowns as a junior ... son of Terence Sr. and Dortina Stephens ... has five siblings – Donovan, BJ, Tamia, Jordan and Eli ... was born June 27, 1998 ... plans to major in business management.

Lorenzo Taborn | Offensive Line | 6-5 | 323 | Sidney, Ohio | Sidney HS

Played at Sidney High School for coach Adam Doenges and the Yellow Jackets ... participated in the Blue-Grey All-American Game at Raymond James Stadium in January ... lettered three times in football and also lettered in basketball ... helped team to 6-4 record as a senior ... was named first team All-GWOC North ... also garnered second team All-Ohio District 8 ... was a captain in both football and basketball as a senior ... the son of Barbara Taborn ... has seven siblings – Ricardo, Lamar, Keela, Celena, Darren, Devin and Aaliyah ... was born Feb. 24, 1998 ... plans to major in business entrepreneurship.

Tim Tanner-Blair | Offensive Line | 6-5 | 270 | West Chester, Ohio | Lakota West HS

Was a three-sport letterwinner at Lakota West High School ... expected to graduate in May ... played three varsity seasons for coach Larry Cox ... also lettered in wrestling and track & field ... was a captain for both the football and wrestling programs as a senior ... a strong wrestler, being named All-Greater Miami Conference two times ... earned two Sections places (2nd, 3rd) and qualified for districts twice ... placed sixth in the shot put at GMC finals a season ago ... son of Dewaine Blair and Ronda Tanner ... has four sisters – Jackie Tanner-Blair, Rachel Blair, Britany Carasco and Cassandra Williams ... father played football at Defiance College ... mother played tennis at Miami University ... born November 6, 1997 ... plans to major in construction management.

Joe Ware | Offensive Line | 6-5 | 260 | Crete, Ill. | Crete-Monee HS

A two-year football letterwinner for coach John Konecki ... expected to graduate from Crete-Monee High School in May ... led team to conference championship as a senior ... also helped Warriors to a state runner-up finish in 2015 ... was named Suntimes first team All-Area, Chicago Tribune first team All-Area ... ranked as a top 50 football player in Illinois and was named Southland All-Conference ... son of Joseph Sr. and Angela Ware ... born Oct. 30, 1997 ... plans to major in engineering at BGSU.

Jared Wyatt | Wide Receiver | 6-2 | 180 | Wylie, Texas | Wylie East

A three-year letterwinner for football at Wylie East High School ... played for head coach Joe Lepsis ... expected to graduate in June ... also lettered in basketball and track ... was a two-time captain ... named a unanimous first team All-District 10-5A wide receiver in both his junior and senior seasons ... made 35 catches for 891 yards and 16 touchdowns his senior season ... caught 68 passes for 1,043 yards and 14 scores his junior year ... as a sophomore made 47 catches for 947 yards and 12 TDs ... was part of the Raider-to-Raider mentoring program at Wylie East ... son of Patrick and Janet Wyatt ... father played basketball at Eastfield College ... has two brothers – Jordan and Joseph ... brother Jordan plays football at SMU ... born Sept. 25, 1997 ... plans to major in criminal justice.

Marquis Zimmerman | Wide Receiver | 5-10 | 160 | Lakeland, Fla. | Kathleen HS

A standout wide receiver and returner for Kathleen High School ... led Red Devils to 9-2 overall record ... played for coach Irving Strickland ... was a four-year varsity letterwinner ... was a Florida Class 7A All-State.