

NEBRASKA FOOTBALL

2020 RECRUITING CLASS

SCHOLARSHIP ADDITIONS (21)

LIST AS OF 2:30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18, 2019

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/LAST SCHOOL)
Marquis Black	DL	6-4	290	McDonough, Ga. (Eagle's Landing Christian Academy)
Alante Brown	WR	5-11	190	Hazel Crest, Ill. (Simeon HS/St. Thomas More [Conn.] Prep)
Jimari Butler	OLB	6-5	220	Mobile, Ala. (Murphy HS)
Alex Conn	OL	6-6	280	Derby, Kan. (Derby HS)
Niko Cooper	OLB	6-5	220	Memphis, Tenn. (Douglass HS/Hutchinson [Kan.] CC)
Turner Corcoran	OL	6-6	285	Lawrence, Kan. (Free State HS)
Ronald Delancy III	CB	5-11	160	Miami, Fla. (Northwestern HS)
Marcus Fleming	WR	5-10	170	South Miami, Fla. (Northwestern HS)
Jaiden Francois	CB	6-0	185	Florida City, Fla. (South Dade HS)
Henry Gray	S	6-0	175	Hollywood, Fla. (Miami Central HS)
Keyshawn Greene	ILB	6-3	210	Crawfordville, Fla. (Wakulla HS)
Blaise Gunnerson	OLB	6-6	250	Carroll, Iowa (Kuemper Catholic HS)
Nash Hutmacher	DL	6-5	300	Oacoma, S.D. (Chamberlain HS)
Tamon Lynam	CB	6-2	170	Orlando, Fla. (Evans HS)
Omar Manning	WR	6-4	225	Lancaster, Texas (Lancaster HS/TCU/Kilgore CC)
Eteva Mauga-Clements	ILB	6-2	220	Pleasant Hill, Calif. (College Park HS/Diablo Valley [Calif.] CC)
Sevion Morrison	RB	6-0	200	Tulsa, Okla. (Edison HS)
Will Nixon	WR	5-11	185	New Bern, Texas (Midway HS)
Jordon Riley	DL	6-6	290	Durham, N.C. (Riverside HS/N. Carolina/Garden City [Kan.] CC)
Marvin Scott III	RB	5-9	200	Port Orange, Fla. (Spruce Creek HS)
Logan Smothers	QB	6-2	190	Muscle Shoals, Ala. (Muscle Shoals HS)

STATE BREAKDOWN

- Florida (7)
- Alabama (2)
- Kansas (2)
- Texas (2)
- California (1)
- Georgia (1)
- Illinois (1)
- Iowa (1)
- North Carolina (1)
- Oklahoma (1)
- South Dakota (1)
- Tennessee (1)

POSITION BREAKDOWN

- Defensive Line (3)
- Wide Receiver (4)
- Cornerback (3)
- Outside Linebacker (3)
- Inside Linebacker (2)
- Offensive Line (2)
- Running Back (2)
- Quarterback (1)
- Safety (1)

WALK-ON COMMITMENTS (19)

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NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/LAST SCHOOL)
Bladen Bayless	OL	6-3	260	Beatrice, Neb. (Beatrice HS)
Nate Boerkircher	TE	6-4	215	Aurora, Neb. (Aurora HS)
Baylor Brannen	DL	6-4	260	Omaha, Neb. (Millard West HS)
Elliott Brown	WR	6-1	175	Omaha, Neb. (Elkhorn South HS)
Chase Contreras	PK	6-1	180	Missouri Valley, Iowa (Missouri Valley HS/Iowa Western CC)
Casey Doernemann	DL	6-5	250	West Point, Neb. (Guardian Angels CC HS)
Broc Douglass	WR	6-0	160	Grand Island, Neb. (Grand Island HS)
Isaac Gifford	DB	6-1	195	Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast HS)
Ty Hahn	WR	6-2	180	Johnson, Neb. (Johnson-Brock HS)
Ashton Hausmann	DB	6-0	190	Roca, Neb. (Norris HS)
Braden Klover	LB	6-1	220	Wymore, Neb. (Southern HS)
Trevin Luben	RB	6-0	170	Wahoo, Neb. (Wahoo HS)
Keegan Menning	OL	6-4	310	Fremont, Neb. (Fremont HS)
Mason Nieman	ATH	6-3	175	Waverly, Neb. (Waverly HS)
Nouredin Nouili	OL	6-4	285	Frankfurt, Germany (Norris HS/Colorado State)
Eli Simonson	OL	6-5	260	Fremont, Neb. (Archbishop Bergan HS)
Grant Tagge	LB	6-2	185	Omaha, Neb. (Westside HS)
Xavier Trevino	OL	6-1	275	Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)
Camden Witucki	LS	6-3	220	Grand Blanc, Mich. (Grand Blanc Community HS)

STATE/COUNTRY BREAKDOWN

- Nebraska (16)
- Iowa (1)
- Michigan (1)
- Germany (1)

POSITION BREAKDOWN

- Offensive Line (5)
- Wide Receiver (3)
- Defensive Back (2)
- Defensive Line (2)
- Linebacker (2)
- Athlete (1)
- Long Snapper (1)
- Place-Kicker (1)
- Running Back (1)
- Tight End (1)

The walk-ons listed above have been admitted to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and paid their enrollment deposit

SCHOLARSHIP BIOS

MARQUIS BLACK

DEFENSIVE LINE | 6-4 | 290

McDONOUGH, GA.

EAGLE'S LANDING CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Marquis Black comes to Nebraska as one of the top defensive line recruits in the Southeast. Black was a three-year starter and four-time state champion for coach Jonathan Gess at Eagle's Landing Christian Academy in Georgia. He helped the Chargers to a 57-1 record during his career, as ELCA became the first football team in Georgia history to win five straight state championships.

As a senior, Black played a key role in the Chargers' 14-1 record and a Class A Private state championship. A first-team all-district selection, Black entered his final game with 73 tackles with a team-leading 15.5 tackles for loss, 4.0 sacks and a pair of pass breakups. As a junior, Black was a second-team all-state pick.

Black is listed as one of the top 50 defensive tackles in the country and is regarded as a three-star recruit by both Rivals and 247Sports. He chose Nebraska after receiving scholarship offers from more than a dozen other Power Five programs, including Arizona, Kansas State, Louisville, Michigan State, Tennessee and Virginia.

ALANTE BROWN

WIDE RECEIVER | 5-11 | 190

HAZEL CREST, ILL.

SIMEON HS | ST. THOMAS MORE (CONN.) PREP

Alante Brown comes to Nebraska after attending St. Thomas More Prep school in Connecticut. Brown spent one year at prep school after starring for Simeon High School in Chicago.

Brown helped St. Thomas More to an 8-1 record in 2019, which included the Chancellors snapping Choate Rosemary Hall's 48-game win streak in a game where Brown had a pair of touchdown catches. Brown originally signed with Texas Tech in 2019 before deciding to attend prep school.

In high school, Brown was a quarterback for Simeon High in Chicago. A three-year starter, he led the Wolverines to a city championship and the Class 7A state quarterfinals as a senior, when Simeon finished with an 11-1 record. Brown threw for 41 touchdowns and rushed for 12 more scores as a senior, earning all-state honors.

Brown is considered a four-star recruit by 247Sports, and the organization also listed him as a four-star recruit out of high school when it tabbed him as the No. 215 overall recruit in the 2019 class. The No. 1 prep school player in the 2020 class, Brown chose Nebraska after also taking official visits to Indiana, Maryland, Mississippi and Michigan State.

JIMARI BUTLER

OUTSIDE LINEBACKER | 6-5 | 220

MOBILE, ALA. | MURPHY HS

Jimari Butler is one of two Alabama natives in Nebraska's early signing class. Butler comes to Lincoln after receiving several Power Five scholarship offers despite playing only one season of high school football.

Butler played only his senior season at Murphy High School, but he made a big impact in his lone year on the football team. In 10 regular-season games, Butler totaled 60 tackles with 22 TFLs, 14.5 sacks and 21 quarterback hurries, and including the playoffs he finished with more than 18 sacks. Before his breakout senior season, Butler had not played football since seventh grade, instead focusing on basketball.

A three-star recruit, Butler is ranked among the top 30 weakside defensive ends by Rivals. He chose Nebraska over Kansas, Indiana, TCU and Tennessee, among others.

ALEX CONN

OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-6 | 280

DERBY, KAN. | DERBY HS

Alex Conn comes to Nebraska as one of two highly regarded offensive linemen from the state of Kansas. Conn was an all-state performer for Derby High School, helping the Panthers to back-to-back perfect seasons in Kansas' largest class (6A).

As a senior, Conn helped Derby finish with a 13-0 record and a second straight state title. With Conn paving the way, Derby averaged 54 points and more than 500 yards of offense per game. The Panthers, who averaged 60 points per game in the playoffs, became the first 6A school in Kansas history to outscore every opponent by at least three touchdowns. In the state final against Olathe North, Derby set Class 6A state championship game records with 63 points and 674 yards. Conn was named a first-team all-state selection as a senior. He also helped Derby to a 13-0 record and a state title as a junior, when he was an honorable-mention all-state pick.

Conn is rated as a three-star prospect by both Rivals and 247Sports. Rivals lists Conn as one of the top five players in Kansas, while 247Sports regards Conn as one of the nation's top 60 offensive tackle recruits. He chose Nebraska over several other scholarship offers, including Arizona, Iowa State, Kansas, Kansas State, Oklahoma State and TCU.

NIKO COOPER

OUTSIDE LINEBACKER | 6-5 | 220

MEMPHIS, TENN.

DOUGLASS HS | HUTCHINSON (KAN.) CC

Niko Cooper joins the Huskers after spending the past two seasons at Hutchinson Community College in Kansas. He redshirted in his first season at Hutchinson, giving him three years of eligibility at Nebraska.

This past fall, Cooper totaled 24 tackles from his defensive end position for the Blue Dragons. He added nine tackles for loss and 2.5 sacks while forcing a pair of fumbles. Cooper played his prep ball for Douglass High School in Memphis.

Cooper is ranked as a three-star recruit, and 247Sports lists him as the No. 3 weakside defensive end prospect from the junior college ranks. He chose Nebraska after also taking visits to Kansas State, Texas Tech and Maryland, according to Hutchinson coach Rion Rhoades.

TURNER CORCORAN

OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-6 | 285

LAWRENCE, KAN. | FREE STATE HS

One of the nation's top recruits, Turner Corcoran joins Alex Conn to give Nebraska a pair of impressive offensive line prospects from Kansas. Corcoran is also one of three Husker signees who will compete in the All-American Bowl in January, which features the nation's top 100 seniors.

Corcoran was a first-team all-state selection as a senior at Lawrence Free State, which finished with an 8-2 record. Corcoran helped Free State average 6.7 yards per carry and 37.5 points per game in 2019. Corcoran was also a first-team all-state pick as a junior, and he started for the Firebirds as a sophomore.

A four-star recruit, Corcoran is the consensus No. 1 player in Kansas and ranks among the nation's top 60 players overall. Rivals lists Corcoran as the No. 58 player in the 2019 class and the No. 7 offensive tackle, while 247Sports ranks Corcoran as the No. 3 offensive tackle in the country and No. 41 overall recruit. Corcoran also comes in as the nation's No. 38 overall recruit in the 247Sports Composite rankings. He had offers from many of the nation's top programs, including Auburn, Clemson, Georgia, LSU, Michigan, Notre Dame, Ohio State and Oklahoma.

RONALD DELANCY III

CORNERBACK | 5-11 | 160

MIAMI, FLA. | NORTHWESTERN HS

Ronald Delancy III is one of seven Florida natives in Nebraska's early signing class, including his Miami Northwestern teammate Marcus Fleming. Delancy joins the Huskers after being a part of three state championship teams during his prep career.

Delancy starred for coach Max Edwards at Miami Northwestern as a junior and senior, winning back-to-back state titles. Delancy played both corner and safety for Northwestern, and he recorded more than 50 tackles as a senior. He was a playmaker in the secondary for the Bulls, totaling more than a dozen passes defended with four interceptions, three of which he returned for touchdowns. He also recorded one safety and blocked three field goals. Delancy helped Northwestern to a 5A state championship as a senior and a 6A state title as a junior. He began his career at Carol City High School, which won the 6A state championship in his freshman season.

Delancy, a consensus three-star recruit, had numerous offers and chose Nebraska over Louisville, Miami, Missouri, Pittsburgh and Washington State, among others.

MARCUS FLEMING

WIDE RECEIVER | 5-10 | 170

SOUTH MIAMI, FLA. | NORTHWESTERN HS

Marcus Fleming is one of seven Florida natives in Nebraska's early signing class, including his Miami Northwestern teammate Ronald Delancy III. Fleming joins the Huskers after winning a state championship as a senior.

Entering the state title game in mid-December, Fleming led Miami Northwestern with 51 catches and 887 receiving yards as a senior, catching eight touchdown passes. He also averaged 45.7 yards on 10 kickoff returns, including a 97-yard touchdown. Fleming played his junior season at Southridge High School. He played for Miami Senior High School as a sophomore, catching 22 passes for 692 yards and eight touchdowns.

A four-star recruit, Fleming is ranked among the top 150 players in the country by 247Sports, which also lists him among the top 25 wide receivers nationally. Fleming had numerous scholarship offers and chose Nebraska over several other top programs, including Florida, Florida State, Georgia, Miami and Penn State.

JAIDEN FRANCOIS

CORNERBACK | 6-0 | 185

FLORIDA CITY, FLA. | SOUTH DADE HS

Jaiden Francois is one of four defensive backs from Florida in Nebraska's early signing class. Francois was a versatile performer at South Dade High School, where he played safety, cornerback and nickel for the Buccaneers.

Francois intercepted two passes as a senior and was a shut-down player in the secondary, as teams rarely threw his way when he was lined up at cornerback, according to his high school coach Rudy Trevino. As a junior, Francois set a Dade County all-time record with 13 interceptions.

A consensus four-star recruit, Francois is ranked among the nation's top 200 players by 247Sports and in the 247Sports Composite rankings. He is listed as the No. 25 safety in the country by 247Sports and as the No. 27 cornerback by Rivals. Francois had offers from several top programs, but he chose Nebraska over Auburn, Florida State, Georgia, Miami, Michigan, Ohio State and Penn State, among others.

HENRY GRAY

SAFETY | 6-0 | 175

HOLLYWOOD, FLA. | MIAMI CENTRAL

Henry Gray is one of four Florida defensive backs to sign with the Huskers. Gray earned high school All-America honors, as he was selected to play in the 2020 Under Armour All-America Game.

Gray displayed the athleticism and versatility to play both cornerback and safety during his high school career. Gray comes to Nebraska from Miami's Central High School, where he played for one of the state's top programs coached by Roland Smith Jr., helping Central to the Florida 6A title as a senior. As a junior in 2018, Central lost a close game to eventual state champion Miami Northwestern.

Gray is a consensus four-star recruit, and he is ranked among the nation's top 250 recruits by both Rivals and 247Sports. Rivals lists Gray among the top 25 cornerback recruits in the country, while 247Sports lists Gray among the nation's top 25 safeties. Gray had an impressive list of offers and also considered Alabama, Auburn, Baylor, Clemson, Florida, Florida State, Georgia, Michigan, Ohio State and Penn State, among others.

KEYSHAWN GREENE

INSIDE LINEBACKER | 6-3 | 210

CRAWFORDVILLE, FLA. | WAKULLA HS

Keyshawn Greene is one of seven Florida natives in Nebraska's early signing class. Greene comes to Nebraska after starring at Wakulla High School, and he was selected to play in the All-American Bowl in January, one of three Husker signees selected to play in the game that features the nation's top 100 seniors.

As a senior, Greene helped Wakulla to a 13-1 record and a trip to the state semifinals. He put up impressive numbers, totaling 147 tackles, nine tackles for loss, three sacks, two pass breakups, one interception and one blocked field goal for the War Eagles.

Greene is one of the top 200 recruits in the 2020 class. He is regarded as the No. 121 overall recruit by 247Sports, which also lists him as the No. 9 outside linebacker prospect in the country. Rivals list Green as the nation's No. 197 overall recruit. He chose Nebraska after also considering Florida, Florida State, Miami and Tennessee, among others.

BLAISE GUNNERSON

OUTSIDE LINEBACKER | 6-6 | 250

CARROLL, IOWA | KUEMPER CATHOLIC HS

Blaise Gunnerson comes to Nebraska after starring at Kuemper Catholic High School in Iowa. Gunnerson is the lone Iowa native in the Huskers' early signing class, and he was selected to play in the All-American Bowl in January, which features the country's top 100 seniors.

Gunnerson totaled 47 tackles, 8.5 tackles for loss and 6.0 sacks as a senior, while also catching 11 passes for 149 yards and three touchdowns. Gunnerson missed his junior season with an injury. Despite battling injuries during his prep career, Gunnerson was the first Kuemper Catholic High football player to earn an FBS scholarship in at least 20 years.

A three-star prospect, Gunnerson is ranked among the nation's top 25 defensive ends by both Rivals and 247Sports, while 247Sports lists him among the nation's top 280 overall recruits. Gunnerson also visited in-state schools Iowa and Iowa State, and he also had offers from Kansas State and Minnesota, among others.

NASH HUTMACHER

DEFENSIVE LINE | 6-5 | 300

OACOMA, S.D. | CHAMBERLAIN HS

Nash Hutmacher will join the Huskers after a standout athletic career for Chamberlain High School in South Dakota. In addition to being a three-time all-state football player, Hutmacher is also a three-time state champion in wrestling and two-time state champion in track and field.

On the gridiron, Hutmacher was a three-time all-state selection who totaled nearly 300 career tackles and set several school defensive records. As a senior, Hutmacher had 88 tackles, 18 tackles for loss and four sacks. As a junior, he totaled 105 tackles (56 solo) with 11 TFLs, 10 sacks, 10 forced fumbles and four fumble recoveries. He also saw limited action at running back, scoring three touchdowns on nine carries.

Hutmacher is also a standout on the wrestling mat. Ranked as the nation's No. 1 high school heavyweight last spring, Hutmacher is a three-time state champion, the first heavyweight in South Dakota history to win three consecutive state titles. He entered his senior season with a 124-match winning streak, including 32 consecutive pins. He is also the first person to be named the Daily Republic Wrestler of the Year three years in a row.

Hutmacher went 33-0 as a junior with 32 pins and one forfeit en route to earning a spot on the 2018-19 USA Today All-USA Boys Wrestling Team. He was 46-0 as the state champion as a sophomore and 44-0 as a freshman state champion. Outside of high school competition, Hutmacher is a four-time All-American who has won several event titles, including pinning three of his four opponents en route to the 2019 USA Wrestling Junior Folkstyle National Championship and winning the 2017 USA Wrestling Cadet Freestyle National Championship.

In track and field, Hutmacher won the Class A state title in the shot put and discus as a junior. For his efforts as a first-team all-state pick in football, an undefeated state champion in wrestling and two-time state champion in track and field, Hutmacher was named the 2018-19 South Dakota Boys Athlete of the Year.

The consensus No. 1 player in South Dakota, Hutmacher also visited Oregon and Wisconsin before choosing the Huskers. A three-star prospect, 247Sports ranks Hutmacher among the nation's top 45 defensive tackles, while Rivals lists him among the nation's top 55 defensive tackles.

TAMON LYNUM

CORNERBACK | 6-2 | 170

ORLANDO, FLA. | EVANS HS

Tamon Lynam is one of four defensive backs from the state of Florida to sign with Nebraska in the early period. He plans to join the Huskers in January following a standout career as a defensive back for Evans High School in Orlando.

Lynam had 44 tackles, 11 pass breakups, two interceptions and one forced fumble as a senior. At 6-2, he brings great size to the Nebraska secondary.

A three-star recruit, Lynam had more than a dozen scholarship offers and chose Nebraska over Illinois, Kansas and Maryland, among others.

OMAR MANNING

WIDE RECEIVER | 6-4 | 225

LANCASTER, TEXAS

LANCASTER HS | TCU | KILGORE (TEXAS) CC

The nation's top junior college wide receiver, Omar Manning is one of two Texas natives in Nebraska's early signing class. Manning will bring size and physicality to the wide receiver position, and he will have two seasons of eligibility at Nebraska.

Manning spent the past two seasons at Kilgore College in Texas, where he helped the Rangers to a pair of conference titles and was a second-team junior college All-American in 2019. Manning led Kilgore with 35 receptions, 727 receiving yards and six touchdowns in 2019, while averaging nearly 21 yards per catch. In his first season at Kilgore in 2018, Manning caught 15 passes for 302 yards and four touchdowns. In his junior college career, Manning averaged more than 20 yards per reception.

Manning spent his freshman season at TCU, where he redshirted in 2017. He played his prep ball for Lancaster High School, where he was a four-star recruit and an Army All-American. Manning caught 45 passes for 742 yards and eight touchdowns as a high school senior, after making 33 catches for 671 yards and 12 touchdowns as a junior.

A four-star recruit, both Rivals and 247Sports list Manning as the nation's No. 1 junior college receiver, as does JCGridiron.com. The 247Sports Composite rankings regard Manning as the No. 2 overall junior college recruit in the country. Manning had more than a dozen scholarship offers and chose the Huskers over Florida, Florida State, Missouri, Oregon, Texas A&M and Utah, among others.

ETEVA MAUGA-CLEMENTS

INSIDE LINEBACKER | 6-2 | 220

PLEASANT HILL, CALIF.

COLLEGE PARK HS | DIABLO VALLEY (CALIF.) CC

Eteva Mauga-Clements spent the past three seasons at Diablo Valley College in California and will have two seasons of eligibility with the Huskers. Mauga-Clements entered the Diablo Valley program as a safety and redshirted in his first year.

Mauga-Clements had an impressive final season at Diablo Valley in 2019, when he was the Bay 6 Conference defensive player of the year. He made 61 tackles with 23 tackles for loss and 7.0 sacks, leading the Vikings in all three categories, as he had four more sacks than any other player and 12 more TFLs. Mauga-Clements also forced one fumble and blocked two kicks. In his first year at Diablo Valley, Mauga-Clements recorded 21 tackles with 6.5 tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks. He totaled 82 tackles, 29.5 TFLs and 8.5 sacks in 18 career games at Diablo Valley. A native of American Samoa, Mauga-Clements joined the Vikings after playing his high school ball for College Park in Pleasant Hill, Calif.

A four-star recruit, Mauga-Clements chose Nebraska over offers from San Diego State, South Alabama and Southern Miss, among others. Before choosing the Huskers, Mauga-Clements had recently received offers from most Pac-12 schools, according to his Diablo Valley Coach Mike Darr.

SEVION MORRISON

RUNNING BACK | 6-0 | 200

TULSA, OKLA. | EDISON HS

Sevion Morrison is one of two record-setting running backs in Nebraska's class. Morrison comes from Edison High School in Oklahoma, where he set the school record for career rushing yards.

Morrison ran for more than 5,000 yards at Edison High School, becoming the school's all-time leading rusher early in his senior season. Morrison broke the previous record (4,009) held by Spencer Tillman, who went on to become an All-America running back at Oklahoma and a Super Bowl champion with the San Francisco 49ers. As a senior, Morrison had 183 carries for 1,798 yards, averaging nearly 10 yards per carry while scoring 26 touchdowns. He also caught eight passes for 276 yards and three touchdowns and was named the district offensive player of the year in addition to winning the Ford Award as the player of the year in Northeast Oklahoma.

Morrison was the state's leading rusher as a junior, rushing for 2,728 yards with 39 total touchdowns while averaging 12.8 yards per carry to help the Eagles reach the state playoffs for the first time in four years. He also caught seven passes for 205 yards and averaged 27.2 yards on five punt returns. He was named to the Tulsa World all-state first team as a junior, and he was also one of five finalists for the organization's offensive player-of-the-year award. Morrison also rushed for more than 1,000 yards as a sophomore, when he was an honorable-mention all-state pick.

Morrison, who had two dozen scholarship offers, chose the Huskers over Baylor, Kansas State, Minnesota, Utah, Washington and Wisconsin, among others. A consensus four-star recruit, Morrison is ranked among the nation's top 250 overall recruits and among the top 15 running backs by Rivals, while 247Sports lists him among the nation's top 270 recruits and top 25 running backs.

WILL NIXON

WIDE RECEIVER | 5-11 | 185

NEW BERN, TEXAS | MIDWAY HS

Will Nixon is one of two Texas wide receivers in Nebraska's early signing class. He joins the Huskers as a wide receiver after primarily playing running back in his senior season at Midway High School.

Nixon's versatility was on display as a senior when he accounted for 2,087 yards from scrimmage and 29 total touchdowns. Despite beginning the year at wide receiver, Nixon rushed for 1,837 yards and 27 touchdowns, and he also totaled 250 receiving yards en route to earning district MVP honors. As a junior, Nixon primarily lined up at wide receiver and caught 40 passes for 500 yards and rushed 25 times for 400 yards with 10 total touchdowns.

Nixon is regarded as a three-star prospect and is ranked among the nation's top 100 wide receivers by Rivals. He chose Nebraska over Baylor, Kansas State, Notre Dame and Penn State, among several others.

JORDON RILEY

DEFENSIVE LINE | 6-6 | 290

DURHAM, N.C. | RIVERSIDE HS

NORTH CAROLINA | GARDEN CITY (KAN.) CC

Jordon Riley is one of two junior college defensive linemen to sign with Nebraska in the early period. Riley spent the 2019 season at Garden City (Kan.) Community College after beginning his collegiate career at North Carolina. Riley will have two seasons of eligibility at Nebraska.

In his lone season at Garden City, Riley was a key part of a Bronbuster defense that allowed fewer than 290 yards per game. He totaled 26 tackles on the season with 2.0 sacks and 3.5 tackles for loss, as Garden City finished with a No. 9 national ranking.

Riley spent the 2017 and 2018 seasons at North Carolina. He played in two games and had four tackles as a true freshman in 2017 before redshirting in 2018. Riley played his prep ball for Riverside High School in North Carolina, where he was regarded as one of the top 25 defensive tackles in the country.

Riley is a three-star recruit who chose Nebraska over East Carolina.

MARVIN SCOTT III

RUNNING BACK | 5-9 | 200

PORT ORANGE, FLA. | SPRUCE CREEK HS

Marvin Scott III comes to Nebraska after one of the most prolific careers by a running back in Florida prep history. Scott was a five-year varsity player, first making the varsity team as an eighth grader at Warner Christian Academy where he played three seasons. He made the jump to Florida's largest class for his final two seasons at Spruce Creek High School.

Scott ran for 7,482 yards and scored 80 total touchdowns in his high school career, with his rushing total unofficially ranking sixth in Florida high school history, according to records kept by floridapreprecords.com. In two years at Class 8A Spruce Creek – his junior and senior seasons – Scott rushed for more than 2,700 yards and scored 34 touchdowns. He led the area with 1,477 rushing yards as a senior, while scoring 18 touchdowns, averaging 7.7 yards per carry and catching nine passes for 110 yards. As a junior at Spruce Creek, Scott was a first-team all-area and third-team all-state selection after rushing for 1,226 yards and 16 touchdowns. Scott began his prep career by leading the area with 1,736 rushing yards as an eighth grader at Class 2A Warner Christian Academy, where he played on the varsity for three seasons and rushed for nearly 4,800 yards.

In addition to his success on the football field, Scott was also a state champion weightlifter. As a junior, Scott claimed the top spot in the 199-pound weightlifting division with a total of 700 pounds in the bench press (405) and clean/jerk (295). His 405-pound bench press was the best mark of anyone in his weight class or below and the eighth-best mark overall among the more than 300 competitors at the state championships. His individual efforts helped Spruce Creek claim the team title.

Scott is a consensus three-star recruit who had more than two dozen other scholarship offers, including Alabama, Florida State, Miami, Michigan, Tennessee and Utah.

LOGAN SMOTHERS

QUARTERBACK | 6-2 | 190

MUSCLE SHOALS, ALA. | MUSCLE SHOALS HS

Logan Smothers joins the Nebraska program after starring as a high school quarterback in Alabama the past four years. Smothers possesses the intelligence and athleticism to thrive in Nebraska's offense.

Smothers played his senior season at Muscle Shoals High School after his father, Shane, became the Trojans' offensive coordinator. Logan helped the team to a 12-1 record by passing for more than 2,000 yards and 27 touchdowns and rushing for more than 800 yards and 13 scores. Smothers played his first three seasons at Athens High School. He completed 65 percent of his passes and threw for 1,702 yards and 14 touchdowns as a junior, adding 832 rushing yards and nine touchdowns. As a sophomore, Smothers threw for 2,041 yards and 14 touchdowns, while rushing for 719 yards and eight touchdowns. He threw for more than 1,500 yards and rushed for nearly 500 yards as a freshman while accounting for 15 total touchdowns. Following his high school career, Smothers was selected to participate in the Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Game.

Smothers also ran track at Athens High School, finishing fourth in the 400 meters at the 2019 Alabama state indoor championship with a personal-best time of 51.34. Smothers also had a top-10 finish at the state championship in the 60-meter dash.

Smothers is a four-star recruit who is ranked among the top five dual-threat quarterbacks in the country by Rivals, which also tabbed Smothers as the nation's No. 174 overall recruit. In the 247Sports Composite rankings, Smothers ranks among the top 15 dual-threat quarterbacks in the country. Smothers was the first commitment in Nebraska's signing class, and he chose the Huskers over offers from Louisville and Ole Miss, among others.

WALK-ON BIOS

BLADEN BAYLESS

OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-3 | 260

BEATRICE, NEB. | BEATRICE HS

Bladen Bayless will begin his Nebraska career on the offensive line. Bayless was a standout for Coach Todd Ekart at Beatrice High School. During his senior season, Bayless helped power a rushing attack that averaged better than 225 yards per game. Defensively, Bayless had 29 tackles, five tackles for loss and a sack. Bayless earned honorable-mention all-state accolades from the Omaha World-Herald for his play. In his junior year, Bayless had three tackles and a tackle for loss, and recorded 17 total tackles.

NATE BOERKIRCHER

TIGHT END | 6-4 | 215

AURORA, NEB. | AURORA HS

Nate Boerkircher joins the Nebraska program as a walk-on from Aurora High School, where he was a standout receiving threat for the Huskies and Coach Kyle Peterson. As a senior, Boerkircher earned Class C-1 all-state honors from the Omaha World-Herald, helping the Huskies to an 8-4 record. As a junior Boerkircher helped Aurora to a perfect 13-0 record and Class C-1 state title. He had two receiving touchdowns for a team that threw for better than 315 yards per game, and also contributed 15 tackles on defense. Boerkircher had a scholarship offer to Chadron State. His older brother, Ian, is a walk-on offensive lineman for the Huskers.

BAYLOR BRANNEN

DEFENSIVE LINE | 6-4 | 260

OMAHA, NEB. | MILLARD WEST HS

Baylor Brannen starred on the defensive line at Millard West High School, one of the top prep programs in the state of Nebraska. Playing for Coach Kirk Peterson, the 6-4, 260-pound Brannen helped the Wildcats to a perfect regular season in 2019, before a state semifinal loss to eventual champion Bellevue West. Brannen was an honorable-mention All-Metro choice as a senior. Brannen was also a key player as a junior in 2018, when Millard West posted a 9-3 record and also reached the Class A semifinals.

ELLIOTT BROWN

WIDE RECEIVER | 6-1 | 175

OMAHA, NEB. | ELKHORN SOUTH HS

Elliott Brown was a versatile offensive playmaker at Elkhorn South High School, helping the Storm reached the Class A state quarterfinals as a senior. Brown was the quarterback for Coach Guy Rosenberg's team and helped Elkhorn South rank third in Class A in total offense, averaging better than 400 yards per game, including 275 rushing yards per contest. Brown threw for 1,322 yards and 13 touchdowns in 2019, while rushing for 582 yards and five touchdowns. Brown was a Class A honorable-mention all-state choice as a senior. Elkhorn South also posted a 7-4 record and reached the state quarterfinals in 2018, when Brown passed for 865 yards and eight touchdowns and had 273 yards and four touchdowns on the ground. Brown saw action on a state semifinal team as a sophomore in 2017. Brown chose to walk on at Nebraska over scholarship offers from Northwest Missouri State, Augustana and UNK.

CHASE CONTRERAZ

PLACE-KICKER | 6-1 | 180

MISSOURI VALLEY, IOWA

MISSOURI VALLEY HS | IOWA WESTERN CC

Chase Contreras joins the Nebraska program as a walk-on after a successful 2019 season at Iowa Western Community College. Contreras, who will have three seasons of eligibility at Nebraska, helped the Reivers to a 9-3 record in 2019. He connected on 15-of-18 field goals and 44-of-46 extra points. He made a season-long 47-yard field goal against Snow College and had a season-high three field goals in a game at Dodge City CC. He was a second-team All-American in 2019 from the NJCAA. Contreras played high school at Missouri Valley High School in Iowa, helping Coach Brian Knott's teams to 7-3 records in both 2016 and 2017.

CASEY DOERNEMANN

DEFENSIVE LINE | 6-5 | 250

WEST POINT, NEB.

GUARDIAN ANGELS CENTRAL CATHOLIC HS

Casey Doernemann joins the Husker program as a walk-on after a standout prep career as a two-way lineman at Guardian Angels Central Catholic High School. Doernemann earned Class D-1 all-state honors for Coach Dave Ridder's squad in 2019. Doernemann tallied 72 tackles, including 15.5 tackles for loss, 1.5 sacks, two fumbles caused and two fumble recoveries. His play on the offensive line also helped the Bluejays average nearly 250 rushing yards per game. In 2018, Doernemann helped Guardian Angels to a 9-2 record and a trip to the Class D-1 state quarterfinals. He totaled 88 tackles, with 10.5 tackles for loss, two sacks and two interceptions. He also helped his team rush for 287.6 yards per game on his way to earning first-team D-1 all-state honors from both the Omaha World-Herald and Lincoln Journal Star. Doernemann had a strong sophomore year with 42 tackles, three sacks, four fumbles caused and two tackles for loss.

BROC DOUGLASS

WIDE RECEIVER | 6-0 | 160

GRAND ISLAND, NEB. | GRAND ISLAND HS

Broc Douglass had a record-setting receiving career at Grand Island High School, helping the Islanders rank among the state's top programs the past two years. Douglass earned All-Nebraska honors from the Omaha World-Herald as a senior, with 60 catches for 1,016 yards and 12 touchdowns for Coach Jeff Tomlin's team. Douglass helped the Islanders to a 9-2 record in 2019, and in the process became the all-time leading receiver at Grand Island High School. Overall he totaled 1,481 all-purpose yards in 2019, while recording 46 tackles, three interceptions and two fumbles caused. In 2018, Douglass helped the Islanders to the Class A state title game and a 10-3 record. He caught 53 passes for 907 yards and seven touchdowns, and totaled 1,782 all-purpose yards, including more than 800 combined yards on punt and kickoff returns. He also had 35 tackles and nine pass breakups on defense. Douglass was a first-team Class A all-state and second-team Super State pick by the Lincoln Journal Star as a junior. Douglass saw varsity action for a state playoff team as a sophomore in 2017.

ISAAC GIFFORD

DEFENSIVE BACK | 6-1 | 195

LINCOLN, NEB. | SOUTHEAST HS

Isaac Gifford had a standout career as a versatile playmaker at Lincoln Southeast High School. As a senior, Gifford earned All-Nebraska honors from the Omaha World-Herald as he tallied 71 tackles, six pass breakups and an interception. His play helped Coach Ryan Gottula's team to a 9-2 record and a trip to the Class A quarterfinals. On offense, Gifford rushed for 298 yards and five touchdowns and caught five passes. During his junior season in 2018, Gifford helped the Knights to a 7-4 record, tallying 71 tackles, four pass breakups and an interception. Gifford earned honorable-mention all-state honors despite missing time because of injury. Gifford made 65 tackles for the Knight defense as a sophomore in 2017. Gifford turned down a scholarship offer from Air Force and numerous FCS offers to join the Husker program. Gifford is ranked as the No. 3 prospect in Nebraska by Rivals. He is the younger brother of Luke Gifford, a former Husker linebacker (2014-18) and current member of the Dallas Cowboys.

TY HAHN

WIDE RECEIVER | 6-2 | 180

JOHNSON, NEB. | JOHNSON-BROCK HS

Ty Hahn joins the Nebraska program after being one of the state's top offensive playmakers throughout his prep career at Johnson-Brock High School. Hahn helped Coach Mitch Roberts' team to a 7-3 record in 2019 with 65 receptions for 1,353 yards and 23 touchdowns. He accounted for more than 1,800 all-purpose yards, while also leading the team with 110 tackles and three interceptions. Hahn was the honorary captain of the Omaha World-Herald's Class D-2 all-state team. In 2018, Hahn led Johnson-Brock to a 13-0 record and a Class D-2 state championship. He finished his junior season with 62 catches for 1,165 yards and 23 touchdowns, while totaling 1,999 all-purpose yards, including 403 punt return yards. He also had 98 tackles, nine tackles for loss and four interceptions. For his play in 2018, Hahn was a first-team Class D-2 all-state pick by the World-Herald and Lincoln Journal Star, and was the honorary offensive captain of the Journal Star's offensive unit. Hahn earned Class D-1 all-state honors as a sophomore when he had 1,147 receiving yards and 24 touchdown catches, while adding 119 tackles and five interceptions. Hahn had 33 receptions and 75 tackles as a freshman for the Eagles. Hahn chose to join the Nebraska program over scholarship offers from Wyoming and numerous FCS schools.

ASHTON HAUSMANN

DEFENSIVE BACK | 6-0 | 190

ROCA, NEB. | NORRIS HS

Ashton Hausmann was an explosive offensive threat and defensive playmaker for Norris High School the past two seasons, helping the Titans to a 7-4 record and a Class B state quarterfinal berth in 2019. Hausmann rushed for 471 yards and eight touchdowns and had 233 receiving yards and two scores for Coach Ty Twarling's team. Defensively, he made 42 tackles, had three tackles for loss and an interception. His play earned Hausmann honorable-mention all-state recognition from the Omaha World-Herald. In 2018, Hausmann had 991 rushing yards and nine touchdowns on the ground, while totaling 1,200 all-purpose yards. He also made 17 tackles for the Titans. Hausmann earned Class B all-state honors as an athlete on defense from the Lincoln Journal Star. Hausmann had 41 tackles as a sophomore in 2017. A standout in track, Hausmann ran the 100 meters in 10.8 seconds as a junior.

BRADEN KLOVER

LINEBACKER | 6-1 | 220

WYMORE, NEB. | SOUTHERN HS

Braden Klover was a two-way standout for four seasons for Coach Kane Hookstra and Southern High School. As a senior, Klover helped the Raiders to a 6-3 record and a trip to the Class D-1 state playoffs. Klover rushed for 1,104 yards and 17 touchdowns, including five 100-yard rushing games. He also made 54 tackles, including seven tackles for loss and three sacks, and had an interception. Klover earned honorable-mention all-state honors from the Omaha World-Herald. During his junior season Klover tallied more than 1,000 all-purpose yards including 759 rushing yards and 12 touchdowns. He added 67 tackles and six tackles for loss to gain honorable-mention all-state recognition. Klover had a team-high 111 tackles and six tackles for loss as a sophomore and made 65 tackles during his freshman season.

TREVIN LUBEN

RUNNING BACK | 6-0 | 170

WAHOO, NEB. | WAHOO HS

Trevin Luben finished his prep career at Wahoo High School as one of the most productive running backs in recent Nebraska high school history. Luben had 4,741 career rushing yards and scored 474 points during his career for Coach Chad Fox's team. As a senior, Luben led the Warriors to a perfect 13-0 record and Class C-1 state championship. Luben rushed for 2,136 yards and 41 touchdowns as a senior and capped his career with 41 carries for 268 yards and five touchdowns in Wahoo's state title game victory. One of the Warriors' top defenders, Luben was the honorary captain of the Omaha World-Herald's Class C-1 all-state team, and also earned All-Omaha Area honors. In 2018, Luben earned Class C-1 all-state honors from the World-Herald and Lincoln Journal Star as Wahoo finished 10-2 and reached the state semifinal round. Luben also played on both sides of the ball as a sophomore for Wahoo's 10-2 team.

KEEGAN MENNING

OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-4 | 310

FREMONT, NEB. | FREMONT HS

Keegan Menning is a powerful offensive line force who will join the Huskers as a walk-on after a standout career at Fremont High School. Menning's line play was a key for Coach Seth McClain's team with his blocking helping the Tiger passing attack averaging 204 yards per game, while completing 60 percent of its passes. Menning also saw action on defense and tallied 12 tackles. Menning was also an offensive leader for the Tigers as a junior.

MASON NIEMAN

ATHLETE | 6-3 | 175

WAVERLY, NEB. | WAVERLY HS

Mason Nieman was one of the top two-way players in the state of Nebraska as a senior, leading Waverly High School to the Class B state semifinals. With Nieman guiding the way at quarterback the Vikings averaged better than 335 yards per game en route to a 10-2 record for Coach Reed Manstedt. Nieman ranked among the Class B leaders in rushing yards with 1,256 yards and 13 rushing touchdowns. He also passed for 513 yards and seven touchdowns, and saw action on defense. Nieman earned Class B all-state honors as a defensive back from the Omaha World-Herald. Nieman helped the Vikings to a 9-3 record in 2018, with more than 350 all-purpose yards and 30 tackles on defense. Nieman chose the walk-on offer from the Huskers over numerous scholarship offers including Wayne State, UNK and Minnesota State.

NOUREDIN NOULI

OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-4 | 285

FRANKFURT, GERMANY

NORRIS HS | COLORADO STATE

Nouredin Nouili joins the Nebraska program as a walk-on after spending the 2019 season at Colorado State. He will have three seasons of eligibility remaining at Nebraska. Nouili played in eight games with seven starts at offensive guard as a true freshman for the Rams in 2019. A native of Frankfurt, Germany, Nouili attended Norris High School as an exchange student. Nouili helped Norris High to a 5-5 record in 2018, recording 32 tackles and seven tackles for loss, while playing offensive line. He earned honorable-mention all-state accolades for the Titans. Nouili played for two Germany-based teams in 2018--American Football Verband Hessen and KIT SC 2010 e.V. He also played defensive end and punter for the German team Hanau Hornets Juniors in 2016-17. After graduating from Norris High School, Nouili chose Colorado State over offers that included South Dakota State, Northern Iowa and North Dakota State.

ELI SIMONSON

OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-5 | 260

FREMONT, NEB. | ARCHBISHOP BERGAN HS

Eli Simonson joins the Huskers after a standout career on both the offensive and defensive line at Archbishop Bergan High School. As a senior, he earned honorable-mention Class C-2 all-state honors from the Omaha World-Herald. Simonson helped Coach Seth Mruz's team to a 7-3 record and a trip to the state playoffs. Behind Simonson's blocking, Archbishop Bergan averaged nearly 200 rushing yards per game, and on defense Simonson had 43 tackles, two sacks and an interception. Simonson helped Bergan average more than 200 rushing yards per game in 2018 en route to a 6-4 record. He also had 39 tackles and three tackles for loss on defense. Simonson made 32 tackles as a sophomore.

GRANT TAGGE

LINEBACKER | 6-2 | 185

BOMAHA, NEB. | WESTSIDE HS

Grant Tagge was a tackling machine from his linebacker position for Omaha Westside the past two seasons. As a senior, Tagge helped the Coach Brett Froendt and the Warriors to a 10-3 record and trip to the Class A state finals. Tagge ranked among the Class A leaders in tackles and finished the year with 110 stops and five sacks. For his play, Tagge was a first-team All-Nebraska and first-team All-Metro selection by the Omaha World-Herald. In 2018, Tagge helped Westside to a 9-2 record and a state quarterfinal appearance. He led the way for the stingy Warrior defense and earned second-team Super State Honors from the Lincoln Journal Star as a linebacker and All-Metro honors and honorable-mention all-state accolades from the Omaha World-Herald. Tagge had a number of Division II scholarship offers and received interest from South Dakota State and Northern Illinois. Tagge a relative of Nebraska national championship quarterback Jerry Tagge.

XAVIER TREVINO

OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-1 | 275

LINCOLN, NEB. | SOUTHEAST HS

A three-year starter at Lincoln Southeast High School, Xavier Trevino joins the Huskers as an offensive lineman. Trevino helped the Knights to a 9-2 record and Lincoln city championship in 2019, en route to a trip to the quarterfinals of the Class A playoffs. Trevino was the leader of Coach Ryan Gottula's offensive line that powered a rushing attack that averaged 269 yards per game. Trevino also saw action on defense. Trevino earned first-team All-Nebraska honors from the Omaha World-Herald for his work on the offensive line. In 2018, Trevino helped LSE to a 7-4 record and state quarterfinal appearance. He helped an offense that ranked among the state passing leaders at nearly 180 yards per game. Trevino was an all-city selection by the Lincoln Journal Star in 2018 while earning honorable-mention all-state accolades in Class A by the Journal Star and Omaha World-Herald.

CAMDEN WITUCKI

LONG SNAPPER | 6-3 | 220

GRAND BLANC, MICH. | GRAND BLANC COMMUNITY HS

Camden Witucki joins the Nebraska program as a long snapper from Grand Blanc Community High School in Michigan. Witucki helped Coach Clint Alexander and the Bobcats to a 5-5 record each of the past two seasons, including a pair of Michigan state playoff appearances. In addition to his special teams work, Witucki also saw action at tight end for Grand Blanc.