

2005 PRESEASON HONORS

(Those known as of July 31)

PRESEASON ALL-AMERICA

- PK** **MASON CROSBY** (first-team: *Athlon*, *Blue Ribbon Yearbook*, *Lindy's*, *Playboy*, *Rivals.com*, *The Sporting News*, *Phil Steele's CFB*; second-team: *CBS SportsLine.com CFB*, *Nationalchamps.net*; third-team: *Street & Smith's*)
- OG** **BRIAN DANIELS** (honorable mention: *Street & Smith's*)
- C** **MARK FENTON** (honorable mention: *Street & Smith's*)
- DT** **JAMES GAREE** (honorable mention: *Street & Smith's*)
- OLB** **BRIAN IWUH** (honorable mention: *Nationalchamps.net*, *Street & Smith's*)
- QB** **JOEL KLATT** (honorable mention: *Street & Smith's*)
- TE** **JOE KLOPFENSTEIN** (honorable mention: *Nationalchamps.net*, *Street & Smith's*)
- P** **JOHN TORP** (third-team: *Street & Smith's*; honorable mention: *Nationalchamps.net*)
- FB** **LAWRENCE VICKERS** (honorable mention: *Street & Smith's*)
- ILB** **THADDAEUS WASHINGTON** (honorable mention: *Street & Smith's*)
- FWAA Preseason Checklist** (301 players): **PK** Mason Crosby, **QB** Joel Klatt, **TE** Joe Klopfenstein, **P** John Torp

Preseason ALL-BIG 12 CONFERENCE

- PK** **MASON CROSBY** (first-team: *Athlon*, *ATS Consultants*, *Big 12 Media*, *CBS SportsLine.com CFB*, *collegefootballnews.com*, *Conference Call*, *Huskers Illustrated*, *Lindy's*, *The Sporting News*, *Phil Steele's CFB*, *Street & Smith's*)
- OG** **BRIAN DANIELS** (first-team: *CBS SportsLine.com CFB*, *Huskers Illustrated*; second-team: *Athlon*, *Lindy's*; fourth-team: *Phil Steele's CFB*)
- ILB** **JORDON DIZON** (first-team: *Street & Smith's*; second-team: *Lindy's*, *Phil Steele's CFB*; third-team: *Athlon*)
- C** **MARK FENTON** (fourth-team: *Phil Steele's CFB*)
- FS** **TOM HUBBARD** (third-team: *Athlon*)
- OLB** **BRIAN IWUH** (first-team: *ATS Consultants*, *Conference Call*, *Nationalchamps.net*; second-team: *Athlon*, *collegefootballnews.com*, *Lindy's*; third-team: *Phil Steele's CFB*)
- TE** **JOE KLOPFENSTEIN** (first-team: *ATS Consultants*, *CBS SportsLine.com CFB*, *collegefootballnews.com*; second-team: *Athlon*, *Huskers Illustrated*, *Lindy's*; third-team: *Phil Steele's CFB*)
- DE** **ALEX LIGON** (second-team: *The Sporting News*)
- WR** **BLAKE MACKEY** (fourth-team: *Phil Steele's CFB*)
- DT** **VAKA MANUPUNA** (fourth-team: *Phil Steele's CFB*)
- PR** **STEPHONE ROBINSON** (second-team: *Athlon*)
- CB** **LORENZO SIMS** (second-team: *Huskers Illustrated*, *The Sporting News*)
- P** **JOHN TORP** (first-team: *Huskers Illustrated*, *Nationalchamps.net*; second-team: *Athlon*, *collegefootballnews.com*, *Lindy's*, *The Sporting News*, *Phil Steele's CFB*)
- ILB** **THADDAEUS WASHINGTON** (first-team: *The Sporting News*; second-team: *Huskers Illustrated*; third-team: *Athlon*; fourth-team: *Phil Steele's CFB*)
- KR** **TERRENCE WHEATLEY** (second-team: *Huskers Illustrated*; third-team: *Athlon*, *Phil Steele's CFB* (at CB); fourth-team: *Phil Steele's CFB*)

Preseason Big 12 Coach-of-the-Year: **GARY BARNETT**
(*CBS SportsLine.com CFB*)

NATIONAL TOP 60 PLAYER RATINGS

- Center:** Mark Fenton (No. 27, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Cornerback:** Lorenzo Sims (No. 49, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Defensive Tackles:** Vaka Manupuna (No. 52, *Phil Steele's College Football*); James Garee (No. 53, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Fullback:** Lawrence Vickers (No. 5, *The Sporting News*; No. 9, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Inside Linebacker:** Thaddaeus Washington (No. 11, *The Sporting News*; No. 20, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Offensive Guard:** Brian Daniels (No. 12, *The Sporting News*; No. 30, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Outside Linebacker:** Brian Iwuh (No. 12, *The Sporting News*; No. 16, *Lindy's*; No. 54, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Outside Linebacker:** Jordon Dizon (No. 35, *Phil Steele's College Football*; note: magazine rated him at OLB and not ILB)
- Placekicker:** Mason Crosby (No. 1, *Lindy's*, *The Sporting News* & *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Punter:** John Torp (No. 5, *The Sporting News*; No. 6, *Lindy's*; No. 10, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Quarterback:** Joel Klatt (No. 22, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Strong Safety:** J.J. Billingsley (No. 25, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Tight End:** Joe Klopfenstein (No. 15, *The Sporting News*; No. 20, *Phil Steele's College Football*)

PLAYERS FOR NATIONAL AWARDS

- Lou Groza Award** (top placekicker): Mason Crosby (No. 3 candidate, *Street & Smith's*)
- Ray Guy Award** (top punter): John Torp (No. 3 candidate, *Street & Smith's*)
- Ronnie Lott Trophy** (defensive player of the year/on & off field): Tom Hubbard (one of 42 on official watch list)
- Dave Rimington Award** (top center): Mark Fenton (one of 35 on official watch list)

NATIONAL UNIT RATINGS

- Defensive Backs:** No. 12 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Linebackers:** No. 10 (*Lindy's*), No. 13 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Special Teams:** No. 1 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)

PRESEASON TEAM RANKINGS

Publication	National	Big 12
		North
Huskers Illustrated	No. 22	1st
CBS SportsLine.com	No. 23	1st
CBS SportsLine.com CFB	No. 24	1st
Nationalchamps.net	No. 24	...
Lindy's Big 12 Football	No. 27	1st
Athlon Sports	No. 29	1st
Collegefootballnews.com	No. 30	...
Phil Steele's College Football	No. 31	1st
The Sporting News	No. 43	3rd
Big 12 Summer Media Poll	.....	1st
Street & Smith's	.....	1st
Blue Ribbon Yearbook	.....	t-1st
Gold Sheet Football Annual	.....	2nd
ATS Consultants	.....	t-3rd
Conference Call Magazine	.....	4th

2005 OUTLOOK

Colorado won its third Big 12 North Division title in four years last November, but was systematically dismantled in the conference's title game by No. 2 Oklahoma. It was only natural for frustration and disappointment to set in, and the coaches had some work to do in getting the team prepared for its bowl game.

Solution: head coach Gary Barnett and his coaches adopted and conveyed the attitude that the EV1.net Houston Bowl would be the first game of the 2005 season. After all, the Buffs were graduating just 11 seniors, only five of whom were starters. The end result? The underclassmen-dominated Buffaloes defeated an up-and-coming Texas-El Paso team by 33-28 in come-from-behind fashion, finishing off a tumultuous season on a satisfying note.

The North Division appears to be up for grabs again, and compelling arguments for all six teams could be made at this point; the conference is entering its 10th year of existence, and CU, Kansas State and Nebraska each have three titles, though only the Buffs and K-State have crowns this decade. So the race is on for either the first four-time champion or for Iowa State, Kansas or Missouri to breakthrough for their first title.

As for Colorado, the focus in the spring for the coaches was to shore up both the passing offense and defense, as well as to sift through intense battles at nearly every position on the team.

"Developing in the pass game on both offense and defense was the top priority in the spring," Barnett emphasized. "I felt we make progress in both areas, but we're still not close to a refined, finished product just yet. But the staff liked what we saw."

Another spring priority centered around figuring out who, if anyone, would emerge as the top running back, whether it will be one guy or be by committee. That question will carry into the fall as no one broke from the pack, not necessarily a negative as the coaches feel there is talent at the position, it's just largely untested since two players saw spot action as true freshmen a year ago and a third has been saddled with injury.

"It is obviously crucial to have one or two guys come to the forefront since establishing the ground game is so pivotal in laying the foundation for what we want to do on offense," Barnett said.

"There's a number of spots that remain open heading into August," he added. "We know a lot more after the spring, but we want to see the competition continue into fall camp at running back, wide receiver, both lines, linebackers and in the secondary. Whether its two veterans vying for the starting position or new guys trying to earn them for the first time, all those positions are going to

continue to have competition. We're deep at quarterback and veteran tested there, and we're obviously set at punter and placekicker with two All-American candidates."

CU returns 50 lettermen and 17 starters from 2004, when the Buffs finished with an 8-5 record after starting 3-0 and surviving an October which saw the Buffaloes go just 1-4 and seemingly fall out of the division race. But adhering to the old cliché of the "the games they remember are played in November," the Buffs posted three straight wins and had everything fall into place for them to win the North. Everything included about six other games to end in a particular way, topped off by Missouri's upset win at Iowa State the last day of the regular season; that enabled CU and ISU to tie for the division lead with 4-4 records, with the tiebreaker going to the Buffs by virtue of their 19-14 win over the Cyclones in Boulder in October.

Offensively, quarterback **Joel Klatt** is secure in his starting role, and he had another solid spring in likely cementing his name atop the depth chart heading into the season. Klatt, CU's starter the last two seasons, overcame some struggles early last season to take command down the stretch. He is in position to become the holder of every major CU career passing record as well as to become the first three-year starting signal caller for the Buffs since Kordell Stewart barked the play calls from 1992 to 1994.

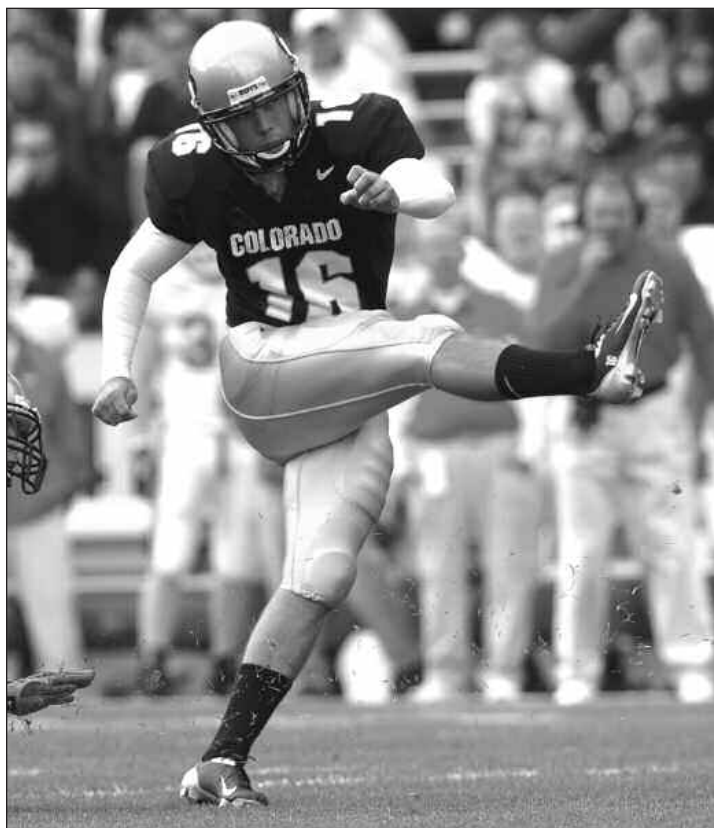
Who Klatt will hand off to as well as throw to is still up for grabs. There's no clear cut favorite at tailback, though **Lawrence Vickers** showed how versatile he was playing both tailback and

fullback last year. Vickers and tight ends **Joe Klopfenstein** and **Quinn Sypniewski** are fine targets in the passing game, with the receivers needing to sort themselves out. But there are plenty of veteran candidates to emerge as favorite options, including **Evan Judge**, last year's leading receiver, **Blake Mackey** and **Dusty Sprague**, along with several others who at this juncture simply lack game experience. Whoever winds up in the rotation, the focus will be on eliminating drops. "We had 39 dropped passes last year, and that is way too many," Barnett said. "So the ball was in the air a lot this spring, but we still had too many drops and those will have to disappear in camp."

As for the offensive line, the goal will be to become more physical in pass protection. Not that CU gave up an inordinate amount of sacks (20), but it did allow 62 pressures and a slew of batted balls at or behind the line of scrimmage. Juniors **Brian Daniels** (tight guard) and **Mark Fenton** (center) along with senior **Clint O'Neal** (tight tackle) are returning starters who should



Lawrence Vickers



Mason Crosby

Billingsley has both been reinstated after tending to academics and is healed after a pair of knee surgeries.

The two spots Barnett knows are locked up belong to CU's kicking duo of placekicker **Mason Crosby**, the nation's leader with six 50-plus yard field goals last year, and punter **John Torp**, who finished second individually but helped Colorado win its fifth net punting title. How good are these two? Last year, opponents started 80 of 159 drives at or inside the 20, thanks to the legs of the aforementioned gentlemen who help form perhaps what will be the nation's top special teams unit from top to bottom.

Colorado has played one of the nation's top 15 toughest schedules for five straight years. The Buffs will see the same eight conference opponents, while Miami, Fla., and New Mexico State replace Washington State and North Texas in the non-league slate. This is the last 11-game regular season in NCAA history, as legislation passed in April that permanently added a 12th regular season contest.

Repeating last year's 7-4 regular season record won't be an easy task, considering the five road trips that loom this fall (Miami, Fla., Oklahoma State, Texas, Kansas State and Iowa State), but the Buffaloes have proved resilient when adversity has flown in their faces. Colorado certainly proved last fall what can truly happen when teams take games one-at-a-time.

And besides, CU is already 1-0 in 2005; the Buffs are just in the middle of the longest bye week in its history.

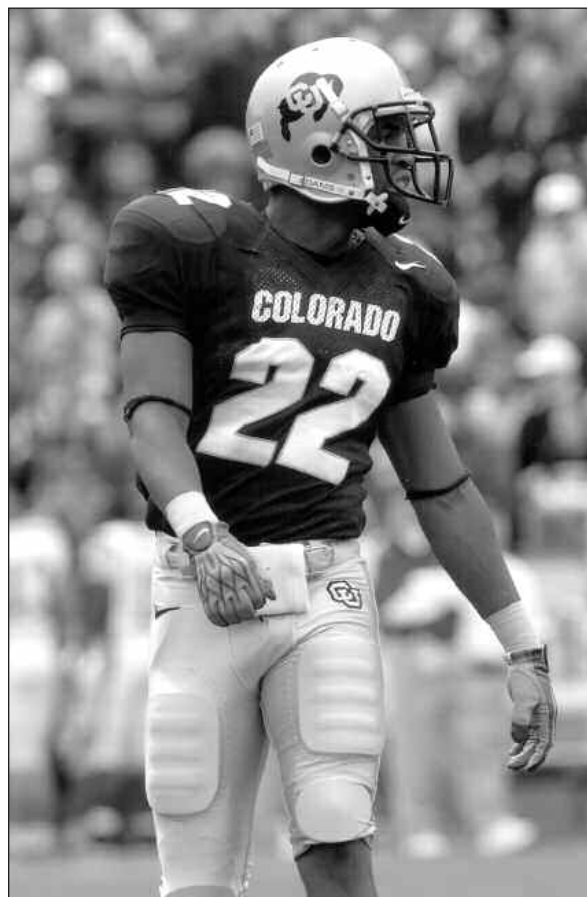
anchor the line; they were three of the same quintet that started every game in 2004.

On defense, 10 starters return on a defense that improved as the season progressed, along with another five players with three or more career starts under their belts. That has the coaches excited since so many return to a unit that underwent a transformation from the 4-2-5 scheme on defense in 2003 to a 4-3 base last season.

Linebacker appears to be the most well-stocked unit on this year's team, led by a trio that figures to be in there on a rotating basis simply because how can you keep **Akarika Dawn**, **Jordon Dizon** or **Thaddaeus Washington** out of the lineup. They were three of CU's top five tacklers last season, with Washington second on the squad with 93 while Dizon set a true freshman record with 82. And that's not including outside linebacker **Brian Iwuh**, the team leader in stops with 98 as well as a team-high 14 tackles for losses.

The defensive front should be stronger, with **James Garee** moving inside which enables ends **Alex Ligon** and **Abraham Wright**, who split time last year, to be in the lineup at the same time. **Vaka Manupuna** is a rock at nose tackle and thrives on inhibiting the run.

The secondary returns almost intact from last season, with the anchor at corner being **Lorenzo Sims**; at safety, there's a lot of competition expected, led by three returning veterans, **Tom Hubbard**, **Tyrone Henderson** and **Dominique Brooks**. The minus here is that CU loses the services this fall of cornerback **Terrence Wheatley**, also a top return man who will miss the entire season due to a wrist injury; but a plus is that safety **J.J.**



Lorenzo Sims



IN-DEPTH LOOK AT THE BUFFS

Offense

Quarterback

VETERAN PERSONNEL: Joel Klatt, Sr.; James Cox, Jr.; Brian White, Soph.; Bernard Jackson, Soph.

Klatt should become CU's first three-year starter at quarterback since Kordell Stewart (1992-94) and only the sixth ever as he cemented his stranglehold on the starting spot in spring drills. He is already in the top five in the five top passing categories in school history, and he ended last fall on a high note in being named the offensive MVP in leading CU to a come-from-behind win over UTEP in the Houston Bowl. Cox pushed Klatt at midseason, starting one game (Iowa State) and is waiting in the wings, as he is a little faster and offers a different style. White, who missed most of the spring with a wrist injury, is probably the purest passer with the strongest arm of the lot, while Jackson is of the "Michael Vick" mode, the fastest of all the signal callers who can hurt the opponent with his legs as well as his arm; he had a fantastic spring as he continues to learn the offense. Klatt has the most experience (22 starts), while Cox has roughly three halves of action not including mop-up duty. White and Jackson have not logged significant game time as of yet.

Fall Additions: Mack Brown, Patrick Devenny (recruits). **Key Losses:** Erik Greenberg (graduation).

Running Back

VETERAN PERSONNEL: Lawrence Vickers, Sr.; Brandon Caesar, Jr.; Hugh Charles, Soph.; Byron Ellis, Soph.; Paul Creighton, Jr.

Vickers has the most experience, as he saw action at both tailback and fullback, thus earning the "VB" tag for versatile back when combined with his receiving abilities; he'll again likely see snaps at tailback and fullback. Charles, the team speedster (4.37), and Ellis saw spot action as true frosh and will get their chance to shine this fall—and they'll need to. Caesar returns from a pair of knee surgeries and shook off the rust with a solid spring and should finally get the chance to show what he can do. Bobby Purify ran for 1,016 yards a year ago, so the competition will be to see who will have the opportunity to pickup the lion's share of that figure.

Fullback Creighton saw more time at the position as the 2004 season progressed, and he's worked hard to develop into a fine fullback; he was in there a lot when Vickers lined up at tailback. Senior Brendan Schaub, who made a name for himself on special teams duty last fall, is the only other veteran fullback on the roster.

Fall Additions: FB Jake Behrens, TB Maurice Greer, TB Kevin Moyd (recruits). **Key Losses:** TB Bobby Purify (graduation), VB Daniel Jolly (transferred).

Offensive Line

VETERAN PERSONNEL: Brian Daniels, Jr.; Mark Fenton, Jr.; Clint O'Neal, Sr.; Edwin Harrison, Soph.; Gary Moore, Sr.; Tyler Polumbus, Soph.; OT/G Jack Tipton

The line matured as the '04 season progressed, and while it suffers two key losses in starters ST Sam Wilder and SG Terrance Barreau, three starters return with two others who saw extensive time to provide a solid nucleus to build on. Juniors Daniel and Fenton are the anchors at tight guard and center, respectively, with senior Clint O'Neal back at his tight tackle spot as well. That trio played 2,103 snaps last fall, and Daniels topped the grade chart at 82.3 percent. Harrison has switched from tackle to split

guard, and he was supposed to get his first serious set of reps during the spring, but a shoulder injury in conditioning sidelined him the entire spring but he will be back full-go for the start of fall camp; Tipton, a natural tackle who's played mostly guard to cover depth issues, slid in at split guard to fill the void in the spring. Polumbus, who played mostly on the FG/PAT unit last year, is penciled in at split tackle, while Moore, who plays both tackle and guard, opens as O'Neal's backup but could get a look at both positions. The group adjusted to a slight scheme change last year that incorporated some of techniques of the neighboring Denver Broncos. The challenge for the group will be to improve protection, reduce pressures and sacks allowed (along with balls batted down at or behind the LOS), as well as become more physical to aid in the running game. There's a second wave of players who will be heard from, starting with JC transfer Bryce MacMartin who is the backup center after spring drills; he'll also get reps at guard. Redshirt freshman Daniel Sanders will battle for time at guard. The coaches got what they wanted in the spring — intense competition all across the line — and it will continue into the fall, so don't look for the starting five to be cemented until well into camp.

Fall Additions: Paul Backowski, Devin Head (recruits). **Key Losses:** OG Terrance Barreau, OG Derek Stemrich, OT Sam Wilder (graduation); OL Garret Collins (quit football).

Receiver

VETERAN PERSONNEL: Evan Judge, Sr.; Blake Mackey, Jr.; Dusty Sprague, Soph.; Reggie Joseph, Soph.; Patrick Williams, Fr-RS

The position had the expected growing pains in 2004, but 39 dropped balls (for what could have been 700-plus yards in gains) were a little much for the coaches to take. But there were plenty of positives, such as the emergence of Judge, a former walk-on who led the team in receiving (29 for 336, 3 TD), and the late-season blooming of Mackey, who had a team-high 16.0 yards per catch. Sprague was also coming on, but was sidelined for three games with a broken collarbone; he still caught 22 balls. Joseph saw spot action, as did Williams, who suffered broken bones in both hands early on received a medical redshirt to regain his freshman status. JC transfer Alvin Barnett was added to the fold in the spring, as he's an experienced receiver who could make an immediate mark in the CU program. Four walk-ons round out the spring personnel at the position, senior Marcus Gonzales, junior Nick Holz, sophomore transfer Chase McBride and freshman redshirt Cody Crawford.

Fall Additions: Jarrell Yates (recruit). **Key Losses:** Mike Duren, Ron Monteilh (graduation), Tyler Littlehales (medical).

Tight End

KEY PERSONNEL: Joe Klopfenstein, Sr.; Quinn Sypniewski, Sr.

With Sypniewski being awarded a sixth year of eligibility from the NCAA, the Buffs now boast a veteran 1-2 punch with him and Klopfenstein, as the pair have 73 games and 32 starts in their careers. Klopfenstein, the all-bowl game tight end selection by many, caught 28 passes for 284 yards last fall, and added five more for 134 yards in the Houston Bowl, including the longest reception by a TE in CU history (78 yards). Junior walk-ons Dan Goettsch and Brandon English and redshirt frosh Justin Adams provide depth.

Fall Additions: Riar Geer (recruit). **Key Losses:** Jesse Wallace (graduation).



Defense

Defensive Front

VETERAN PERSONNEL: James Garee, Sr.; Alex Ligon, Jr.; Vaka Manupuna, Sr.; Abraham Wright, Jr.; John Guydon, Sr.; Alonzo Barrett, Soph.; Walter Boye-Doe, Jr.

This area could develop into a strength fast—real fast—as the first unit has 49 career starts (38 last season). By moving Garee from end inside to tackle, the coaches hope that the pass rushing skills of Ligon and Wright will blossom and the team will be able to add to its 2004 total of 31 quarterback sacks (and especially increase the pressure—CU had only 38 hurries a year ago). Manupuna is coming off a breakthrough season at nose tackle, completing an impressive starting quartet. The downside is there isn't much experienced depth, other than Guydon and Barrett; Boye-Doe has switched to the position from linebacker and is an unknown at present (he missed the spring following ankle surgery), but his athleticism gives him a shot at competing in the rotation. At end, redshirt freshmen Greg Newman and David Veikune and true frosh Zach Jones, who enrolled in time for spring drills, will get the chance to show what they can do, while at tackle, fifth-year senior Nick Clement and junior Marcus Jones are the only other veterans on the roster; several of those players need to emerge to bolster the depth heading into the fall.

Fall Additions: Chris Todd (juco), Jeremy Hauck, George Hypolite, Taj Kaynor, Maurice Lucas, Sam Zimmerer (recruits). **Key Losses:** Matt McChesney, Brandon Dabdoub (graduation).

Inside Linebacker

VETERAN PERSONNEL: Thaddaeus Washington, Jr.; Jordon Dizon, Soph.; Akarika Dawn, Sr.; Chris Hollis, Jr.; Joe Sanders, Soph.

Position coach Brian Cabral is all smiles, as he likely has the deepest position on the team. He has four veteran players with a combined 34 starts, and only one—Dawn—is a senior. Washington had a breakout season in 2004, finishing third on the team in tackles (93) and earning a solid reputation as a hard hitting 'backer who was always in the right place. Next to him most of the time was Dizon, who started 11 games, tying the CU record by a true freshman; he was third with 83 tackles, four spots higher than any CU true freshman had ever finished before. And Dawn was no slouch, with 73 tackles and a team-high 13 third down stops. Hollis will get his junior year back, receiving a medical redshirt after missing most of the year with assorted injuries, and Sanders moves over from outside backer where he saw spot action playing behind Brian Iwuh. Redshirt freshman Maurice Cantrell, bulked up to 235, is someone Cabral is high on and he'll figure in the mix; senior Kyle Griffith, a special teams regular, and walk-on R.J. Brown (redshirt frosh) round out the veteran depth.

Fall Additions: Marcus Burton (recruit). **Key Losses:** none.

Outside Linebacker

VETERAN PERSONNEL: Brian Iwuh, Sr., Brad Jones, Fr.-RS; Ben Carpenter, Jr.

Officially called the "Buff Linebacker" position, Iwuh returns for his senior year and should contend for some national honors. He was the team leader with 98 tackles a year ago, only the second time an OLB led Colorado in stops. His natural talent and instincts fit the position perfectly, as it is the one that allows the most "freelancing." Jones was almost "activated" on a couple of

occasions last year, but the coaches managed to save his redshirt year. The tallest of the outside 'backers, he's up about 20 pounds to 220 and should be a viable backup. Carpenter saw spot action a year ago but is savvy, as the perpetual honors student knows the game.

Fall Additions: none. **Key Losses:** none.

Secondary

VETERAN PERSONNEL: Terrence Wheatley, Jr.; Lorenzo Sims, Jr.; Tyrone Henderson, Jr.; Dominique Brooks, Jr.; Tom Hubbard, Sr.; Gerett Burl, Jr.; Vance Washington, Jr.; Lionel Harris, Soph., Ryan Walters, Fr.-RS

There were no seniors a year ago, and there's only one—Hubbard—this time around. That bodes well in the sense that the group is now accustomed to CU's 4-3 base defense and the core contingent had plenty of snaps. Sims is one starter at corner, but the other is up for grabs, as Wheatley will have season-canceling surgery on Aug. 10. Burl has a shot at earning back his spot, as he was running first-team after spring and started nine games in 2004. Washington, one of the fastest players on the squad, returns from a series of shoulder surgeries, and Robinson, who switched from receiver to the position last fall, will get a lot more practice time in. Other corners include redshirt frosh Wilson and Reid and senior walk-on Anderson. At safety, Henderson, Hubbard and Brooks figure into the rotation at present; the trio has 28 career starts among them, 25 coming last year. The position will be bolstered significantly with the return of Billingsley, one of the top safeties in the country, as he has been reinstated after being suspended for academic reasons. Harris practiced the first portion of the spring at outside linebacker before returning to safety where he's been his first two years in Boulder. Redshirt frosh Walters and Sherman are extremely athletic and enjoyed good springs (Walters won the most improved defensive player award), with true frosh Reggie Foster, who enrolled in time for spring drills, still learning the nuances of college ball.

Fall Additions: Terry Washington (juco), Ben Burney, Gardner McKay (recruits). **Key Losses:** Chris Russell (juco).

Kicking Game / Special Teams

VETERAN PERSONNEL: PK Mason Crosby, Jr.; P John Torp, Sr.; PK Kevin Eberhart, Soph.; KR Stephone Robinson, Jr.; KR Terrence Wheatley, Jr.; SN Greg Pace, Sr.; H Nick Holz, Jr.

With Crosby and Torp, Colorado arguably has the best placekicker-punter combination in the nation, and both should vie for the pinnacle awards that come with their positions. Thanks to that pair, opponents started over half their possessions (80 of 159) at or inside their 20 in 2004. Eberhart redshirted last year and along with sophomore Isaac Garden, the Buffs are stocked at placekicker, with Crosby the backup to Torp at punter. Robinson and Wheatley were a solid 1-2 punch at returning kicks, especially with Jeremy Bloom being denied the chance to return by the NCAA in late August; several others will get looks there as well (Wheatley is out of the picture for '05 with the wrist injury). Pace handled all snapping duties, with senior Matt Hammond and JC transfer Bryce MacMartin potentially providing depth there. Holz shined as the holder last year, with Dusty Sprague and Joel Klatt the backups there.

Fall Additions: P Matthew DiLallo (recruit). **Key Losses:** none.

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
55	ACKERMANN, Jason	ILB	6- 1	220	Jr.	1L	Louisville, Colo. (Boulder Fairview)	S 2/2
81	ADAMS, Justin	TE	6- 1	225	Fr.	RS	Denver, Colo. (Montbello)	WO 4/4
21	ANDERSON, A.J.	CB	5-11	180	Sr.	VR	Omaha, Neb. (Central)	WO 1/1
60	BACKOWSKI, Paul	OL	6- 6	265	Fr.	HS	Foley, Minn. (Foley)	S 5/4
5	BARNETT, Alvin	WR	6- 0	190	So.	JC	Tulsa, Okla. (East Central/NE Oklahoma A&M)	S 4/3
47	BARRETT, Alonzo	DE	6- 3	240	So.	1L	Alabaster, Ala. (Thompson)	S 4/3
35	BEHRENS, Jake	FB	5-11	230	Fr.	HS	Omaha, Neb. (Millard North)	S 5/4
5	BILLINGSLEY, J.J.	S	5-11	185	Jr.	2L	Aurora, Colo. (Eaglecrest)	S 2/2
33	BOYE-DOE, Walter	DE	6- 2	240	Jr.	2L	Keller, Texas (Keller)	S 3/2
18	BROOKS, Dominique	S	6- 1	200	Jr.	2L	Mesquite, Texas (North Mesquite)	S 3/2
12	BROWN, Mack	QB	6- 3	205	Fr.	HS	Overland Park, Kan. (Shawnee Mission North)	S 5/4
34	BROWN, R.J.	ILB	6- 1	225	Fr.	RS	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Punahou)	WO 4/4
31	BURL, Gerett	CB	5-10	160	Jr.	1L	Libertyville, Ill. (Libertyville/Garden City CC)	S 3/2
42	BURNEY, Ben	S	5-11	190	Fr.	HS	Lone Tree, Colo. (Mullen)	S 5/4
54	BURTON, Marcus	ILB	6- 0	230	Fr.	HS	Channelview, Texas (Channelview)	S 5/4
21	CAESAR, Brandon	TB	6- 0	210	Jr.	VR	Broussard, Quebec (Old Farms Prep, Avon, Conn.)	S 2/2
32	CANTRELL, Maurice	ILB	6- 0	235	Fr.	RS	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Washington)	S 4/4
19	CARPENTER, Ben	OLB	6- 3	225	Jr.	VR	Des Moines, Iowa (Dowling)	WO 2/2
2	CHARLES, Hugh	TB	5- 8	185	So.	1L	Southlake, Texas (Keller)	S 4/3
95	CLEMENT, Nick	DT	6- 2	260	Sr.	VR	Colorado Springs, Colo. (Cheyenne Mountain)	WO 1/1
10	COX, James	QB	6- 3	210	Jr.	1L	Simi Valley, Calif. (Royal)	S 2/2
16	CRAWFORD, Cody	WR	5-11	165	Fr.	RS	San Diego, Calif. (Torrey Pines)	WO 4/4
30	CREIGHTON, Paul	FB	6- 5	250	Jr.	2L	Niwot, Colo. (Niwot)	S 2/2
16	CROSBY, Mason	PK	6- 2	210	Jr.	2L	Georgetown, Texas (Georgetown)	S 3/2
37	CUSWORTH, Chad	OLB	5-11	210	Jr.	VR	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Thunder Ridge)	WO 2/2
66	DANIELS, Brian	OL	6- 4	300	Jr.	2L	Evergreen, Colo. (Mullen)	S 3/2
12	DAWN, Akarika	ILB	6- 2	240	Sr.	3L	Sugarland, Texas (Kempner)	S 2/1
8	DEVENNY, Patrick	QB	6- 3	220	Fr.	HS	Roseville, Calif. (Granite Bay)	S 5/4
14	DiLALLO, Matthew	P	6- 1	195	Fr.	HS	Wellington, Fla. (Wellington)	S 5/4
44	DIZON, Jordon	ILB	6- 0	215	So.	1L	Kauai, Hawai'i (Waimea)	S 4/3
39	EBERHART, Kevin	PK	5-10	185	So.	1L	Broomfield, Colo. (Broomfield)	S 3/3
22	ELLIS, Byron	TB	6- 0	200	So.	1L	Culver City, Calif. (Venice)	S 4/3
32	ENGLISH, Brandon	TE	6- 4	240	Jr.	JC	Leawood, Kan. (Blue Valley North/Fort Scott CC)	WO 2/2
58	FENTON, Mark	C	6- 4	295	Jr.	2L	Inglewood, Calif. (Westchester)	S 2/2
8	FOSTER, Reggie	S	5-11	195	Fr.	HS	Long Beach, Calif. (Millikan)	S 5/4
18	GARDEN, Isaac	PK	6- 0	175	So.	VR	Encino, Calif. (Taft)	WO 3/3
82	GAREE, James	DT	6- 6	275	Sr.	3L	Colorado Springs, Colo. (Mitchell)	S 1/1
87	GEER, Riar	TE	6- 3	235	Fr.	HS	Grand Junction, Colo. (Fruita-Monument)	S 5/4
46	GOETTSCHE, Dan	TE	6- 5	240	Jr.	VR	Austin, Minn. (Austin)	WO 2/2
47	GONZALES, Marcus	WR	6- 4	210	Sr.	VR	Orchard Mesa, Colo. (Grand Junction Central/Scottsdale CC)	WO 1/1
28	GRIFFITH, Kyle	ILB	6- 2	205	Sr.	3L	Broomfield, Colo. (Broomfield)	S 2/1
62	GUYDON, John	DT	6- 2	285	Sr.	1L	Yorba Linda, Calif. (El Dorado/Fullerton CC)	S 1/1
90	HAMMOND, Matt	SN	6- 3	215	Sr.	1L	Sherwood, Ore. (Jesuit)	WO 1/1
25	HARRIS, Lionel	S	6- 0	195	So.	VR	Manvel, Texas (Alvin)	S 3/3
76	HARRISON, Edwin	OL	6- 4	305	So.	1L	Houston, Texas (Westbury)	S 3/3
68	HAUCK, Jeremy	OL	6- 4	270	Fr.	HS	Niwot, Colo. (Niwot)	S 5/4
72	HEAD, Devin	OL	6- 4	275	Fr.	HS	Corona, Calif. (Centennial)	S 5/4
3	HENDERSON, Tyrone	S	5-10	175	Jr.	1L	Oakland, Calif. (McClymonds)	S 2/2
50	HOLLIS, Chris	ILB	6- 1	230	Jr.	2L	Denver, Colo. (Aurora Hinkley)	S 2/2
85	HOLZ, Nick	WR	5-11	180	Jr.	1L	Danville, Calif. (De La Salle)	WO 2/2
9	HUBBARD, Tom	S	6- 5	220	Sr.	1L	Limon, Colo. (Limon)	S 1/1
86	HYPOLITE, George	DL	6- 1	270	Fr.	HS	Los Angeles, Calif. (Loyola)	S 5/4
27	IWUH, Brian	OLB	6- 0	225	Sr.	3L	Houston, Texas (Worthing)	S 2/1
7	JACKSON, Bernard	QB	6- 0	190	So.	VR	Corona, Calif. (Santiago)	S 3/3
40	JONES, Brad	OLB	6- 4	220	Fr.	RS	East Lansing, Mich. (East Lansing)	S 4/4
96	JONES, Marcus	DT	6- 4	300	Jr.	VR	Klein, Texas (Klein)	S 2/2
88	JONES, Zach	DE	6- 3	250	Fr.	HS	Aurora, Colo. (Grandview)	S 5/4
6	JOSEPH, Reggie	WR	6- 0	185	So.	1L	La Place, La. (East St. John)	S 4/3
82	JUDGE, Evan	WR	6- 2	215	Sr.	3L	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Chaparral)	S 1/1
97	KAYNOR, Taj	DE	6- 5	260	Fr.	HS	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	S 5/4
14	KLATT, Joel	QB	6- 1	210	Sr.	3L	Arvada, Colo. (Pomona)	S 2/1
89	KLOPFENSTEIN, Joe	TE	6- 6	245	Sr.	3L	Aurora, Colo. (Grandview)	S 2/1
51	LIGON, Alex	DE	6- 3	250	Jr.	2L	Torrance, Calif. (North Torrance)	S 2/2
91	LUCAS, Maurice	DE	6- 5	235	Fr.	HS	Denver, Colo. (Rangeview)	S 5/4
9	MACEY, Blake	WR	6- 3	200	Jr.	1L	Bakersfield, Calif. (Bakersfield)	S 2/2
57	MacMARTIN, Bryce	C	6- 2	290	Jr.	JC	San Francisco, Calif. (Lowell/City College of San Francisco)	S 3/2
93	MANUPUNA, Vaka	DT	6- 1	290	Sr.	3L	Kihei, Hawai'i (St. Louis)	S 1/1
38	McBRIDE, Chase	WR	5- 8	160	So.	TR	Thornton, Colo. (Broomfield/Wyoming)	WO 3/3
6	McKAY, Gardner	CB	5-11	150	Fr.	HS	Inglewood, Calif. (Crenshaw)	S 5/4



No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
79	MOORE, Gary	OL	6- 6	320	Sr.	3L	Aurora, Colo. (Overland)	S1/1
23	MOYD, Kevin	TB	5- 7	180	Fr.	HS	Miramar, Fla. (Northwestern)	S5/4
56	NEWMAN, Greg	DE	6- 4	235	Fr.	RS	Thousand Oaks, Calif. (Westlake)	S4/4
73	O'NEAL, Clint	OL	6- 6	305	Sr.	3L	Weatherford, Texas (Weatherford)	S 1/1
59	PACE, Gregory	SN	5-11	235	Sr.	1L	Hinsdale, Ill. (Central)	S2/1
77	POLUMBUS, Tyler	OL	6- 8	280	So.	1L	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	S3/3
23	REID, Corey	CB	5- 9	180	Fr.	RS	Detroit, Mich. (Thurston)	S 4/4
1	ROBINSON, Stephone	CB	5- 9	185	So.	1L	Denver, Colo. (Mullen)	S3/3
75	SANDERS, Daniel	OL	6- 3	285	Fr.	RS	Vista, Calif. (El Camino)	S4/4
13	SANDERS, Joe	ILB	6- 3	220	So.	1L	Nashville, Tenn. (Hillsboro)	S 3/3
43	SCHAUB, Brendan	FB	6- 4	250	Sr.	1L	Aurora, Colo. (Overland/Whittier)	WO 1/1
2	SHERMAN, Charlie III	S	6- 1	190	Fr.	RS	Sacramento, Calif. (Foothill)	S4/4
22	SIMS, Lorenzo, Jr.	CB	5-11	185	Jr.	2L	Fresno, Calif. (Edison)	S 3/2
83	SPRAGUE, Dusty	WR	6- 4	190	So.	1L	Holyoke, Colo. (Holyoke)	S3/3
45	SYNIEWSKI, Quinn	TE	6- 7	265	Sr.	3L	Granger, Iowa (Johnston)	S1/1
63	TIPTON, Jack	OL	6- 3	285	Jr.	1L	Arvada, Colo. (Pomona)	S 2/2
29	TORP, John	P	6- 2	205	Sr.	2L	Louisville, Colo. (Monarch)	S1/1
94	VEIKUNE, David	DE	6- 2	230	Fr.	RS	Wahiawa, Hawai'i (Campbell)	S4/4
17	VICKERS, Lawrence	VB	6- 2	235	Sr.	3L	Houston, Texas (Forest Brook)	S 2/1
15	WALTERS, Ryan	S	5-11	195	Fr.	RS	Aurora, Colo. (Grandview)	S4/4
10	WASHINGTON, Terry	CB	5- 9	190	Jr.	JC	St. Louis, Mo. (Cleveland/Garden City CC)	S3/2
49	WASHINGTON, Thaddeus	ILB	5-11	240	Jr.	2L	Marrero, La. (John Ehret)	S 2/2
7	WASHINGTON, Vance	CB	5-10	185	Jr.	2L	Friendswood, Texas (Clear Brook)	S2/2
26	WHEATLEY, Terrence	CB	5-10	170	Jr.	2L	Richardson, Texas (Plano East)	S3/2
3	WHITE, Brian	QB	6- 5	235	So.	VR	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Trabuco Hills)	S 3/3
4	WILLIAMS, Patrick	WR	6- 2	200	Fr.	RS	DeSoto, Texas (DeSoto)	S4/4
20	WILSON, Terry	CB	5-11	200	Fr.	RS	Chino, Calif. (Junipero Serra)	S4/4
53	WRIGHT, Abraham	DE	6- 3	240	Jr.	1L	Oklahoma City, Okla. (Southeast/NE Oklahoma A&M)	S 2/2
80	YATES, Jarrell	WR	6- 0	170	Fr.	HS	Denver, Colo. (Montbello)	S5/4
92	ZIMMERER, Sam	DE	6- 3	245	Fr.	HS	Colorado Springs, Colo. (Air Academy)	S5/4

EXPERIENCE KEY: #L—indicates number of letters earned through 2004; HS—high school; JC—junior college transfer; RS—freshman redshirt in 2004; TR—transfer; VR—varsity reserve performer. **STATUS KEY:** S—scholarship, WO—walk-on; #/#—clock as of 2005 season, i.e., 2/1: two years available to play one in eligibility.

Inactive Roster Players

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Reason	Status
84	DeVREE, Tyson	TE	6- 6	250	Jr.	TR	Hudsonville, Mich. (Hudsonville/Western Michigan)	Transfer	S 3/2
52	JAGORAS, Samson	ILB	5-10	220	Jr.	TR	Arcadia, Calif. (Arcadia/Western New Mexico)	Transfer	WO 3/2

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	No.	Player	Pos.	No.	Player	Pos.	No.	Player	Pos.
1	ROBINSON, Stephone	CB	16	CRAWFORD, Cody	WR	38	McBRIDE, Chase	WR	72	HEAD, Devin	OL
2	CHARLES, Hugh	TB	17	VICKERS, Lawrence	VB	39	EBERHART, Kevin	PK	73	O'NEAL, Clint	OL
2	SHERMAN, Charlie III	S	18	BROOKS, Dominique	S	40	JONES, Brad	OLB	75	SANDERS, Daniel	OL
3	HENDERSON, Tyrone	S	18	GARDEN, Isaac	PK	42	BURNEY, Ben	S	76	HARRISON, Edwin	OL
3	WHITE, Brian	QB	19	CARPENTER, Ben	OLB	43	SCHAUB, Brendan	FB	77	POLUMBUS, Tyler	OL
4	WILLIAMS, Patrick	WR	20	WILSON, Terry	CB	44	DIZON, Jordon	ILB	79	MOORE, Gary	OL
5	BILLINGSLEY, J.J.	S	21	CAESAR, Brandon	TB	45	SYNIEWSKI, Quinn	TE	80	YATES, Jarrell	WR
5	BARNETT, Alvin	WR	21	ANDERSON, A.J.	CB	46	GOETTSCH, Dan	TE	81	ADAMS, Justin	TE
6	JOSEPH, Reggie	WR	22	ELLIS, Byron	TB	47	BARRETT, Alonzo	DE	82	GAREE, James	DT
6	McKAY, Gardner	CB	22	SIMS, Lorenzo, Jr.	CB	47	GONZALES, Marcus	WR	82	JUDGE, Evan	WR
7	JACKSON, Bernard	QB	23	REID, Corey	CB	49	WASHINGTON, Thaddeus	ILB	83	SPRAGUE, Dusty	WR
7	WASHINGTON, Vance	CB	23	MOYD, Kevin	TB	50	HOLLIS, Chris	ILB	85	HOLZ, Nick	WR
8	FOSTER, Reggie	S	25	HARRIS, Lionel	S	51	LIGON, Alex	DE	86	HYPOLITE, George	DL
8	DEVENNY, Patrick	QB	26	WHEATLEY, Terrence	CB	53	WRIGHT, Abraham	DE	87	GEER, Riar	TE
9	HUBBARD, Tom	S	27	IWUH, Brian	OLB	54	BURTON, Marcus	ILB	88	JONES, Zach	DE
9	MACKEY, Blake	WR	28	GRIFFITH, Kyle	ILB	55	ACKERMANN, Jason	ILB	89	KLOPFENSTEIN, Joe	TE
10	COX, James	QB	29	TORP, John	P	56	NEWMAN, Greg	DE	90	HAMMOND, Matt	SN
10	WASHINGTON, Terry	CB	30	CREIGHTON, Paul	FB	57	MacMARTIN, Bryce	C	91	LUCAS, Maurice	DE
12	DAWN, Akarika	ILB	31	BURL, Gerett	CB	58	FENTON, Mark	C	92	ZIMMERER, Sam	DE
12	BROWN, Mack	QB	32	CANTRELL, Maurice	ILB	59	PACE, Gregory	SN	93	MANUPUNA, Vaka	DT
13	SANDERS, Joe	ILB	32	ENGLISH, Brandon	TE	60	BACKOWSKI, Paul	OL	94	VEIKUNE, David	DE
14	KLATT, Joel	QB	33	BOYE-DOE, Walter	DE	62	GUYDON, John	DT	95	CLEMENT, Nick	DT
14	DiLALLO, Matthew	P	34	BROWN, R.J.	ILB	63	TIPTON, Jack	OL	96	JONES, Marcus	DT
15	WALTERS, Ryan	S	35	BEHRENS, Jake	FB	66	DANIELS, Brian	OL	97	KAYNOR, Taj	DE
16	CROSBY, Mason	PK	37	CUSWORTH, Chad	OLB	68	HAUCK, Jeremy	OL			

DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE (Multiple)

WIDE RECEIVER (z)

- 83 Dusty Sprague, 6-4, 190, Soph.*
- 5 Alvin Barnett, 6-0, 190, Soph.
- 6 Reggie Joseph, 6-0, 185, Soph.*
- 85 Nick Holz, 5-11, 180, Jr.*
- 38 Chase McBride, 5-8, 160, Soph.

WIDE RECEIVER (x)

- 82 **Evan Judge, 6-2, 215, Sr.-5*** AND**
- 9 Blake Mackey, 6-3, 200, Jr.*
- 4 Patrick Williams, 6-2, 200, Fr.-RS
- 47 Marcus Gonzales, 6-4, 210, Sr.-5
- 16 Cody Crawford, 5-11, 165, Fr.-RS

SPLIT TACKLE

- 77 Tyler Polumbus, 6-8, 280, Soph.*
- 79 Gary Moore, 6-6, 320, Sr.-5***

SPLIT GUARD

- 63 Jack Tipton, 6-3, 285, Jr.*
- 75 Daniel Sanders, 6-3, 285, Fr.-RS
- 76 Edwin Harrison, 6-4, 305, Soph.*

CENTER

- 58 **Mark Fenton, 6-4, 295, Jr.****
- 57 Bryce MacMartin, 6-2, 290, Jr.

TIGHT GUARD

- 66 **Brian Daniels, 6-4, 300, Jr.****
- 75 Daniel Sanders, 6-3, 285, Fr.-RS

TIGHT TACKLE

- 73 **Clint O'Neal, 6-6, 305, Sr.-5*****
- 79 Gary Moore, 6-6, 320, Sr.-5***

TIGHT END

- 89 **Joe Klopfenstein, 6-6, 245, Sr.*****
- 45 Quinn Sypniewski, 6-7, 265, Sr.-6***
- 46 Dan Goettsch, 6-5, 240, Jr.
- 32 Brandon English, 6-4, 240, Jr.
- 81 Justin Adams, 6-1, 225, Fr.-RS
- (84) Tyson DeVree, 6-6, 250, Jr.-TR)

QUARTERBACK

- 14 **Joel Klatt, 6-1, 210, Sr.*****
- 10 James Cox, 6-3, 210, Jr.*
- 7 Bernard Jackson, 6-0, 190, Soph.
- 3 Brian White, 6-5, 235, Soph.

TAILBACK

- 2 Hugh Charles, 5-8, 185, Soph.* **AND**
- 22 Byron Ellis, 6-0, 200, Soph.*
- 21 Brandon Caesar, 6-0, 210, Jr.
- 36 Ryan Enright, 5-11, 185, Soph.

V-BACK (FB's & TB's)

- 17 **Lawrence Vickers, 6-2, 235, Sr.*****

FULLBACK

- 30 Paul Creighton, 6-5, 250, Jr.** (also TE)
- 43 Brendan Schaub, 6-4, 250, Sr.-5*

DEFENSE (4-3 Pro Style)

DEFENSIVE END

- 53 Abraham Wright, 6-3, 240, Jr.*
- 56 Greg Newman, 6-4, 235, Fr.-RS
- 94 David Veikune, 6-2, 230, Fr.-RS
- 33 Walter Boye-Doe, 6-2, 240, Jr.**

NOSE TACKLE

- 93 **Vaka Manupuna, 6-1, 290, Sr.-5*****
- 96 Marcus Jones, 6-4, 300, Jr.
- 95 Nick Clement, 6-2, 260, Sr.-5

DEFENSIVE TACKLE

- 82 **James Garee, 6-6, 275, Sr.-5*** (DE)**
- 62 John Guydon, 6-2, 285, Sr.-5*

DEFENSIVE END (rush)

- 51 **Alex Ligon, 6-3, 250, Jr.****
- 47 Alonzo Barrett, 6-3, 240, Soph.*
- 88 Zach Jones, 6-3, 250, Fr.

MIKE (INSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 49 **Thaddaeus Washington, 5-11, 240, Jr.****
- 13 Joe Sanders, 6-3, 220, Soph.*
- 50 Chris Hollis, 6-1, 230, Jr.**
- 34 R.J. Brown, 6-1, 225, Fr.-RS

WILL (INSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 44 **Jordon Dizon, 6-0, 215, Soph.* AND**
- 12 Akarika Dawn, 6-2, 240, Sr.***
- 32 Maurice Cantrell, 6-0, 235, Fr.-RS
- 28 Kyle Griffith, 6-2, 205, Sr.***
- (52) Samson Jagoras, 5-10, 220, Jr.-TR)

BUFF (OUTSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 27 **Brian Iwuh, 6-0, 225, Sr.*****
- 40 Brad Jones, 6-4, 220, Fr.-RS
- 19 Ben Carpenter, 6-3, 225, Jr.
- 37 Chad Cusworth, 5-11, 210, Jr.

CORNERBACK

- 22 **Lorenzo Sims Jr., 5-11, 185, Jr.****
- 1 Stephone Robinson, 5-9, 185, Soph.*
- 21 A.J. Anderson, 5-11, 180, Sr.-5

FREE SAFETY

- 9 Tom Hubbard, 6-5, 220, Sr.-5*
- 15 Ryan Walters, 5-11, 195, Fr.-RS
- 3 **Tyrone Henderson, 5-10, 175, Jr.***
- 25 Lionel Harris, 6-0, 195, Soph.
- 5 J.J. Billingsley, FS, 5-11, 185, Jr.**

STRONG SAFETY

- 18 **Dominique Brooks, 6-1, 200, Jr.** (FS)**
- 2 Charlie Sherman, 6-1, 190, Fr.-RS
- 8 Reggie Foster, 5-11, 195, Fr.

CORNERBACK

- 31 Gerett Burl, 5-10, 160, Jr.*
- 7 Vance Washington, 5-10, 185, Jr.**
- 20 Terry Wilson, 5-11, 200, Fr.-RS
- 23 Corey Reid, 5-9, 180, Fr.-RS

SPECIALISTS

PUNTER

- 29 **John Torp, 6-2, 205, Sr.-5****
- 16 Mason Crosby, 6-2, 210, Jr.**

PLACEKICKER

- 16 **Mason Crosby, 6-2, 210, Jr.****
- 39 Kevin Eberhart, 5-10, 185, Soph.*
- 18 Isaac Garden, 6-0, 175, Soph.

KICKOFF RETURN

- 1 **Stephone Robinson, 5-9, 185, Soph.***
- 31 Gerett Burl, 5-10, 160, Jr.*

PUNT RETURN

- 1 **Stephone Robinson, 5-9, 185, Soph.***
- 6 Reggie Joseph, 6-0, 185, Soph.*

HOLDER

- 85 Nick Holz, 5-11, 180, Jr.*
- 83 Dusty Sprague, 6-4, 190, Soph.*
- 14 Joel Klatt, 6-1, 210, Sr.***

SNAPPER (Long & Short)

- 59 Greg Pace, 5-11, 235, Sr.***
- 90 Matt Hammond, 6-3, 215, Sr.-5*
- 62 John Guydon, 6-2, 285, Sr.-5*

INJURED

- 55 †—Jason Ackermann, ILB, 6-1, 220, Jr.
(knee surgery)
- 26 †—Terrence Wheatley, CB, 5-10, 170, Jr.** (wrist)

(†—Missed the entire spring.)

Lettermen Returning: 50 (21 offense, 24 defense, 5 specialists)

Lettermen Lost: 15 (10 offense, 4 defense, 1 specialist)

Starters Returning (17)—Offense 7: OG Brian Daniels (22/13), C Mark Fenton (13/13), WR Evan Judge (11/11), QB Joel Klatt (22/12), TE Joe Klopfenstein (21/12), OT Clint O'Neal (17/13), VB Lawrence Vickers (13/7). **Defense 10:** S Dominique Brooks (13/10), ILB Jordon Dizon (11/11), DE James Garee (21/13), S Tyrone Henderson (10/10), OLB Brian Iwuh (19/13), DE Alex Ligon (11/10), DT Vaka Manupuna (14/13), CB Lorenzo Sims (14/13), ILB Thaddaeus Washington (11/10), CB Terrence Wheatley (7/5). (Career/2004 starts in parenthesis; calculated by those who had six or more starts in 2004 OR were starting at the end of the year.)

Others Returning With Significant Starting Experience (6; min. 3 career starts)—FS J.J. Billingsley (18/0), ILB Walter Boye-Doe (3/0), CB Gerett Burl (9/9), ILB Akarika Dawn (10/5), S Tom Hubbard (5/5), TE Quinn Sypniewski (11/0), DE Abraham Wright (3/3).

Others Returning With Significant Position Game Experience (13; two or fewer career starts)—DE Alonzo Barrett, TB Hugh Charles, QB James Cox, FB Paul Creighton, TB Byron Ellis, DT John Guydon, OT Edwin Harrison, LB Chris Hollis, WR Tyler Littlehales, WR Blake Mackey, OG Gary Moore, OLB Joe Sanders, WR Dusty Sprague.

Starters Lost (5)—Offense 4: OG Terrance Barreau (13/13), WR Ron Monteilh (14/12), TB Bobby Purify (17/12), ST Sam Wilder (36/13). **Defense 1:** DT Matt McChesney (25/13).

Others Lost With Significant Starting Experience (5)—DT Brandon Dabdoub (18/1), QB Erik Greenberg (2/0), OL Derek Stemrich (11/0), TE Jesse Wallace (14/6).

Specialists Returning (5)—PK Mason Crosby, PK Kevin Eberhart, SN Greg Pace, KR Stephone Robinson, P John Torp.

Specialists Lost (0).

Seniors (21): Listing with a (-5) indicates fifth-year senior (13); (-6) is a sixth-year senior (1); all others are fourth-year seniors (7).

Note: 2004 starters in **bold**; newcomers not included.

*—denotes number of letters earned through 2004.

CAPTAINS: to be selected at the end of fall camp.



FRESHMAN RECRUITS

2000 Quinn Sypniewski	2003 Alonzo Barrett Walter Boye-Doe Dominique Brooks Mason Crosby Brian Daniels +Kevin Eberhart Lionel Harris Edwin Harrison Bernard Jackson Tyler Polumbus Stephone Robinson Joe Sanders Lorenzo Sims Dusty Sprague Terrence Wheatley Brian White	Charlie Sherman David Veikune Ryan Walters Patrick Williams Terry Wilson
2001 James Garee Vaka Manupuna Gary Moore Clint O'Neal		2005 Paul Backowski Jake Behrens Mack Brown Ben Burney Marcus Burton Patrick Devenny Matthew DiLallo +Reggie Foster Riar Geer Jeremy Hauck Devin Head George Hypolite +Zach Jones Taj Kaynor Maurice Lucas Gardner McKay Kevin Moyd Jarrell Yates Sam Zimmerer
2002 Jason Ackermann J.J. Billingsley Gerett Burl Brandon Caesar James Cox Akarika Dawn +Mark Fenton Tyrone Henderson Chris Hollis Brian Iwuh Marcus Jones Joe Klopfenstein Alex Ligon Blake Mackey Jack Tipton Lawrence Vickers Thaddaeus Washington Vance Washington	2004 Maurice Cantrell Hugh Charles Jordon Dizon Byron Ellis Brad Jones Reggie Joseph Greg Newman Corey Reid Daniel Sanders	

WALKONS

2001 A.J. Anderson Nick Clement Matt Hammond *Tom Hubbard *Evan Judge *John Torp	2002 Ben Carptenter *Paul Creighton Chad Cusworth Dan Goettsch Kyle Griffith Nick Holz *Joel Klatt *Greg Pace	2004 Justin Adams R.J. Brown Cody Crawford Isaac Garden
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*—has since been placed on scholarship;
#—joined team in spring of year listed, otherwise joined in the fall;
+—enrolled in school in January, so scholarship counted back to the previous year.

FOUR YEAR TRANSFERS

2003 Terrance Barreau Brendan Schaub	2004 Chase McBride	2005 Tyson DeVree Samson Jagoras
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JUNIOR COLLEGE TRANSFERS

2002 Marcus Gonzales	2003 John Guydon	2004 #Abraham Wright Brandon English	2005 #Alvin Barnett #Bryce MacMartin Terry Washington
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LETTERMEN PICTURE

Colorado has 50 lettermen scheduled to return for the 2005 season, including 22 on offense, 23 on defense and five specialists. CU loses just five starters from the 2004 team, as the Buffs have 17 starters back, plus three former starters who missed the bulk of last season due to injuries. Returning starters are listed in bold, and (**) denotes letters earned primarily on special teams. The breakdown:

OFFENSE		Position	Returning (21)	Lost (10)
		WR (z)	**Nick Holz	Ron Monteilh , Mike Duren, Tyler Littlehales
		WR (x)	Evan Judge , Blake Mackey, Dusty Sprague, Reggie Joseph	
		ST	**Tyler Polumbus	Sam Wilder Terrance Barreau , Derek Stemrich
		SG	**Jack Tipton	
		C	Mark Fenton	Jesse Wallace Erik Greenberg Bobby Purify Daniel Jolly
		TG	Brian Daniels , Gary Moore	
		TT	Clint O'Neal , Edwin Harrison	
		TE	Joe Klopfenstein , Quinn Sypniewski (<i>from 2003</i>)	
		QB	Joel Klatt , James Cox	
		TB	Hugh Charles, Byron Ellis	
		VB	Lawrence Vickers	
		FB	Paul Creighton, **Brendan Schaub	
DEFENSE		Position	Returning (24)	Lost (4)
		DE	Alex Ligon , Abraham Wrigh	Matt McChesney Brandon Dabdoub, McKenzie Tilmon
		DT	John Guydon	
		NT	Vaka Manupuna	**Chris Russell
		DE (<i>rush</i>)	James Garee , Alonzo Barrett	
		MLB	Thaddaeus Washington , Walter-Boye-Doe, Chris Hollis (<i>from 2003</i>)	
		WLB	Jordon Dizon , Akarika Dawn, Jason Ackermann, **Kyle Griffith	
		OLB	Brian Iwuh , Joe Sanders	
		LCB	Lorenzo Sims Jr. , **Stephone Robinson	
		FS	Dominique Brooks , Tom Hubbard, J.J. Billingsley (<i>from 2003</i>)	
		SS	Tyrone Henderson	
		RCB	Terrence Wheatley , Gerett Burl, **Vance Washington (<i>from 2003</i>)	
SPECIALISTS		Position	Returning (5)	Lost (1)
		P	John Torp	J.T. Eberly
		PK	Mason Crosby , Kevin Eberhart (<i>from 2003</i>)	
		SN	Greg Pace , Matt Hammond	

THE PLAYERS

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JASON ACKERMANN, ILB

6-1, 220, Jr., 1L

Louisville, Colo. (Boulder Fairview)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—He should be able to return at some point early in the season, but was questionable for August drills as he continued rehabilitation from knee surgery. He missed all of spring drills.

2004 (Soph.)—He saw action in nine games, seven on defense and in all nine on special teams before he suffered torn ligaments and cartilage in the Kansas game. He had surgery (Nov. 19) and missed the remainder of the year. Prior to the injury, he racked up nine tackles (seven solo) in 86 plays from scrimmage as the backup will inside linebacker. He added two more stops, both solo and one inside-the-20, on special teams coverage duty and also had a downed punt. He enjoyed a solid spring, tying for the second most tackles in the three main scrimmages with 21 (12 solo, two for losses).

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in 11 games, one on defense at inside linebacker and in all on special teams. In 27 snaps on defense against Baylor, he was on three tackles, including a solo stop; on special teams, he had two points on the strength of an assisted tackle and a fourth down stop on a misplayed punt (also against Baylor). He had a solid spring, posted 17 tackles, four for losses, in the three full scrimmages; with only three healthy inside linebackers for much of spring ball, he received plenty of quality reps.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he practiced the entire fall at inside linebacker. Originally slated for January enrollment, some attrition enabled him to join the team in fall camp after the first week of drills.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he garnered *Prep Football Report* all-Midwest and *PrepStar* and *SuperPrep* all-Midlands honors. Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 17 ILB in the land. He was the all-Colorado Defensive Player-of-the-Year (*Rocky Mountain News*), and was also all-Colorado by the *Denver Post* and first-team all-state by both newspapers. He was all-Boulder County (*Boulder Camera*) and all-Centennial League as both a junior and senior. As a sophomore, he was Fairview's Newcomer-of-the-Year, as he played the last half of the year with varsity, including starts in four games (two playoff). He totaled some gaudy numbers in his prep career, topped by 388 tackles, over 120 for losses, 18 quarterback sacks, 17 forced fumbles, 11 blocked kicks and six interceptions. As a senior, he was in 189 tackles (108 solo), with an amazing 82 for losses including eight quarterback sacks. But the numbers didn't stop there, as he had over two dozen hurries, 11 forced fumbles, five recoveries (one for a touchdown), three interceptions (returning one for a TD) and five blocked kicks (four FG, one punt). As a junior, he was in on 132 tackles, including 83 solo stops, 30 tackles for loss and six sacks, to go with four forced fumbles, three interceptions and three blocked kicks (two FG and a punt he returned for a score). He had 67 tackles, four sacks, two forced fumbles and three blocked kicks as a sophomore. He played some spot tight end throughout his career, primarily as a blocker though he did have three career receptions. His top games as a senior: in a 21-17 win over Columbine, he had 22 tackles (seven TFL's, two sacks) and two forced fumbles; in a 20-13 victory over rival Boulder, he had 18 tackles (four TFL's, one sack), an interception, a forced fumble and a blocked punt; and in a 38-14 win over Mullen, he had 17 tackles (eight TFL's, one sack), an interception, a forced fumble, and a 34-yard kickoff return. Fairview was 12-2 his senior year, reaching the state championship game (a 9-3 loss to Chatfield), 9-2 his junior season and 10-2 his sophomore year under coach Tom McCartney, winning the Centennial League title all three years. He also lettered twice in basketball (power forward) and once in baseball (centerfielder).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. Owner of a 3.62

grade point average in high school, he was one of nine 2001 Colorado Chapter National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame Scholar-Athletes.

PERSONAL—He was born January 19, 1984 in Boulder. His hobbies include most sports, camping, fishing, drama, music and dancing. He is also active with Young Life, Student Venture and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. His cousin, Amber Metoyer (another Fairview student), played two seasons for CU's women's basketball and outdoor track teams. An aunt (Sonja Hardy) was a U.S. Olympic hurdler at the '76 Summer Olympics; several uncles played college football: Mike Metoyer (at Colorado, a defensive end on the 1973 team), Lucien Hardy (UNLV) and Travis Hardy (Kansas), with a cousin (Lucien Hardy, Jr.) playing at Weber State.

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2003	1	27	1	2—3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2003	1	27	1	2—3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2004	7	86	7	2—9	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	8	113	8	4—12	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 0,1—1 (2003); 2,0—2 (2004).

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JUSTIN ADAMS, TE

6-1, 225, Fr., RS

Denver, Colo. (Montbello)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall listed fifth on the depth chart at tight end.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he practiced the entire year at tight end. He joined the team as a walk-on for preseason practices, and stayed late after almost every practice with walk-on quarterback Casey Brown and the two would work together for up to a half hour.

HIGH SCHOOL—He lettered once in football. As a senior, he reeled in three passes for 50 yards and one touchdown, helping Montbello capture the Denver Public League championship. Under coach Oliver Lucas his team was 10-2 that year, while he lists the biggest moment of the season when he scored a touchdown against Denver South in what was later tabbed the DPS "Game of the Year." He also played baseball (right field) one season.

ACADEMICS—He is a pre-journalism and mass communication major at Colorado, as he has designs on being a sports anchor someday. He was a consistent honor roll student in high school, and was also a Young Life Leader, member of the Mile High Flight program and Colorado Association of Black Journalists.

PERSONAL—Born January 1, 1986 in Denver. His hobbies include watching sports and reading the Bible (he coordinates his own off-campus Bible study groups). A distant cousin (James Williams) played linebacker at Mississippi State and went on to play for New Orleans, Jacksonville and San Francisco in the NFL. He interned this past summer in the sports department at KMGH-TV in Denver.

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A.J. ANDERSON, CB

5-11, 180, Sr., VR
Omaha, Neb. (Central)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall listed third at one of the two cornerback positions. He had two tackles in the three main spring scrimmages. He posted the sixth-fastest pro shuttle time on the team in spring tests with a 4.19 effort.

2004 (Jr.)—He did not see any action, as he could not dress for games due to eligibility issues. He was able to practice, however, and won the Scout Team Defense Award for the Iowa State game.

2003 (Soph.)—He did not see any action, but dressed for seven games (six home and the CSU contest in Denver). He saw plenty of spring action due to injuries at the position, and thus received some quality reps.

2002 (Fr.-RS)—He was not enrolled in school.

2001 (Fr.)—He joined the team as a walk-on the first week of classes and practiced at wide receiver most of the season. He did not see any game action.

HIGH SCHOOL—He lettered three times in football at Omaha Central High School, where he earned first-team all-state (Class A), second-team "Super" state and all-Metro honors at safety as a senior. He had 104 tackles (63 solo) and seven interceptions, returning two for scores, and four fumble recoveries, one for a touchdown, his senior year. As a junior, he earned honorable mention all-metro accolades when he had two interceptions and 50 tackles. A three-year starter on defense, he also played wide receiver on offense, starting there as a senior, when he caught 25 passes for just over 300 yards and a touchdown. Central was 8-4 his senior year, 9-3 his junior and sophomore seasons under coach Joe McMenamin. He also lettered twice in track, participating in hurdles, with prep bests of 14.8 in the 110-meter and 41.2 in the 300-meters; he qualified for the state meet in the 110 as a junior.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in international affairs at Colorado. An honor roll student as a senior in high school, and participated in DECA, a student-marketing group.

PERSONAL—Born April 8, 1983 in San Mateo, Calif. Hobbies include creating music (lyrics) and traveling. First name is Angelo.

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PAUL BACKOWSKI, OL

6-6, 265, Fr., HS
Foley, Minn. (Foley)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as an offensive lineman as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—A three-year letterman who excelled on both sides of the ball, he was a first-team all-state offensive tackle by the *Associated Press* and the *St. Paul Pioneer Press* his senior season, as well as an honorable mention all-state defensive end. A senior team captain, he was also a first-team Rum River Conference honoree, while he was selected as the Most Valuable Lineman in the league and for Foley. *SuperPrep* named him to its All-Midwest team in both the pre- and postseason, while the *G&W Recruiting Report* named him to its 2004 Top Midlands

Players List. One recruiting magazine noted him for his outstanding "range and wingspan." During his junior campaign he garnered second-team all-state and first-team all-conference honors on the offensive line, and was also named his team's Most Valuable Lineman. As a senior, he had 52 pancake blocks, allowed no quarterback sacks and only committed four penalties. On defense in his first taste at end, he racked up 30 tackles (17 solo, six for losses and four sacks), one forced fumble and two pass deflections. His junior year he had 22 pancakes, with no sacks allowed and just six penalties. At defensive tackle he also totaled a career-high 35 stops (18 solo), 12 tackles for loss, six sacks, two forced fumbles and three pass breakups. During his sophomore campaign he piled up 20 pancake blocks and only allowed one sack, while he also had 12 tackles (five solo), three stuffs for loss, one forced fumble and one recovery. Top games: in a 22-6 win over North Branch his senior year, he had 14 pancake blocks to help his tailback rush for 160 yards and two touchdowns, while on defense, he had six solo tackles, two for losses; in a tight 13-12 loss to Class 4A Princeton that same season, his tailback again ran for 160 yards and one score courtesy his 10 pancakes; and in a 24-19 loss to 5A Tartan his junior season, he had eight pancakes and eight tackles, including two sacks. Under coach Larry Herm, Foley won the conference title his senior season with a 7-2 record (losing in the first round of sectionals), was 5-4 his junior campaign and 9-2 his sophomore year (conference champs and reaching the section finals). He also lettered three times in basketball at center, averaging 12 points, nine rebounds and two blocks per game as a senior. He lettered three times in track (throws), where he placed sixth in state as a junior in the shot put with a 55-1; his personal best in the discus is a 135-0, while he was named the school's Most Valuable Field Events Performer his junior year.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in business as his major at Colorado. He boasted a 3.3 grade point average in high school, was a member of the National Honor Society and was on the "B" honor roll every semester of his prep career.

PERSONAL—Born December 31, 1986 in Little Falls, Minn. His hobbies include watching movies and fishing, and he also earned an all-conference honor in choir in high school. He is a math tutor at a local middle school and has tutored algebra to many students at his high school. (Last name is pronounced buh-cow-ski.)

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ALVIN BARNETT, WR

6-0, 190, Soph., JC
Tulsa, Okla. (East Central/
NE Oklahoma A&M)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall listed second at the "Z" receiver position. He enrolled in time for the spring semester at CU, and has four years to play three in eligibility. He caught one pass for six yards in the spring game.

JUNIOR COLLEGE (Fr./2004)—He lettered at wide receiver under head coach Steve Patterson, as the Golden Norsemen posted a 4-5 record. On the year, he snagged 11 receptions for 105 yards (9.5 average per catch).

HIGH SCHOOL—A three-time letterman, he was a first-team all-state wide out his senior year, while he also garnered honorable mention all-state honors as a junior. His senior year, when he also was a team captain, he caught 58 passes for 721 yards and eight touchdowns, averaging 12.4 yards per catch. He also rushed 17 times for 105 yards and a score, and returned eight kickoffs for 145 yards (18.1). He set the school single-season receiving yards record as a junior, as he hauled in 71 passes for 987 yards and 11 TDs; he added 80 yards on five rushes and returned seven kickoffs for 113 yards (16.1 per). The biggest moment as a prep came in 2003 when his team beat Carl Albert 21-14; in that contest he had six receptions for 202 yards and two touchdowns. Another top moment occurred at the state All-Star game when he reeled in eight



passes for 232 yards and one score. Under coach Travis Hill, East Central was 11-2 both his senior and junior years, winning the district championship and reaching the state semifinals each time. He also lettered twice in basketball (guard), earning all-state accolades his senior year and honorable mention notice when he was a junior.

ACADEMICS—His is majoring in business at Colorado, as he aspires to own his own business in the future. He also has some interest in video production. He owned a 3.5 grade point average in high school, and was named the Academic Football Player of the Year during his senior campaign.

PERSONAL—Born October 30, 1985 in Tulsa, Okla. Hobbies include watching movies and spending time with family members.

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ALONZO BARRETT, DE

6-3, 240, Soph., 1L
Alabaster, Ala. (Thompson)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall as the backup rush end. He had a solid spring, as in the three full scrimmages, he was in on 12 tackles, including nine solo, seven for losses and six quarterback sacks; he had five sacks alone in the second scrum. He also was in on four third down stops and forced a fumble. He finished third in the spring conditioning tests for the power positions with 48 points, posting top times in the 20-yard dash, the pro shuttle and the L-drill while tying for the top vertical jump at 33 inches.

2004 (Fr.)—He played in 11 games including the Houston Bowl (no starts), in all on defense as he was the backup rush end for the entire season; he also some special teams duty. He saw action for 99 plays from scrimmage, posting 14 tackles (10 solo), with four for losses including two quarterback sacks, which came against North Texas and Kansas. He also had one quarterback pressure, and his top tackle effort came against North Texas when he posted six, including five solo stops and three tackles for loss (earning CU defensive lineman of the week honors in the process). A member of CU's 2003 recruiting class, he delayed his enrollment until January 2004 and participated in spring drills with the Buffs after moving to and working in Boulder in the previous fall.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team Super all-Metro Birmingham honors (all classes), in addition to first-team Super All-Metro 5A and all-Shelby County accolades, as well as honorable mention all-state honors. *SuperPrep* named him to its all-Dixie region team, ranking him as the No. 26 player in Alabama (the second defensive end). He earned first-team all-metro and all-county honors as a junior. As a senior, playing defensive end, he was in on 94 tackles (65 solo), with over 20 for losses including 12 quarterback sacks; he also forced six fumbles, recovered two and had five passes broken up. He had 98 tackles as a junior (72 solo), with eight sacks, nine pass deflections, seven forced fumbles and one recovery he returned for a touchdown. He played as a backup defensive end as a sophomore at Birmingham's Shade Valley High School. He played some tight end as a sophomore and senior, mainly as a blocker (no career catches). At Denver's Thomas Jefferson his freshman year, he played tight end on offense and linebacker on defense on the junior varsity, but was called up to the varsity for the playoffs. Two of his top career games came against rival Pelham; as a junior, he had a career-high 15 tackles in a loss, but as a senior, he had nine tackles, two sacks and a forced fumble in a 48-20 win, snapping a 10-year losing streak. He matched his career high with 15 tackles against Oak Mountain his senior year, adding two sacks, a forced fumble and a pass broken up in a 13-10 overtime victory. Thompson was 7-4 his senior year and 6-5 his junior year under coach Ricky Seale; Shade Valley was 8-5 his sophomore year for David Stapleton, reaching the state quarterfinals before losing to eventual champion Hoover. He also lettered twice in track, participating in the 400-meter dash, discus and shot put.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in political science at Colorado.

PERSONAL—He was born April 23, 1985 in Aurora, Colo. He lived in Denver through his freshman year in high school, and attended Thomas Jefferson for one year before his father took a job in Birmingham. His hobbies include playing video games, listening to music and basketball. An older brother, Jamal, is an offensive tackle for Texas A&M (the two very well could line up against each other the next two years). A cousin, Antoine Cason, is a freshman defensive back at Arizona; a distant cousin, Ken-Yon Rambo, is a wide receiver with the New York Jets (he played collegiately at Ohio State); and a second cousin, Brandon Gipson, was a defensive back at Colorado between 1999 and 2001. He has been a CU fan since he was eight years old, with one of his favorite Buffs growing up being Rashaan Salaam, the 1994 Heisman Trophy winner; it was a natural, as his father's sister is married to Salaam's father's brother. In high school, he was a member of Jack & Jill of America, a national youth service organization dedicated to improving quality of life, particularly for African-American children. Recognized as a 2002 Genteel Beaux: Young Man of Distinction, he volunteered at Children's Hospital in Birmingham.

TACKLES												
Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2004	10	99	10	4-14	4-6	2-2	0	1	0	0	0	0

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JAKE BEHRENS, FB

5-11, 230, Fr., HS
Omaha, Neb. (Millard North)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected at fullback as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—A standout at fullback and defensive end during his prep career, he lettered three times en route to being selected as the Gatorade Nebraska Player of the Year his senior season, when he earned first-team all-state, all-metro and all-district honors. He was named to the pre- and postseason All-Midlands teams by both *SuperPrep* (its No. 61 player overall) and *PrepStar*, in addition to being ranked as the No. 12 fullback in the nation (third-best Nebraska prep) by Rivals.com. He was a first-team all-district and all-metro selection his junior year, as well as earning honorable mention all-state accolades. As a senior, he had 203 carries for 1,203 yards and nine touchdowns, with a long run of 62, also occasionally returning kickoffs (three), including one for 85 yards. On defense he made 60 tackles (33 solo, including 15 for loss and four quarterback sacks), along with three forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and six pass breakups. As a junior he had 72 rushes for 538 yards and eight scores (long of 58); he also added 70 tackles (45 solo, 14 for losses with eight sacks) and seven pass deflections. His sophomore season saw him earn 88 carries for 478 yards and four touchdowns. Thus he had 363 career attempts for 2,219 yards, a healthy 6.1 average per carry. He lists his top career game as a 27-26 win over Westside his senior year when he rushed 25 times for 139 yards and three touchdowns in the state semifinal playoff game. In another contest his junior year, he posted 150 yards and four scores on 18 carries in a 56-14 win against Omaha South. Under coach Fred Petito, Millard North was 6-7 his senior season, rallying to make the playoffs before falling in the state championship game; MNHS went 13-0 to win the state title his junior year, and was 12-1 his sophomore campaign (state runner-up). He also played basketball early in high school before fully turning his attention to football.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in business administration, finance or international affairs as possible majors at Colorado. He boasted a perfect 4.0 grade point average in high school (scoring 1280 on the SAT), and was on the honor roll all four years. He was an academic all-state student-athlete, and was also awarded an international baccalaureate (IB) diploma, a program with a challenging course of study for motivated students.



PERSONAL—Born January 19, 1987 in Omaha, Neb. Hobbies include playing basketball and baseball, though is proud that “academics take up most” of his time. He has also done community service at the Humane Society his junior and senior years. He is the first Nebraska prep recruit to sign with Colorado since 1988, when DT John Parrella (Grand Island Central Catholic) signed; Parrella did not qualify academically, so the last Nebraska recruit to enroll was OL Dean Davis (Scottsbluff) in 1984. His full first name is Jacob. (*Last name is pronounced bear-ens.*)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Surgeries and other issues behind him, he is back in the fold for the fall and should be one of the top defensive backs in the Big 12 Conference. He did not participate in spring drills as he completed rehabilitation for knee surgery in addition to not participating in all team activities while concentrating on academics. *Phil Steele's College Football* ranked him as the No. 25 defensive back in the nation despite his playing in just two games last fall. He enters the year with 170 tackles, the 19th most by a defensive back at Colorado (and 78th overall), with his 123 solo stops tied for 36th on that all-time list (tied for the 13th most by a DB).

2004 (Jr.-RS)—He suffered a sprained knee midway during August drills (August 19), but he was able to play in the opener against Colorado State, where he saw action for 44 plays... none bigger than the game's final one, when he stuffed Colorado State's Tristian Walker for a 2-yard loss on a third-and-goal play as time ran out to preserve a 27-24 CU win. He sat out the next two games, and with an open week in the mix as well, was hopeful of being healthy for the league portion of the schedule. Though he did play 38 snaps at Missouri and had a big game (six tackles, a forced fumble, a hurry and a third down stop), the swelling persisted and he had season-ending surgery on October 12. Thus, he played in just the two games and was eligible for a medical redshirt year since he had one available to him. *Street & Smith's* tabbed him as a preseason honorable mention All-American and one of 26 candidates for the Jim Thorpe Award, while *Lindy's Big 12 Football* selected him as a preseason second-team all-Big 12 Conference performer as well as the No. 16 safety in the nation. **2003 (Soph.)**—In earning honorable mention all-Big 12 Conference honors from the league coaches, he finished third on the team in tackles with 94 (69 solo), along with eight tackles for loss, six third down stops, six quarterback hurries, three touchdown saves, three pass deflections and two interceptions. He also earned first-team all-Colorado honors from the Colorado chapter of the National Football Foundation/College Football Hall of Fame. He was CU's defensive back of the week on three occasions, all late in the season after he really got things going: against Texas Tech he had six tackles and two interceptions; against Missouri he posted a season-high 14 tackles, including two for losses; and against Iowa State, he had five tackles, two for losses with a sack, a third down stop and a fumble recovery. His two interceptions against Tech came three-and-a-half minutes apart in the first quarter, making him the 10th CU player in history to record two thefts in the same quarter. He also had 13 tackles against Kansas State, 10 against Nebraska and nine each versus Colorado State and Washington State. He earned three special team points on the strength of two solo tackles and a downed punt. He sat out the second half of spring drills to concentrate on academics (he needed to catch up a bit), but was back on schedule by fall camp.

2002 (Fr.)—A first-team Freshman All-American by both the FWAA and *The Sporting News*, he was also first-team Freshman All-Big 12 and the recipient of CU's Lee Willard Award, presented by the coaches to the most outstanding freshman. He played in all 14 games, including the

Alamo Bowl, with six starts; he saw most of his action in CU's dime package, and played the bulk of his snaps at free safety. In earning his way on to CU's prestigious Victory Club, he finished seventh on the team in tackles with 67, a number that ranked him eighth in the NCAA for tackles by a true freshman. It also set a CU record for the most tackles in a season by a true frosh, as he broke the old mark of 52 set by Jashon Sykes in 1998. In his first start against San Diego State, he established a school record for the most tackles by a true freshman when he posted 15, including 12 solo stops. He had 47 unassisted tackles on the year, with seven for losses and a quarterback sack. He had two third down stops, a fumble recovery and two forced fumbles, one of which was huge: it came in overtime at Missouri, preventing a Tiger first down as Kory Mossoni recovered the ball to end the game. Other top games came against Kansas (12 tackles) and Baylor (10); in the bowl game against Wisconsin he had one tackle (for a 4-yard loss). He finished second on the team in special team points with 13, on the strength of nine tackles (one inside-the-20), two knockdown blocks and a forced fumble. He also won a "CUSPY," as he was selected as CU's Male Freshman of the Year for all sports.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he garnered *PrepStar* and *SuperPrep* All-America accolades along with first-team all-Colorado honors (*Denver Post*, *Rocky Mountain News*), with the *Post* selecting him to its 12-man Blue Chip list. He also earned first-team all-state and all-conference honors playing slot back, with *Prep Football Report* and *SP* both selecting him to their all-Midlands teams. Rivals.com ranked him No. 34 in its special "athlete" category; *PrepStar* had him as the No. 6 athlete out of the Midlands. As a junior, he earned first-team all-league honors at linebacker, and was an honorable mention all-state performer. He amassed 1,177 total yards as a senior, including 736 rushing (105 carries, 7 touchdowns) and 441 receiving (17 catches, 5 TDs). He had five touchdowns of 70 yards or longer in length; two came on 89- and 81-yard runs against Smoky Hill. He did not play defense as a senior; as a junior, he was in on 80 tackles, with four forced fumbles, two sacks, three interceptions and a recovery playing linebacker, the same position he logged 50 tackles and an interception as a sophomore. Over on offense, he racked up just shy of 1,000 yards, as he had 700-plus rushing and 200-plus receiving with two scores. He also returned a kickoff for a touchdown as a junior showing his versatility. Top games included the 42-20 win over Smoky Hill as a senior, when he had 226 yards and three scores; he had 14 carries for 184 yards and three scores in a 28-21 win over Overland and in a 35-24 loss to Mullen, he had 170 yards and two scores. Eaglecrest was 8-3 his senior year, reaching the state quarterfinals, and was 2-8 his junior and 4-6 his sophomore seasons under coach Gary Thompson. He also lettered in twice in basketball as a guard/forward and three times in track (hurdles and relays). He was a member of the state champion 4-x100 relay team as a junior, and was the state champ in the 110- and 300-meter hurdles (14.02 and 37.37 times, respectively) and on the 800-meter winning relay team (1:27.09) as well as a senior.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado.

PERSONAL—He was born November 16, 1983 in Denver. His hobbies include listening to music and video games. His father (Jon, Sr.) played college football at Central Methodist College, with a cousin, Micha Billingsley, played wide receiver first at Fort Lewis and then at Northern Michigan. J.J. stands for Jon, Jr.

Season	G	Plays	TACKLES									
			UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2002	13	469	47	20—67	7-41	1-14	2	2	1	2	0	0
2003	12	802	69	25—94	8-37	1- 6	6	6	2	0	3	2
2004	2	82	7	2—	9 1- 2	0- 0	2	1	0	1	0	0
Totals	27	1353	123	47—170	16-80	2-20	10	9	3	3	3	2

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Kickoff Returns: 4-87, 21.8 avg., 29 long (2003); Interception Return Yards: 2-8, 4.0 avg., 6 long (2003). Fumble Returns: 2-10, 5.0 avg., 8 long (2003). Special Team Tackles 8,1—9 (2002); 2,0—2 (2003).



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WALTER BOYE-DOE, DE

6-2, 240, Jr., 2L

Keller, Texas (Keller)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—He was expected to be 100 percent healthy after missing spring practice following winter surgery to repair chronic ankle problems. When he hits the field, it will be at a new position for him, as he has been moved to defensive end from inside linebacker.

2004 (Soph.)—He was slowed the first portion of the season due to an ankle injury, but eventually saw action in seven games on defense including the Houston Bowl and in eight overall including special teams (no starts). He had 13 tackles (six solo) in 69 snaps from scrimmage, the highest ratio of tackles-to-snaps played on the team, along with one tackle for loss and a third down stop. He had four tackles against both Iowa State and Kansas, and added three in the Big 12 title game against Oklahoma. He also earned the Scout Team Defense Award for two games (Oklahoma State, Texas). He missed spring practice while tending to personal (family) matters.

2003 (Fr.)—He saw action in 11 games, all on special teams and five on defense including three starts at will linebacker (versus Kansas State, Missouri and Iowa State). He played 117 snaps from scrimmage on defense, racking up 17 tackles (12 solo), with a third down stop and a quarterback pressure. He had a season-high six tackles (five solo) against Oklahoma, along with five tackles against Missouri and three against Kansas State. He was also a key contributor on the scout team in practice, and was the Scout Team Defense Award winner for both the Washington State and Florida State games. On special teams, he was mainly on the kickoff return unit and posted four knockdown blocks clearing the way for Jeremy Bloom and the other return men.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-district (5-5A), all Northeast Tarrant County and all-area honors, while earning mention on the Texas Top 100 and Lone Star Top 100 lists. Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 57 linebacker in the nation. He earned first-team all-district and all-NE county honors as a junior and second-team all-district accolades as a sophomore. Playing inside linebacker, he had 105 tackles as a senior (89 solo), with 35 tackles for loss including 15 quarterback sacks. He was estimated to have 45 hurries, with five passes broken up, two forced fumbles and an interception (returned for a TD). As a junior at defensive end, he was in on 125 tackles (80 solo, 22 for losses with 12 sacks), 50 hurries, three blocked kicks, two forced fumbles and an interception. He had 105 tackles with four sacks and two fumble recoveries as a sophomore, when he played defensive tackle. He played some spot fullback as a junior and senior, mainly in short yardage, blocking situations. Top career games came his senior year against Western Hills (15 tackles, two sacks, including a key one in overtime in a win), cross-town rival Fossil Ridge (18 tackles, two sacks and forced fumble in another OT win) and against Boswell (an interception return for the winning TD in a 21-14 win). Keller was 5-5 his senior year under coach Kevin Atkinson, and was 6-3 his junior season and 4-6 his sophomore year under Ken Maisel. He also lettered twice in basketball (center; did not play as a senior), and in track (sprints). He played club soccer from the time he was a youth until his freshman year in high school.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in business (marketing) at Colorado. A member of the "A" honor roll at Keller, he owned a 3.2 grade point average as a prep.

PERSONAL—He was born October 3, 1984 in Koforidua, Ghana (Africa). His parents are also Ghana natives, and the family moved to the Dallas area when he was four as his father took a job in the states. His hobbies include playing soccer, video games and listening to music. An older brother, Howard, will be a junior linebacker this fall at Wisconsin. He is active in volunteer work, including the Special Olympics, Adopt-A-Highway and local blood drives. (*Last name is pronounced "boy-doe."*)

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2003	5	117	12	5—17	0- 0	0- 0	1	1	0	0	0	0
2004	6	69	6	7—13	1- 3	0- 0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	186	18	12—30	1- 3	0- 0	2	1	0	0	0	0

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DOMINIQUE BROOKS, S

6-1, 200, Jr., 2L

Mesquite, Texas (North Mesquite)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall listed first at strong safety on the depth chart, but also can play free safety if need be. In spring conditioning tests, he posted a team best in the standing long jump (11-0 feet).

2004 (Soph.)—He started the first nine games of the season, the first five at strong safety and the next four at free safety and then came off the bench in the final three before starting again in the Houston Bowl as he played in all 13 games. In 647 snaps from scrimmage during the regular season, he finished fourth on the team in tackles with 72 (54 solo), with six third down stops, four passes broken up, two quarterback hurries, a forced fumble and recovery. His fumble recovery was huge, as he returned it 41 yards for a touchdown at Kansas in the first quarter that swung the game's momentum after the Jayhawks had stormed to a 14-0 lead in the game's first four minutes. He also had seven special team points on the strength of five tackles (four solo and two inside-the-20). He had a career high 11 tackles (8 solo) in the overtime loss at Texas A&M, and posted nine against Oklahoma State, eight against Missouri and seven versus both North Texas and Texas. He had five or more tackles in nine games, including six against both Washington State and Oklahoma, in both cases all unassisted stops. Against UTEP in the bowl game, he had one solo tackle (for a 1-yard loss) and a pass broken up on a fourth down play—the Miners last gasp from their own 40 with just under a minute remaining.

2003 (Fr.)—He saw action in 10 games, on both defense and special teams, and started three contests (Baylor, Kansas, Texas Tech) when CU opened in its dime defense. He played 326 snaps from scrimmage, the second most by any true freshman on the team (topped only by OG Brian Daniels), and posted 24 tackles, which included 20 solo and three for losses with one quarterback sack. He was always sniffing out the big play, as he led the team with eight third down stops, two touchdown saves and two interceptions on the year, both coming in the Missouri game; that made him the 69th player at CU to have two in a game, but only the third true freshman to accomplish the feat (the first since 1996). He also had five pass deflections and one quarterback hurry; on special teams, he added two solo tackles. He had four tackles, three being unassisted stops, in three different games: Washington State, Kansas and Iowa State, and against Texas Tech, he had three solo tackles, all for losses. Against Missouri, he had four third down stops (two interceptions, one tackle, one pass deflection), the most by a CU player since the 1997 season.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-Dallas/Fort Worth Area and all-district (10-5A) honors, with *Prep Football Report* and *SuperPrep* naming him to their all-Southwest teams and *PrepStar* tabbing him all-Midlands. Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 33 safety in the nation, *SuperPrep* had him as the No. 40 player in Texas and *PFR* the No. 57 player in the region (the ninth defensive back). He played in the Coca-Cola All-Star game, racking up seven tackles. As a junior, one of only four who saw action on the team, he was second-team all-state and first-team all-area and all-district. As a senior, playing free safety in what *Prep Football Report* called "the country's finest secondary," he had 77 tackles (53 solo), six pass deflections, three interceptions, two forced fumbles, two recoveries and a blocked punt. He had 73 tackles as a junior (43 solo), with eight interceptions, five passes broken up, two caused fumbles and one recovery. He also returned punts on occasion, averaging just over 25 yards for nine career returns. Top career games includ-



ed two efforts as a junior: he had seven tackles and three interceptions in a 37-0 win of Namaan Forrest, and in an overtime playoff loss to Plano, he had 17 tackles and two passes broken up. In two years on the varsity, North Mesquite was 8-2 his senior year and 7-4 his junior year under coach Steve Bragg; it lost in the first round of the playoffs both years, both times by three points in overtime. He also lettered twice in track (sprints, relays), and played two years of basketball.


ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. A member of the “A-B” honor roll as a senior, and also made it once as a junior and sophomore.

PERSONAL—He was born May 28, 1985 in Paris, Texas. His hobbies include video games, especially NBA Live, and he has a keen interest in computers. He would like to one day go into the restaurant business.

Season	G	Plays	TACKLES									
			UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2003	10	326	20	4—24	3-14	1- 7	8	1	0	0	5	2
2004	12	647	54	18—72	1- 1	0- 0	6	2	1	1	4	0
Totals	22	973	74	22—96	4-15	1- 7	14	3	1	1	9	2

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Interception Return Yards: 2-6, 3.0 avg., 5 long (2003). Fumble Return Yards: 1-41, 41.0 avg., 1 td (2004). Special Team Tackles: 2,0—2 (2003); 4,1—5 (2004).

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MACK BROWN, QB
6-3, 205, Fr., HS
Overland Park, Kan.
(Shawnee Mission North)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a quarterback as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—A three-year letterman at quarterback, he was a *PrepStar* and *SuperPrep* (No. 65 overall) All-Midlands selection, a Scout.com Midlands Hot 100 List member (No. 38 overall, fourth-best QB), and was ranked as the No. 8 player on the Kansas Postseason Top 12 list by Rivals.com. As a senior, when he was a team captain, he earned second-team all-state and all-metro along with first-team All-Sunflower League honors; he was North’s Offensive MVP and was selected to play in the Missouri-Kansas All-Star Game. As a junior, he earned first-team all-Sunflower, second-team all-metro and honorable mention all-state honors; he was also his team’s Offensive MVP. Playing tight end his sophomore year, he was named to the honorable mention all-league and all-metro area squads. As a senior, he completed 185-of-266 passes (69.5 percent) for 1,905 yards and 18 touchdowns, as he only tossed nine interceptions. On the ground he piled up 400 yards and five scores, with his longest run covering 45 yards. His junior season, he completed 124-of-249 passes (with 12 interceptions) for 2,250 yards and 22 TDs; he also added 250 rushing yards and two scores. His sophomore year, he caught 25 passes for 457 yards and seven touchdowns. He owns the school career passing records for yards (4,155), touchdown passes (48), completions (309) and attempts (515) as well as being the all-time leader in total offense (4,805) in addition to setting six season marks. He lists his top game as a 42-7 win over Shawnee Mission West in 2003 when he went 21-of-30 for 315 yards and five touchdowns; he also gained 30 yards and one touchdown on four carries. Another memorable game was in a 35-14 victory over Lawrence Freestate, as he completed 14-of-25 passes for 265 yards on four touchdowns. Under head coach Sam Brown, his father, Shawnee Mission North was 5-4 his senior year, and 6-4 his junior and sophomore seasons. An all-around athlete, he also lettered four times in basketball and baseball, earning all-conference accolades in each sport. He finished his hoops career on the school’s top five list in scoring, and as a first- and third-baseman his junior year, he batted .485 with two home runs and 30 RBI. On the hardwood he averaged 15 points, five rebounds and two assists per contest as a forward as a senior.

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major at Colorado, but is interested in business. A consistent honor roll student throughout high school, as he owned a 3.5 grade point average.

PERSONAL—Born September 15, 1986 in Kansas City, Mo. Hobbies include playing video games and hanging out with friends. His father (Sam) played football (fullback), basketball and baseball at Missouri between 1967-70, and was a teammate of Gary Barnett on the football squad. The younger Brown would like to pursue a career in coaching to follow in the footsteps of his father, who currently coaches high school ball and was the head coach at Williams Jewell College from 1990-96. Mack is his real first name, not a nickname.

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R.J. BROWN, ILB
6-1, 225, Fr., RS
Honolulu, Hawai’i (Punahou)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall listed fourth at the “mike” inside linebacker position. He had one assist in the three full spring scrimmages.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any action but practiced all season at inside linebacker after joining the team as a walk-on for preseason practices. He won the Scout Team Defense Award for the North Texas game.

HIGH SCHOOL—A team captain his senior year and two-year starter, he was a second team all-conference selection and member of the Oahu All-Star squad, while he also was named his team’s defensive MVP and most inspirational player. That year, he racked up 90 tackles (55 solo) with 10 for losses, six sacks, one forced fumble, two pass deflections and one interception. He also punted the ball five times, averaging 35 yards per boot, with three kicks inside the 20 and a long of 45 yards. His junior year, he was a second-team all-conference performer, as he totaled 55 stops (20 solo), five tackles for loss, two sacks, one forced fumble, one pass breakup and one interception. His sophomore season he finished with 25 tackles (15 unassisted), making one start. Under coach Kale Ane, Punahou was 7-4 his senior year, and 6-4 both his junior and sophomore seasons. His top moment came during his senior campaign when he blocked a punt late in a game against top-ranked Kamehameha, as Punahou went on to record the 14-6 upset. He was also a member of the wrestling team as a freshman and sophomore and competed in padding, which was non-school league sport.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in broadcast journalism at Colorado.

PERSONAL—Born August 11, 1985 in Plantation, Fla. Hobbies include outrigger paddling (he participates in summer leagues), hanging out with friends, going to the beach, lifting weights and body surfing. R.J. stands for Robert Joseph.

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GERETT BURL, CB
5-10, 160, Jr., 1L
Libertyville, Ill. (Libertyville/
Garden City CC)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall as one of CU’s starting cornerbacks. He had a solid spring and could emerge as one of the top defensive backs in the Big 12 Conference.

2004 (Soph.)—He started the first eight games at right cornerback and the Nebraska game on the left side in starting nine games overall and playing in all 13, including the Houston Bowl. He suffered a dislocated



finger against the Nebraska, and played with it bandaged in the Big 12 title game against Oklahoma; he had surgery on December 7 and was scheduled to play in the Houston Bowl. He racked up 37 tackles (33 solo) on the season, along with the second most pass deflections (10) on the team. He also recorded six third down stops, a caused interception and a tackle for loss. He posted his career high of seven tackles (all solo) in the overtime loss at Texas A&M, and had five tackles in three other games (Washington State, North Texas and Missouri). Against UTEP in the bowl game, he had two solo tackles and a pass deflection. He was credited with a punt return for 9 yards when he blocked a kick against North Texas, one of eight special team points he earned on the year; he was in on six tackles (four solo), including one inside-the-20, to account for the other points. He had a solid spring, with 18 tackles in the three main scrimmages and an interception in the finale (the spring game), as he completed all requirements set forth by the coaching staff to return to the team.

AT GARDEN CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE: 2003 (Fr.-RS)—He started all 10 games at cornerback for GCCC, which posted a 5-5 record under coach Bob Larson. He recorded 48 tackles (36 solo), with two interceptions for 48 yards, returning one for a touchdown, along added eight passes broken up. He enrolled at Garden City after being suspended from the team (not university) for violating a team rule.

AT COLORADO 2002 (Fr.)—He saw brief action on special teams against San Diego State in the second game of the season; he suffered a season-ending shoulder injury in practice that required surgery the following week and thus received a medical hardship waiver for the season.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he garnered *PrepStar* All-America honors (ranked as the No. 4 DB in the Midwest), while also earning *Football Report* all-Midwest honors (both pre- and postseason), with Rivals.com ranking him as the No. 53 cornerback in the nation. He earned honorable mention all-state and all-conference honors at tailback, and was all-area at both running back and cornerback. He was also all-area as a junior and was all-conference as a sophomore and junior, all at tailback. A three-year starter at running back and two-year starter at cornerback, he rushed for 1,000 yards and 12 touchdowns as a senior, when he was also in on 60 tackles, with nine passes deflections, three interceptions and two forced fumbles. He also had about 75 receiving yards on five catches and returned three kickoffs for touchdowns. As a s junior, he averaged 9.5 yards per carry in rushing for about 900 yards and 10 scores, catching passes for 150 yards and another three touchdowns, and added four more scores on kickoff returns. He had 60 tackles on defense, with eight passes broken up, two interceptions, a fumble recovery and a forced fumble. He rushed for 850 yards and nine touchdowns and caught passes for 250 yards and two scores as a sophomore. Top career games included an seven carry, 154-yard, three-touchdown effort against Marion Central, and a 180-yard, 3-TD performance in a win over Antioch, both as a senior. And against Zion Benton, also as a senior, he had 150 yards in kickoff returns, including a TD, and rushed for another 120 yards and a score. Libertyville was 7-4 his senior year, 9-2 his junior season (conference champs both years) and 6-4 his sophomore year under coach Randy Kuceyeski. He also lettered four times in track, participating in sprints and jumps (career best of 21-9 in the long jump, conference champ in the 300 hurdles as a freshman).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in history at Colorado.

PERSONAL—He was born August 8, 1983 in Denver, attending both elementary and middle school in the Denver metro area. His hobbies include working out, participating in all sports and listening to music. He has an incredible athletic bloodline: his father, Gerald, and two uncles (Farley, Gerald's twin, and Gary) ran track at Arizona State and were members of the 1977 national champion team. His grandfather, Alex "Bullet" Burl, played running back at Colorado State and one year (1956) with the Chicago Cardinals; he also coached track at Manual High School in Denver. Another grandpa, Eddie Callaway, coached basketball (the first African-American to do so in Colorado) and was principal at Manual, and an uncle, Donnie Gatewood, is Montbello High's (Denver) track coach and played football at CSU. Another uncle, Eddie Callaway Jr., coached former Buff Chauncey Billups at George Washington. A cousin, Dominique Callaway, ran track at Notre Dame and Ohio State and was the national record holder in the high hurdles, and yet another cousin, Jan Keith Gatewood, played football at Northwestern. (*First name is pronounced jair-it, as in Jaret.*)

Season	G	Plays	TACKLES									
			UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2004	12	563	33	4-37	1- 3	0- 0	6	0	0	0	10	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Punt Return Yards: 1-9, 9.0 avg. (2004). Special Team Tackles: 4,2—6 (2004).



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected a safety as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—An honorable mention all-state (5A) performer by the *Denver Post* as a senior, when he also earned second-team all-Centennial League accolades at safety. After tearing his ACL and meniscus his junior year, he bounced back strong in 2004 to be named the Comeback Player of the Year, as he also garnered Mullen's Hang Tough Award for the second-straight season. During his senior campaign he posted 126 tackles (62 solo) to rank eighth in the state. Of those stops, 10 were tackles for loss, while he also added two forced fumbles, one recovered fumble, one interception, three quarterback pressures and seven pass breakups; he also recovered a blocked field goal. Top games his senior year: in a win over Poudre, he had seven tackles and a fumble recovery that he returned for a 70-yard touchdown; he had five tackles and an interception in a victory over Montbello; and in a win against Smoky Hill, he had nine solo tackles and 15 overall. Under coach Dave Logan, Mullen was 13-1 and won the 5A State Championship his senior year, and was 12-1 his junior year before falling in the state semifinals. An all-around athlete, Burney played basketball and ran track as a freshman and sophomore. He owned personal bests in the 100 (10.7) and 200 (24.0); he also ran the 4x100-meter relay. He was member of state champion teams in basketball (at Charlotte Country Day as an 11-year old) and track (at Mullen as a sophomore).

ACADEMICS—He is interested in film studies or business as possible majors at Colorado. He owned a 3.6 grade point average as a prep, was an honor roll student all four years of high school and was a member of the National Honor Society. He earned several prestigious awards, the National Spanish Award, the Academic Athlete Award and the Scholastic Achievement Award, and as a junior, he was given Mullen's Outstanding Subject Achievement Awards in English and government. He was also listed among the Who's Who Students of America.

PERSONAL—Born March 29, 1987 in Tulsa, Okla. Hobbies include drawing, photography, producing music with a beat machine and lifting weights. He also enjoys making digital movies with his family members, and aspires to have a career in film someday. His father (Jacob) has been the defensive line coach for the Denver Broncos since 2002; he was a four-year starter at defensive tackle at Tennessee-Chattanooga and had tryouts with the Detroit Lions in 1981 and 1982, but injuries cut short his potential NFL career. An older brother, Jacob Jr., plays is a defensive tackle at Bucknell. He spends time as a leader for the youth group "Off The Chain," and he also helped refurbish a local Denver church for a community service project. He has lived in nine different states; while living in North Carolina, he helped out with the Special Olympics; in addition he taught math and reading to underprivileged children at elementary schools. Active in the Denver chapter of Jack and Jill of America, he was one of 36 African-American males honored nationwide for 2004.

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MARCUS BURTON, ILB

6-0, 230, Fr., HS

Channelview, Texas (Channelview)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as an inside linebacker as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he was a member of the *Houston Chronicle* Top 100 (one of the top 11 linebackers), with Scout.com named him to its All-Southwest Defensive Team and ranked him No. 41 on its Hot 100 list (the second linebacker). A team captain in 2004, he was also a *SuperPrep* All-Southwest selection (No. 46 overall, third-best LB) and a *PrepStar* All-Midlands player, while Rivals.com tabbed him the No. 36 outside linebacker in the nation and the No. 51 overall prep on its post-season Texas Top 100 list. He also earned second-team all-state and first-team all-district (23-4A) honors, en route to being named his team's MVP, and as a junior, he earned second-team all-district honors. As a sophomore playing defensive end at Jack Yates High School, he earned first-team all-district (17-5A) honors, and was an honorable mention all-Greater Houston Area honoree. He posted 145 tackles (including 85 solo and 60 for loss) his senior year, when he also had three quarterback sacks, 20 quarterback pressures, six forced fumbles, five fumble recoveries one interception and three pass deflections. Splitting time between end and outside 'backer as a junior, he tallied 65 tackles (47 solo), including 20 tackles for loss, eight sacks, 18 hurries, six forced fumbles, two recovered fumbles, one interception and three pass deflections. His sophomore season he had 93 stops (54 solo, including 37 for loss), an amazing 21.5 sacks, 35 hurries, seven forced fumbles, two interceptions and seven pass breakups. Top games included when he was a sophomore in 2002 in a 23-20 win over Forest Brook in a state-record eight overtimes, he had 15 tackles (10 solo, all for losses including five sacks), with five quarterback pressures and a forced fumble. In a 28-14 loss to Forrest Brook two years later, he had 17 tackles (13 solo), including six for loss, one sack, three pressures, two forced fumbles and one pass breakup. As a freshman, in one of the proudest moments of his early career, he sacked former Madison High School senior and soon-to-be Texas Longhorn gunslinger Vincent Young in a 56-13 first-round playoff loss. "That was huge for me. It gave me confidence and let me know I could compete with the best," Burton adds when looking back. Under coach John Lainus, Channelview was 1-9 his senior year and 5-5 his junior season; at Jack Yates his sophomore year, his team won district by going 8-4 and was 7-4 his freshman season, losing in the first-round of state each year. He also lettered three times in track (throws), with prep bests of 50-0 in the shot put and 120-0 in the discus.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in communication as a major at Colorado. He owned a 3.6 grade point average (3.0 core) as a prep, and was on the "A-B" honor roll his junior year. He was also named to the Who's Who Among Texas Student-Athletes when he was a junior.

PERSONAL—Born April 21, 1987 in Houston, Texas. Hobbies include painting, stencil drawing and playing video games. His church youth group volunteers at a local homeless shelter and makes hospital visits. He is active in his sports marketing class that helps out junior high athletic programs set up fundraising events and games. An uncle, Dale Joseph, played cornerback in the NFL for Tampa Bay and Arizona in the early 1990s, and competed in the CFL for Saskatchewan and British Columbia. A grandfather, Carlton Joseph, was a defensive end and tackle at Wisconsin from 1959-60.

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BRANDON CAESAR, TB

6-0, 210, Jr., VR

Broussard, Quebec CANADA
(Avon, Conn., Old Farms Prep)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—He is expected to be fully recovered from surgeries on both knees to relieve chronic injuries; he missed spring practice while completing his rehabilitation.

2004 (Soph.)—He was having a solid camp before going down with a knee sprain a week before the season opener; he eventually would undergo surgery on both knees and would miss the entire season. He received plenty of quality reps in the spring and ran hard, gaining 107 yards on 26 carries in the three main spring scrimmages (4.1 per carry, as he was fairly consistent as his two long runs were both 12 yards). He was to enter the fall as the third string tailback before befallen by the knee injuries.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in nine games on both offense and special teams; from scrimmage, he had eight carries for 21 yards, with most of his action at Iowa State, where he carried five times for 16 yards. He had one knockdown block on special teams duty. He toughed it out in spring practice, as he had 24 rushes for 49 yards in the three scrimmages, with almost all of those carries against the first-team defense.

2002 (Fr.)—He was recruited as a safety, but was on offense (tailback) from day one after his arrival on campus. He missed about seven weeks of practice in the middle of the season due to a turf toe and dislocated shoulder. He won the Scout Team Offense Award on two occasions, for the USC and Iowa State games. He continued to attend prep school after he did not qualify to attend Colorado the previous year, as he was a member of the Buffs' 2001 recruiting class. He made it this time around and arrived in Boulder in May to begin working out.

2001—He did not initially qualify academically out of prep school, thus did not enroll at CU; he remained in prep school.

HIGH SCHOOL—He attended Old Farms Prep in Avon, Conn., for three years. As a senior, he earned all-New England honors when Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 53 running back in the nation. He was a two-time all-Erickson Conference selection at both running back and defensive back. As a senior, he rushed 162 times for 1,236 yards and 12 touchdowns, averaging 7.6 yards per carry, as he gained over 100 yards in eight of nine games. On defense, he had well over 100 tackles, with four interceptions, three forced fumbles and 10 pass deflections. He allowed only two completions all year, despite often being assigned to cover the opponent's best receiver in third-and-long situations. As a junior, he rushed for 876 yards and nine scores, while again making around 100 tackles on defense with eight pass deflections and allowing only three or four passes to be completed on him. He played both safety and cornerback. Top games his senior year came against Trinity Pawling, when he rushed 17 times for 289 yards and scored all five of his team's touchdowns in a 35-14 win, and against Taft, when they ran the option for one game and he picked up 135 yards on just 10 carries. He had several games with 10 or more tackles, including a high of 20 in one game. Avon Prep was 5-4 his senior year and 6-3 his junior year, claiming the Erickson League title, under coach Kevin Driscoll. He was one of the top performers at the December (2000) Team Canada tryouts. He also lettered three years in basketball (power forward) and four times in track. He was considered to be the second fastest sprinter in New England, as he ran the 100-meters in 10.5 and the 200 in 21.5 (he also was the anchor on the relay team).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in business (marketing) at Colorado.

PERSONAL—Born December 16, 1981 in Montreal, Quebec. An uncle (Selwyn Caesar) played professional cricket in the West Indies (Trinidad). Hobbies include playing basketball, running, drawing, playing video games, dog breeding and creating musical beats. He decided to attend prep school in the United States for both exposure and the education; some have called him the best running back ever to come out of Canada. (Last name pronounced like the Roman ruler: see-zer)

Season	RUSHING					RECEIVING					High Games				
	G	Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Att	Yds	No	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Rec	Yds
2003	9	8	21	2.6	0	9	5	16	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0



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MAURICE CANTRELL, ILB

6-0, 235, Fr., RS

Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Washington)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall tied for third on the depth chart at the “will” inside linebacker position. He had two tackles and a forced fumble in the three full spring scrimmages.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any action but practiced all season at inside linebacker. He won the Scout Team Defense Award for the Washington State game.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior team captain, he was an All-Midlands performer by both *SuperPrep* and *Prep Football Report*, with Rivals.com rating him as the No. 9 overall player in Iowa. *SuperPrep* ranked him as the No. 47 player overall in the Midlands (the 5th linebacker), while *PFR* tabbed him No. 74 overall and as the 11th ‘backer. In earning first-team all-state (Elite Squad and 4A), all-Mississippi Valley Conference and all-metro honors as a senior, he was in on 106 tackles (74 solo) from his inside linebacker position in being named his team’s defensive MVP. He added nine tackles for loss, including four quarterback sacks, with six forced fumbles, two recoveries, 12 quarterback hurries, six pass deflections and three interceptions, one of which he returned for a touchdown. Playing fullback on offense, he rushed for 380 yards and three scores on 40 carries, including a long touchdown run of 80 yards. As a junior, he earned first-team all-conference and all-metro honors and the co-MVP on defense for Washington as he racked up 80 tackles (24 solo), with six for losses, four interceptions (two for touchdowns), three forced fumbles and two recoveries. On offense, he rushed for 141 yards and a touchdown on 16 carries, and caught two passes for 50 yards and a score. Washington was 12-1 his senior year and 9-1 his junior season, claiming Mississippi Valley Conference and metro titles both times in finishing as the state runner-up in 2003 after losing in the first round of state playoffs in 2002 under coach Paul James. He lettered four times in track (sprints; he had career bests of 11.5 in the 100 and 22.9 in the 200), twice in wrestling (189-pound weight class) and once in swimming.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in business, likely finance, as his major at Colorado. He was a solid high school student who made the honor roll as a junior.

PERSONAL—He was born April 27, 1986 in Portsmouth, Va. Hobbies include lifting weights and listening to music. An uncle (Kenneth Cantrell) played running back in college at a small school in Indiana. He has done volunteer work at a nursing home in Cedar Rapids, and has been active in his community with kids. As a junior in high school, he mentored elementary school youngsters, and as a senior, he was a member of student panels that worked with both elementary and middle school children as he enjoys being a role model for kids of all ages. He has overcome a couple of childhood maladies (cleft lip and palette) and played a big part in raising his siblings as the family moved several times during his youth. Nickname is “Moe.”

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BEN CARPENTER, OLB

6-3, 225, Jr., VR

Des Moines, Iowa (Dowling)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall listed third at the “buff” (outside) linebacker position.

2004 (Soph.)—He saw action in two games (North Texas, Texas), playing 10 snaps from scrimmage in posting one solo tackle. During spring drills, he switched from quarterback over to defense to take a shot at the newly created position in CU’s defensive scheme. He had five tackles in the three main spring scrimmages, including a solo stop. He bulked up by some 20 pounds for the position change, as he weighed around 205 his first two years in Boulder.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He did not see any action, but dressed for nine games including two road contests. He entered the fall listed fifth at quarterback and saw significant scout team duty; he was the Scout Team Defense Award winner for the Oklahoma game, when he switched sides of the ball and practiced at free safety. In the spring, he completed 1-of-4 attempts for nine yards in the three spring scrimmages.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced the entire fall at quarterback after joining the team as a walk-on for August drills.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned all-conference honors at quarterback, when he passed for 1,900 yards and 14 touchdowns. Dowling won the Iowa 4A State Championship during his junior and senior years, compiling a 26-0 record over the two seasons under coach Matt Dillon. He was also the 2001 state tournament MVP. He lettered twice in both football and basketball, and was named to both academic all-conference teams during his prep career.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in both business (finance) and integrative physiology at Colorado. An eight-time member of the Big 12 Commissioner’s Honor Roll, he earned the prestigious 4.0 Club Award for a perfect grade point average his freshman year in college.

PERSONAL—Born December 28, 1983 in Des Moines, Iowa.

Season	G	Plays	TACKLES									
			UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2004	2	10	1	0—1	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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HUGH CHARLES, TB

5-8, 185, Soph., 1L

Southlake, Texas (Keller)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall listed atop the depth chart at tailback, though he will have to win the job for certain in fall camp. He led all runners in the spring game with 13 carries for 67 yards, and was the overall strength and conditioning champion for the “Speed” group (RB, DB, WR, QB, K/P) with 82 points, owning a team best 40-yard dash time of 4.37, with group bests in the power clean (325 lbs.), incline (318 lbs.) and the pro shuttle (4.15), along with a 38-inch vertical jump, a 369-pound bench press and a 510-pound squat.

2004 (Fr.)—He played in 12 games including the Houston Bowl (no starts), sitting out only the season opener as he saw the bulk of his action on special teams. Had 17 rushes for 49 yards for the regular sea-



son, with five carries for five or more yards; however, in the bowl game against UTEP, he had the chance to show off his speed. He had more of a role in that game, as he had seven rushes for 51 yards and a touchdown, including a 37-yard sprint that opened the drive on which he eventually scored what would be his first career TD. On the year, 13 of his carries were on first down (for 79 yards), and he earned four first downs (three rushing, one receiving). He also had a kickoff return for 14 yards in the bowl. He carried four times for 17 yards against North Texas and had five carries for 14 yards at Kansas, when he also had a reception for eight yards. On special teams, he finished tied for third in the team point standings with nine on the strength of six tackles (five solo, one inside-the-20), a downed punt and a knockdown block.

TRACK—He lettered in indoor track as a freshman, as he finished eighth in the long jump at Big 12 Indoor Championships with a 23-10½ effort. He qualified provisionally for the NCAA Championships at Washington's Husky Classic with a jump of 24-5½ (placing third in the meet), and won the Air Force Classic with a 24-5 effort (he finished tied for third in the NCAA's). Also at Air Force, he ran a collegiate best 6.88 in the 60-meter dash in finishing second.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior team captain, he was an All-Southwest performer by *SuperPrep* and *Prep Football Report*, with *PrepStar* naming him to its preseason All-Midlands squad. *SuperPrep* also tabbed him as the No. 56 player (fourth RB) in the Southwest, and *Prep Football Report* named him the No. 71 player overall (11th RB) in the Midlands. Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 59 overall player in Texas, and the No. 16 running back in the nation. As a senior, he earned first-team all-district (5-5A) honors at both running back and kick returner (he was special teams district MVP), as he averaged 34 yards per return on eight attempts, including one touchdown for 92 yards. On the ground, he totaled 1,084 yards with a long run of 54 and seven touchdowns on 150 attempts, as he also reeled in 24 passes for 200 yards and three scores. A team captain again during his junior year, he garnered first-team all-district honors at kick returner and running back. Averaging about 40 yards for six returns, he scored two touchdowns on dashes of 97 and 82 yards. He had 84 rushes for 607 yards and four touchdowns, with a long run of 50, while making 18 receptions for 120 yards and two more scores. During his sophomore campaign, when he was named the 2002 5A Sophomore Defensive Back of the Year playing free safety, he racked up 20 total tackles, with all eight solo stops going for losses, including four sacks; he also added two pressures and three pass deflections and returned four kickoffs, one for a 91-yard touchdown. Top games: in a 34-31 win over Fossil Ridge his senior year, he rushed the ball 18 times for 180 yards and two touchdowns; in a 38-24 win against Sam Houston in the first round of the 2003 state playoffs, he recorded 140 yards and one score on 16 carries, as he also caught one pass for a 10-yard touchdown; in win over Colleyville that same year, he had 138 yards rushing with one touchdown on 17 attempts, along with a 92-yard kick return for a touchdown. Under coach Kevin Atkinson, Keller was 8-2 his senior season, as it won the district championship before advancing to the second round of the state playoffs; the team went 5-4 his junior year and 4-5 his sophomore season. He also lettered four times in track and was a first-team all-district performer in the 100-meter dash (career best of 10.34) and the long jump (25-3½). He was the only prep athlete in the nation in 2004 to record a jump beyond 25 feet, taking district honors with the effort along with winning the triple jump and being a key member on the 4x100 and 4x200 relay teams. He went on to win the regional championship in the 100 and the long jump in addition to finishing second in the triple jump.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in business law as his major at Colorado; he owned a 3.4 grade point average in high school.

PERSONAL—He was born January 7, 1986 in Tulsa, Okla. Hobbies include fishing, skiing, hanging out with friends and wakeboarding. He also enjoys flying planes; he earned his solo license in a Cessna 172 as a sophomore in high school. One of the team's speedsters, as he clocked a 4.35 time in the 40-yard dash at a NIKE camp.

RUSHING					High Games					RECEIVING					High Games				
Season	G	Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Att	Yds		No	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Rec	Yds			
2004	11	17	49	2.9	0	14	5	17		1	8	8.0	0		8	1	8		

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 5,1—6 (2004).

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NICK CLEMENT, DT

6-2, 260, Sr., VR

Colorado Springs, Colo.
(Cheyenne Mountain)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Back from an injury (torn muscle), he enters the fall third at nose tackle on the depth chart. He had two assists in the three full spring scrimmages.

2004 (Jr.)—He missed the entire season after suffering a torn pec muscle in summer conditioning. He was to enter the fall third at defensive tackle. He had two tackles in major spring scrimmage action.

2003 (Soph.)—He saw action in one game, playing two snaps from scrimmage in the season opener against Colorado State in Denver. He practiced the entire fall at defensive tackle and was a vital scout team performer.

In the spring, he had two tackles, including a third down stop, in the three main scrimmages.

2002 (Fr.-RS)—He dressed for nine games, but did not see any game action. He practiced both inside and outside on the defensive front, starting the year at end before settling in at tackle. He earned the Scout Team Defense Award for his play in practice for the Kansas State game. In the spring, he had two tackles, one quarterback sack and a pass broken up in the three main scrimmages.

2001 (Fr.)—Redshirted; joined the team as a walk-on for August drills and practiced the entire year at defensive end.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned second-team all-state honors and honorable mention all-conference honors at defensive end, when he had 75 tackles (50 solo and 10 for losses), seven quarterback sacks, four passes broken up, two forced fumbles and two recoveries. He was a first-team all-conference inside linebacker as a junior, posting 125 tackles (75 solo, 15 for losses), eight passes broken up, two sacks and an interception. He had 100 tackles at the same position as a sophomore, with 10 for losses and two sacks, earning second team all-conference accolades. He earned four letters in football as he had over 300 career tackles playing for coaches Carl Feters and Bruce Gross. Cheyenne Mountain was 8-3 his senior year, 5-6 his junior year, 4-6 his sophomore season and was the conference champ his freshman year with an 11-2 mark. He was an honorable mention all-area performer in lacrosse as a senior, earning his school's Most Improved Player honor. He also lettered three times in track (shot put, discus) and once in wrestling.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in film studies at Colorado, as he is interested in becoming a movie producer after college, and is pursuing a minor in business.

PERSONAL—Born June 3, 1982 in Peoria, Ill. Hobbies include snowboarding, hunting and fly-fishing. (*Last name is pronounced cluh-ment.*)

Season	TACKLES													
	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int		
2003	1	2	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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JAMES COX, QB

6-3, 210, Jr., 1L

Simi Valley, Calif. (Royal)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall as CU's backup quarterback. He completed 17-of-30 passes for 157 yards in the three full spring scrimmages (with two interceptions, no touchdowns).

2004 (Soph.)—He saw action in five games, including his first career start (coming against Iowa State). He had come off the bench the previous week to complete 15-of-21 passes for 175 yards against Oklahoma State (1 TD/2 INT), but struggled a bit in his start against ISU, as he was 7-of-16 for 67 yards (1 TD/1 INT). For the year, he completed 28-of-49 passes for 330 yards (2 TD/3 INT) for a passer rating of 114.9, but proved to be pretty adept on his feet, as he was sacked just twice and had three runs of 10 yards or longer in rushing nine actual times for 46 yards (11 for 37 officially including the sacks). He enjoyed great success on first down, completing 10-of-16 throws for 123 yards and eight first downs; his two touchdown passes came on third down plays, including his career first to Dusty Sprague that covered 21 yards against Oklahoma State. He did not see any action in the bowl game. He entered the fall listed second on the depth chart, as he moved up a notch over the course of spring practices.

2003 (Fr-RS)—He saw action late in two games (Florida State, Iowa State), completing his first collegiate pass against the Seminoles (though going for zero yards). He rushed once for two yards and was sacked once. He received plenty of reps during the spring and completed 15 of 31 passes for 194 yards and two touchdowns in the three main scrimmages (but was sacked 13 times).

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any game action. He practiced the entire fall at quarterback, and was the Scout Team Offense Award winner on two occasions (the Baylor and the first Oklahoma game).

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he garnered *SuperPrep* all-Far West honors (both pre- and postseason) and *PrepStar* All-West accolades, with Rivals.com ranking him as the No. 24 quarterback nationally in its "dual-threat" category. He also earned first-team all-Ventura County, all-Southern CIF Section and all-Marmonte League honors. He was a second-team all-league and honorable mention all-county performer as a junior. He had a 2 1/2-to-1 ratio of touchdown passes to interceptions (35-14) his junior and senior seasons combined. As a senior, he completed 160-of-296 passes (54 percent) for 1,800 yards and 18 touchdowns, with just seven interceptions. He also rushed 101 times for 560 yards and eight scores with a long run of 84, and also caught three passes for 90 yards and a touchdown (that covered 65 yards). As a junior, he completed 56 percent of his passes for 1,780 yards and 17 touchdowns, again throwing only seven picks. He rushed for 465 yards and 13 touchdowns to complement his passing stats. On defense, starting at both safety and cornerback, he had 59 tackles, four pass deflections, three interceptions and two forced fumbles as a senior. He played one game on defense as a junior, racking up 10 tackles and two interceptions in barely 20 plays. Top games included a 28-21 loss to Ventura in the third round of the playoffs his junior year: he completed 20-of-30 passes for 250 yards and two touchdowns, along with rushing for 80 yards and a third score. In a 34-28 overtime loss to Thousand Oaks that same year, he was 19-of-31 for 285 yards and a TD, with 100 rushing yards and two touchdowns. He wrapped up his prep career by being named the MVP in the East/West Ventura County All-Star game, completing 11-of-20 passes for 176 yards and a touchdown. Royal was 5-6 his senior season (losing in the first round of the playoffs), 7-4-1 his junior year (advancing to the third round) and 4-6 his sophomore year under coach Gene Ubelhardt (his freshman team went 10-0). He also lettered twice in basketball (averaged nine points and eight rebounds as a junior), and twice in track (sprints: posted prep bests of 23.4 in the 200 and 54.0 in the 400). He also played baseball.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in communication at Colorado. He was a 2001-02 National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete Award recipient.

PERSONAL—He was born December 29, 1983 in Northridge, Calif. His hobbies include riding dirt bikes and snowboarding. A grandfather (Doug Martin) played guard for the Minneapolis Lakers, and an uncle (Doug Martin, Jr.) is the head golf pro at Rancho Vista in Lancaster, Calif.

Season	G	PASSING						RUSHING					
		Att	Com	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Long	Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
2003	2	1	1	0	100.0	0	0	0	2	-3	-1.5	0	3
2004	5	49	28	3	57.1	330	2	45	11	37	3.4	1	12
Totals	7	50	29	3	58.0	330	2	45	13	34	2.6	1	12

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Sacked/Yards Lost: 1/5 (2003); 2/9 (2004).

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CODY CRAWFORD, WR

5-11, 165, Fr., RS

San Diego, Calif. (Torrey Pines)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr-RS)—Enters the fall listed fifth at the "X" receiver position. He caught two passes for 24 yards in the three full spring scrimmages.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any action but practiced the entire fall at wide receiver after joining the team as a walk-on the first day of classes.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-CIF honors at defensive back, while garnering first-team all-Palomar League accolades at both wide receiver and in the secondary. He had 88 tackles (42 solo), with 10 for losses to go with three interceptions, three forced fumbles and 11 passes broken up. On offense, he averaged 23.6 yards per reception and scored three touchdowns, and as a return man, he averaged 22 yards per punt runback, including a 73-yard score, and 28 yards per kick-off return. As a junior, when he was all-league on defense, he racked up 96 tackles (38 solo), including six for losses; he also made five interceptions, had 14 pass deflections and forced two fumbles. Under coach Ed Burke, Torrey Pines won the CIF Championship his senior year, posting a 13-1 record; TPHS was 8-4 his junior season, 9-1 his sophomore year and 8-1-1 his freshman campaign. He also lettered twice as a midfielder in lacrosse.

ACADEMICS—He undecided on his major at Colorado, but is interested in business. A two-time all-academic team member as a prep, he was a San Diego Union-Tribune Scholar-Athlete Award recipient as a senior.

PERSONAL—Born January 6, 1986 in La Jolla, Calif. Hobbies include surfing and working out. The legendary and one of the most famous early westerners, "Buffalo" Bill Cody was a great, great, great uncle.

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PAUL CREIGHTON, FB

6-5, 250, Jr., 2L
Niwot, Colo. (Niwot)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall atop the depth chart at fullback, and is also a key performer on special teams. Also, as a former tight end, catches the ball well out of the backfield.

2004 (Soph.)—He played in all 13 games including the Houston Bowl (no starts), seeing action at both fullback and tight end (due to injuries) as well as on special teams. He had no traditional stats on offense (rushes, receptions), but he was versatile enough to play both positions in primarily a blocking role and provide several key blocks. On special teams, he had two tackles (one solo) and a knockdown block. He had switched from tight end to fullback for spring practice, and adapted very well to the change. Primarily used as a blocker in drills, he did catch one pass (for 2 yards) in the spring game.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in 11 games (no starts), mostly on special teams though he played occasionally in several games at tight end. He had two special team points on the year, on the strength of one knockdown block and one wedge break.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any action but practiced all year at tight end. He earned the Scout Team Offense Award for the Big 12 Championship game against Oklahoma. He joined the team as a recruited walk-on prior to August drills, and was placed on scholarship for the spring semester (he was originally going to enroll in January, but was invited into camp when a space opened for him).

HIGH SCHOOL—He lettered three times in football, playing both tight end and defensive end. He garnered all-state honors as a senior, as he set school records for all-time receiving yards and sacks in a season (20½). He had 33 catches for over 800 yards and eight touchdowns on offense as a senior, with 100 total tackles, 20 quarterback sacks, two forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and three pass deflections. His top games included a win over Sterling as a senior, when he had nine tackles and four sacks, one being the game-saver. Against Valley, he reeled in six catches for 180 yards and two touchdowns, while his top high school moment came against Steamboat Springs in the 2001 state playoffs, as Niwot won after a tough a goal line stand. Niwot was 9-3 his senior year under new coach Ron Tesone, 3-7 his junior year and 2-8 during his sophomore season (when he played offensive guard). He lettered four years in basketball at forward, as he exited as Niwot's all-time leading scorer and blocked shot leader, earning honorable mention all-state honors as a senior. He also lettered three times in outdoor track, and was an all-conference and all-region selection in the 110-meter hurdles.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in psychology at Colorado.

PERSONAL—Born July 22, 1983 in Tecumseh, Neb. He loves spending time in the mountains, with most of his hobbies outdoor-oriented: camping, fishing, snowboarding, snowmobiling and four-wheeling, as well as playing basketball.

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MASON CROSBY, PK

6-2, 210, Jr., 2L
Georgetown, Texas (Georgetown)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—The near unanimous selection for preseason first-team All-America honors at placekicker (*Athlon*, *Blue Ribbon Yearbook*, *Lindy's*, *Playboy*, *The Sporting News*, *Phil Steele's College Football*), he is a unanimous preseason all-Big 12 selection and is one of the favorites for the Lou Groza Award. The prize selection was making the *Playboy* team, as he attended the men's magazine's annual All-America weekend and photo shoot in Arizona in early May. He enters his junior year already third in field goals made at Colorado (26), and is tied for 21st in scoring and is tied for sixth in kick scoring (137 points). He is 26-of-32 in field goals made, not including bowl games, 15-for-15 from 40 yards in.

2004 (Soph.)—He was the unanimous first-team All-Big 12 placekicker and one of 20 semifinalists for the Lou Groza Award, though the main All-America teams didn't throw anything his way. Rivals.com selected him as a second-team All-American and SI.com tabbed him with honorable mention status. He led the NCAA in field goals made from 50-plus yards with six (topping Ohio State's Mike Nugent, the Groza winner, who had five), and connected on 23-of-29 on the season (19-of-23 during the regular season, 4-of-6 in the bowl game). He led the Big 12 and was sixth in the nation in field goals made per game (1.77), and became just the 10th player in NCAA history to make a 60-yard or longer field goal without a tee when he nailed a 60-yarder against Iowa State, the longest in the nation in 2004. It was one of four field goals he had in CU's 19-14 win; in fact, he also had a 54-yard kick in that game, becoming the first CU player to make two of 50-plus yards in the same game. The Groza committee cited him as one of its Three Stars of the Week Award winner for his performance against the Cyclones, while he was the Colorado Chapter/NFF player of the week for the same. The five 50-plus yard kicks he made during the regular season, the first five of his career, set CU career and season marks. He scored 85 total points to lead the team, as he also had another 4-field goal game at Nebraska, and was a deadly weapon on kick-offs. Overall, he was third in the league and 34th in the nation in scoring (7.7 points per game), a number that ranked him first and sixth, respectively, in kick scoring in the Big 12 and NCAA. Including the bowl, of his 67 kickoffs, only 18 were returned (seven inside-the-20), with 48 going for touchbacks (30 through the end zone). The opponents average starting yardline after all his kicks was the 21, and just the 22 for the 18 returned. In the bowl win over Texas-El Paso, he made good on field goals from 26, 54, 37 and 20 yards with seven kickoffs going for touchbacks (with the eighth returned to just the 18). He was CU's special teams player of the week on four occasions, and the Big 12 Conference's for the Iowa State and Nebraska games. He won the Bill McCartney Award as the most outstanding special teams player as selected by the coaches for both the fall as well as for spring practice, and was one of just 10 players to earn his way on CU's prestigious Victory Club.

2003 (Fr.)—He set a Colorado record for the most points scored by a freshman with 52 (the old record of 48 was shared by two players). He was only the second true frosh to handle the placekicking chores in a CU season opener in school history, and only the fifth to see any action, period. The Big 12 Conference (and the CU coaches) honored him as the Special Teams Player of the Week for October 11, as he was 3-of-3 on PAT kicks, 3-of-3 on field goals (23, 41 and 23 yards, the latter coming with 0:14 on the clock to send the game into overtime) and kicked off for the first time collegiately, sending eight of nine kickoffs into the end zone for touchbacks (with the one that was returned going for just five yards to the Kansas 18). For the season, he made 7-of-9 field goals, as he was perfect from 44 yards in with his misses coming from 47 and 53 yards; he made 31-of-37 PAT kicks, with three of the misses coming on blocks. His long of 44 yards came in the season finale against Nebraska, while his first career make from 40 yards out against UCLA tied for the fifth longest for the first in a CU kicker's career in Buff history. He made the first five field goals of his career, one shy of the record for the most at the start of a CU career. He kicked off 37 times on the year, with 26 going



for touchdowns with just 10 returned for an average starting field position for the opponent at its own 23.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-district honors (13-5A) at placekicker, punter and free safety, and was all-Central Texas at kicker. *PrepStar* named him to its all-Midlands team, while *Rivals.com* ranked him as the No. 3 placekicker in the nation. He was first-team all-district and second-team all-region at kicker as a junior. As a senior, he converted 7-of-11 field goals (long of 59) and 23-of-25 extra point kicks; he owned a 39.8 average for 40 punts (61 long), with 10 inside-the-20 and five inside-the-5. He also kicked 60-plus yard field goals consistently in practice. At free safety, he had 78 tackles (26 solo), eight for losses, three interceptions, three passes broken up, three forced fumbles and two recoveries. As a junior, he made 8-of-10 field goals (52 long) and 17-of-20 PATs (all misses were blocked). He averaged 37 yards on 60 punts (64 long), with eight inside-the-20. He had 58 tackles (25 solo, 10 for losses), with three interceptions, four passes broken up, three hurries and two fumble recoveries. Top career games included a 30-20 loss to Copperas Cove as a junior, when he made three field goals (52, 46 and 39 yards) against a team that came in with five straight shutouts. In a 10-3 loss to Cedar Park his senior year, he made the longest field goal in Texas in eight years when he drilled a career-best 59-yarder; it tied him for the third longest in state history. He also had a 61-yard punt in the game. And in a 21-7 win over Round Rock as a senior, he had seven tackles and two interceptions, returning one for a touchdown and kicking the PAT following the score. Georgetown was 5-5 his senior year and 6-4 his junior season under coach Larry Moore. He also earned two letters in soccer (defense/midfielder), earning all-district honors as both a sophomore (14 goals) and junior (17 goals).


ACADEMICS—He is majoring in communication at Colorado. He was a consistent member of the “A-B” honor roll throughout high school (five out of six semesters).

PERSONAL—He was born September 3, 1984 in Lubbock, Texas. His hobbies include hunting (deer/exotic), fishing, playing basketball and hiking. Father (Jim) was a fullback at Texas-El Paso in the mid-1970s, and a grandfather (Harry Crosby) ran track at Marshall. He spent two years in Fort Collins as a youngster, and attended several CU games during that time and became a Buff fan. In high school, he was very active in his community, including local mission and church youth group work. Many kickers have interesting rituals or superstitions; his is to hit at least 60 golf balls at a driving range two days before a game.

Season	G	SCORING		FG BREAKDOWN							Long	PTS
		EP-EPA	FG-FGA	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+			
2003	12	31-37	7- 9	0-0	4-4	0-0	3-4	0-1	0-0	44	52	
2004	12	28-30	19-23	1-1	5-5	5-5	3-5	4-6	1-1	60	85	
Totals	24	59-67	26-32	1-1	9-9	5-5	6-9	4-7	1-1	60	137	

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Kicks: 37 Total, 26 TB, 10 Ret. (2003); 59 Total, 41 TB, 17 Ret. (2004). Special Team Tackles: 2,0—2 (2003).

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CHAD CUSWORTH, OLB
5-11, 210, Jr., VR
Highlands Ranch, Colo.
(Thunder Ridge)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)— Enters the fall listed fourth at the “buff” (outside) linebacker spot.

2004 (Soph.)—He was to enter the fall listed third at outside linebacker, but he required knee surgery after he tore his ACL the first day of fall practice and went on to miss the entire season. He switched to outside linebacker from safety as the newly created position in CU’s defensive scheme provided a challenge for him, and the need was there for depth. He responded well to the move, as he registered 10 tackles, including five solo, one for a loss and a third down stop in the three main spring scrimmages. He had five of those tackles in the spring game despite

playing with a sprained elbow.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He did not see any game action, but dressed for eight games in all. He practiced at safety the entire year.

2002 (Fr.)— Redshirted; practiced the entire fall with the team after joining the squad as a walk-on for August drills.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned Class 4A first-team all-state defensive honors at linebacker (*The Denver Post*), first-team all-Prairie League honors and academic all-state honorable mention accolades. He had 131 tackles, with 88 solo and 11½ quarterback sacks as a senior, including a monster game in a 7-3 win over Broomfield for the 4A championship. In that contest, he recorded 17 tackles (all solo), with one sack, a pass broken up and two touchdown-saving tackles. He also had three forced fumbles, two recoveries and an interception. He recorded 95 tackles and five interceptions as a junior. Thunder Ridge was 13-1 his senior season, winning the 4A state title, and was 8-3 his junior year under coach Joe Johnson; TRHS was 11-1 his sophomore season under coach Marty Heaton; his teams won league championships as a soph and junior. In addition to the three letters he earned in football, he also lettered four times in baseball, as Thunder Ridge was the league champion his sophomore and senior years (he lettered as a frosh at Pueblo County High School). He played centerfield and earned honorable mention all-league honors as a senior, when TRHS went to the 5A Regionals. He also lettered in hockey as a freshman at Pueblo County.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in business as his major at Colorado. He owned a 3.5 grade point in high school (a perfect 4.0 as a freshman), and was an honorable mention academic all-state team member (baseball) as a senior.

PERSONAL—Born November 19, 1983 in Pueblo, Colo. He lived in Pueblo through his freshman year of high school (attended Pueblo County High School), and then moved to Highlands Ranch. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, camping, and skiing. Astronaut Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the moon, is a distant cousin. Several colleges recruited him out of high school to play baseball.

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BRIAN DANIELS, OG
6-4, 300, Jr., 2L
Evergreen, Colo. (Mullen)



AT COLORADO—This Season—CU’s starting tight side guard, he received some preseason mention for top honors as he should be one of the Big 12 Conference’s top offensive linemen. *Street & Smith’s* tabbed him as an honorable mention All-American, while CBS Sportline.com and *Huskers Illustrated* selected him a preseason first-team all-conference performer (*Athlon’s* and *Lindy’s* earmarked him a second-team choice). *The Sporting News* ranked him as the No. 12 offensive guard nationally. He had a great spring and received the Joe Romig Award as the outstanding offensive lineman as selected by the coaches. The anchor of the Colorado offensive line, he brings a 22-game starting streak into his junior season.

2004 (Soph.)—He started all 13 games including the Houston Bowl at tight side guard, earning honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from both the *Associated Press* and the league coaches (the *Austin American-Statesman* tabbed him a second-team choice). He enters the bowl game having made 21 consecutive starts, the third most on the team, as are his 21 total for his career. He graded out the highest of all the offensive linemen, as he posted an 82.3 percent grade for the season (minus the Big 12 title game, which was not graded; he played 769 snaps overall). He led the team with 29 knockdown blocks, was called for the fewest penalties (2), allowed the fewest pressures (5), tied for the low in quarterback sacks allowed (1½), and had the second most touchdown blocks (6). He posted the high single-game grade of the season by any O-line-man when he recorded an 88.2 percent mark against Oklahoma State. He



also played every snap (53) on the field goal and PAT unit on special teams. He was one of the 10 players on the season to earn his way into CU's prestigious Victory Club, posting a winning productivity grade in at least eight games for the year. In the preseason, *Phil Steele's College Football* ranked him as the No. 25 guard in the nation, but the second sophomore on the list.

2003 (Fr.)—He earned first-team Freshman All-America honors from collegefootballnews.com (second-team from *The Sporting News*, which did name him first-team freshman all-Big 12), with the CU coaches naming him the recipient of the Lee Willard Award as the team's most outstanding freshman. He played in 11 games at guard, starting the last nine games of the year on the split side as he made his first start of the season at Florida State in game four and was a fixture in the lineup the remainder of the season. His nine starts set a school record for the most by a true freshman offensive lineman, as he broke the old record of eight set by Clint Moore in 1991 (he was only the seventh frosh O-lineman to start at least one game since 1973). He graded out at 74.6 percent for the year, ranking third among all offensive linemen, as he played 631 snaps, the second most by a freshman on the team (and high by a true frosh). He was third on the team in knockdown blocks (15), tied for the lead in touchdown blocks (5), allowed team lows in both pressures (4) and quarterback sacks (2) and was flagged for just two penalties; his high game grade was 85.7 percent versus Washington State. At the annual CUSPY's (CU Sports Performers of the Year Awards banquet), he was selected as the Male Freshman Athlete of the Year for all sports.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned All-America honors from *Parade*, *PrepStar* (Dream Team), *Student Sports* and *SuperPrep*, also earning first-team all-Colorado, all-state, all-district and all-Centennial League honors. He was one of 17 offensive and/or defensive linemen to make the prestigious 55-man *Parade* All-America team. Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 1 player in Colorado, the No. 4 offensive tackle in the nation, and the No. 44 overall player in country. *SuperPrep* ranked him as the No. 20 player in its Midlands region (the sixth OL), while *Prep Football Report* rated him No. 24 in the region and the eighth O-lineman. As a junior, he garnered all-Colorado, all-state and all-league honors, with *Student Sports* naming him to its postseason junior All-America team. He was a second-team all-league selection as a sophomore. He was a three-year starter at offensive tackle, playing both the left and right sides. He averaged six pancake blocks per game as a senior, when he did not allow a single quarterback sack. He averaged four pancakes as a junior, also not allowing a sack. He started two games at tight end as a freshman, when he also played some fullback (he caught four passes and carried just a couple of times). He saw action on defense occasionally at tackle, in two games as a senior in short yardage situations. Mullen was 10-2 his senior year, 10-3 his junior year, 11-2 his sophomore season and 10-3 his freshman year under coach Jay Madden. MHS reached the state quarterfinals all four years and advanced to the semifinals his junior campaign. A three-time letterwinner in wrestling, he was ranked No. 1 as a senior and finished third in the state as a junior (heavyweight, 28-4 record). Also the No. 1 ranked power lifter in the state in the high school ranks as a senior, he placed second in the state as a junior and lettered three years. He also lettered in track as a freshman (shot put).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in business (finance) at Colorado. He earned first-team Academic All-Big 12 honors as a sophomore, boasting a grade point average in excess of 3.5. An honor roll student throughout high school, he is also a member of the National Honor Society as he owned a 3.8 GPA.

PERSONAL—He was born Oct. 31, 1984 in Denver. His hobbies include skiing, fishing and off-roading. A cousin (Brad Boyer) is a junior third baseman for the University of Arizona (he batted .351 as a frosh and .259 as a sophomore). He was the first player in Colorado's 2003 class to commit—he did so on signing day in 2002.

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AKARIKA DAWN, ILB

6-2, 240, Sr., 3L

Sugarland, Texas (Kempner)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall tied atop the depth chart at the "will" inside linebacker position, but figures to be a mainstay in the rotation regardless as he can play both inside positions. He led the team in tackles with 16 for the three full spring scrimmages. He was the runner-up in the team's strength and conditioning competition for the "Explosion" group (TE, LB, FB, DS), as he owned a team-best 4.01 in the pro shuttle and a group best of 330 pounds in the power clean.

2004 (Jr.)—He saw action in all 13 games, including the Houston Bowl, with five regular season starts, as he proved versatile in playing both the "will" and "mike" inside linebacker positions. He had the most tackles on the team of any player starting half or less of the games, finishing fifth overall with 71 (44 solo, four for losses). He was the team leader in third down stops with 13, as he also had four passes broken up, four quarterback pressures, four quarterback chasedowns (or near sacks) and one-and-a-half sacks. He racked up a career-high 10 tackles (8 solo) in the loss to Texas, and also had nine with two solo stops in the loss at Missouri. In CU's overtime setback at Texas A&M, he recorded eight stops, five unassisted, including three third down stops. He won CU's defensive lineman of the week for the Colorado State game, when he posted eight tackles (six solo), including one for a loss and a pass deflection. Overall, he posted at least five tackles in nine games, with six against Iowa State when he recorded his 1 1/2 sacks as well as two third down stops. He also added a solo tackle and a downed punt on special teams play. In the bowl win over UTEP, he racked up five tackles, including four solo, three for losses and a quarterback sack; the 8-yard sack came on the first play of the Miners' final possession and helped seal CU's victory. This was the first season that he stopped shuffling between the secondary (safety) and linebacker, as was able to settle in at the position during the spring (he had 23 tackles in the three main spring scrimmages, including a team-high 12 in the spring game).

2003 (Soph.)—He played in all 12 games, including five starts: two each at the mike and will linebacker spots and one at strong safety. In 448 snaps from scrimmage, he logged 48 tackles (33 solo, four for losses including a quarterback sack), along with seven third down stops, two forced fumbles, two pass deflections and an interception (which he made at Iowa State). He had nine tackles (seven solo) in the win over No. 22 Missouri, and posted six each against Baylor and Kansas State. He also was a special teams regular, and scored six special team points on the season with three solo tackles, a forced fumble, a knockdown block and a blocked PAT kick (against Texas Tech). He had entered the fall listed first at strong safety, but moved to inside linebacker early in drills where he eventually opened the season. He still saw some occasional spot duty at safety at various times during the season.

2002 (Fr.)—He saw action in all 14 games (no starts), mainly on special teams but did get in 18 snaps on defense at strong safety. He finished fourth on the team in special team points with 10, on the strength of six tackles, one inside-the-20, two knockdown blocks and a fumble recovery. The latter came against San Diego State, when he scooped the ball up after SDSU's return man lost the ball at his 8-yard line; he took it in for his first collegiate score. On defense, in his limited action he had one tackle (a third down stop at that) and a pass deflection during the regular season, but against Wisconsin in the bowl game, he had two tackles, including a sack, both on third down plays to prevent first downs.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he garnered *PrepStar* all-Midlands and *SuperPrep* all-Southwest honors, with Rivals.com ranking him as the No. 42 outside linebacker nationally. He also made the prestigious Texas 100 list and earned first-team All-Greater Houston (*Houston Chronicle*) and all-district (20-5A) honors; he was an honorable mention all-state selection by the Texas Sportswriters Association. As a junior, he earned second-team all-district honors at linebacker, and was Kempner's defensive MVP. As a senior, he was in on 98 tackles (64 solo), with 11 passes broken up, three interceptions, three fumble recoveries and a blocked field



goal, seeing action at linebacker as well as both safety positions. On offense, he played some tight end as well as receiver and caught four passes for 37 yards and a touchdown. As a junior, he had 92 tackles (62 solo), with five quarterback sacks, two passes broken up, two fumble recoveries and an amazing six blocked kicks. He added four receptions for 60 yards on offense playing tight end. He had 60 tackles (35 solo) and a sack as a sophomore, as he played linebacker exclusively as a soph and junior. Top games as a senior included a 28-21 win over Hightower, when he had 20 tackles (15 solo) and two PBU's, and a 35-7 win over Lamar Consolidated, when he had 17 solo tackles and an interception he returned for a touchdown. As a junior, in a 30-23 loss to Willowridge, he had 13 tackles, two receptions, two passes broken up and a pair of blocked punts. Kempner was 10-1 his senior year, claiming the 20-5A district title before losing in the regional playoffs, and was 5-5 his junior year and 2-8 his sophomore season under coach Tom Henderson. He also lettered twice in track (hurdles, high jump; he was a regional qualifier in the latter) and once in soccer (goalie).

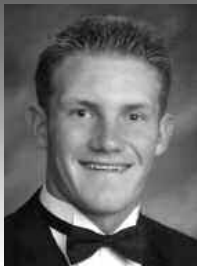
ACADEMICS—He is majoring in both Black Studies and Ethnic Studies at Colorado. He earned academic all-district honors as a high school senior.

PERSONAL—He was born Jan. 10, 1984 in Houston, Texas. His hobbies include reading, movie making (8 mm) and participating in sports. He also plays four musical instruments, speaks fluent Spanish (his fiancé is from Colombia), and likes to vacation in Canada. (*First name is pronounced ock-ah-reek-ah.*)

TACKLES													
Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int	
2002	2	18	1	0—1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	1	0	
2003	12	448	33	15—48	4-32	1-12	7	2	0	2	2	1	
2004	12	524	44	27—71	3-17	1 1/2-14	13	4	0	0	4	0	
Totals	26	990	78	42—120	7-49	2 1/2-26	21	6	0	2	7	1	

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Interception Return Yards: 1-0, 0.0 avg. (2003). Fumble Returns: 1-8, 8.0 avg., 1 td (2002). Special Team Tackles: 4,2—6 (2002); 3,0—3 (2003); 1,0—1 (2004).

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PATRICK DEVENNY, QB
6-3, 220, Fr., HS
Roseville, Calif. (Granite Bay)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a quarterback as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, *SuperPrep* named him to its All-Far West squad (ranked as the No. 88 overall player in California), while *Rivals.com* tabbed him the No. 14 quarterback in the state and named him a postseason honorable mention all-state performer. A captain, who garnered his team's MVP honor, he was a first-team all-Metro League selection and also earned supreme all-area and all-city accolades. He was also the all-area MVP and Metro League Offensive MVP, en route to earning second-team all-section quarterback honors. Playing in the Sierra Foothills League his junior season, he earned all-area quarterback notice, was a first-team all-league honoree and was named his team's most improved player. As a senior he set nine school records, including the most passing yards (267) and completions (17) in a game, the most completions (127) and attempts (212) in a season, and the most completions (222), attempts (381), yards (3,706), total yards (4,048) and touchdowns passes (43) in a career. He completed 127-of-212 passes (60 percent) for 2,004 yards and 23 touchdowns his senior year, when he also rushed 73 times for 216 yards and five scores. As a junior he was 95-for-169 (56 percent) for 1,702 yards and 20 touchdowns, also gaining 124 yards with three touchdowns on the ground (including an 80-yard TD scamper). His top prep games include a 47-0 victory over Yuba City his senior year when he was 9-of-12 for 230 yards and three scores; in a 17-

14 loss to Sonora, he was 16-of-20 for 225 yards and one touchdown; and against Vacaville in a 37-37 tie, he posted 230 yards and four touchdowns going 9-of-12, and also ran for 32 yards on five carries. Under coach Ernie Cooper, Granite Bay was the league champion his senior (10-2-1 record) and junior (9-3) seasons, falling in the section semifinals each year. He lettered once in track (sprints), running the 100 (11.3 prep best) and the 200 (24.0), and also played basketball.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in pre-law or business as possible majors at Colorado. He owned a 3.75 cumulative grade point average in high school (he was one of seven football players on his team to carry a 4.0 GPA for two consecutive semesters during the 2004 season). His junior year, he won the Co-Curricular Scholar Award for being a student-athlete with a 3.75 GPA or higher during the football season.

PERSONAL—Born March 19, 1987 in San Jose, Calif. Hobbies include snowboarding, wakeboarding, playing video games and lifting weights. He was one of 14 athletes in his high school's history to join the Thousand Pound Club, which is an elite group of lifters who boast at least a combined 1,000 pounds in the three major exercises. His father, Patrick Sr., played defensive end at UTEP in the early 1970s. (*Last name is pronounced duh-vain-E.*)

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TYSON DeVREE, TE
6-6, 250, Jr., TR
Hudsonville, Mich. (Hudsonville/
Western Michigan)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—The will redshirt this year as he must sit out a year after transferring to Colorado from Western Michigan. He participated in spring drills (he had three catches for 21 yards and a touchdown in the three full scrimmages), and underwent arthroscopic surgery on both his shoulders to alleviate some chronic problems.

AT WESTERN MICHIGAN (2003, 2004; Fr./Soph.)—A two-year letterman under coach Gary Darnell, he was a 2004 second-team all-Mid American Conference selection and John Mackey Award watch list candidate, as well as a 2003 Freshman All-American (second team) by *The Sporting News*. In his two seasons at WMU, he had 55 receptions for 549 yards (10.0 average) and six touchdowns, playing in 23 games overall. As a sophomore, he played in 11 games and made 25 receptions for 218 yards (8.7 average) and three touchdowns, with his longest snag covering 23 yards. He had a career high six receptions (for 46 yards and a TD) against Eastern Michigan in a 35-31 loss. He was a preseason second-team all-Mid-America Conference team member coming off a strong freshman campaign, when he had 30 receptions for 331 yards (11.0 average) and three touchdowns. His top performance that season occurred in a loss to Virginia when he reeled in five grabs for 77 yards (15.4 per catch). Western Michigan was 1-10 his sophomore season and 5-7 his freshman year.

HIGH SCHOOL—A Grand Rapids Press All-State Dream Team member at tight end his senior year, he was named to the *Detroit News* Blue Chips list, *Detroit Free Press* Fab 50 Squad (No. 23) and was a first-team all-Ottawa-Kent Conference performer. He also played in the Michigan high school All-Star game, after capping a brilliant career at Hudsonville where he finished with 98 career receptions, including a single-season school record 53 in his final year. During that campaign, his 53 grabs were good for 828 yards (15.6 per) and he also scored five touchdowns. His top prep moment was when he posted 10 receptions for 160 yards and one score in a loss to Jenison. Under coach Dave Duran he lettered three times in football, as Hudsonville was 8-3 his senior season before surrendering in the semifinal round of the state playoffs. He also lettered twice in basketball and baseball, where he was an all-conference selection on the diamond.



ACADEMICS—He intends to major in business at Colorado.

PERSONAL—He was born November 11, 1984 in Hudsonville, Mich. Hobbies include fishing. His brother, Todd, was a 2001 All-American defensive tackle at Hillsdale College.

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MATT DiLALLO, P

6-1, 195, Fr., HS

Wellington, Fla. (Wellington)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a punter as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—He earned first-team all-Palm Beach County (District 6A) and all-conference honors and honorable mention all-area accolades as both a junior and senior. He was a team captain as a senior, when he played in the Florida All-Star game at the Outback Bowl, and as a junior, he was his team's most valuable player on special teams. As a senior, he had 22 punts for a 40.3-yard average (long of 60), while dropping 10 punts inside the 20-yard line (seven inside-the-10). His junior year, he averaged 42.0 yards on 44 punts (long of 72, a school record), placing 23 punts inside the 20 (and 10 inside-the-10). He also served as his team's placekicker for one game, connecting on five extra points and a 35-yard field goal. One of his top prep games was against John I. Leonard High School his junior season, when he had eight punts for a 43.1 average and landed four inside the 20 (including an amazing three inside-the-5). Wellington was 2-9 his senior year and 4-6 his junior year under coach Erik Robinson. He also participated in track, competing in the shot put and discus throws.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in majoring in pre-medicine at Colorado. He was a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and Chemistry Honor Society in high school, as he owned a 3.48 grade point average. He also scored a 29 on the ACT and a 1230 on the SAT.

PERSONAL—He was born June 24, 1987 in Melbourne, Fla. Hobbies include working out and playing video games. He is interested in becoming a surgeon, and he has done volunteer work at local hospitals in Florida. He also volunteers at local 5K races for certain causes, including breast cancer, and is active in the Catholic Church with the Colombian Squires. His father (Kevin) was a shortstop at Slippery Rock State in 1976-77. (*Last name is pronounced di-lah-low.*)

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JORDON DIZON, ILB

6-0, 215, Soph., 1L

Waimea, Hawai'i (Waimea)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall tied atop the depth chart at the "will" inside linebacker position, but after his big freshman season, he'll be in the regular rotation if he doesn't wind up being the starter. *Street & Smith's* selected him as a preseason first-team all-Big 12 Conference performer, while *Lindy's* and *Phil Steele's College Football* tabbed him second-team and *Athlon* making him a third-team choice. He had a big spring, with 13 tackles (12 solo) in the three full scrimmages.

2004 (Fr.)—He enjoyed one of the finest seasons by a true freshman in school history, as he was CU's first true frosh to ever be recognized with the conference's Defensive Newcomer of the Year (*Associated Press*) and the Defensive Freshman of the Year (Big 12 Coaches) awards. *The Sporting News* and *Rivals.com* selected him as a second-team Freshman All-American, he earned honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from the AP, and TSN also selected him to its Freshman All-Big 12 team. Dizon led all freshmen in the conference in tackles with 82 (51 solo), which also established a CU true freshman record as he bettered the old total by some 15 stops (it was the second most tackles posted by a frosh, red-shirt or true, missing a new mark by just four). He led the team in tackles from game one through game eight, eventually finishing third overall, easily the highest ever by a true freshman at CU (two others had previously finished seventh). He also had six tackles for loss, including one sack (against Texas), seven third down stops, four passes broken up, two touchdown saves, a forced fumble and one recovery. He had two big plays out of the gate, both of his touchdown saves: in the opener against Colorado State, he stuffed former Buff Marcus Houston at the 1-yard line on a second-and-goal run with less than 30 seconds remaining in a 27-24 Buff victory, and a week later at Washington State, he tackled quarterback Alex Brink at the 2, forcing a fumble that teammate Matt McChesney recovered with five seconds to go to preserve the 20-12 win. He had eight tackles in the opener (6 solo, along with a caused interception), and his 13 (9 solo) against WSU were the second most in a single-game by a CU true freshman. He had 10 stops (7 solo) against Texas and nine versus Missouri as he had at least four tackles in every game, five-plus in 10 games and six or more in eight contests. On special teams duty, he racked up seven points on the strength of four knockdown blocks on returns and two assisted tackles, one inside-the-20. When he reported to camp, the coaches had no idea what position he would play; they thought running back or safety would be his first home, but five days into drills after a trial at linebacker, it was evident that he was something special at the position. He would become the first true freshman to start a season opener at inside linebacker in school history, and he went on to start 11 games including the Houston Bowl (he played in all 13), tied for the most starts ever by a true freshman at Colorado. In the bowl win over UTEP, he had three solo tackles and a fumble recovery, the latter coming on the Miner's first possession of the second half and led to a CU field goal. He won the Lee Willard Award, presented by the coaches, as the team's most outstanding freshman, only the third inside linebacker to ever win the honor.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he was a *Prep Football Report* and *PrepStar* All-West regional team member, earning second-team all-state and Kauai Interscholastic Federation (KIF) All-Star honors. *PFR* ranked him as the No. 65 player in the region and the third ranked running back, calling him "potentially the top fullback on the west coast," while *Rivals.com* ranked him as the No. 8 running back prospect nationally. He earned second-team all-state honors both as a sophomore and junior, when he was also selected as the KIF most valuable player. He was injured most of the regular season his senior year, rushing once for a 12 yard touchdown run but catching nine passes for 250 yards and three scores in just over two games (he played in four preseason games and rushed for about 600 yards). As a junior, he rushed 150 times for 1,157 yards and 13 touchdowns, with a long of 84, while catching 15 passes for 175 yards. He started at linebacker on defense and was in on 75 tackles. He also handled some of the punting chores in high school, and in the state semifinal as a junior, he pinned four punts inside-the-10 yardline. Top games: in a 55-0 win over Kapaa as a junior, he rushed for 37 times for 376 yards and five touchdowns; in a 42-35 win over Hawaii Prep Academy as a senior, he had 40 rushes for 315 yards and five scores; and in a win over Woodbridge his senior year, he had 33 carries for 275 yards and four TDs. Waimea was 6-2 his senior year and 6-1 his junior and sophomore seasons under coach Liko Pereira (not including preseason games), losing in the state semifinals all three seasons. He also lettered four times in basketball (forward), was a three-time Player of the Year/Island (KIF), as well as a three-time honorable mention all-state performer. He also lettered three times in track (sprints, the 100-meter KIF champion as a junior), and once in soccer.

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major at Colorado, but is interested in engineering or business management. He was an honor roll member every quarter in high school, with his grade point average always at 3.5 or higher.

PERSONAL—He was born January 16, 1986 in Kauai, Hawai'i. Hobbies



include fishing, diving and motocross. His high school, Waimea, is the westernmost high school in the United States, on the island of Kauai, the furthest west of the populated islands in the Hawaiian chain. (*Last name is pronounced dye-zonn*)

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2004	12	597	51	31—82	6-14	1- 6	7	1	0	1	4	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 0,2—2 (2004).

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KEVIN EBERHART, PK

5-10, 180, Soph., 1L
Broomfield, Colo. (Broomfield)



AT COLORADO—This Season (Soph.-RS)—He is expected to be 100 percent, as he missed spring practice with a knee injury, which required arthroscopic surgery in mid-April.

2004 (Soph.)—Redshirted; did not see any action. He nursed a couple of injuries over the course of the season and it was decided to save a year of eligibility. He batted 1.000 so-to-speak in the three main spring scrimmages, making all four PAT kicks as well as all three field goal tries, including a spring-best 52 yards by all the kickers.

2003 (Fr.)—He saw action in five games, becoming just the third placekicker in CU history to play as a true freshman (he kicked off to start the season opener; fellow frosh Mason Crosby didn't play until CU's first PAT attempt). He was CU's regular kickoff man the first half of the season, as he had 24 kickoffs, nine going for touchbacks (four through the end zone); the average starting yardline for the opponent was the 26, inflated by over three yards due to one touchdown return. He made his only PAT kick on the season (against Washington State), but missed on his lone two field goal attempts (22 and 42 yards at Florida State, both missing just wide right). He was CU's special teams player of the week for the UCLA game, as he kicked off four times, three for touchbacks (two through the end zone), with the one that was returned taken only to the 10-yard line. He graduated from high school in December ('02), and chose to enroll at CU for the spring semester. He participated in spring drills, making 2-of-3 field goals (25, 31 yards) in the three main scrimmages.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-Colorado (*Denver Post, Rocky Mountain News*), all-state (4A), all-region (*Boulder Camera*) and all-Skyline League honors. *Prep Football Report* and *SuperPrep* both named him to their All-Midland teams (the top placekicker regionally in both; *PFR* also called him one of the nation's top punters), while *Rivals.com* rated him as the No. 24 kicker in the nation. He was a second-team all-league performer at his scrimmage positions, receiver and strong safety. He was also all-state and all-league at both kicker and punter as a sophomore and junior. He finished his career as Colorado's all-time state leader in points by kicking (255) and field goals made (36), along with tying the record for the most career extra points made (147). As a senior, he made 10-of-15 field goals, including a 57-yard kick against Monarch that was the sixth longest in Colorado prep history. He also converted 28-of-29 PAT kicks, and owned a 43.6 average on 30 punts. He not only handled the placekicking and punting chores, but played receiver on offense (15 catches for 60 yards and a TD) and strong safety on defense (98 tackles, 66 solo, with 12 for losses and four sacks; he also had three passes broken up, three hurries and two forced fumbles). As a junior, he made 7-of-12 field goals (55 long) along with 61-of-67 PAT kicks. He was in on 50 tackles on defense (30 solo), with two pass deflections. One of just a handful of players in state history to make two field goals of 50-yards or longer in the same season, his top career game came against Monarch as a senior when he nailed the 57-yard three-pointer; he was in on 23 tackles (18 solo), with a forced fumble, one PBU and a second field goal from 35 yards out. A 32-yard field goal against Monarch his sophomore year gave Broomfield a two-point win and clinched the Skyline title. Broomfield was 8-3 his senior year, 13-1 his

junior season (league champs, state runner-up) and 10-3 his sophomore year (league titleists) under coach Gary Davies. He also played basketball as a freshman.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in aerospace engineering at Colorado (wants to work for NASA or Ball Aerospace as an engineer after graduation). He made the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll his first semester in college (spring 2003). A consistent member of the "A" honor roll throughout high school (3.733 grade point), he was one of 11 scholar-athletes in Colorado for 2002 as selected by the Colorado Chapter National Football Foundation/College Hall of Fame.

PERSONAL—He was born Nov. 28, 1984 in Denver. His hobbies include snowboarding, drawing and hunting.

SCORING

FG BREAKDOWN

Season	G	EP-EPA	FG-FGA	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+ Long	PTS
2003	5	1- 1	0- 2	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Kickoffs: 24 Total, 9 TB, 15 Ret. (2003).

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BYRON ELLIS, TB

6-0, 200, Soph., 1L
Culver City, Calif. (Venice)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall tied atop the depth chart at tailback, but the competition will go deep into August before a likely starter emerges. He had 24 carries for 65 yards in the three full spring scrimmages (including 9-for-27 in the spring game).

2004 (Fr.)—He saw action in nine games (no starts), primarily in some spot situations resting starting tailback Bobby Purify. He had the fourth most carries among all the running backs, as he had 19 rushes for 61 yards (3.2 average), with two runs in double figures (long of 11). He had 17 yards against North Texas, 12 at Texas A&M and 14 at Kansas. He also caught one pass for three yards. He did not see any action in the Houston Bowl.

HIGH SCHOOL—A three-year letterman, he was a third team all-state selection on offense as a senior, while *Rivals.com* ranked him in the California Top 100 (No. 78 overall). He was also the Western League and city (L.A. Section) Offensive Player of the Year, along with a first-team league and city performer as both a junior and senior. He will be a participant in the California-Florida All-Star game this summer. As a senior, he rushed 190 times for 1,656 yards and 21 touchdowns, averaging 8.7 yards per carry with a long run of 72 yards. He also caught 12 passes for 165 yards and a score. As a junior, he had 147 attempts for 1,352 yards (9.2 per carry), with 12 touchdowns, while catching seven balls for 106 yards and three scores. As a sophomore, he played in three games on the season, including the playoffs in which he scored one touchdown (over the span of his career, he has participated in 10 playoff games). Top games: as a senior, in a 61-21 win over Sylmar in the CIF playoffs, he rushed 18 times for 175 yards and two scores, including his career long run of 72 yards; in a 30-20 loss to Carson in the CIF championship game, he had 19 attempts for 170 yards and a score; and as a junior in a 42-37 loss to Laverne Damien, he had 26 rushes for 187 yards and two scores. Venice was 13-1 his senior year, reaching the CIF title game, and was 10-3 his junior season, losing in the CIF semifinals under coach Angelo Gasca. He lettered four times in track, participating in sprints (top time of 22.4 in the 200-meter dash) and relays.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in integrative physiology at Colorado. He was the valedictorian in the eighth grade (at Marina del Rey Middle School), and that was just the beginning of a stellar academic career which saw him take several advanced placement and honors classes his senior year. The owner of a 4.0 grade point average as a prep, he is a two-time academic all-city team member and earned the Academic



Jacket of Excellence Award (presented to those students with a 3.75 or higher GPA for three years).

PERSONAL—He was born March 27, 1986 in Los Angeles, Calif. Hobbies include watching movies and listening to music.

Season	G	RUSHING				High Games			RECEIVING			High Games			
		Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Att	Yds	No	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Rec	Yds
2004	9	19	61	3.2	0	11	8	23	1	3	3.0	0	3	1	3

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BRANDON ENGLISH, TE

6-4, 240, Jr., JC

Leawood, Kan. (Blue Valley North/
Fort Scott Community College)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the season listed fourth at tight end.

2004 (Soph.)—He did not see any action, but did dress for all home games and the Houston Bowl. He joined the team as a walk-on for pre-season practices.

FORT SCOTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE (2002, 2003; Fr./Fr.-RS)—Under coach Kevin Verdugo, he started at tight end as a redshirt freshman in 2003 after practicing as a true frosh the previous year.

HIGH SCHOOL—A two-year letterman at quarterback, he completed 8-of-20 passes for 195 yards and one touchdown as a senior. He did not play football his junior year, but as a sophomore he connected on 45-of-70 passes for 550 yards, 10 touchdowns (with a long of 70 yards). Under coach Larry Allen, Blue Valley North was 10-1 his senior season, and 8-2 his sophomore year when they won the 2000 3A state championship. He also lettered once in track (100 meters).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado.

PERSONAL—Born June 23, 1984 in Denver, Colo. Hobbies include playing basketball, and he has worked landscaping jobs during the summer.

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MARK FENTON, C

6-4, 295, Jr., 2L

Inglewood, Calif. (Westchester)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—CU's starting center who is in position to have a breakout season. *Street & Smith's* selected him as a pre-season honorable mention All-American, while *Phil Steele's College Football* listed him as the No. 27 center in the nation and the fourth best in the Big 12. He had a great spring and received the John Wooten Award as the most improved offensive player as selected by the coaching staff.

2004 (Soph.)—He started all 13 games including the Houston Bowl at center, as he continued to develop as the season progressed. He played the most snaps on offense (788), finishing second among the offensive linemen in knockdown blocks with 26. He had two touchdown blocks, allowed just one quarterback sack on the year, was flagged for four penalties and allowed eight pressures as he graded out to 76.9 percent, third best of the O-line regulars. His top game grade was 84.1 percent against Kansas State, and his seven knockdown blocks in the North Texas game were the team's single-game best for the year. He also

played every snap (53) on the field goal and PAT unit on special teams.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in the last 10 games of the season (no starts), as he was in for 70 snaps from scrimmage and another 37 on the FG/PAT unit. In his three games on offense, he graded out at 70.0 percent (49 plus plays), with one knockdown block; he was called for one penalty and did not allow a quarterback sack or pressure. He saw extensive action at Iowa State due to injuries, playing 54 snaps against the Cyclones. He had a solid spring evolving at center and went into fall camp atop the depth chart at the position.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any game action but practiced all fall on the offensive line (mainly at guard). He dressed for nine games and was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the Missouri game. He shined in the Alamo Bowl practices, using the sessions to impress the coaches with his play at center. Enrolled in school in January in time for the spring semester, which means he still counts as a member of Colorado's 2001 class. He participated in spring drills, playing guard throughout.

2001—He delayed his enrollment until January, as despite playing well in the California-Texas All-Star game, he underwent a second surgical procedure to repair a broken metatarsal bone in his hand, as well as to improve on his academics. He was set to report as a defensive lineman out of high school and was an original member's of CU's '01 recruiting class.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned all-Southern California, all-district (city), all-South Bay area, all-West side (*Los Angeles Times*), all-Western Conference and all-city honors. He was named to the California All-Star team, and played in the California-Florida game this past June. He played both defensive tackle and center his senior year, as he racked up 35 tackles (20 solo), with eight for losses, including five quarterback sacks on defense, and registered 40 pancake blocks and allowed only two sacks on offense. As a junior, he earned first-team all-conference honors on offense, when he made 25 pancake blocks. Top games included a convincing win over Palisades his senior year, when he had 11 pancake blocks and at least eight quarterback hurries in helping to hold nationally ranked Palisades to 300 yards under its average on offense. Other top performances includes the '99 Palisade game (also a win), when he had three sacks in one quarter, and a win over Crenshaw his junior year when his blocking helped running back Sam Cunningham rush for 240 yards. Westchester was 9-2 his senior year, 10-2 his junior season and 9-2 his sophomore year, qualifying for the CIF playoffs all three seasons, under coach Larry Wein.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in political science at Colorado.

PERSONAL—Born Nov. 14, 1983 in Hawthorne, Calif. Hobbies include playing video games.

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REGGIE FOSTER, S

5-11, 195, Fr., HS

Long Beach, Calif. (Millikan)

AT COLORADO—He enters the fall listed third at strong safety. He enrolled in January and thus was able to participate in spring drills. He suffered a broken hand in the second-to-last practice and underwent surgery; he was expected to be 100 percent for fall drills.

HIGH SCHOOL—A team captain his senior season and three-year starter at quarterback, he was a *SuperPrep* All-Far West performer and a *Prep Football Report* All-West honoree, while *Rivals.com* ranked him the No. 51 in the country in its special athlete category. *SuperPrep* also tabbed him as the No. 49 player in California (ninth DB) and *PFR* had him as the West's No. 71 overall player (10th DB). He earned first-team all-conference honors (Harry J. Moore League) at quarterback as both a junior and senior, and first-team accolades at safety his junior year. He was also a three-year letterman and recipient of the Coach's Award, an



honor similar to CU's prestigious Victory Club that rewards outstanding play. As a senior, he racked up 900 yards and 17 touchdowns on 95 rushing attempts, while he also threw for 1,200 yards, 15 touchdowns and just five interceptions. In limited action at cornerback/rover, he totaled 11 tackles (10 solo), including three for loss, one forced and one recovered fumble, and one pass deflection. During his junior campaign in an option offense, he had 875 rushing yards, with a long run of 85 yards and 13 scores on 110 carries. Splitting time at safety and cornerback, he finished with 80 tackles (32 solo), eight tackles for loss, two sacks, three forced fumbles (two recoveries), four hurries and three PBU's. His sophomore year, he totaled 790 rushing yards, with a long run of 50 and 13 touchdowns on 105 carries. At cornerback, he compiled 45 total stuffs (15 solo), along with 16 tackles for loss, two sacks, four forced fumbles, four recovered fumbles, four quarterback pressures and six pass deflections. Top games: In a 48-21 win over Wilson his junior year, he rushed 13 times for 185 yards and three touchdowns and passed for 80 yards and another score, while racking up 13 tackles (8 solo), two for losses and three PBU's; in a 58-14 loss to Long Beach-Poly his senior season, he rushed for 100 yards and two TDs on just eight carries, and threw for 95 yards; then in a 42-6 win over Downey, he scampered for 125 yards and three touchdowns on just 11 attempts. Millikan was 4-6 his senior year, a conference second best 7-3 his junior season and 6-4 his sophomore year under coach Kirk Diago. He also lettered twice in track, as he competed in the 100-meters (11.0), 200-meters (22.5) and long jump (19-0).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. He owned a 3.1 grade point average as a prep and was an honor roll student his junior year.

PERSONAL—He was born July 5, 1986 in Bellflower, Calif. Hobbies include playing video games, playing basketball and singing (one day he would like to produce music or take on a professional singing career). He lived in Okanogan, Japan from ages 3-6 when his father was in the military reserve. He has a famous uncle, as Ronnie Lott had a tremendous NFL career with the 49ers, Raiders, Jets and Chiefs, and is currently enshrined in the NFL Hall of Fame. He originally signed with CU in the 2004 recruiting class, but could not enroll due to his test scores. He stayed home in California and earned a qualifying score and enrolled at CU in January '05.

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ISAAC GARDEN, PK

6-0, 175, Soph., VR
Encino, Calif. (Taft)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall listed third at placekicker. He had a solid spring, as he had plenty of reps as one of just two healthy placekickers; he was 6-of-6 on PAT kicks and 2-of-2 on field goals (39 and 35 yards) in the three full spring scrimmages.

2004 (Fr.)—He did not see any action, but dressed for 11 games including the Houston Bowl and was on the travel squad the last two months of the season after ascending to second on the depth chart due to injuries. He joined the team as a walk-on for preseason practices; he attended CU as a true freshman in 2003-04 but did not try to walk-on the team.

HIGH SCHOOL—A two-year letterman, he connected on 64-of-68 PAT kicks his senior year, as he was perfect on all three of his field goal tries with a long of 38 yards. His junior season he hit 63-of-69 PAT's and all three of his field goal attempts (long of 41). Under coach Troy Starr, Taft was 13-1 his senior year and 12-3 his junior season; the team was state runner-ups each season. He lists his best prep moment as being able to play in the Los Angeles Coliseum for the state championship. He also lettered twice in soccer at left half, and he scored five goals his senior year.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in business (finance) at Colorado.

PERSONAL—Born February 26, 1985 in Tarzana, Calif. Hobbies include snowboarding and going to the beach. He has been a camp counselor Summer Camp, Score! Educational Center.

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JAMES GAREE, DT

6-6, 275, Sr., 3L
Colorado Springs, Colo. (Mitchell)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—CU's starting defensive tackle, as he was moved inside from end prior to spring drills to bolster the interior line. *Street & Smith's* selected him as a preseason All-American, while Phil Steele's College Football ranked him as the No. 53 defensive linemen in the nation. He was the runner-up in the team's strength and conditioning competition for the "Power" group (OL, DL), as he owned group bests in the standing long jump (9-7), dips (39) and pull-ups (17) while tying for the best vertical jump (33-0). He also tied for the fourth best bench press with 405 pounds.

2004 (Jr.)—He earned honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from the league coaches, as he played steady all year in starting all 13 games, including the Houston Bowl, at the rush defensive end spot. He led all CU ends in tackles with 60 (37 solo), which included six for losses and two-and-a-half quarterback sacks. He also had three third down stops and two quarterback pressures as he racked up at least four tackles in 11 games, with a season and career high of nine tackles, six solo, against Texas. He had six of the same variety (four solo, two assists) in three different games: Washington State, Texas A&M and Oklahoma, with five on three other occasions. He had three tackles (one solo) in the bowl victory over UTEP. He was one of the 10 players on the season to earn his way into CU's prestigious Victory Club, posting a winning productivity grade in at least eight games for the year. *The Sporting News* selected him to its All-Spring Team, citing his pass rush abilities, and the coaches named him as the recipient of the Dan Stavelly Award, presented to the Outstanding Defensive Lineman for the spring.

2003 (Soph.)—He played in all 12 games, but once he cracked the starting lineup for the conference opener at Baylor, he remained in it the rest of the season (eight starts in all). He played 518 snaps from scrimmage, posting 32 tackles (23 solo), tying for the team lead in quarterback sacks with four. His seven overall tackles for loss were the third most on the team, and he also added four hurries, three third stops and a forced fumble. He really came on the second half of the season (27 tackles, six for losses the last seven games), and was CU's defensive line player of the week for the win over No. 22 Missouri, when he had five tackles, three for losses including two quarterback sacks. He had a season high six tackles, all solo, in the overtime win over Kansas, with five tackles versus No. 1 Oklahoma and four versus Nebraska. A big spring game was the sign of things to come, as he was in on seven tackles, with all six of his solo stops being quarterback sacks.

2002 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in seven games (no starts), including four on defense. He was in for 39 plays, making five solo stops including a sack (against Baylor). He had three points on special team duty, as he assisted on a tackle inside-the-20 and had a wedge break.

2001 (Fr.)—The coaching staff named him the winner of the Lee Willard Award, presented to the most outstanding freshman. Even though he was redshirted, he really developed on the scout team and was named the scout team player of the week three different times (for the Colorado State, San Jose State and Iowa State games). He was the first frosh redshirt to win the award since 1972, the last season true freshmen were not eligible to play.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *PrepStar*, *SuperPrep* and *Prep Football Report* all-Midlands honors, as he was listed as the No. 62 overall recruit by *PFR* and No. 69 by *SP*. He was tabbed All-Colorado by the *Rocky Mountain News*, which also named him first-team all-state; the



Denver Post selected him honorable mention all-state. He played in the all-state game at the University of Northern Colorado this past March. As a senior, he posted 117 tackles (80 solo), with 16 for losses, including 13 sacks. He complemented those with seven quarterback hurries, four passes broken up, two forced fumbles, three recoveries, the first interception of his career and three blocked kicks (two punts, one field goal). He also started on offense at tight end and caught 12 passes for 200 yards and three touchdowns. As a junior, he made 95 tackles, with eight sacks and three forced fumbles, earning first-team all-Metro North Conference accolades and was named to the *Colorado Springs Gazette-Telegraph's* all-area team. He also started as a sophomore at defensive end, and had three fumble recoveries and around 60 tackles. He had a couple of catches (for 25 yards) on offense. Top games as a senior included a 12-tackle, three-sack effort in Mitchell's 28-7 victory over Palmer and a two-sack performance in a win against Doherty. As a junior in 1999, he racked up 14 tackles in a losing effort to Wasson. Mitchell was 12-2 his senior year, 7-3 his junior campaign and 5-4 his sophomore year under coach Tom Sandoval; MHS fell in the second round of the 2000 state playoffs to Fruita Monument. He also lettered in track, competing mostly in the relays (particularly the 4x200). He wrestled his first two years in high school, competing at the 160-pound class his freshman year and then as a heavyweight as a sophomore (mainly because of a lack of big wrestlers in the program).

ACADEMICS— He is majoring in both economics and sociology at Colorado. He was an honor roll student in high school, as he maintained a 3.12 grade point average.

PERSONAL— Born May 8, 1982 in Denver. He says the biggest moment in his high school career was when he officially signed with the Buffaloes. Hobbies include playing basketball. (*Last name is pronounced Gary.*)

TACKLES													
Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int	
2002	4	39	5	0—5	1-6	1-6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2003	12	518	23	9—32	7-45	4-30	3	4	0	1	0	0	0
2004	12	569	37	23—60	6-20	2 1/2-17	3	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	28	1126	65	32—97	14-71	7 1/2-53	6	6	0	1	0	0	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 0,1—1 (2002); 1,0—1 (2003).

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RIAR GEER, TE
6-3, 235, Fr., HS
Grand Junction, Colo.
(Fruita-Monument)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a tight end as a true freshman, though he never played the position in high school. The coaches like his size and think he will develop into a natural at the position.

HIGH SCHOOL—He had a unique position combination, playing quarterback and defensive line his senior year, while also serving as his team's punter. He was first-team all-state (5A) and an All-Colorado selection a tight end by the *Denver Post*, although he played the position sparingly. The *Rocky Mountain News* also named him to its first-team all-state and All-Colorado squads as a punter. He received first-team all-Southwestern Conference honors that season as well, and was also named his team's MVP. *Rivals.com* tabbed him the No. 13 player in Colorado, while *SuperPrep* named him an All-Midlands (No. 45 overall) selection. In his junior season, he received honorable mention all-state honors at quarterback. On defense in his senior year, he recorded 50 tackles, three quarterback sacks and one interception. On offense, he was a dual threat at quarterback, passing for 453 yards and five touchdowns and running for 644 yards and 20 scores. He finished the season

with a 48.1 average in his punting duties, and also had spot duty returning punts on the year. During his junior campaign, he passed for 1,234 yards and 13 touchdowns, while adding 789 rush yards and 10 scores; he saw limited action on defense. Top games: in leading his team to a 49-20 victory over Durango his senior year, he rushed for 238 yards and four scores; against Pomona that same season, he ran for 140 yards and three touchdowns, leading the Wildcats to a 19-14 victory. Fruita Monument was 5-5 his senior year, was 10-4 his junior season, losing in the state title game, and was 9-4 his sophomore year under coach Bill Moore. He also lettered three times in basketball (averaging 17 points per game as a senior).

ACADEMICS—He is interested in business (finance) as his major at Colorado. In high school he owned a 3.1 grade point average, as his school, Fruita-Monument, was the CHSAA 5A Academic Team Champion in football with a team GPA of 3.3.

PERSONAL—He was born December 19, 1986 in Newcastle, Wyo. Hobbies include hanging out with friends, watching movies, hunting and playing basketball. He has done volunteer work with the Salvation Army during the summer months. His grandfather, Al Fetter, wrestled at Wyoming, and an uncle, Kelly Fetter, ran track at Colorado Mines.

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DAN GOETTSCH, TE
6-5, 240, Jr., VR
Austin, Minn. (Austin)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall listed third at tight end. He had two receptions for 25 yards in the three full spring scrimmages.

2004 (Soph.)—He saw action in one game (North Texas), but dressed for all including the Houston Bowl. He had one reception for 13 yards in the win over UNT. He caught one pass (for 5 yards) in major spring scrimmage action.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He did not see any game action, but did dress for eight contests.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced the entire fall at tight end after joining the squad as an invited walk-on for August drills.

HIGH SCHOOL— He lettered twice in football playing tight end, as he caught eight passes for 165 yards (long of 54) and two touchdowns as a senior. He had two receptions for 36 yards and one score as a junior. Austin was 5-5 his senior season, 5-6 his junior year and 3-5 his sophomore season under coach Steve Knox. He also lettered four times in track, as he ran the 200, relays (4x100, 4x200) and threw the discus (career best of 156-0).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in fine arts (studio) at Colorado. He earned his high school's citizenship award as a senior, while he was also was named to the academic all-conference football and track teams. He also garnered the Gold Academic Achievement Award as a sophomore, junior and senior. He was a member of the National Honor Society in high school.

PERSONAL—Born in May 5, 1984 in Madison, Wis. Hobbies include hunting, camping, all types of sports and creating art (pottery). He grew up on a farm and raised several horses. (*Last name is pronounced "getch."*)

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MARCUS GONZALES, WR

6-4, 210, Sr., VR

Orchard Mesa, Colo. (Grand Junction Central/Scottsdale CC)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall listed fourth at the “x” receiver position, but may very well have put himself in position to crack the regular rotation. He had another fine spring, as he led the team in receiving in the three full scrimmages with seven catches for 107 yards and a touchdown. He also has worked hard in the weight room and has added 15 pounds of muscle to his frame over the last year.

2004 (Jr.)—He saw action in three games (North Texas, Kansas, Kansas State; no starts), but did not catch any passes. He was second on the team in receiving in the three main spring scrimmages, catching nine passes for 118 yards.

2003 (Soph.)—He did not see any game action, but practiced all year at wide receiver and dressed for seven games. He caught three passes for 33 yards in the three main spring scrimmages.

2002 (Soph.-RS.)—Redshirted; he transferred from Scottsdale Community College, and practiced the entire fall at receiver after joining the squad as an invited walk-on in August. He did not see any playing time, but did dress for eight games, including the Alamo Bowl. Thus, he automatically redshirted for the year.

AT SCOTTSDALE CC (Fr.)—He lettered as a wide receiver in 2001, nabbing 21 receptions for 460 yards and four touchdowns, scoring in each of the last four games. SCC won the Arizona Athletic Conference title, but lost to Garden City CC in the Valley of the Sun Bowl. His junior college coach was Ken Giovando.

HIGH SCHOOL—He lettered twice in football at Grand Junction, reeling in 27 catches for 680 yards and nine touchdowns as a senior, and 13 receptions for 210 yards as a junior. Central was 6-6 his senior season and 5-6 his junior year under coach Vern McGee. He also lettered twice in basketball as a forward.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in international affairs at Colorado. He was an academic all-state selection in basketball as a senior in high school.

PERSONAL—Born January 19, 1983 in Grand Junction, Colo. Hobbies include hunting, fishing and playing video games. He has a rich bloodline that has participated in college and professional sports. Brother Dan was a fellow wide receiver for the Buffs (2001-03), while his father (Daniel) was a centerfielder with the Expos and Brewers, and his grandfather (Danny) was an outfielder with the Giants and Indians.

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KYLE GRIFFITH, ILB

6-2, 205, Sr., 3L

Broomfield, Colo. (Broomfield)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall listed fourth at the “will” inside linebacker spot, but should again be a key special teams performer.

2004 (Jr.)—He played in all 12 regular season games (special teams duty only), but was ill and sat out the Houston Bowl. He had one tackle on special teams coverage duty, that coming inside-the-20 to give him two points for the year. The coaches placed him on scholarship following fall

camp, as his dedication to special teams play and overall practicing habits in general earned him the honor. He missed all of spring practice as he suffered from chronic active hepatitis, which robbed him of his strength; most of the symptoms cleared by the end of May and he had regained his strength and the weight he lost by the end of June. He decided to switch back to defense (from fullback) during the off-season.

2003 (Soph.)—He started the fall at strong safety and switched the fullback after the season started, but the vast majority of his action came on special teams. In playing in all 12 games, he finished second in special team points with 11 on the strength of seven tackles (two inside the 20), with two knockdown blocks. He had an impressive spring, racking up 15 tackles (seven solo) in three major spring scrimmages, adding two sacks for 19 yards and a pair of pass deflections.

2002 (Fr.)—He joined the team as a recruited walk-on for August drills, and soon established himself as a gritty performer on special teams. He played in the last nine games of the season, and finished the year with two tackles and one knockdown, earning himself three special team points. He was one of three true freshmen walk-ons to play in 2002, but they are in a group of only four who have done so dating back to 1986.

HIGH SCHOOL—He lettered three times in football at Broomfield, as he garnered second team all-conference (Skyline) honors his senior year. He finished the season with 52 total tackles (32 solo) including six for loss, four sacks, two fumble recoveries, one forced fumble, one pass deflection and one interception. Broomfield was 13-1 his senior season, winning the league championship and advancing to the 4A state title game, and was 12-2 his junior year (league titleists) under coach Gary Davies. He also lettered twice in baseball as a catcher and leftfielder.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in business (finance) at Colorado. He earned second-team Academic All-Big 12 honors as a junior.

PERSONAL—Born July 27, 1984 in Westminster, Colo. An older brother (Zach) was an inside linebacker and special teams performer for the Buffaloes in 2001-02. He hails from the same high school that produced recent Buff graduate Kory Mossoni; coincidentally they both played the same position, and Mossoni tutored him his freshman season. After college, he has aspirations of owning his own business someday.

STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 1,1—6 (2002); 6,1—7 (2003); 1,0—1 (2004).

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JOHN GUYDON, DT

6-2, 285, Sr., 1L

Yorba Linda, Calif. (El Dorado/Fullerton Community College)



AT COLORADO—This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall listed second at defensive tackle. He had four tackles, one for a loss and a third down stop, in the three full spring scrimmages. He tied for the fourth best bench press on the team (405 pounds) in spring conditioning tests.

2004 (Jr.)—He returned to defense during August camp to help improve the depth on the line; for a while, he was listed on both sides of the line but settled in quickly only on the defensive side. He played in 12 games including the Houston Bowl (no starts), seeing action for 160 snaps from scrimmage in registering six tackles on the year (five solo), including a quarterback sack and a third down stop. He had two tackles in the win at Kansas, including the sack, and had one tackle in four other games (Colorado State, North Texas, Nebraska and Oklahoma); he had no stats in the bowl win over UTEP. Following spring drills, he was listed at both guard and center (second and third, respectively), as he agreed to move to the offensive line from defensive tackle during the off-season.

2003 (Jr.-RS.)—Redshirted; he practiced at defensive tackle most of the fall, but occasionally shifted to offense for scout team duty. He was the Scout Team player of the week for four games, all in succession: Florida State (offense), Baylor (defense), Kansas (defense) and Kansas State (defense). He was still attending junior college in the spring and thus did not enroll at CU for spring drills.



JUNIOR COLLEGE—As a sophomore, he earned second-team JUCO All-America honors and unanimous first-team all-Mission Conference honors. *SuperPrep* ranked him as the No. 79 player on its JUCO Top 100 List (the seventh DL), CFN.com ranked him as the No. 43 JUCO (the 11th DL), and JCFootball.com ranking him among eight D-tackles in its Top 101. He earned second-team all-conference honors as a freshman. As a senior, he was second among all Mission Conference defensive linemen with 60 tackles (23 solo, 19 for losses, two sacks). He also forced two fumbles and recovered two. As a freshman, he made 35 tackles (19 solo), with 16 for losses, two sacks and an interception. His top game came his sophomore year against rival Santa Ana: in a 24-21 win, he had 10 tackles, three hurries and a sack in helping to limit Santa Ana to just 86 yards on 46 rushes. Fullerton CC was 3-7 his sophomore year and 6-5 his freshman season under coach Gene Murphy.

HIGH SCHOOL—He lettered three years in football, a two-way starter every season. He had 65 tackles as a senior playing as a 250-pound defensive tackle, along with four sacks and an interception; he racked up 55 stops with sacks and a pick as a junior defensive end. He had roughly 40 tackles at tackles as a sophomore. On offense, he started at guard for all three seasons and did not allow a quarterback sack. El Dorado was 2-8 his senior year and 6-5 his junior and sophomore seasons under coach Rick Jones. He also lettered twice in track, throwing the shot put and discus.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in journalism (broadcast production) at Colorado. A 3.0 student in junior college, he was a finalist for a student-athlete achievement award for southern California junior colleges.

PERSONAL—Born August 18, 1983 in Compton, Calif. His main hobby is comedy; he's performed stand-up in several California comedy clubs, and cites comedian Dannon Greene as his mentor. He's also met legendary comedians and actors Tommy Davidson and Martin Lawrence. Other hobbies include entertainment of all kinds, music, movies and live performances. He also excels at performing "Beat Box," which he has done for a couple of major Southern California radio stations. His second cousin, Damian Anderson, played tailback at Northwestern (under current CU coach Gary Barnett) and is now with the Arizona Cardinals in the NFL. A self-proclaimed "late bloomer," he wasn't recruited out of high school (*Last name is pronounced "guy-dunn".*)

TACKLES												
Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2004	11	160	5	1 — 6	0- 0	1- 0	1	0	0	0	0	0

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MATT HAMMOND, SN
6-3, 215, Sr., 1L
Sherwood, Ore. (Jesuit)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall as CU's backup snapper, but he plays on a variety of special team units and should be a valuable member again this season.

2004 (Jr.)—He played in all 13 games, including the Houston Bowl, on special teams. A reserve wide receiver at one time, he moved solely to special teams duty, as he was the backup snapper for punts and placements and a member of several return and coverage units. He tied for eighth on the team in special team points with seven, on the strength of three FDF's (first downfield to bust return formations), one tackle (that coming inside-the-20), a knockdown block and a wedge break.

2003 (Soph.)—He did not see any game action. He rejoined the team for spring drills, as he was a tight end as a true freshman in 2001; he moved over to receiver the second time around, as he weighed about 15 pounds less than he did as a freshman.

2002 (Fr.-RS)—He decided to not play football, but remained enrolled in classes at CU.

2001 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any game action. He joined the

team as a recruited walk-on for August drills, and practiced all fall as a tight end.


HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned honorable mention all-state and first-team all-conference honors at tight end, as he caught 15 passes for 280 yards and five touchdowns, including one in the state title game. He played some spot action on the defensive line, posting 22 tackles (10 solo, two quarterback sacks), with two forced fumbles and two passes broken up. Jesuit, located in the Portland suburbs, was the state champion his senior year (14-0 record) and three-time Metro League champion under coach Ken Potter. JHS was 12-1 both his junior and sophomore seasons. He also lettered three times in track (11.9 best in the 100-meter run, 150-0 in the discus), as he was a member of a three-time league champion as well his sophomore through senior years. He played the post one year in basketball.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in psychology at Colorado.

PERSONAL—Born January 29, 1983 in Portland, Ore. He earned a letter in choir as a prep, as he lists singing and playing the piano among his hobbies. He is also active with his church, both preaching and leading the congregation in songs. A grandfather helped start the Hanford project in the Tri-Cities after World War II.

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LIONEL HARRIS, S
6-0, 195, Soph., VR, Marvel
Texas (Alvin)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall listed fourth at free safety, while also having the ability to play the free side. Also figures to be a member of special teams coverage and return units. He led all players in the spring game with seven tackles (five solo).

2004 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in 10 games including the Houston Bowl, as he saw action at strong safety in one game for six snaps (North Texas), where he was in on one solo tackle (it was also a third down stop). Otherwise, he participated on special teams where he racked up five points on the strength of one solo tackle and four knockdown blocks.

2003 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced at both cornerback and safety over the course of the season.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-district (24-5A) honors, along with first-team all-Brazoria County mention (he was also a preseason all-Greater Houston team member). *SuperPrep* named him to its all-Southwest team (the No. 79 player in the region, and the 13th defensive back), while Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 60 safety in the nation. He was invited to play in the Down Under Bowl in Australia this June. He earned second-team all-district honors and first-team all-county accolades as a junior, and was second-team all-county as a sophomore. As a senior, he posted 105 tackles (85 solo, two for losses) at his free safety spot, and also forced three fumbles with eight passes broken up and a blocked punt (for a safety). He averaged 16 yards on 10 punt returns and 18 yards on five kickoff returns. As a junior, he had 60 tackles (47 solo), with five interceptions, five pass deflections, two forced fumbles and two recoveries, while averaging 14 yards on eight punt returns. He played corner as a sophomore, making 37 tackles (22 unassisted, three for losses), with seven PBU's, two interceptions, two fumble recoveries and one caused fumble. His top game came against Fort Bend Elkins his senior year (14 tackles, one forced fumble, 2 PBU's), and he three different games with 11 tackles and two pass breakups. He also had an 11-tackle game with two passes broken up and two tackles for loss as a junior against Galveston Ball. Alvin was 7-3 his junior and senior seasons and 6-4 his sophomore year under coach Mike Bass. He also lettered twice in track (sprints and relays) and once in basketball.



ACADEMICS—He is majoring in economics at Colorado.

PERSONAL—He was born January 5, 1985 in Galveston, Texas. His hobbies include shooting pool, playing video games and weightlifting. He also was an accomplished bull rider from seventh to 10th grade, including a win and a runner-up finish in organized competitions.

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2004	1	6	1	0—1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 1,0—1 (2004).

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EDWIN HARRISON, OT
6-4, 305, Soph., 1L
Houston, Texas (Westbury)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—He likely will compete for a starting spot at split guard, provided he's healthy upon the start of August camp. He missed spring practice after undergoing shoulder surgery on March 18, and initially it was thought he might not return until September. However, his rehab has gone well and he was on schedule to be full-go for fall camp as of mid-July. He tied for the best bench press on the team (414 pounds) in spring conditioning tests before he was injured.

2004 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action for the first time against North Texas and went on to play in the last 10 games of the regular season plus the Houston Bowl, as his playing time basically increasing as the year progressed. *The Sporting News* selected him to its Freshman All-Big 12 team, as he played 222 snaps from scrimmage at primarily tight-side tackle and graded out to 70.2 percent for the season. He had eight knockdown and two touchdown blocks, did not allow a quarterback sack, allowed five pressures and was called for three penalties. His top game grade came at Kansas, when he recorded an 82.6 percent mark. He had a solid spring an entered the fall in competition for the starting honors.

2003 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any game action but practiced the entire year on the offensive line. He was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the Oklahoma game.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *Prep Football Report* and *SuperPrep* all-Southwest honors, with *PrepStar* naming him to its all-Midlands team. *PFR* ranked him as the No. 66 player in the region (the seventh offensive lineman), while *SuperPrep* placed him No. 108 in the region (the 21st OL) and *Rivals.com* tabbed him as the No. 30 offensive lineman nationally and as the No. 70 player in Texas. He earned first-team all-district (18-5A) and *Houston Chronicle* All-Greater Houston honors, in addition to being named to the Texas Top 100 Lists by both the *Chronicle* and the *Dallas Morning News* (he also made several other top player lists). He also claimed a host of awards, including the George Bush/Kiwanis Club Sports Hero Award and the Houston Touchdown Club Scholar-Athlete Award, and was named as an outstanding high school senior by the Derrick Thomas Foundation. He earned first-team all-district honors as a junior, when he was the team's most valuable lineman and was an All-Greater Houston Underclassmen Team selection; he was also second-team all-district as a sophomore. A three-year starter at offensive tackles, he had 70 dominant (pancake) blocks and 15 touchdown blocks as a senior, when he did not allow a sack or get called for a single penalty. He blocked for the district's leading passer, Michael Nichols (1,800 yards and 20 TDs) and a two-back rotation that gained 1,200 yards. As a junior, he had 65 dominant and 13 touchdown blocks with no sacks allowed while being flagged just one time. He had 60 dominant and 10 touchdown blocks as a sophomore, when he allowed just one sack and was penalized once. Thus, he had 195 career pancakes and 38 touchdown blocks while allowing just one sack and being called for only two penalties. Some top games included a battle against Lamar his senior year, when he had six pancakes and a touchdown block in shutting down John Williams, the *Houston Chronicle's* area defensive player

of the year. He had a career-high eight 'cakes with two TD blocks against Worthing the same year. Westbury was 5-5 both his junior and senior seasons, and was 6-4 his sophomore year, finishing third in the district, under coach George Campbell. He also lettered in outdoor track (shot put).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in economics at Colorado. He was an active member of the National Honor Society, the English Honor Society and the French Honor Society, and also belonged to the National Science Scholars.

PERSONAL—He was born November 18, 1984 in Houston, Texas. His grandfather (Calvin Jones) won the Outland Trophy as the nation's outstanding interior lineman as a senior at Iowa in 1955; Jones was the first two-time consensus All-American in Iowa history, and his No. 62 was retired by the Hawkeyes. His hobbies include traveling, as he lists the Bahamas as his favorite place he has ever visited, and skiing. He received the Eagle Scout Badge in 2001 for helping build a library for "The Project Royal," which helps single moms and kids. In high school, he was a member of Jack & Jill of America, a national youth service organization dedicated to improving quality of life, particularly for African-American children. He was the recipient of the George Bush/Kiwanis Sports Hero and Touchdown Club awards as a prep. He was also active with his church in both choir and youth fellowship. His hobbies include playing video games, listening to music and basketball.

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JEREMY HAUCK, OL
6-4, 270, Fr., HS
Niwot, Colo. (Niwot)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—Though recruited as a defensive lineman, he is projected as an offensive lineman as a true freshman. With CU in need of O-linemen, he could crack the two-deep fairly quickly if he adjusts to the position in college.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, *Rivals.com* placed him on its Colorado Postseason Top 15 List (as the No. 15 player), as other national recruiters likely missed on him. He was an All-Colorado and first-team all-state (3A) selection by the *Rocky Mountain News* and *Denver Post* and a *Boulder Daily Camera* all-region performer. In addition to being a team captain and earning Niwot's Defensive Lineman of the Year award, he was a first-team all-Tri Valley League and all-area honoree on both the offensive and defensive lines. His junior season he was an honorable mention all-Tri Valley defensive tackle, as well as a second-team all-area selection. He saw time at both tackle spots on offense and defense his senior year, as he posted 84 tackles (41solo), including eight tackles for loss, four quarterback sacks, 16 quarterback hurries, two fumble recoveries and once forced fumble; he also blocked a punt and had one safety. During his junior campaign, also playing on both sides of the ball, he finished with 70 tackles with several for losses. Top games: in a win over Moffat County as a senior, he had 11 tackles (six solo), three for losses, one sack and a blocked punt; in a victory over Sterling the same season, he had 11 stops (seven solo), two tackles for loss and three quarterback pressures. Under coach Ron Tesone, Niwot was 12-1 his senior year, falling in the 3A state semifinals to Rifle, 23-20, and was 5-5 and 7-3 his junior and sophomore seasons, respectively. He also lettered in swimming as a freshman and sophomore in the 100-meter breaststroke (personal best of 1:05) and 200 IM (2:09). He also participated in track (throws) for the first time as a senior.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in kinesiology as a possible major at Colorado. He was a four-year member of the honor roll in high school, as he owned a 3.6 grade point average.

PERSONAL—Born October 25, 1986 in Boulder, Colo. Hobbies include snowboarding, playing both the guitar and piano, and weight lifting. A grandfather (Harold Hauck) played basketball at Kansas State and Washburn College.



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DEVIN HEAD, OL

6-4, 275, Fr., HS
Corona, Calif. (Centennial)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as an offensive lineman as a true freshman, and with CU in need of depth on the line, he has a chance at earning a spot in the two-deep.

HIGH SCHOOL—A *Student Sports* honorable mention All-American his senior year, when *PrepStar* named him to its All-West Region squad and tabbed him as the “most talented offensive lineman in California.” He was a *SuperPrep* All-Far West selection (No. 75 overall, 13th-best lineman), while *Rivals.com* ranked him the No. 44 guard in the country and No. 76 player in the postseason California Top 100. In addition, he was a first-team all-state, all-CIF Southern Section, all-Riverside County and all-Mountain View League honoree, was named the Inland Empire Lineman of the Year, and earned *Los Angeles Times* All-Southern California team honors. A four-year letterman, he earned his team’s Lineman of the Year award as a senior, while he also played in the California-Florida Prep All-Star Game and was inducted into the Riverside County Hall of Fame. As a junior, he was named to the first-team all-league squad. During his senior campaign he didn’t allow any sacks, while he helped pave the way for Centennial’s 2,714 yards rushing yards and 50 touchdowns. His top prep moment came in a 2004 win over Rancho Cucamonga when he went toe to toe with Averell Spicer, who many recruiting services consider to be one of the nation’s top defensive ends. Under coach Matt Logan, Centennial was 13-1 and won the CIF Division 5 Championship his senior year, 9-4 his junior season (lost in CIF semifinals), was 13-1 his sophomore season (CIF champs) and 11-1 his freshman campaign (lost in CIF quarterfinals). All told, Centennial was 46-7 in his prep career.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in journalism, economics or psychology as possible majors at Colorado. He owned a 3.2 grade point average as a prep in earning scholar-athlete honors. He lettered in academics several times and was on the honor roll all four years in high school. As a junior he went to the state science fair with a “very complicated” project having to do with mirrors and lasers.

PERSONAL—Born May 18, 1987 in Corona, Calif. Hobbies include camping, paintball and hanging out with friends. He is a member of the Boy Scouts of America, where he achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. For his Eagle Project, he went around to local businesses and collected 85 flags that needed to be retired, as he then put the flags to rest in proper fashion during a traditional burning ceremony.

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TYRONE HENDERSON, S

5-10, 175, Jr., 1L
Oakland, Calif. (McClymonds/
Front Range CC)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall listed third at free safety, but also has played extensively on the strong side and figures to see action at both spots.

2004 (Soph.)—He saw action in all 13 games, including the Houston Bowl, and started 10 in the regular season, as he played both free and strong safety. He saw action for 659 snaps from scrimmage and finished sixth on the team in tackles with 68 (45 solo), including one for a loss.

He added four third down stops, two pass deflections and a touchdown save. Against Washington State, he earned his way into the Colorado record book as he blocked two punts to become the first CU player to record two blocked kicks in the same game. Those were two of the three special team points he earned on the year, as he also had one knock-down block. He had a “monster” game against WSU, as he also posted five tackles (four solo) and two third down stops as the coaches rewarded him with both the defensive back and special team player of the week awards. He had at least four tackles in 10 games, registering nine on two occasions, against North Texas (seven solo) and at Missouri (five unassisted) and eight twice as well (versus Texas and Oklahoma, five solo each time). In the bowl win over UTEP, he had six tackles (five solo) with a pass deflection. He had 14 tackles (seven solo) and three passes broken up in the three main spring scrimmages after he re-enrolled at Colorado for the spring semester.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He was suspended for the fall semester for violating team rules, and attended nearby Front Range Community College for the fall semester. He figured to see substantial playing time had he been at CU, judging by his performance in the spring. He led the team in tackles in the three main spring scrimmages with 24 (15 solo, four for losses with a quarterback sack), a total which also included a team-high 11 in the Black & Gold game.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any game action but practiced all fall in the secondary. He was the Scout Team Defense Award winner for the Texas Tech game.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *PrepStar* All-America honors, as the magazine ranked him as the No. 8 “athlete” in its West region. *Prep Football Report* and *SuperPrep* both named him to their All-Far West teams, while *Rivals.com* ranked him as the No. 54 cornerback in the nation. He earned first-team all-state, all-metro, all-city and all-Oakland Athletic League honors, and was named an A&G All-Star, listed as one of the Bay Area’s Top 15 recruits and made the East Bay’s “Cream of the Crop” Top 20. He earned second-team all-city and all-league honors and was honorable mention all-A&G as a junior. As a senior, he made 138 tackles (97 solo), with 31 for losses including five quarterback sacks. He added a whopping 49 passes broken up to go with six interceptions, seven hurries, six forced fumbles and six recoveries. He was in on 83 tackles as a junior (20 TFL’s, two sacks), with 27 pass deflections, six hurries, two forced fumbles and a recovery. He also rushed for 500 yards and four touchdowns, while completing 24-of-50 passes for 400 yards and three more scores. He caught two two-point conversions both as a junior and senior, and he also punted on occasion as well. He played junior varsity as a sophomore. Top games as a senior included 13 tackles (five for losses totaling 30 yards), a forced fumble and a pass deflection in a 45-28 win over Skyline (he also caught two two-point conversion passes), and 10 tackles, three PBU’s and a fumble recovery in a 64-14 win over Piedmont. McClymonds was 11-1 his senior year, winning the Oakland Athletic League title and the Silver Bowl, and was 7-4 his junior season under coach Alonzo Carter. He also lettered four times in basketball (15 points, six rebounds and five assists per game as a senior), four times in track (sprints and relays), twice in cross country and will play baseball the first time as a senior. He posted bests of 22.0 in the 200-meter run, 49.3 in the 400 and 2:03 in the 800 in track.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in Ethnic Studies at Colorado. A steady 3.0-plus student in high school, he was consistently on McClymonds’ honor roll.

PERSONAL—He was born May 28, 1983 in Oakland, Calif. Hobbies include reading, listening to music, watching sports and shopping; he was also active in his area’s Boys & Girls Club as well as in peer tutoring.

		TACKLES										
Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2004	11	659	45	23—68	1-1	0-0	4	0	0	0	2	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Blocked Kicks: 2 punts (2004).

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CHRIS HOLLIS, ILB

6-1, 230, Jr., 2L

Denver, Colo. (Aurora Hinkley)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.-RS)—Now healthy again, he enters fall camp listed third at the “mike” inside linebacker position. He should easily crack the rotation as the coaches utilize as many as four or five inside ‘backers in their schemes.

2004 (Jr.)—He earned a medical redshirt for the season, as he missed the first two games with an injured foot and then the final 10 games with a neck injury. In-between, he did play in one contest, seeing action for 22 plays against North Texas, where he was in on five tackles, including three solo and a third down stop. He was injured in practice on Sept. 23, and the injury, basically a bruised spinal cord, required extensive examination by specialists and a lengthy period of athletic inactivity. He also had foot surgery the last week of spring practice and missed the spring game.

2003 (Soph.)—He saw action in 10 games, including two starts (to open the year against Colorado State and UCLA), missing the Baylor and Kansas games due to an ankle sprain. Toward the end of the season he also played some defensive end, as he finished up the year with 23 tackles (19 solo), with three for losses to go with two quarterback pressures in 222 snaps from scrimmage. He had a season/career-high six tackles (four solo) at Kansas State after returning from his ankle injury, along with racking up five tackles against UCLA and four against Colorado State.

2002 (Fr.)—He saw action in five games over the first half of the season, getting on defense in four games (24 plays in all, no tackles). He had three special team points on the strength of two tackles and a knock-down block. He was the Scout Team Defense Award winner for the Missouri game. He was hospitalized with a life-threatening virus prior to the Buffs’ departure for the Alamo Bowl, and did not suit up for the game.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *SuperPrep* All-America honors (both pre- and postseason), as the magazine ranked him as the No. 25 linebacker in the nation. He also earned *Prep Football Report* and *PrepStar* All-Midlands accolades, with Rivals.com ranking him as the No. 16 inside linebacker in the country. Closer to home, he earned first-team All-Colorado honors (*Denver Post*, *Rocky Mountain News*), all-state (both papers) and all-Prairie League honors, with the *Post* naming him to its 12-player Blue Chip List. As a junior, he was first-team all-state, all-league (the defensive player-of-the-year), and also earned first-team All-Colorado honors from both newspapers. He was a first-team all-Continental League performer as a sophomore, when he also was a second-team all-state selection. As a senior, he made 179 tackles (100 solo, 79 assists), with 15 for losses and five quarterback sacks; he also had 10 hurries, nine passes broken up, four fumble recoveries, three forced fumbles and an interception and had five games with 20 or more tackles. On offense, he rushed for 220 yards and eight touchdowns and caught 15 passes for 115 yards and another score. As a junior, he was in on 184 tackles (nine TFL’s, four sacks), with 10 hurries, nine PBU’s, six interceptions, five recoveries and two forced fumbles (he rushed for 120 yards and four TD’s on offense). He had 147 tackles as a junior, with four for losses including two sacks, nine hurries and an interception. Top games included a win over Lakewood as a junior, when he had a career-high 29 tackles, four for losses, with a forced fumble and a recovery. In a 50-12 win over Lakewood as a senior, he came back with 20 tackles, two for losses, with a fumble force and an interception. Hinkley was 4-6 his senior year, 9-1 his junior season (Prairie League champions) and 6-4 his sophomore year under coach John Pounder. He also lettered three times in basketball (forward) and twice in track (sprints, with bests of 11.1 in the 100 and 23.0 in the 200).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in both economics and education at Colorado. He was an honor roll student in high school.

PERSONAL—He was born July 12, 1984 in Aurora, Colo. His hobbies include lifting weights and cooking, and he is very active with his church, playing the drums in an ensemble and mentoring for a youth group.

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2002	4	24	0	0—	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2003	10	222	19	4—23	3-4	0-0	0	2	0	0	0	0
2004	1	22	3	2—	5-0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	15	268	22	6—28	3-4	0-0	1	2	0	0	0	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 1,1—2 (2002).

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NICK HOLZ, WR

5-11, 185, Jr., 1L

Danville, Calif. (De La Salle)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall listed fourth at the “z” receiver position but as the first-team holder for PAT kicks and field goals.

2004 (Soph.)—He played in all 13 games, including the Houston Bowl, on special teams and in one on offense, as he was the first-team holder the entire season. In playing 53 snaps on the FG/PAT team and earning his first letter, he corralled a wayward snap several times and got it in place for Mason Crosby to boot through (he was the holder for the nation’s longest field goal, 60 yards, by Crosby versus Iowa State). He also saw action on other special team units, and posted three knock-down blocks on return duty. He was one of only 10 players to earn his way on CU’s prestigious Victory Club, as he had a winning production grade in at least eight games on the year. He had an active spring and hauled down five passes for 73 yards in the three main scrimmages.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He did not see any action, but dressed for eight games. He was the backup holder for a couple of games due to injuries.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced at receiver most of the fall after joining the squad as a walk-on after the first day of classes.

HIGH SCHOOL—He lettered two times in football at De La Salle, as he was named the team’s Most Inspirational Player his senior season. He finished the year with 10 catches for 93 yards, while he also rushed four times for 21 yards and one touchdown and completed 2-of-3 passes for 10 yards. In his junior year, he had two receptions for 21 yards, ran once for nine yards and gained three yards on 1-for-2 passing. De La Salle, which set the nation’s longest winning streak at 151 games between 1992 and 2004, was 25-0 during his career under coach Bob Ladoceur. De La Salle won the 2001 and 2002 national championships, claiming the state and league (NCS) titles both years along the way. He lists his top high school moment as beating No. 2 ranked Long Beach Poly for the national title in 2002.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in communication at Colorado. During high school, he was a NCS League Scholar Athlete during both his junior and senior years.

PERSONAL—He was born March 26, 1984 in Walnut Creek, Calif. An older brother (Jeff) played golf for Fresno State, and his father played baseball at Santa Clara.

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TOM HUBBARD, FS

6-5, 220, Sr., 1L

Limon, Colo. (Limon)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—He enters the fall atop the depth chart at free safety. *Athlon* selected him as a third-team member of its preseason All-Big 12 team, and he is one of 42 candidates on the preseason watch list for the inaugural Ronnie Lott Trophy. He missed the last half of spring drills due to an injured knee; though a severe sprain, it did not require surgery and he was expected to be 100 percent for fall camp.

2004 (Jr.)—He saw the first game scrimmage action of his career, earning the reputation of almost always being in the right position to make the play as he saw time at mainly free safety but had some snaps on the string side as well. He played in all 13 games, with five starts including the Houston Bowl, with his first start coming in a win against Iowa State. In 10 games on defense, he saw action for 473 snaps from scrimmage and racked up 28 tackles (15 solo), with two for losses. He also had four third down stops, three passes broken up and an interception (he returned it 23 yards against Kansas State that set up a CU field goal). He had a career-high seven tackles, with two solo, in the Big 12 title game against Oklahoma, and he had six in the two wins leading up to the game, against K-State (five solo) and at Nebraska (four unassisted). He capped off the year by being named the most valuable player on defense in the 33-28 win over UTEP in the bowl game, as he had two interceptions, four tackles (all solo), two third down stops and a pass deflection. One pick led to a missed field goal try early in the third quarter, with the other coming with 11:10 remaining and the Miners at the CU47; it set up the winning points, as six plays later, the Buffs went ahead for good. He was the team leader in special team points, as he won the annual competition with 13 on the strength of six tackles (four solo, two inside-the-20), three knockdown blocks, a recovered onside kick and an interception to thwart a 2-point PAT try by Nebraska. He had a solid fall camp, ending the sessions second on the depth at free safety and a scholarship in hand, as the coaches awarded him one on September 1. He had eight tackles (all solo) in the three main spring scrimmages.

2003 (Soph.)—He played in six games on special teams only, the first five and the finale as he missed six games with a hand injury. He had one knockdown block on return unit duty. He moved from receiver over to defense for spring drills, where he practiced at free safety for the first time. He had five tackles, including three solo and a third down stop at his new position in the three main scrimmages.

2002 (Fr.-RS)—He was to be moved to receiver (from quarterback) for spring practice, but he injured a knee in conditioning in February and did not participate in drills. He was 100 percent by August, and made the move then; he dressed for nine games, but did not see any action.

2001 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he practiced at quarterback the entire fall.

HIGH SCHOOL—He was the recipient of the 30th annual Fred Steinmark High School Athlete of the Year Award, presented by the *Rocky Mountain News* (one of the state's most prestigious prep honors). As a senior, he earned first-team all-state honors at both quarterback and defensive back. He completed 80-of-155 passes for 1,928 yards and 21 touchdowns as a senior (with only eight interceptions), also rushing for 450 yards and seven scores on 50 attempts. On defense, playing strong safety, he made 60 tackles and had three interceptions, returning all three for touchdowns. As a junior, he completed 55-of-130 passes for 1,101 yards and nine scores, and threw for 850 yards as a sophomore. Limon was 10-3 his senior year, 9-3 his junior year, 3-5 his sophomore season and 9-1 his freshman campaign under coach Dave Grimes. He lettered four times in baseball (shortstop/pitcher) and was a two-time first-team all-state selection, as he hit five home runs and batted .410 as a senior, when he was also 6-1 with a 2.34 earned run average. He lettered four times as well in track (hurdles, relays), with career bests of 14.9 in the 110-meters and 40.01 in the 300-meters (both school records); he was second twice in the state meet in the 110 and third three times in the state in the 300. He picked up three more letters in basketball (guard/forward), averaging 18 points and 10 rebounds per game as a senior when he was first-team all-state. Thus, he earned 15 total varsity letters as a prep standout.

ACADEMICS—He is earning a double major in business (accounting and finance) at Colorado. A first-team Academic All-Big 12 team member as a junior, he is also a four-time member of the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll. He earned CU's prestigious 4.0 Club Award for a perfect grade point average his second year in college. He was the valedictorian of his senior class at Limon, as he was an honor roll student throughout high school in maintaining a perfect 4.0 grade point average, twice earning prestigious Army Reserve Scholar Athlete honors.

PERSONAL—Born February 10, 1983 in Hugo, Colo., and grew up on a ranch in eastern Colorado. Hobbies include hunting and fishing. A brother (Jim) played college football at Bethany, and a sister (Linn) played small college volleyball. He was the recipient of a National Football Foundation Scholarship for his senior year.

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2004	10	473	15	13—28	2-8	0-0	4	0	0	0	3	1

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Interception Return Yards: 1-23, 23.0 avg. (2004);

Special Team Tackles: 4,2—6 (2004).

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GEORGE HYPOLITE, DL

6-1, 270, Fr., HS

Los Angeles, Calif. (Loyola)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a defensive lineman as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *SuperPrep* All-Far West honors, ranked No. 96 overall in California, while *PrepStar* named him to its preseason All-West team, ranking him as one of the two top fullbacks in the west. Scout.com listed him as a member of its West Hot 100 list, ranking him No. 34 overall and as the fourth running back. He was a first-team all-Sierra League performer at defensive end. He also earned all-league honors as a junior (at fullback), when he also was named to the all-state Underclass team; it was the first year he played any organized football. As a senior, he started at both fullback and defensive end: he rushed 36 times for 520 yards and five touchdowns, also catching 12 passes for about 200 yards on offense; defensively, he was in on 45 tackles (25 solo), with 10 for losses including six quarterback sacks, along with 35 hurries, two forced fumbles and one recovery. As a junior, he played solely at fullback, carrying the ball 121 times for 669 yards and five touchdowns with seven receptions for close to 100 yards and two more scores. He had two 100-yard games in his career, as well as seven runs of 50 yards or longer. Top career games: in a 21-14 win over Long Beach Poly in the CIF title game his junior year, he rushed 10 times for 89 yards and several first downs, in addition to having one of his best blocking games of his career; also in a win over Esperanza that same season, he had six rushes for 102 yards and two scores; and in a 28-14 playoff win over Edison as a senior, he had nine rushes for 115 yards, including the long run of his career of 78 yards for a touchdown. Loyola was 11-3 his junior season, winning the Sierra League title as well as the CIF Division I championship, and was 9-3 his senior year, also claiming the league crown in reaching the state quarterfinals under coach Steve Grady. He also lettered three times in basketball (forward) and was a member of two CIF Division 1-A championship teams.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in psychology or business as potential majors at Colorado. He earned a "free spirit" scholarship he utilized at Loyola, awarded to a student who embodies free spirit in academics. He owned a 3.28 grade point average in high school.

PERSONAL—Born August 1, 1987 in Los Angeles. Hobbies include working out, playing basketball and woodworking. He has been very active in community relations, as he's logged between 300-400 hours the last two years preparing food for homebound AIDS patients, and has worked extensively at an area shelter for battered women. (*Last name is pronounced hip-puh-light.*)

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BRIAN IWUH, OLB

6-0, 225, Sr., 3L

Houston, Texas (Worthing)



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2004 (Jr.)—A second-team All-Big 12 performer (*Associated Press* and *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*; the league coaches named him honorable mention), he finished as the team leader in tackles with 98, as well as in solo stops with 74. He became the first linebacker to lead Colorado in tackles since 1999, and just the second playing true outside linebacker ever to do so. He had five games with 10 or more tackles, including three in the last four games, with a season-high 13 at Kansas that featured 12 unassisted. He also had 12 tackles against both Missouri and Oklahoma, the latter in the Big 12 championship game. In the opener against Colorado State, he scored what amounted to be the winning points as he made his first career interception and raced 37 yards for a touchdown to give CU a 27-17 lead at the time. In playing the second most snaps on defense (772), he also led the team in tackles for loss with 14, was fifth in third down stops (9), and added four quarterback hurries, two pass deflections, a fumble recovery (against Iowa State), two touchdown saves, a caused interception and two more tackles on special teams play. He was one of only 10 players to earn his way on CU's prestigious Victory Club, as he had a winning production grade in at least eight games on the year, and the coaches also selected him as CU's defensive back of the week for three games (Colorado State, Missouri and Kansas State). He started all 13 games, including the Houston Bowl; he had two tackles (one solo), a third down stop and a pass deflection in the win over UTEP as the Miners stayed away from his side of the field most of the game. He was moved to outside linebacker for spring drills, the new position in CU's return to a 4-3 defensive scheme. For the second straight year, he was the recipient of the Hale Irwin Award as the outstanding defensive back (includes linebackers) as selected by the coaches. He was 15 pounds heavier than he was entering fall drills as a sophomore (and 25 more than when he reported as a frosh).

2003 (Soph.)—He started four games (all at strong safety) and played in 11 overall, as he had a rough go of it, losing his father and an older brother both to cancer four days apart in October. He played 329 snaps from scrimmage in addition to several plays on special teams, as he racked up 32 tackles (24 solo) defensively, including three for losses. He also had two touchdown saves, a forced fumble, one recovery, a third down stop and a pass deflection. He had a season-high seven tackles on two occasions, in the opener against Colorado State and before his family at Baylor, with another top effort against No. 22 Missouri: he had three tackles, one for a loss, along with a his forced fumble and recovery to help CU to the win. He earned five special team points, as he had two solo tackles, a fumble recovery, a knockdown block and a blocked PAT kick (the latter coming at Kansas State). He enjoyed a fine spring, as he was named the Hale Irwin Award winner as the outstanding defensive back as selected by the coaches, and was one of 13 players to earn prestigious Spring Victory Club honors. He bulked up a bit for the spring, adding 10 pounds of muscle to his frame from the 205 he played at as a freshman.

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HIGH SCHOOL—As the senior team captain, he earned first-team all-league honors (Houston Independent Schools) and second-team all-district (17-5A) honors. He played in Houston's North-South All-Star game after the season, and was named to the area Blue Chip list. He was an honorable mention all-district and all-league performer both as a sophomore and junior. As a senior, playing strong safety, he was in on 91 tackles (six for losses, two sacks), with five passes broken up, three interceptions and five forced fumbles. He played defensive end as a junior, and made 110 stops, with eight for losses (five sacks), 15 hurries, five fumble recoveries, three forced fumbles and a PBU. Top games as a senior included a 31-24 overtime playoff win over Westbury, when he had eight tackles, an interception and forced fumble, and in a loss to Madison, when he had 15 tackles, one sack and a PBU. He had 16 tackles, his career-high, against Westbury as a sophomore. Worthing was 9-3 his senior year, advancing to the second round of the playoffs, and was 5-5 his junior and 7-3 his sophomore years under coaches Eddy Snow and Cogor Coverson. He also lettered four times in track (sprints and relays, best of 47.4 in the 400 and 1:53 in the 800), twice in basketball and once in swimming. He was the track team's MVP as a senior, when he was also captain.

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ACADEMICS—He is majoring in astrophysical and planetary sciences at Colorado. He boasted a 3.1 grade point average in high school and was an honor roll student, and was named a *Detroit Free-Press Scholar-Athlete* for all sports in 2003-04.

PERSONAL—He was born April 1, 1986 in Lansing, Mich. His father (Don) played linebacker at Indiana from 1974-78. Hobbies include swimming and playing the viola.

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MARCUS JONES, DT

6-4, 300, Jr., VR

Klein, Texas (Klein)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall listed second at nose tackle. He had three tackles and a quarterback hurry in the three main spring scrimmages. He has a real opportunity to crack the inside rotation, as he is the only non-senior of the five players on the roster at tackle entering the fall.

2004 (Soph.)—He saw action in one game, as he got in for seven plays against North Texas and was in on one assisted tackle. He practiced and played at 300 pounds, or 45 pounds heavier than he was when he first reported to CU as a freshman.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in four games on defense (52 snaps), as he had one assisted tackle on the season (against Baylor, when he saw the most action—21 snaps). He played 18 snaps at Texas Tech, playing in his native state. He played at plus-25 pounds over his frosh season.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any game action, but practiced all season on the defensive line, mostly at tackle. He was the Scout Team Defense Award winner for the Baylor game.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *Prep Football Report* and *SuperPrep* all-Southwest honors, as *PFR* ranked him as the No. 56 player in the state of Texas (and the 12th defensive lineman). He also earned first-team all-Houston, all-district (15-5A) and all-conference accolades, and was invited to play in two prestigious all-star games: the all-Greater Houston game and World Class contest in Hawaii. He was an all-conference performer as a junior. As a senior, he had 72 tackles, including 17 for losses with seven quarterback sacks, along with 13 hurries, five passes broken up, five forced fumbles, two recoveries and an interception. He was in on 70 tackles as a junior (13 TFL's, eight sacks), with 12 hurries, three fumble recoveries, two forced fumbles and a pair of PBU's. Top games as a senior came against rival Klein Oak, as in the 10-7 setback he had 12 tackles, four TFL's including one sack, and a pass broken up; he had 10 tackles, six for losses with two sacks, in a tough 20-17 loss to Tomball. Klein was 5-5 his senior year and 8-3 his junior year, taking second in the district and qualifying for the state playoffs, under coach Ray Kenjunora. He also lettered four times in track (throws; career bests of 48-0 in the shot put and 155-0 in the discus).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in economics at Colorado. A consistent honor roll member in high school, he owned a 3.4 grade point average as a prep.

PERSONAL—He was born January 5, 1983 in Klein, Texas. Hobbies include playing video games, lifting weights, walks on the beach and bass fishing. A brother (Charles Lyles) played football at Minnesota-Morris, and an uncle (Jezell Lyles) played basketball at Prairie View A&M.

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ZACH JONES, DE

6-3, 250, Fr., HS

Aurora, Colo. (Grandview)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a defensive end in his true freshman season in college. He enrolled at CU for January classes and was thus able to participate in spring drills. He had four tackles, including two for losses, in the three full spring scrimmages.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *SuperPrep* All-Midlands honors (ranked No. 59 overall in the region), while Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 50 strong-side defensive end in the nation as well as the No. 10 player on its postseason Colorado Top 15 list. A second-team all-state selection by the *Rocky Mountain News* his senior year (honorable mention by the *Denver Post*), he also earned first-team *Aurora Sentinel* all-city and all-Centennial League accolades. A three-year letterman in football, he missed most of his junior season with a torn MCL (only played in five games), but was a second-team all-city performer his sophomore year. As a senior, he racked up 152 total tackles (82 solo), including a state-best 21 stops for losses. He also had 12 quarterback sacks, five forced fumbles with three recoveries, six passes broken up and an interception. On the other side of the ball seeing limited time at tight end, he reeled in 12 catches for 50 yards. He had no significant stats in 2003 due to his knee injury, but did have 20 receptions for 100 yards during his sophomore campaign. One of his top games came against Cherry Creek in Grandview's first year of 5A competition when he was a sophomore: in a 24-14 win, he had three receptions for 20 yards and had seven tackles and one sack. It was none other than current CU offensive tackle Tyler Polumbus that Jones beat off the edge to earn that sack, but Jones admits that Polumbus "got him pretty good a few times" in that game. Grandview was 5-5 his senior year, 8-3 when he was a junior and 7-4 during his sophomore season as he had two head coaches in his prep career, Rocky Whitworth and John Shultz. He lettered once in track & field, as he placed ninth at the state meet in the shot put with a personal best of 53-0. He also played baseball and basketball.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in business administration at Colorado. Following college he may want to pursue a career in business, sports performance and coaching.

PERSONAL—Born March 30, 1987 in Aurora, Colo. Hobbies include water sports, playing basketball, working out and photography, and he's also worked as an umpire during little league summer baseball. An uncle, Terry Jones, signed with the Buffaloes in the mid-1980's and was on the team for about a year. He was one of the early commitments in CU's 2005 class, doing so in August, just prior to the start of his senior year.



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REGGIE JOSEPH, WR

6-0, 185, Soph., 1L
La Place, La. (East St. John)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall listed third at the “x” receiver position. He caught three passes for 25 yards in the three full spring scrimmages.

2004 (Fr.)—He saw action in 12 games including the Houston Bowl (the only game he missed was Iowa State), as he played both offensively and on special teams. He caught three passes for eight yards and ran one reverse for one yard in scrimmage action.

HIGH SCHOOL—A *SuperPrep* All-Southwest and *PrepStar* All-Southeast performer (SP ranked him the No. 25 player in Louisiana), he earned all-district, all-region and all-River Parish honors as a senior. He earned second-team all-state and first-team all-district honors as a junior, and was ranked as one of the top 12 players in the state. He was all-district and all-Parish on both offense and defense as a sophomore, when he was all-state on defense. As a senior, he caught 40 passes for 1,000 yards and 13 touchdowns, returning 15 punts for 330 yards and two scores with eight rushes for 100 yards and another TD. He caught 53 passes for 932 yards and 13 TDs as a junior, with 22 punt returns for 350 yards and 12 kickoff returns for 270 yards (and six rushes for 80 yards and a score). He played running back, receiver and cornerback as a sophomore, when he rushed 45 times for 994 yards and nine touchdowns (long of 70, seven runs over 50), with 20 receptions for 500 yards and five scores; he also passed for 200 yards and returned three kicks for scores (2 punt, 1 kick-off). On defense, he racked up 75 tackles (25 solo), with 10 interceptions, one for a touchdown, 20 pass deflections, three forced fumbles and two recoveries. Top games: in a 63-28 win over Lutheran as a senior, he caught three passes for 183 yards, all for touchdowns, including his career long of 96 yards, with one punt return for 55 yards; in a 56-13 win over South Lafourche his junior year, he caught eight balls for 163 yards and two scores, returned two punts for 90 yards and one kickoff for 60 yards for 313 all-purpose yards; and in a 30-28 loss to St. Charles Catholic as a sophomore, he had 230 yards of offense (190 rush, 40 receiving), returned two interceptions for 50 yards and scored four TDs (three rushing, one by pick). ESJHS was 10-2 his senior season, losing in the first round of the state playoffs, and was 9-3 his junior year and 10-3 his sophomore season under coach Larry Dautrieve. A two-time all-district performer in both baseball (.375 average with four home runs and 16 stolen bases as a junior) and basketball (guard; 22 points per game as a junior), earning three letters in both sports.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in psychology at Colorado. He was an honor roll student as a junior and senior in high school.

PERSONAL—He was born September 22, 1985 in New Orleans, La. (La Place is a western suburb of the city). Hobbies include playing all sports, especially baseball, and drawing; he's a fairly accomplished young artist, with second and third place finishes in local contests. He says he can “sing a little” as he is also a member of his church choir. A brother (Ky) is a cornerback at Tulane; a cousin (Dequincy Scott) played football and baseball at Southern Mississippi and is now a defensive tackle with the San Diego Chargers.

Season	G	RECEIVING			TD	Long	High Games	
		No.	Yds	Avg.			Rec	Yds
2004	11	3	8	2.7	0	8	1	8

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Rushing: 1-1, 1.0 avg. (2004).

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EVAN JUDGE, WR

6-2, 215, Sr., 3L
Scottsdale, Ariz. (Chaparral)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall as CU's starter at the “X” receiver spot. He missed the last portion of spring ball with an ankle sprain, but he was healed by May. He enters his senior year ranked 67th in all-time receptions at Colorado with 29, and he's poised to crack the top 100 in career receiving yards with 339.

2004 (Jr.)—He started 11 games including the Houston Bowl at the “X” receiver position and played in 11 overall, as he missed the Nebraska game due to a viral infection that affected his platelet count. He led the team in receptions with 29, which he gathered in for 336 yards and 3 TDs, as he became a favorite and reliable target for the quarterbacks. Judge made some history with his season, as he became only the second walk-on or former walk-on to lead the team in receiving (Jeff Campbell did so in 1988), and his 29 receptions are the 67th most all-time at Colorado but the most-ever by walk-on, topping Campbell's 28. Only he and Campbell are walk-ons to have accumulated in excess of 200 receiving yards as well (Campbell had 802). Judge had 17 catches of 10 or more yards and six of 20 or longer, the latter tying for the most on the team, and earned 21 first downs (20 receiving, 1 rushing on a lateral pass called a run). He caught at least one pass in 10 games and had two or more in seven contests with a high of six (for 50 yards against Oklahoma State). He had five catches for 82 yards and a TD against North Texas, and at Texas A&M, he caught two passes for 39 yards, both for touchdowns, the only multiple TD game by a CU receiver on the year. In the 33-28 win over UTEP in the bowl game, he caught what proved to be a game-winning 39-yard touchdown pass from Joel Klatt with 8:43 remaining; he had two catches for 50 yards in the contest. Six of his eight third down receptions earned first downs, while seven of his 10 grabs on first down did the same.

2003 (Soph.)—He saw action in all 12 games, mainly on special teams, but in a few games at receiver. He did not make any receptions, and he had one knockdown block on return team duty. He was placed on scholarship during the second week of August camp, as the coaches rewarded him particularly for his dedication on special teams. He had six catches for 148 yards a touchdown in the three main spring scrimmages, his long play a 53-yard scoring grab from Erik Greenberg.

2002 (Fr.-RS)—He played in all 14 games, including the Alamo Bowl, on the punt return unit on special teams. He registered CU's only blocked punt of the year, when he beat his man off the edge and got a block against USC in the third quarter. He was credited with a four-yard punt return on the play. In the spring, he had three catches (for 23 yards) in CU's three main scrimmages.

2001 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced the entire fall at receiver. He was CU's Scout Team Offense Award winner for the Colorado State game.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-region, all-city and all-East Valley honors, in addition to being selected third-team all-state. He caught 32 passes for 700 yards (21.8 per catch) and 12 touchdowns as a senior, with a long grab of 96 yards (a school record). He set numerous other records his senior year, including most receiving yards and touchdowns for a single game and season and the most punts blocked in a game and season (two and four). As a junior, when he was second-team all-region, he caught nine passes for 200 yards and one touchdown. As a freshman, he had 33 tackles (12 for losses) playing defensive tackle, and averaged 23 yards on three kickoff returns. He lettered three time for coach Ron Estabrook, as Chaparral was 14-0 his junior and senior years, claiming the state, region and city championships. In fact, his class posted a 44-0 record during his years as a prep. He also lettered twice in basketball (forward), averaging 10 points, seven rebounds and five assists as a senior when he earned second-team all-city and second-team all-region honors. He was a McDonald's High School All-American nominee as a senior.



ACADEMICS—He is majoring in business management at Colorado. He earned first-team Academic All-Big 12 team honors as a sophomore in 2003, and second-team honors as a junior in 2004 and a redshirt frosh in '02), and is a four-time member of the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll. He won many academic awards in high school, and was a perennial honor roll member.

PERSONAL—Born October 2, 1982 in Grand Haven, Mich. Hobbies include sports and watching television; he's also coached a YMCA youth basketball team.

Season	G	RECEIVING		Avg.	TD	Long	High Games	
		No.	Yds				Rec	Yds
2004	11	29	336	11.6	3	30	5	82

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Rushing: 1-3, 3.0 avg. (2004). Blocked Kicks: 1 punt (2002).

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TAJ KAYNOR, DE
6-5, 260, Fr., HS
Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a defensive end as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he was named All-Midlands by *PrepStar*, as well as earning all-Centennial League honors and honorable mention all-state (5A) accolades by the *Denver Post*. He had 95 tackles (50 solo), 20 tackles for loss, seven quarterback sacks, three forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries, 13 quarterback hurries and 15 passes broken up. In his junior season, he recorded 85 tackles, eight sacks, two forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and 12 pass breakups. He played on both the offensive and defensive lines as a freshman and sophomore. His top prep games included a 24-22 win over Columbine as a senior, when he made 14 tackles along with causing a fumble, recovering another and one pass deflection; against Mullen the same year, he had 12 tackles, two quarterback sacks and one pass knockdown in a 21-6 loss; and he recorded 10 tackles against Grandview in a 24-17 win, including two sacks and two pass breakups. Under coach Tim Flanagan, the Bruins were 12-2 his senior year, losing to Mullen in the 5A State Championship game, and his junior year, Creek went 7-4 and lost in the opening round of the playoffs; his position coach was Greg Critchett and all told, Creek was 40-11 during his prep career. He lettered three times in basketball, averaging 10 points and 12 rebounds per game as a junior; he did not play as a senior so he could gain weight and concentrate his efforts on football.

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major at Colorado, but is interested in business.

PERSONAL—He was born April 17, 1986 in Salt Lake City, Utah. His hobbies include music and playing most sports. He moved to Colorado from Utah when he was a 4-year-old, and quickly became a Buffalo fan (*First name is pronounced similar to Taj Mahal, or todge with a silent "D."*)

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JOEL KLATT, QB
6-1, 210, Sr., 3L
Arvada, Colo. (Pomona)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—CU's starting quarterback, with 22 career starts at the position (12-10), the 10th most at CU by a signal-caller; he could tie for the most if he starts 13 games this fall. An honorable mention preseason All-American by *Street & Smith's* (he's also on the FWAA's modest checklist), he should also be both a Davey O'Brien and Johnny Unitas award candidate; *Phil Steele's College Football* ranked him as the No. 22 QB in the nation. He won the inaugural Eddie Crowder Award this past spring, presented by the CU coaches for outstanding leadership. He has a chance to take over almost all of the school's major passing records, as he enters his senior season at Colorado fifth all-time in passing yards (4,679), second in attempts (695) and completions (425), first in completion percentage (61.2), fifth in touchdown passes (30) and tied for sixth in interceptions (25); he's also seventh in total offense (4,546). His career completion percentage of 61.9 (including bowls) is currently the 12th best among active NCAA quarterbacks, while his 208.8 yards per game is 16th and his efficiency rating of 127.7 is 25th. He has 10 career 200-yard passing games, five of which have exceeded 300 yards (Koy Detmer holds the school record of six). He has seven career fourth quarter comebacks to win or tie games: 2003 vs. Colorado State (tie to W); 2003 vs. UCLA (trailed to W); 2003 vs. Kansas (trailed, sent into and won in OT); 2004 vs. Colorado State (tie to W); 2004 at Texas A&M (trailed to OT loss); 2004 vs. Kansas State (tie to W); and in the 2004 Houston Bowl vs. UTEP (trailed to W).

2004 (Jr.)—He started 12 games including the Houston Bowl and played in all 13 (he came off the bench against Iowa State), as he continued to zoom up CU's charts in every statistic for a quarterback. He struggled at times as offensive line developed chemistry, and while he didn't have the same numbers he posted as a sophomore, he still put up some decent statistics. He completed 192-of-334 passes (57.5%) for 2,065 yards and nine touchdowns, but threw 15 interceptions, the second most in a single-season at Colorado. It was the 10th time a quarterback threw for 2,000 yards in a season for CU, the second time for Klatt; in fact, only five players have accomplished the feat: Kordell Stewart did it three times, Klatt, John Hessler and Mike Moschetti twice and Koy Detmer once. He set eight school records, including attempts (334), completions (192) and completions in a game (26) by a junior, and his 196 yards passing and total offense in the second quarter against North Texas set record for the most of each in quarter by any player. He completed 26-of-33 passes for 371 yards against UNT, with the 78.8 completion percentage for the game setting school marks for 20, 25 and 30 attempts in a game. He also passed for over 200 yards on three other occasions: he had 346 at Texas A&M and 222 at Nebraska; the other came against UTEP in the Houston Bowl, when he was named the game's offensive MVP. In that one, he completed 24-of-33 passes for 333 yards and two scores. Against A&M, he recorded his first career reception (18 yards on a throwback from Bernard Jackson). A two-time selection by the coaches as the team's offensive back of the week (North Texas, Texas A&M). He was on the official watch list for the Davey O'Brien Award (one of 42 candidates), and *Street & Smith's* selected him as an honorable mention preseason All-American. He was placed on full scholarship in January, the earliest allowed by the NCAA due to situational issues, after being a walk-on for his first two seasons on the team.

2003 (Soph.)—In earning honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from the league coaches, he set 19 school records and tied one more in being named the newcomer of the year in the state by the Colorado Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame. He was the John Mack Award winner for CU's outstanding offensive player as selected by the coaches, won the Best Interview Award as selected by the school's beat media, and was CU's offensive back of the week for four games (CSU, UCLA, Kansas and Iowa State). For the year, he completed 233-of-358 passes for 2,614 yards and 21 touchdowns, setting school marks for attempts and completions while throwing the second most TD passes in a single year in becoming the third Buff to throw for



over 2,500 yards in a season. His 65.1 completion percentage set school records for every 50 pass increment over 100 attempts, and he was consistent across the board, completing 65.4 percent on first down, 66.1 on second down and 63.5 on third and fourth down (48 of 66 third and fourth down completions earned first downs). He had 426 total plays, also a school record, for 2,523 yards, the sixth most in school annals. He earned 128 first downs (11 rush, 117 pass) as he led the Buffs to 41 scores in 122 drives he engineered. He threw for 200 or more yards six times and completed over 52.0 percent of his passes in all but one game (Baylor, when he was 3-of-8, also the lone game he did not have at least one touchdown pass). He scored one touchdown rushing (against Kansas), as he rushed 39 times for 97 yards when not accounting for sacks. He enjoyed perhaps one of the best debuts as a starting quarterback in Colorado history, if not NCAA history in CU's 42-35 win over Colorado State in Denver. He completed 21-of-34 passes for 402 yards and four touchdowns (and no interceptions), in posting a single-game quarterback rating of 199.9, the second best rating in CU history for a game with 30 or more attempts. The 402 yards passing tied for the sixth most in a single game in school history at the time (he topped it with 419 against Kansas), and were the third most in a starting debut, bested only by Koy Detmer's 418 against Oklahoma and Kordell Stewart's 409 against Colorado State—both coming in 1992. It was also the first 300-yard passing game by a Buff quarterback since 2001 and the first 400-yard effort since Mike Moschetti set the school record with 465 against San Jose State in 1999, with his four touchdown passes marking just the ninth time in school annals that many had been thrown in a single game. He also led the Buffs to a pair of touchdowns in the two-minute drill: he tossed a 45-yard scoring strike to John Donahoe with 29 seconds left in the first half, and then engineered a 6-play, 75-yard drive that led to the winning score with 0:40 left in the game. He garnered all kinds of honors for his effort against the Rams, as *The Sporting News*, SI.com and college-footballnews.com cited him as the National Player of the Week with the Big 12 Conference naming him its Offensive Player of the Week. Prior to suffering a shoulder injury against Washington State, he put together a streak of 92 consecutive passes without an interception—the sixth longest in school history—with the skein snapped on his first throw in his next game, in the fourth quarter at Baylor in an attempt to rally CU to victory. After missing two starts (Florida State, Baylor) with a sprained shoulder, he returned with a vengeance in throwing for 419 yards over Kansas. In setting CU single-game records for attempts (54) and completions (38), he led the Buffs to a third game winning or tying drive in the fourth quarter, completing 4-of-6 passes for 56 yards and ran for six more on CU's 11-play, 89-yard drive that led to Mason Crosby's 23-yard field goal. His two 400-plus yard games represent the fourth and fifth most passing yards in a game by a walk-on (or former walk-on) in NCAA Division I history. Against No. 1 Oklahoma, he completed 24-of-33 passes for 187 yards and three touchdowns, with his 72.7 completion percentage the fifth best in school history in a game where a QB attempted 30 or more passes. He had entered the fall slightly ahead in the battle to be the starting quarterback, and the coaches named him such just after the midway point of camp. He had a good spring running CU's offense, and was really adept at limiting mistakes (he threw just one interception and didn't take a sack in the three main spring scrimmages).

2002 (Fr.)—He played in three games, against Baylor late in some mop-up duty at quarterback, and in two others (Missouri, Iowa State) on the punt return team as a rusher/blocker. He threw three passes against the Bears, all falling incomplete. He was one of 11 "recruited" walk-ons that joined the team for August camp; he became one of three true freshmen walk-ons to play in 2002, but they are in a group of only four who have done so dating back to 1986. He was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the Colorado State game.

PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL—He played two seasons of minor league baseball, and was in spring training in 2001 and 2002 with the San Diego Padres. He was selected as a third baseman by the Padres with their 11th round pick of the 2000 amateur baseball draft, and joined Class A Peoria that summer, where he led the team in doubles with 12, as he batted .209 with one home run and 15 runs batted in. He was with Idaho Falls in 2001 (2 HR, 10 RBI, 3 SB) and would have been on the Eugene roster in 2002 had he stayed with baseball. He reported to spring training, but told himself that if he didn't land on the Fort Wayne team (high A-ball) and would have to remain in Arizona for extended spring training, he would give college football a try. Klatt's former minor league baseball teammate, Jake Peavy, claimed the 2004 earned run average title in major league baseball. A pitcher with the San Diego Padres, he finished

with a 15-6 record and 2.27 ERA; the two spent two spring trainings together in the Padres organization (2000, 2001) and were teammates in A-ball at one juncture.

HIGH SCHOOL—He was a two-time, first-team all-Jefferson County performer at quarterback, earning second-team all-state honors as a senior. As a senior, he completed 78-of-125 passes (62.4%) for 1,250 yards and 16 touchdowns. On defense as a junior, he had four interceptions playing in the secondary. Pomona was 5-5 his senior year and 10-3 his junior year, winning the Jefferson County league championship, under coach Gary Klatt (his father). He also lettered three times in basketball (guard), earning second-team all-conference honors as a senior. In baseball, as primarily a shortstop, he earned first-team all-state and all-conference honors as a senior, helping PHS to a runner-up finish in the state tournament. He set several school records, including ones for home runs (10), runs batted in (46), slugging percentage (1.126) and hits (52). He also set three summer school records, in homers (26), RBI's (99) and in slugging (1.147).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in economics at Colorado.

PERSONAL—He was born February 4, 1982 in Arvada, Colo. Hobbies include playing golf (he breaks 80 with regularity), is learning the guitar and being an avid Boston Red Sox fan. An older brother (Jason) played collegiate and minor league baseball. He married the former Sara Ordway this past May.

Season	G	PASSING					RUSHING				
		Att	Com	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Long	Att	Yds	Avg.
2002	3	3	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
2003	11	358	233	10	65.1	2614	21	82t	68	-91	-1.3
2004	12	334	192	15	57.5	2065	9	64t	39	-42	-1.1
Totals	26	695	425	25	61.2	4679	30	82t	107	-133	-1.2

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—NCAA Rating: 140.2 (2003); 109.3 (2004). Sacked/Yards Lost: 29/188 (2003); 18/108 (2004). Receiving: 1-18, 18.0 avg. (2004).

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JOE KLOPFENSTEIN, TE

6-6, 245, Sr., 3L

Aurora, Colo. (Grandview)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—CU's starting tight end and a legitimate candidate for the John Mackey Award as well as All-America honors. *Street & Smith's* and nationalchamps.net both cited him as an honorable mention preseason All-American (and he's one of a just a handful on the FWAA checklist), while he was virtually all the preseason publications choice for either first- or second-team all-Big 12 honors. The Sporting News ranked him as the No. 15 tight end in the nation, with Phil Steele's College Football tabbing him at No. 20. He won the Fred Casotti Award in the spring as the outstanding offensive back as selected by the coaching staff. He was the overall strength and conditioning champion for the "Explosion" group (TE, LB, FB, DS) with 66 points, owning a group bests of 403 pounds in the bench press and a 38-inch vertical jump, along with impressive showings in the standing long jump (10-0 feet), the 40-yard dash (4.53, which was sixth best on the team), the squat (504 lbs.), the power clean (315 lbs.) and incline (347 lbs.). He enters his senior season ranked high on several all-time Colorado career lists, as he is tied for 33rd in receptions (48), tied for 58th in receiving yards (474) and is tied for 15th in receiving TDs (8); those same numbers rank him eighth, 12th and fourth among tight ends.

2004 (Jr.)—He played in all 13 games with 12 starts, including the Houston Bowl (deferring to senior Jesse Wallace for his final home game), and earned second-team all-Big 12 honors from the league coaches and honorable mention accolades from the *Associated Press*. His best game of the year came at the best time—in CU's 33-28 win over Texas-El Paso in the bowl game, he caught five passes for 134 yards and a touchdown—earned all-bowl team honors from ESPN.com. The touchdown he



had against the Miners was a 78-yard catch and run effort where he shook the safety at midfield and ran away from all other defenders for what would be the longest reception by a tight end in school history (by some 21 yards). He tied for the second most receptions on the team, as he caught 28 passes for 284 yards and four touchdowns. He caught at least one pass in 11 games (shutout only against No. 2 Oklahoma), and had two or more in eight games and three or more in five contests. Numbers-wise, his top game came against North Texas, when he caught six passes for 67 yards and two touchdowns. He also had four grabs for 48 yards at Texas A&M, including a pair of key receptions on CU's go-ahead touchdown drive with 1:05 left; one was a terrific one-handed snare and the other brought CU to the 1-yard line (both were 11 yards in length). A 45-yard pass from James Cox against Texas was his long play of the season, and the third longest overall by the Buffaloes on the year. He earned CU's offensive lineman of the week for two games (North Texas and Nebraska). *Street & Smith's* cited him as a preseason honorable mention All-American, while *The Sporting News* ranked him as the No. 4 tight end in the nation.

2003 (Soph.)—He played in 11 games, including 10 starts as he had a breakout-type season (he missed the Texas Tech road trip with a bad case of the flu, which also kept him from starting the following week against Missouri). He had entered the fall listed third at tight end, but between a combination of his development and injuries at the position, he ascended to starting status for the season opener against Colorado State. In earning honorable mention all-Big12 Conference honors from both the *Associated Press* and the league coaches, he caught 20 passes for 190 yards, four touchdowns and eight first downs on the season, catching at least one pass in nine games and two or more in six contests. His reception best was five against UCLA (for 25 yards), with his yardage best being 63 yards on three receptions versus Kansas (including his season long, 48 yards, which went for a score). His two touchdowns against Washington State marked the first time a CU tight end caught two in a game since Nov. 9, 1996, when Brody Heffner Liddiard had a pair in a 49-42 win over Iowa State. He had a solid spring, as he led all players on offense with 11 receptions; he averaged 12.5 yards per catch (137 yards) and caught two touchdown passes.

2002 (Fr.)—He saw action in seven regular season games, but did not catch any passes.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *PrepStar* All-America honors, with the publication ranking him as the No. 6 tight end in its Midlands region. *Student Sports* ranked him as the No. 20 tight end in the country, with *Rivals.com* ranking No. 27. *Prep Football Report* and *SuperPrep* both named him to their All-Midlands teams, and closer to home, he earned first-team all-state (*Rocky Mountain News*) and all-Grand Peaks League honors at defensive end. He was second team all-league at linebacker as a junior, and was an honorable mention all-league performer at the position as a sophomore. As a senior, he played slot-back, rushing 16 times for 103 yards and catching 10 passes for 130 yards a touchdown. He had 53 tackles on defense (21 solo), with 14 for losses including eight quarterback sacks, seven quarterback pressures and three passes broken up. He had 50 tackles as a junior (12 TFL's, seven sacks), five hurries and a forced fumble, and 45 tackles with four sacks, a forced fumble and a recovery as a sophomore. He played guard on offense as sophomore and junior, and played quarterback as a freshman. He also handled placement kicks on occasion (usually field goals) and kicked off as well. Top games his senior year came against Broomfield (five catches for 50 yards and a touchdown, 12 tackles and a sack on defense in a 38-14 win) and versus George Washington (2-30 receiving, 15 tackles, including three sacks). Grandview was 9-2 his senior year, advancing to the state playoffs, and was 7-3 his junior and 3-7 his sophomore year under coach Rocky Whitworth. He also lettered once in baseball (first baseman) and in track (ran the 200 and relays as a senior).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. He was an honor roll student in high school.

PERSONAL—He was born November 9, 1983 in Denver. Hobbies include skiing, participating in several sports, going to the movies and lifting weights. (*Last name is pronounced Klof-N-stein; the P is silent.*)

Season	G	RECEIVING			TD	Long	High Games	
		No.	Yds	Avg.			Rec	Yds
2003	11	20	190	9.5	4	48t	5	63
2004	12	28	284	10.1	4	45	6	80
Totals	23	48	474	9.9	8	48t	6	80

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 3,2—5 (2004).

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ALEX LIGON, DE

6-3, 250, Jr., 2L

Torrance, Calif. (North Torrance)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall as CU's starting rush defensive end, as he had a solid spring. The *Sporting News* selected him as a preseason second-team all-Big 12 Conference member. He was the overall strength and conditioning champion for the "Power" group (OL, DL) with 54 points, owning a team-best of 335 pounds in the power clean, along with impressive showings in the vertical jump (32-5 inches), the squat (539 lbs.) and the pro shuttle (4.45 seconds).

2004 (Soph.)—He played in all 13 games, with 10 starts including the Houston Bowl, as he earned honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from the *Associated Press*. In playing the fourth most snaps on defense (695), he posted 34 tackles, including 21 solo, 11 for losses and four-and-a-half quarterback sacks. He added five third down stops, three quarterback hurries, two passes broken up, two forced fumbles and a recovery. He had a monster game at Washington State, and was rewarded for it by being named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week (as well as CU's lineman of the week); he was in on a career-high seven tackles, six solo, with four for losses including three quarterback sacks, and forced a fumble (against Texas). In the bowl win over UTEP, he was in on four tackles, with two solo stops (one was a quarterback sack while the other was for a loss) and a quarterback hurry. He also had six stops in the opener against Colorado State and five each against North Texas and Texas A&M; he had the bulk of his tackles (28) in the first seven games of the year.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in 11 games, including one start (at Texas Tech), while missing the Baylor game for precautionary reasons recovering from a concussion. In 250 snaps from scrimmage, he registered 15 tackles, which included nine solo stops, four for losses and three quarterback sacks. His top game was at Iowa State, where he played his most snaps (41) in racking up four tackles, three of which were unassisted with two of those quarterback sacks. He also recovered a fumble (against Oklahoma) and forced one (at Texas Tech) to go with three hurries and a pass deflection on the year. He added one tackle on special teams coverage duty.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any game action. He was quite the practice player, as on three different occasions the coaches named him as the Scout Team Defense player of the week (for the UCLA, Kansas and first Oklahoma games).

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *SuperPrep* all-Far West and *PrepStar* all-West honors, along with first-team all-state (*Cal-Hi Sports*), all-CIF, all-area (*L.A. Daily Breeze*) and all-Ocean League honors, and was second-team all-CIF for all divisions. He was the CIF Division 10 defensive player-of-the-year as both a junior and senior, and also earned first-team all-league honors as a sophomore and junior. As a senior, he was in on 80 tackles, with 20 for losses including 11 quarterback sacks, along with 12 hurries, five forced fumbles, four fumble recoveries, three passes broken up and two blocked punts playing both outside linebacker and defensive end. As a junior, he played linebacker and was in on 147 tackles (the third most in school history), with 11 for losses and five sacks; he also had four PBU's, four hurries, three forced fumbles, two recoveries, two blocked kicks and an interception. He had 85 tackles as a sophomore, also playing linebacker, with 10 for losses, three sacks and six PBU's. He was primarily a blocking tight end on offense, as he caught one pass his junior (for 36 yards) and senior (16) seasons. Top career games: in a 28-14 loss to Beverly Hills as a junior, he had 26 tackles, five for losses, with three PBU's; in a 42-33 win over Inglewood as a senior, he has 12 tackles (three TFL's, one sack), three fumble recoveries and a blocked punt; and his sophomore year in a 28-10 win over El Segundo, he had 15 tackles, three for losses, and four PBU's. NTHS was 12-2 his senior year (division champs and CIF runner-up), 6-4-1 his junior campaign and 7-5-1 his sophomore season under coach Todd Croce; they were the Ocean League champs his sophomore and senior years. He also lettered once in track (shot put).



ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado.

PERSONAL—He was born August 25, 1984 in Gardena, Calif. His hobbies include lifting weights, movies and going to his grandmother's house (his mom was a flight attendant so he spent a lot of time there and loves her cooking). He also collects movies, and has over 300 in VHS and DVD collection. His father (Alfred) played free safety at UNLV in 1982-83 and signed with the Kansas City Chiefs as a free agent, but injuries cut short his attempt to make the team. Active in his community, as he volunteers at a center for neglected children over the Christmas holidays. (*Last name is pronounced lih-gone.*)

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2003	11	250	9	6—15	4-21	3-20	0	3	1	1	1	0
2004	12	695	21	13—34	11-57	4 1/2-42	5	3	1	2	2	0
Totals	23	945	30	19—49	15-78	7 1/2-62	5	6	2	3	3	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 1,0—1 (2003).

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MAURICE LUCAS, DE
6-5, 235, Fr., HS
Denver, Colo. (Rangeview)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a defensive end as a true freshman.


HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *SuperPrep* All-American honors, as well as All-Midlands mention from the publication (No. 13 overall and the second defensive end). Scout.com named him to its Midlands Top 100 list as the 10th-best overall performer and the No. 3 defensive end. Rivals.com dubbed him the No. 4 player in Colorado and the No. 19 strong side defensive end in the nation. Both the *Rocky Mountain News* and the *Denver Post* named him to their All-Colorado squads as an offensive lineman, while the *Rocky* tabbed him first-team all-state (5A) at defensive line and the *Post* naming him first-team all-state at offensive tackle. He was an all-Continental League selection at both positions, and he received offensive and defensive Team MVP honors in 2004. For his efforts as a junior, he was a first-team all-league selection and an honorable mention all-state pick by the *Post*. As a senior, he led his team with 56 tackles and six quarterback sacks despite being double-teamed throughout the year. Offensively, he blocked for the state's leading rusher, Cory Nabors, who ran for 2,237 yards and 29 touchdowns. As a junior, he was in on 32 solo tackles, several for losses, and he was a four-year starter on both the offensive and defensive lines. His best prep game came against Eaglecrest in a 20-19 victory during a 13-tackle performance his senior year. Under coach Dave Gonzales, the Raiders were 7-4 in 2004, losing in the first round of the state playoffs. He also lettered in track, finishing second in state in the shot put and discus throws in 2004; he had personal bests of 56-0 in the shot put and 181-0 in the discus.

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major at Colorado, but is interested in engineering. He took several engineering classes at CU in the summer of 2004 (his father is an electrical engineer). Lucas owned a 3.0 grade point average in high school, as he has been on the honor roll since his junior year. He was also the April 2004 Student of the Month at Rangeview.

PERSONAL—He was born March 26, 1987 in Denver. He was the first player to commit to Colorado in the '05 class, doing so on March 3, 2004. Hobbies include hiking and biking with his father (David). His favorite place to spend time outdoors is at the Chicago Creek Campground, west of Idaho Springs, Colo. He also enjoys listening to an assortment of music, including hip-hop, rock and jazz. He has done volunteer work at a support walk for underprivileged kids in Denver.

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BLAKE MACKEY, WR
6-3, 200, Jr., 1L
Bakersfield, Calif. (Bakersfield)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall as a co-starter at the "x" receiver position, but will be in the regular rotation whether he's a starter or not. *Phil Steele's College Football* selected him a preseason fourth-team all-Big 12 performer, but he came on at the end of his sophomore season and could have a breakout year. He ran the second fastest 40-yard dash time on the team (4.38) in spring conditioning tests.

2004 (Soph.)—He enjoyed a breakout season, especially over the last eight games. He played in all 13 games, including the Houston Bowl, with his first two career starts (against Nebraska and Oklahoma when starter Evan Judge was first ill and then not at 100 percent). He was fifth on the team in receptions, as he caught 26 passes for a team-high 417 yards, 16.0 per catch, with one touchdown. He had only one catch in the first four games before catching fire against Oklahoma State, hauling down six for 129 yards, the most receiving yards by a Buff in 2004. He had another top outing at Nebraska in his first career start, catching eight balls for 116 yards, including his first career TD, a 6-yard pass from Joel Klatt that opened the scoring in the contest. He averaged 18.5 yards on 11 first down receptions, earning nine first downs in the process, and caught nine balls on third down, six of which earned first downs (his TD grab was also on a third down play). He had 19 plays of 10 yards or longer, third most on the team (Bobby Purify had 35 and Lawrence Vickers 21), though 68 percent of his touches went for double figures, the best ratio on the team. In the bowl win over UTEP, he caught two passes for 32 yards. He was starting to shine in practice when a shin injury knocked him for the last two weeks of spring drills; he did catch a 16-yard touchdown pass in the first full scrimmage.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He was injured most of the season, as he was finally healthy enough to play in the final two games of the season (though he did not catch any passes). He suffered a lower leg injury in August drills and it was slow to heal. He caught four passes for 54 yards in the three main spring scrimmages.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any game action. He dressed for 11 games, and was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the San Diego State game.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he garnered *PrepStar* and *SuperPrep* All-America honors, and an invitation to play in the California-Florida Bowl. He made the prestigious *Long Beach Press-Telegram's* Best-in-West team, with seven out of a possible 10 votes from Pac-10 Conference recruiting coordinators. Rivals.com ranked him as the nation's No. 90 overall player, while *The Sporting News* ranked him at No. 91; both had him ranked as the country's No. 9 receiver. *PrepStar* ranked him as the No. 5 receiver in the West region, while *SuperPrep* ranked him No. 21 nationally. He also earned first-team all-state, all-CIF, all-Central District, all-area and all-league honors. He was a second-team all-area selection as a junior. As a senior, he caught 57 passes for 910 yards and 11 touchdowns, averaging 16.0 yards per catch, also returning a few punts and kickoffs on occasion. As a junior, he caught 29 passes for 750 yards and 13 touchdowns (25.9 per reception), and rushed for about 200 yards and another score. He also returned two kickoffs and one punt for touchdowns, giving him 17 total scores. All in all, he had 86 career receptions for 1,660 yards and 24 touchdowns, averaging 19.3 yards per catch with eight 100-yard receiving games. Top games as a senior included a 46-14 win over Bakersfield West, when he caught eight passes for 235 yards and three touchdowns, and in a 42-14 win over Clovis, when he snared six passes for 150 yards and two scores. Bakersfield, under coach Tim Hartnett, was 25-1 his two seasons on the varsity, going 13-0 his senior year to win the Division I Central Section championship, and 12-1 his junior season, losing in the final. He lettered four times in track, and was a four-time all-area performer in sprints and relays. He owns prep career bests of 21.67 in the 200 and 47.7 in the 400, and as a senior, he was the CIF state champion in the 400 (winning with a 47.9 time). He also lettered twice in basketball (shooting guard), playing as a sophomore and junior. He also ran track for four years.



ACADEMICS—He is majoring in communication at Colorado. He made the honor roll as a senior at Bakersfield.

PERSONAL—He was born September 24, 1983 in Bakersfield, Calif. His hobbies include fishing, watching movies and playing video games, and he's officiated basketball in the summer. His older brother, Allen, will be a third-year sophomore this fall on the Buffaloes, as he plays defensive back. A cousin (Jason Howard) in a high jumper at Texas Christian, and another cousin (Brian Howard) also ran track at TCU and is a member of the Santa Monica Track Club, one of the west coast's premier teams.

Season	G	RECEIVING					PUNT RETURNS				
		No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
2003	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2004	12	26	417	16.0	1	43	8	129			
Totals	14	26	417	16.0	1	43	8	129			

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Rushing: 2-minus 2, -2.0 avg. (2004).

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BRYCE MacMARTIN, C
 6-2, 290, Jr., JC
 San Francisco, Calif. (Lowell/
 City College of San Francisco)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall as the backup at center, but with CU facing some depth issues on the offensive line, he will likely see some practice time if not game action at guard. He enrolled at CU in time for the spring semester and thus participated in spring drills.

JUNIOR COLLEGE (Fr./Soph., 2003-04)—He lettered twice at center at the City College of San Francisco. A first-team all-NorCal Conference performer during those years under coach George Rush, he started all 24 games and helped lead the Rams to a combined two-year record of 23-1. He only allowed one quarterback sack as a sophomore as CCSF went on to claim its fifth-straight conference championship with an 11-1 record. In 2003, CCSF was crowned conference and California State champs, en route to winning the national title with an impressive 12-0 undefeated season, his two biggest moments of his junior college career.

HIGH SCHOOL—He lettered three years in football playing on the offensive line and at defensive tackle. Very impressively, he never gave up a sack during his entire three-year varsity career, as he was a team captain in 2001 and 2002, while also being named the team's outstanding lineman both seasons. As a senior, he garnered first-team all-metro and all-city accolades to help pave the way for Lowell's 342 yards per game rushing average; in addition, he only committed two penalties. On defense he racked up 63 tackles (42 solo), including 18 for losses, with 6.5 sacks, two fumble recoveries, four forced fumbles and two pass breakups. He also blocked one punt that he returned for a touchdown. During his junior campaign he was an all-city selection once again, committing only five penalties; he also totaled 26 stops (14 solo), nine tackles for loss, with 3.5 sacks, three fumble recoveries, three forced fumbles and two pass deflections. He earned all-city honorable mention honors as a sophomore for his O-line play, as well. The top highlights of his prep career include going undefeated in league play his senior year, and winning the 2002 city championship game 52-23 over Carlmont. In that contest, MacMartin helped clear a path for his tailback to gain 286 yards and score six touchdowns. Under coach Jason Krolkowski, Lowell was 11-1 his senior year and captured the 2002 league and city championships. His team finished 7-4 his junior season and went 6-5 during his sophomore campaign. He also lettered once in track with a personal best shot put of 48-0 and discus throw of 152-0. Both marks came during Lowell's 2003 run to the city and league championships, as he was named the Most Outstanding Thrower in league finals competition. He also lettered once in basketball (playing power forward).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in chemical engineering at Colorado. During high school, he scored a 1410 on the SAT and graduated with a

3.65 grade point average. As a senior, he was a College Football Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete selection, a National Honor Roll member and National Merit Scholar semifinalist.

PERSONAL—Born February 16, 1985 in San Francisco. His hobbies include playing basketball, singing and music in general. He was a member of his high school chamber choir, and also interned during the summer at a Bay Area Alzheimer's research lab.

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VAKA MANUPUNA, DT
 6-1, 290, Sr., 3L
 Kihei, Hawai'i (St. Louis)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall as one of CU's starting nose tackles, as he is coming off a breakout junior season and followed it up with a solid spring. *Phil Steele's College Football* tabbed him as a fourth-team preseason all-Big 12 Conference team member, ranking him as the No. 52 defensive tackle in the nation. In spring conditioning tests, he posted team bests in the squat (609 lbs.) and in the incline (390 lbs.), as well as the third highest bench press (409 lbs.).

2004—He played in all 13 games with 12 starts, including in the Houston Bowl (deferring to senior Brandon Dabdoub for the Kansas State game, his final home game), and earned honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from the *Associated Press*. In playing the fifth most snaps on defense (671), he racked up 42 tackles, including 28 solo and two-and-a-half quarterback sacks. He had eight tackles for loss overall to go with eight third down stops, two hurries, a forced fumble (at Kansas) and a pass broken up. Manupuna had at least three tackles in 10 games, including the final nine of the regular season, and matched his career high of five tackles in three different games: Missouri, Texas and Kansas State (all were solo stops in the UT game, his career best for unassisted tackles). Against UTEP in the bowl game, he had two assisted tackles and a quarterback hurry. He was one of 10 players named by the coaches to CU's prestigious Victory Club, as one must post a winning productivity grade in at least games on the season. He had an outstanding spring, as the coaches tabbed him as the Most Improved Defensive Player Award winner. He had 12 tackles, three for losses, in CU's three full scrimmages.

2003 (Soph.)—He played in all 12 games, including a pair of starts (against Kansas State and No. 1 Oklahoma). He played 314 snaps from scrimmage in racking up 11 tackles (9 solo), including two for losses, and also had four quarterback hurries and a third down stop. He had a season high three tackles at Texas Tech (all solo stops, one for a loss), and played his most snaps, 45, against Oklahoma followed by 38 versus both Kansas State and Iowa State. He missed six spring practices as he returned home to be with his family after the sudden death of his mother. He had moved to offensive guard for the first portion of spring, but when he returned for the last week of practices, was shifted back to defense.

2002 (Fr.-RS)—He played in 10 games including the Alamo Bowl (no starts), getting in on special teams in all 10 and playing some defensive tackle in three games. He posted one tackle on the year, a tackle for loss at that for a couple of yards at UCLA. He saw action for 44 snaps on defense. He suffered a torn PCL (posterior cruciate ligament) in the final days of spring practice, but the injury didn't require surgery. He was attentive to a rehabilitation program for the knee, and was 100 percent by fall camp.

2001 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced the entire season at defensive tackle.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-state honors from both the *Honolulu Advertiser* and *Star-Bulletin*. *SuperPrep* named him to its All-Far West team, ranked as the No. 72 player overall in the region, and he also earned first-team all-Interscholastic League of Honolulu (ILH) honors for a second straight year. As a senior, he registered 37 solo tackles (about 60 overall), with four fumble recoveries, three forced fumbles and three quarterback sacks. As a junior, when he also earned all-state mention, he was in on 28 solo tackles, with seven tackles for



loss (three sacks), two forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries. Started every game his last two years in high school at defensive tackle. He moved to Oahu prior to his junior year; he had also started every game at defensive tackle as a sophomore at Maui High School. Top game as a senior came against Samoa of American Samoa, when he had seven tackles, three for losses, a fumble recovery and a sack. Against Samien the same year, he had 10 tackles, two sacks and a fumble recovery. St. Louis was 13-1 his junior and senior seasons and the ILH champions under legendary coach Cal Lee, winning the state title his junior year but missing out on a repeat championship his senior year (lost to Kahuku in the finals).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in ethnic studies at Colorado.

PERSONAL—Born June 30, 1982 in Honolulu, Hawai'i. His hobbies include studying the history of the people and islands of the South Pacific, basketball, listening to music (especially Polynesian and reggae), and spending time at the beach. He is also adept at husking—coconuts. Given first name is Lafaele. Basically a life-long resident of Maui (his family is in Kihei), he attended high school on Oahu and stayed with an older brother. (*First name is pronounced vah-ka; last name pronounced ma-na-poo-h-na*).

TACKLES														
Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int		
2002	3	44	1	0—1	1-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2003	12	314	9	2—11	2-6	0-0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
2004	12	671	28	14—42	8-26	2 1/2-12	8	2	0	1	1	0		
Totals	27	1029	38	16—54	11-34	2 1/2-12	9	6	0	1	1	0		

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CHASE McBRIDE, WR
5-8, 160, Soph., TR, Thornton, Colo.
(Broomfield/Wyoming)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall listed fifth at the “z” receiver position, but could get a serious look at a kick return man. He had one catch for nine yards in spring full scrimmage action.

2004 (Fr.-RS)—He was not eligible to play as he transferred to CU from Wyoming in time to join the team as a walk-on for preseason camp. He practiced at wide receiver and was a valuable member of the scout team, as he was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the North Texas and Kansas games.

AT WYOMING (2003, Fr.)—Redshirted at the University of Wyoming; he practiced as a receiver and return specialist as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—A four-year letterman at running back, he was an all-Colorado honoree, all-state selection and runner-up for the Steinmark Award. He was all-Colorado again his junior year, and earned all-state honors as a sophomore and freshman. His senior season he rushed for 1,800 yards and 22 touchdowns on 190 carries (9.5 average), with his longest run covering 99 yards. He also had 33 catches for 500 yards and five touchdowns, as he averaged about 15 yards per catch. As a punt returner he averaged about 40 yards per return, while he had four touchdowns and a long return of 94 yards; he also had four kickoff returns go for scores. His junior year he ran for 1,750 yards and 26 touchdowns on 171 attempts, as he also reeled in 31 passes for 700 yards (22.5 yard average) and six touchdowns. On punt returns he averaged 42.5 yards per attempt and had six touchdowns, and he returned four kickoffs for touchdowns. As a sophomore he had 1,100 yards rushing and returned three punts for touchdowns. During his freshman campaign he totaled 800 yards on the ground and had one punt return go for a touchdown. For his career, he racked up 22 touchdowns that came off returns, and is currently tied for the most in Colorado prep history. Under coach Gary Davis, Broomfield was 9-2 his senior year, 13-1 (state champions) his junior season and 6-4 his sophomore and freshman

years. He says the biggest moment in his football career was playing in two state championships while he was in high school. He was also a four-year letterman in basketball, as he was named to the all-state team four times at point guard. He lettered twice in track (sprints) and three times in baseball, where he was a three-time all-state centerfielder.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in education at Colorado.

PERSONAL—Born May 17, 1984 in Denver, Colo. Hobbies include playing ping-pong. He has aspirations to become a teacher and football coach after college.

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GARDNER McKAY, CB
5-11, 150, Fr., HS
Inglewood, Calif. (Crenshaw)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a cornerback as a true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL—A triple threat as a returner, cornerback and receiver, he was a three-year letterman and won the All-Around Leadership Award as a team captain his senior year. *SuperPrep* called him a “shut-down specialist” and named him to its All-Far West squad (No. 39 player overall), while *PrepStar* tabbed him as an All-West Region member. In addition, *Rivals.com* ranked him as the No. 34 player in its special “Athlete” category and the No. 42 ranked player on the California Postseason Top 100 list. He was also a first-team all-city and all-City League honoree, and a second-team all-state selection. In the California-Florida Bowl he finished with seven tackles and had a 55-yard kickoff return. As a junior, he was a second-team all-league selection. As a senior, he had 37 receptions for 800 yards and eight touchdowns. On defense he made seven interceptions and had 20 pass deflections, and on special teams, he returned two kickoffs for touchdowns (96 and 85 yards) and had one punt return, for a 45-yard score. During his junior campaign he caught eight touchdown passes, and had five interceptions and 25 pass breakups. He lists his top game as a win over Gardena in the first-round of the 2004 playoffs when he had two receiving touchdowns of 35 and 43 yards, four solo tackles, one interception and three pass breakups. In a 47-17 win over Venice the following week, he reeled in nine passes for 100-plus yards and one score; he also had four tackles. Other top games include a 48-6 victory over Westchester earlier that same year, when he had four catches for 85 yards and one touchdown, two pass deflections and five tackles, and an 86-yard kickoff return for a touchdown. Under coach Robert Garrett, Crenshaw was 10-3 his senior year (lost in city semifinals), was 9-3 his junior season (lost in city quarterfinals) and went 8-3 his sophomore year, winning the City League crown. He also lettered three times in track (sprints), with personal bests of 10.8 in the 100 and 21.9 in the 200. His 4x100 relay team placed fourth in the 2004 state championships with a time of 48.0.

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major at Colorado, but is interested in graphic arts. Owner of a 3.3 grade point average in high school, he was a consistent honor roll student and was named his school’s Student of the Month for September of his junior year.

PERSONAL—Born August 20, 1986 in Los Angeles, Calif. Hobbies include playing basketball, art and sketching. He is the first person in his family to attend college, as his parents are originally from Belize, a place he has visited several times. He was a high school teammate of Darian Hagan Jr., who is the son of the current CU staffer and former All-American quarterback.

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GARY MOORE, OL6-6, 320, Sr., 3L
Aurora, Colo. (Overland)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall as the backup to both tackle positions, but since he's also played guard in his career, with the experienced depth the way it is on the team he figures to see plenty of action if he doesn't wrestle a starting position away from someone else.

2004 (Jr.)—He saw action in all 13 games including the Houston Bowl (no starts), as he played in 12 on offense (the bowl as well) and in all on the field goal/PAT unit on special teams (he played all 53 snaps on the unit). He graded out to 74.0 percent for the season on 100 gradable snaps from scrimmage, with two knockdown blocks. He allowed just one quarterback pressure and did not allow a sack or get called for any penalties. His top game grade with 10 or more plays came against North Texas (75.0). He saw action at both guard and tackle.

2003 (Soph.)—He saw action in all 12 games, including nine of offense and all on special teams (one start, the first of his career coming at Texas Tech). On offense, he played 277 snaps, grading out to 67.1 percent for the season. He had six knockdown blocks and two touchdown blocks while allowing nine pressures, four quarterback sacks and was called for three penalties. His top game grade of 81.0 came against Kansas (61 snaps, 51 plus-plays), while grading out to 71.7 percent (61-43) in his start against Texas Tech. He also played all 50 snaps on the field goal/PAT unit on special teams.

2002 (Fr.-RS)—He was the backup at tight-side tackle the entire season, seeing action in five regular season games as well as the Alamo Bowl against Wisconsin. He was in for 27 plays from scrimmage, grading out to 77.8 percent (21 plus plays) during the 13-game regular season, and played almost two dozen more in the bowl game. He had three knockdown blocks and one downfield block on the year. In an impressive off-season conditioning program, he worked hard to drop 45 pounds from his frame, down to 325 from the 370 he weighed when he reported to CU.

2001 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced the entire season on the offensive line. Prior to the Kansas game, he sang "God Bless America" at Folsom Field in the first game following the tragic Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. He was CU's Scout Team Offensive Award winner for that game as well.

HIGH SCHOOL—He earned *PrepStar* All-American and all-Midlands honors as a senior as the No. 7 defensive lineman in the region and the No. 29 player overall. Also named all-Midlands by the *Prep Football Report* and *SuperPrep*, who respectively named him as the No. 5 and No. 10 offensive linemen in the region. He was named all-state by the *Rocky Mountain News* and honorable mention by the *Denver Post*, and was also selected to the Colorado blue chip list by both newspapers. He also made the *Las Vegas Sun's* Super 11 honorable mention team (showcasing the best 33 players in the west). A two-time, first-team all-Centennial Conference selection as a junior and senior. He predominantly played offensive guard, but did see occasional action on defense in short yardage situations, registering four tackles. He tore his MCL late in October of his senior year (against Boulder); he underwent reconstructive knee surgery shortly thereafter and missed the remainder of the season. Top games as a senior before the injury included a 24-17 win over Arapahoe, when he helped pave the way for Overland tailback Marcus Sias' 200-yard rushing day, and a 24-21 overtime victory over Smoky Hill that sent the Trailblazers into the playoffs. Defensively, his best career game came against Mullen as a junior, where he knocked down five passes in a 33-17 losing effort. Posted 22 tackles as a junior, five for losses, one fumble recovery and the five PBU's from that one game. Overland was 7-4 his senior season, losing to Northglenn in the first round of the state playoffs, 3-7 his junior year and 6-4 his sophomore year under coach Tony Manfredi. In the *Rocky Mountain News*, Manfredi said of Moore, "(He is) one of the most dominating offensive

lineman to pass through this state in several years." *SuperPrep* backed him up in writing, "He is totally dominating along the trenches." He also lettered three times in basketball, averaging 8.2 points and 6.0 rebounds per game as a junior on the varsity team. He also lettered twice in track, throwing the discus and shot put.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in economics at Colorado.

PERSONAL—Born November 14, 1982 in Denver. He loves music, especially gospel music and sings in his church choir. Hobbies include singing and drawing.

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KEVIN MOYD, TB5-7, 180, Fr., HS
Miramar, Fla. (Northwestern)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a tailback his true freshman year as a collegian.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he was an honorable mention All-Dade County selection as he carried the ball 160 times for over 900 yards and 10 touchdowns. His junior season, he had 90 rushes for 770 yards and five touchdowns. Some of his top prep games include a win against Miami Jackson in his junior year when he rushed 16 times for 223 yards and two touchdowns. Later that season against South Plantation in the first round of the playoffs, he rushed 17 times for 173 yards and one touchdown, as Northwestern prevailed 35-7. In his senior campaign, he ran wild against South Plantation again, as he had 20 carries for 150 yards and two touchdowns in a 28-14 win. Under coach Roland Smith, Northwestern was 7-4 his senior season, losing in the first round of the state playoffs, 12-1 his junior year, losing in the state regional finals and 10-4 his sophomore season. A three-time all-Dad Country performer and four time letterman in track, he ran the 4x400 and 4x800-meter relays, the 300-meter hurdles (38.0 best) and competed in the long jump (23-0). His 4x800 relay team won the conference championship his freshman through senior years, and the track teams were the state champs in 2003 and runner-ups in 2004.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in business (finance) as his major at Colorado. He owned a 3.1 grade point average as a prep, but acquired a 4.0 when weighted with advanced courses as part of the SGA program. He is also a member of the National Honor Society.

PERSONAL—He was born November 14, 1987 in Miami, Fla. Hobbies include watching television and hanging out with friends, and he has done volunteer work at a Miami-area hospital. His mother (Carmen Jackson) ran track at Jackson State; an uncle (Frank Armstrong) played football at East Tennessee State; and another uncle (Otis Armstrong) played football at Northwestern. His high school had produced 19 National Football League players, including six in the 2004 season. (*Last name is pronounced moid, as in void or boyd.*)

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GREG NEWMAN, DE

6-4, 235, Fr., RS

Thousand Oaks, Calif. (Westlake)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall listed second at defensive end. He had five tackles in the three full spring scrimmages.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any action but practiced at defensive end the entire fall.

HIGH SCHOOL—A *PrepStar* All-American and All-West as well as a *SuperPrep* All-Far West selection as a senior, when he earned Ventura County and Marmonte League Defensive Player of the Year honors. (*SuperPrep* ranked him as the No. 77 player in California.) A two-time all-CIF, all-Marmonte League and all-Ventura County performer, earning the honors both as a junior and senior; he was a second-team all-league selection his sophomore year. As a senior, he racked up 115 tackles (94 solo), with 12 for losses including three sacks, four hurries, two interceptions, two deflections and a forced fumble. As a junior, he was in on 85 tackles (54 solo), with 10 for losses and two-and-a-half sacks, and a cause d fumble. As a sophomore, playing defensive end, he had 40 tackles (25 solo), with 10 for losses including five sacks, and an interception he returned for a touchdown. A three-year starter on defense, he played some spot fullback during his career, mainly blocking in short yardage situations. Top games as a senior: in a 28-6 win over St. Bonaventure in the CIF championship game, he had 14 tackles, two for losses, and an interception; in a 38-7 win over Moorpark in the semifinal, he had 11 tackles, two for losses, and a pick; and in a 25-24 win over Hart, he had 12 tackles and a pass broken up. Westlake was 14-0 his senior season, winning the CIF Division IV title, and was 11-3 his junior year (reaching the finals) and 10-3 his sophomore year (semifinalist) under coach Jim Benkert. Also played some baseball as a prep.

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major at Colorado, but is interested in business.

PERSONAL—He was born February 1, 1986 in Santa Monica, Calif. Hobbies include snowboarding, cars and computers, and he attained the Star rank in the Boy Scouts. A second cousin, Jentry Beckstead, is a relief pitcher in the Colorado Rockies farm system; he reached AA ball in 2005, as he is a member of the Tulsa Drillers in the Texas League.

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CLINT O'NEAL, OT

6-6, 305, Sr., 3L

Weatherford, Texas (Weatherford)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall as CU's starting tight side tackle. He had an excellent summer working on his strength and overall conditioning as he could make a run at some honors his senior season.

2004 (Jr.)—He started all 13 games including the Houston Bowl at tight side offensive tackle, grading out to 75.7 percent for the regular season for 522 gradable plays (he played 546 overall, including the Big 12 Championship game, which the coaches did not grade). He recorded 12 knockdown and two touchdown blocks on the season, while allowing two-and-a-half quarterback sacks and 15 pressures while being flagged four times for penalties. His top game grade came at Kansas, when he posted the fourth best number on the year by any lineman—84.4

percent. He played at 300 pounds, adding 20 pounds of muscle to his frame since between his sophomore and junior seasons.

2003 (Soph.)—He started the first four games of the year at tight tackle, and eventually saw action on the split side as well in playing in 11 games overall (four total starts). He graded out to 68.2 percent for the year for 343 snaps from scrimmage, with one knockdown block and one touch-down block; he allowed nine pressures, three-and-a-half quarterback sacks and was called for two penalties. His high game grade was 86.7 against Kansas (15 snaps, 13 plus-plays), followed by 85.0 against Iowa State (20-17). He played an additional 13 snaps on special teams (field goal and PAT unit).

2002 (Fr.-RS)—He was the backup at the split-side tackle position for the season, and saw action in six games, including the Alamo Bowl (no starts). He was in for 24 snaps from scrimmage in the five regular season games (grading out with 17 plus plays and seven minus), and added about a dozen more in the bowl game against Wisconsin. He played at around 270 pounds as a redshirt frosh.

2001 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced the entire year on the offensive line, mainly at tackle.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned pre- and postseason *PrepStar* All-American honors, and was one of 18 offensive linemen to earn mention on the *Houston Chronicle* Texas Top 100 list. He was named to the all-Southwest teams by both *Prep Football Report* (the No. 81 player overall) and *SuperPrep* (No. 85). *PrepStar* also ranked him as the No. 12 offensive lineman in the Midlands, while *SuperPrep* tabbed him as the No. 43 player in the state of Texas in the preseason. He also earned all-state, all-area and all-district honors as a senior, when he graded out to better than 90 percent on his assignments, did not allow a quarterback sack and was called for just one penalty in making 55 pancake blocks. He blocked for tailback Mark Pierce, a 2,000-plus yard runner who is headed for Arkansas. Head coach at Weatherford was Mike Sneed. He transferred to Weatherford from Arlington Heights (Fort Worth) High after his junior year; he had started at offensive tackle as both a junior (registering 46 pancakes) and a sophomore (30). He did not allow a sack as a junior and was called for only two penalties in being named all-state and all-district, only one of three underclassmen selected to the either team.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in history at Colorado. He owned a 3.0 grade point average and was an honor roll student in high school.

PERSONAL—Born April 27, 1983 in Fort Worth, Texas. He was selected for the United States Olympic Academy (on leadership and athletic ability) to teach individuals to be leaders on and off the playing field and to help bring back to your state the knowledge for programs to help your school be successful. A cousin (Kerry Knox) played baseball at Texas Christian and was drafted by the San Diego Padres. Hobbies include hunting and fishing. He is also a member of FFA (Future Farmers Association), Young Life, the Link Program (for handicapped children), and has worked extensively with the Special Olympics. He was the second player to commit to CU for the 2001 class, doing so less than two weeks after attending the 2000 Buffalo Football Technique School.

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GREG PACE, SN

5-11, 235, Sr., 3L

Hinsdale, Ill. (Central)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—CU's long and short snapper, in position to become the first player in school history to earn four letters for this particular specialty. He won the Bill McCartney Award in the spring, as presented by the coaching staff, as the outstanding special teams player, no easy achievement on the team that *Phil Steele's College Football* ranked as having the No. 1 overall special teams unit in the NCAA. He was the co-champion this July at the SnapDoctor.com college combine for snappers, an invitation-only event that featured 35 Division I performers.

2004 (Jr.)—He earned his third letter as he played in all 13 games includ-



ing the Houston Bowl on special teams, serving as the team's long and short snapper. He was the first player since the 2000 season to handle both chores for the length of the entire season. He snapped all 69 on the punt team as well as all 53 for placements, with the 122 snaps combined the most since 1990 (when Chris O'Donnell snapped the same number). He also added two solo tackles covering punts.

2003 (Soph.)—He played in all 12 games on special teams, as he was the snapper for field goals and extra points. He saw action for 50 snaps on the unit, and was perfect on all but one occasion when one snap was a bit low. He was the only non-kicker or punter on the roster who didn't line up at an offensive or defensive position.

2002 (Fr.)—He played in 12 games, including the Alamo Bowl, all on special teams as the short snapper on the field goal/PAT unit. When he made his first appearance in the Southern California game, he became the first freshman walk-on to play at Colorado since 1986, when wide receiver Jeff Campbell did so (two other frosh walk-ons joined him later in the season. He saw action for 60 snaps on the unit, doing well for a true frosh in some pressure situations. He practiced some at defensive end, but settled pretty much into his specialist role once the season started.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned all-conference honors playing on the defensive line, when he racked up 70 tackles, 11 for losses, including six quarterback sacks. He lettered twice in football, as he also had 50 tackles (eight for losses, four sacks) as a junior. He was also his team's long snapper both seasons, and won several special team awards in the state for his performance at the position as he attended special camps throughout his high school career specifically teaching special teams skills. As a senior, AFS listed him as the top Division I long-snapping prospect in the nation. In the summer prior to leaving for college, he was the MVP at the Chicago Combine specifically for specialists. Hinsdale was 9-2 his senior year, winning the league championship, and was 6-3 his junior season under coach Ken Schreiner. He also lettered twice in wrestling (215-pound classification), as he was a sectional qualifier as a senior, when he was also a captain. He was also a team captain for track, as he lettered twice in the shot put (55-0 best) and discus (155-0); he earned all-conference honors as he was a two-time conference champion in the shot put, in which he qualified for the state meet his senior year. Overall, he earned six varsity letters in the three sports.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in communication at Colorado (and earning a minor in history), and was named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll for the spring 2003 semester. An honor roll student in high school, he was also an active committee member on SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions).

PERSONAL—Born May 3, 1984 in Hinsdale, Ill. Hobbies include water skiing (which he can do barefoot), and impersonating the characters from *Family Guy*. He has also worked as a camp counselor and a youth baseball coach, and has done volunteer work with the Wellness House Cancer Awareness and Pop Warner Football. His father (Greg, Sr.) played football at the University of Illinois; his mother (Patsy) was a world-class swimmer and skier; she competed twice in the pool at the Pan American Games and skied the downhill and giant slalom. An uncle (Bill Dickenson) was a defensive tackle at Cornell, and his twin cousins are on the water polo team at Miami of Ohio. His younger brother (John) is also a long snapper in high school.

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TYLER POLUMBUS, OL

6-8, 280, Soph., 1L

Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—He enters the fall as the projected starting split tackle. He had a solid spring, despite battling a chronic shoulder injury on which he had surgery to repair following spring practice. He will be 100 percent come August drills.

2004 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in three games on offense and in 10 overall counting his participation on the field goal/PAT unit on special teams.

He had 21 plays from scrimmage on offense, earning a season grade of 86.7 percent as he racked up 18 plus plays. He had one knockdown block with a high game grade of 88.9 against North Texas. He played 29 additional snaps on special teams.

2003 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced all season on the offensive line, mainly at tackle. He weighed 245 on signing day, but had bulked up to 270 by fall camp.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *SuperPrep* All-American and all-Midlands honors, while *Prep Football Report* and *PrepStar* named him to their first-team all-Midlands squads. *PrepStar* also named him to its preseason all-Midlands team. *SuperPrep* tabbed him the No. 42 offensive lineman in the country (the No. 30 overall player in the Midlands), with *Prep Football Report* selecting him as the No. 16 player in the Midlands (the fifth offensive lineman). Rivals.com selected him as the No. 58 tackle in the nation (and the No. 6 player in Colorado.) He was named first-team All-Colorado and all-state (5A) by the *Denver Post*, as he also garnered all-state second team honors from the *Rocky Mountain News*. He also received first-team all-Centennial League honors on his way to being voted his team's most inspirational player. As a junior, he earned second-team all-state honors (*Rocky Mountain News*) and first-team all-league accolades. As a senior, he blocked for a 1,200-yard rusher, as he allowed no sacks, just four pressures and racked up 78 domination blocks and 12 touchdown blocks. As a junior, he plowed the way for a pair of 1,000-yard rushers, as he recorded 75 domination blocks, 14 touchdown blocks, and allowed only one sack. He had 55 domination and eight touchdown blocks as a sophomore, allowing just three sacks. Top career games included a 21-14 win over Mullen his junior year, when he allowed zero sacks, had seven domination blocks and threw a key block on the game winning touchdown run. In a win against Bear Creek his senior season, he once again allowed no sacks or quarterback pressures, as he recorded a career-high 15 domination blocks and two touchdown blocks. Cherry Creek was 6-4 his senior year, 9-3 his junior season (losing to Mullen in the state semifinals) and 5-5 as a sophomore under coach Rocky Martin. He lettered in basketball twice as a center, and also played baseball.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in business management at Colorado. An honor roll student in high school, he owned a 3.1 grade point average as a prep and scored a 1210 on the SAT.

PERSONAL—He was born April 10, 1985 in Denver. His hobbies include playing basketball, golf, video games, the outdoors and tinkering with computers. He is also an avid-churchgoer and a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Two members of his family played sports at CU: Father (Tad) lettered in both football and golf (1965-66), and an uncle (Gary Polumbus) lettered three years in golf and twice made it to the NCAA Championships. His father had 14 career receptions at CU... out of 15 passes thrown to him. A sister (Heather) played tennis for the University of San Diego, and a grandfather (Jim Richey) was on the track team at Kansas.

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COREY REID, CB

5-9, 180, Fr., RS

Detroit, Mich. (Thurston)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall listed fourth at one of the two cornerback positions. He had post-spring ankle surgery to repair a chronic condition, but should be 100 percent for August drills.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any action but practiced at cornerback the entire fall. He was the Scout Team Defense Player of the Week for two games (Colorado State, Kansas State).

HIGH SCHOOL—A two-way player and three-year starter at quarterback, he was a first-team all-state captain (*Detroit Free Press*) and first-



team all-region quarterback (*Redford Observer*) his senior year, when he was awarded team MVP honors. *PrepStar* named him to its preseason all-Midwest squad, while he garnered first-team all-Metro West honors at quarterback by the *Detroit News* and first-team all-Mega Conference accolades as a senior and junior. A team captain his junior season, he also earned all-state honorable mention notice (*DFF*) and second team all-metro west honors; he made the second team all-conference list as a sophomore. As a senior, he broke eight school records, including all-time pass attempts (278), season pass completions (69), career completions (139), season passing yards (1,394), career passing touchdowns (22), season passing touchdowns (13), season all-purpose yards (2,162) and career all-purpose yards (3,902). That year, he threw for 1,394 yards and 13 scores on 69-of-125 passing, with eight interceptions. On the ground, he rushed for 768 yards and 11 touchdowns on 125 attempts, with a long run of 66 yards. During his junior campaign, he threw for 855 yards, three touchdowns and two interceptions, while he also carried the ball 99 times for 421 yards and nine touchdowns. At cornerback where he played three games his senior year, he totaled 52 tackles (22 solo), two stuffs for loss, two forced fumbles, two interceptions and 17 pass deflections. As a junior, he did not play much on defense, but still managed to compile two interceptions and five pass breakups. His sophomore year, he racked up six interceptions and 35 pass deflections, as he also blocked a punt in the end zone to score his first career touchdown. Top games: in a 42-27 loss to Trenton his junior season, he completed 13-of-24 passes for 289 yards and four touchdowns, while rushing for 124 yards and one TD; against Wyandotte (a 42-31 win) his senior season, he was 22-of-36 for 356 yards and four touchdowns, adding 79 yards on the ground and one score, with an interception and forced fumble on defense; and in a 47-0 win against Redford Union as a senior, he finished with 273 yards passing and three touchdowns, while rushing for 156 yards and two TDs. Under coach Bob Snell, Thurston was 8-2 his senior year (second in conference), 8-2 his junior season (conference champs) and 5-4 his sophomore year. He also lettered twice in basketball at small forward, as he averaged 12 points, six rebounds and four steals per game as a junior. That same year, he played baseball for the first time in his life, earning a letter in leading Thurston with 35 stolen bases. He lettered in track for the first time as a senior (sprints, relays).

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major at Colorado. He was an honor roll student with a 3.0 grade point average in high school.

PERSONAL—He was born February 10, 1986 in Detroit, Mich. Hobbies include lifting weights, video games and studying the game of football, especially on film. He also spends much of his free time refereeing youth basketball. An uncle (Grady Burton) played quarterback with the N.Y. Jets during the late 1970s. His father's best friend is John "Frenchy" Fuqua, the Pittsburgh Steeler who was the original target of Terry Bradshaw on the "Immaculate Reception" play against Oakland in 1972. He has lost six close friends to tragic circumstances since 2002.

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STEPHONE ROBINSON, CB

5-9, 185, Soph., 1L
Denver, Colo. (Mullen)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall listed second at one of the cornerback positions and should be CU's top return man for both punts and kickoffs. *Athlon Sports* selected him as a preseason second-team all-Big 12 Conference punt returner.

2004 (Fr.-RS)—He earned second-team all-Big 12 honors at kick return specialist from the league coaches, as he was eighth in the conference in punt returns and 10th in kickoff returns. He played in all 13 games on special teams and in two on defense (seven snaps, recording a solo tackle and a pass deflection). He returned 35 punts for 269 yards for a 7.7 average and a touchdown; however, the average was misleading as he

often caught balls in traffic without signaling for a fair catch just so he could pickup even a single yard to help with field position (14 of his returns were in this fashion for a net 13 yards; he averaged 12.2 yards on the other 21 returns). The 35 returns were the third most punt returns for a single-season in school history and the most since 1992. He also had 15 kickoff returns for 269 yards (a 17.9 average) with a long of 27. He tied for sixth in special team points with eight on the strength of three solo tackles, two fumble recoveries, a forced fumble, a touchdown save and a first downfield credit. He was the Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week (as well as CU's) for the Kansas game, when he had 98 return yards, including his first career punt return for a touchdown; his 48-yard sprint for a score put CU ahead for good late in the third quarter in the 30-21 win. He had two returns (for 2 yards) in the bowl win over UTEP. He moved from wide receiver to cornerback during fall camp to bolster the depth in the secondary. He missed most of spring practice after suffering a hamstring pull the third day of drills.

2003 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced all season at wide receiver and returned kicks on scout team duty. He was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the Kansas State game.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned all-Midlands honors from *PrepStar*, *Prep Football Report* and *SuperPrep*, as *PFR* ranked him as the No. 18 player in the region (the second receiver), and *SuperPrep* tabbing him No. 36 regionally (and as the third WR). Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 27 receiver in the nation, and called him "arguably the top prospect in Colorado." He also garnered all-Colorado (all classes) and all-state (5A) honors from both the *Denver Post* and *Rocky Mountain News*. A two-time first-team all-Centennial League pick, he was also first team all-Colorado and all-state as a junior. A four-year starter at wide receiver, as a senior, he caught 35 passes for 896 yards and eight scores, averaging 25.6 yards per catch, and including his kick return yardage, he accounted for over 1,600 all-purpose yards despite missing the better part of four games with a sprained ankle. As a junior, he led the state in receiving with 73 catches for 1,230 yards and 10 touchdowns, while returning four kicks (two punts, two kickoffs) for touchdowns. He averaged over 18 yards per punt return and 30-plus yards on kickoff returns. He caught 20 passes his sophomore year, six for scores, and he had 19 receptions as a freshman. He saw some brief time on defense as a junior (safety/cornerback), making around 25 tackles in four games. Mullen posted a 40-11 record during his time there; the Mustangs were 10-2 his senior year and 9-4 his junior season under coach Jay Madden, and were 11-2 his sophomore year (reaching the state semis) and 10-3 his freshman year under Mick McCall. He also lettered two years in basketball (guard) and twice in track (sprints and relays).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. He was a member of the French Honor Society in high school, when he owned a 3.57 grade point average and was one of 11 statewide honorees to receive the prestigious National Football Foundation/College Football Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete Award.

PERSONAL—He was born December 31, 1984 in Denver. His hobbies include playing basketball, listening to music and lifting weights. An uncle (Thadus Swazer) played college football, starting out at Colorado in 1992 and finishing up at Kansas State. (*First name is pronounced "steph-on".*)

PUNT RETURNS							KICKOFF RETURNS				
Season	G	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
2004	12	35	269	7.7	1	48t	15	269	17.9	0	27

TACKLES											
Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU
2004	2	7	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 3,0—3 (2004).

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DANIEL SANDERS, OL

6-3, 285, Fr., RS
Vista, Calif. (El Camino)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall listed as the back-up to both the split and tight guard positions, as with a lack of experienced offensive line depth, the opportunity is there for him to get some quality reps, both in practice and potentially in games.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any action but practiced as an offensive lineman the entire fall. He was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the Texas A&M game as selected by the coaching staff.

HIGH SCHOOL—A three-year letterman who played all three positions on the offensive line during his prep career. He played both guard and center as a senior, when he led his team with 112 pancake blocks, as well as in cut blocks and big hits by an offensive lineman. He did not allow a quarterback sack, and the only penalty he was called for was an illegal procedure for rolling the ball over to grab the laces to snap it. As a junior, he played tackle in starting the five games he played in, but he missed seven others with a broken bone in his foot. He played guard as a sophomore, ascending into the starting lineup for the last three games of the year. Top games his senior year came in a 31-24 win over Valley Center, when he had 15 pancakes and three touchdown blocks in helping his team rush for 430 yards, and in a 29-28 loss to Carlsbad, when he switched off between center and guard the entire game in piling up 14 pancakes. El Camino was 3-7 his senior year, 6-6 his junior season and 7-4 his sophomore campaign under coach Herb Meyer. He lettered four times in track, participating in throws (career best of 50-1 in the shot put and 130-0 in the discus). He was seventh in the CIF meet in the shot put as a junior.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in business management as his major at Colorado. A two-time member of the San Diego Union-Tribune All-Academic team as a junior and senior as well as a consistent member of the honor roll in high school with a 3.21 grade point average.

PERSONAL—He was born February 3, 1986 in Oceanside, Calif. Hobbies include playing basketball, working out and going to the beach. A cousin (Kurt Rubin) played football at Cal-Poly San Luis Obispo.

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JOE SANDERS, ILB

6-3, 220, Soph., 1L
Nashville, Tenn. (Hillsboro)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall listed second on the depth chart at the “mike” inside linebacker position. He had a good spring, with eight tackles (three for losses) and a fumble recovery in the three full scrimmages. He ran the fifth fastest 40-yard dash time on the team (4.52) in spring conditioning tests.

2004 (Fr.-RS)—He played in all 13 games including the Houston Bowl (no starts), seven on defense and in all on special teams. In 74 snaps from scrimmage, he had nine tackles (five solo, one for a loss) and an interception, one of the biggest plays of the year for the Buffs. Subbing for a nicked up Brian Iwuh, he played 36 snaps at Washington State, where with 10 minutes left and CU ahead 10-6, he made his first career interception and returned it 51 yards for a touchdown, what proved to be the

winning points in CU's 20-12 victory. He was one of five finalists on Sept. 11 for the ESPN/Pontiac Game Changing Play of the Week for his interception and ensuing TD return. He also had three tackles in that game, and matched that total the following week against North Texas. He didn't post any stats in the bowl game, seeing mostly special teams duty in the win over UTEP. He switched to the outside from the inside during fall camp, after entering August drills as a mike 'backer. He moved from tight end to inside linebacker about midway into spring drills, and impressed the coaches enough to where the switch was made permanent. In two scrimmages on defense, he had six tackles (three solo), a fumble recovery and an interception, the latter coming in the spring game.

2003 (Fr.)—He was projected as a tight end in his true freshman year in college, but shoulder surgery prevented him from taking the practice field the entire fall. He was injured in the practices leading up to the Tennessee-Kentucky All-Star game, and underwent shoulder surgery in July.

HIGH SCHOOL—A standout at both tight end and linebacker, lettering four times during his career. As a senior, he earned *PrepStar* all-Southeast honors at tight end and was tabbed the No. 5 player in Tennessee, while *Rivals.com* ranked him the No. 34 tight end in the country. He was selected as the *Nashville Tennessean's* player of the year in Tennessee, also claiming the defensive player of the year honor and was a finalist for the class 4A Mr. Football Award. He was named to the all-state, all-Midstate, all-region (11-4A) and first-team all-city at both tight end and linebacker. One of Hillsboro's captains, he was also selected defensive MVP for his region, city and team, and was invited to play in the summer 2003 Tennessee-Kentucky All-Star game. His junior year, he was also all-state, all-Midstate, all-region and all-city first-teams at both positions, and he garnered all-region and all-city honorable mention honors during his sophomore year. As a senior, he caught 25 passes for 480 yards and seven touchdowns. On defense, he totaled 133 tackles (65 solo), 30 tackles for loss including three quarterback sacks, four fumble recoveries (one for a 65-yard touchdown), two forced fumbles, two interceptions, 20 quarterback hurries and 15 pass deflections. As a junior on offense, he had 34 receptions for 650 yards and 15 touchdowns; on defense, he was in on 105 tackles, had 15 sacks, three fumble recoveries, one forced fumble, three interceptions, 40 quarterback hurries and 15 pass deflections. During his sophomore year, he caught 15 passes for 280 yards and six touchdowns, adding 63 total tackles (10 for loss), six sacks, three fumble recoveries, one forced fumble and 10 passes broken up on defense. He did not play offense as a freshman, but started at free safety and was in on 58 tackles, had two sacks, one forced fumble, one fumble recovery, five interceptions and 20 pass deflections. Top career games included a state semifinals win over Pearl-Cohn as a junior, when he caught four passes for 120 yards, including a game-winning 72-yard touchdown. On defense, he added nine tackles (one for loss), two sacks and one forced fumble. That same year, in a 19-13 win over Smyrna, he had two catches for 60 yards. On defense, he added nine tackles (two for losses), one sack, one pass deflection and a game-clinching interception that was tipped by teammate Chris Russell on a desperation pass to the endzone. His senior season, in a win over Overton, he had three receptions for 85 yards and one score, in addition to 14 tackles (three for losses), one sack and one pass break up. Under coach Ron Aydelott, Hillsboro compiled an impressive 50-6 record during his career, as it won its region all four years. Hillsboro was 14-1 his senior year (falling short in the state championship game a second straight year to Maryville, 29-26), 14-1 his junior season (Maryville won it, 34-27), 13-1 his sophomore year (losing in the state semifinals to Memphis East) and 9-3 his freshman season. He lettered three times in basketball, as he earned first-team all-region (11-5A) honors at power forward his junior year, averaging 13 points, eight rebounds and three assists a game. He also lettered once in track (sprints and hurdles).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in journalism at Colorado. He is a member of the Nashville chapter *Jack & Jill Inc.*, which is a leadership group for local high school students.

PERSONAL—He was born March 2, 1985 in Nashville, Tenn. His hobbies include bowling, golf, lifting weights and volunteering. He belongs to his church's youth group, where his father serves as pastor, and traveled to South Africa prior to his junior year in high school (2001) to volunteer at an orphanage. In high school, he was a member of Jack & Jill of America, a national youth service organization dedicated to improving quality of life, particularly for African-American children. Acted in several commercials at age 9, with the most notable a “Miss Goldie's Chicken”



ad and a junior golf spot. He was also in the cable TV movie *Proud Heart* with actress/singer Lori Morgan. He has known teammate and fellow CU recruit Chris Russell since age 11; and former CU basketball center David Harrison (from Nashville's Brentwood Academy) since 1998. His father (Edwin) played fullback at Connecticut Wesleyan in 1965, while his great grandfather played hockey and was the first African-American to play collegiate lacrosse at Springfield (Mass.) College during the early 1900s.

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2004	7	74	5	4	9	1-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	1

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Interception Return Yards: 1-51, 51.0 avg., 51t long, 1 TD (2004). Special Team Tackles: 1,0—1 (2004).

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BRENDAN SCHAUB, FB

6-4, 250, Sr., 1L

Aurora, Colo. (Overland/Whittier)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—Enters the fall second on the depth chart at fullback, but he will likely see plenty of duty again on special teams as he established himself as a vital component of several units as a junior. He has bulked up some 20 pounds since the start of his junior season.

2004 (Jr.)—He saw action in all 13 games, including the Houston Bowl, most on special teams duty as he was on both coverage and return units. He finished second in the special team point standings with 12, coming on the strength of four tackles, one inside-the-20, four wedge breaks and three knockdown blocks. He was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the Colorado State game as selected by the coaching staff. He had a good spring after switching from tight end, and scored a touchdown (1-yard run) in one of the major scrimmages.

2003 (Jr.-RS)—He redshirted, as he was ineligible to compete in games as he transferred to CU from Whittier (Calif.) College in January. He practiced first at tight end during the spring, but was eventually switched to fullback during the fall. He was the offensive scout team player of the week for the Iowa State game.

AT WHITTIER: 2001-2002 (Fr./Soph.)— Lettered twice as a tight end, as he had 16 receptions for 180 yards and one touchdown as a sophomore in 2002 (he had 100 of those yards after the catch). In 2001, when he was the freshman of the year, he caught six passes for 94 yards in addition to being an accomplished blocker. Whittier was 1-9 his sophomore year and 2-7 his freshman season. He also lettered once as a defenseman in lacrosse, also being named the freshman of the year in helping Whittier to a No. 1 national ranking at one time (the team lost in the national semifinals in the spring of 2002).

HIGH SCHOOL— He lettered twice in football at Overland, but missed his entire senior season after sustaining broken ribs and a lacerated liver early on. Overland was 7-4 that year and 6-5 his junior season under coach Tony Manfredi. He also lettered four times in lacrosse, as he was voted team MVP his senior year and named to the Colorado All-Star team and all-Centennial League first-team.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. As a junior in high school, he earned the Student-Athlete Award for his excellence in the classroom.

PERSONAL—Born March 18, 1983 in Aurora, Colo. Hobbies include playing video games with his brother and racquetball with his dad. Uncle (Pax Beal) played football for California and played in the Rose Bowl.

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CHARLIE SHERMAN III, S

6-1, 190, Fr., RS

Sacramento, Calif. (Foothill)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall listed second at strong safety. He had a good spring, with four tackles, two passes broken up and a forced fumble in the three full scrimmages.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any action but practiced most of the fall at safety unless shifted around for scout team purposes. He was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the Missouri and Oklahoma State games as selected by the coaching staff; he switched sides of the ball to simulate option quarterbacks both weeks.

HIGH SCHOOL—A three-year starter at quarterback, as a senior he garnered first-team all-Capitol Valley Conference honors, along with being named honorable mention all-city and Foothill's most valuable player. As a junior he was named both conference and team MVP, when he also was a first-team all-conference pick and *Fab 50 Sacramento* prep magazine selection; he earned second team all-league honors as a sophomore. During his senior campaign, his quarterback rating was 110, as he completed 45-of-71 passes for 650 yards, eight touchdowns and two interceptions. On the ground, he rushed 100 times for 1,180 yards and 17 touchdowns, including one score of 98 yards. He also played two games at free safety, totaling 20 tackles (10 solo), one fumble recovery, two interceptions and four pass deflections. His junior season, he passed for 730 yards, 12 touchdowns with just three interceptions, while he ran for 820 yards (long of 80) and 10 touchdowns on 90 carries; he also added two touchdown receptions on trick plays. Top games: in a 40-28 win in the conference title game against Rio Linda his senior year, he rushed 15 times for 180 yards and four touchdowns, adding 140 yards and two TDs on 9-of-12 passing; against heavily favored Division I Del Campo (Foothill is Division II), he led his team to a 35-14 victory completing 12-of-15 passes for 150 yards and three touchdowns, and also scored the go-ahead touchdown on a 98-yard run. Under coach Frank Negri, Foothill was 10-1 his senior year and 9-2 his junior year (conference titleists both times), and 9-2 his sophomore year. He lettered twice in track (sprints and relays), with career bests of 10.8 (100) and 24.8 (200).

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major at Colorado, but is interested in business management. He holds a 3.0 grade point average, and has been a consistent honor roll student in high school. He also earned the Governor's Scholarship Award for excellence in testing.

PERSONAL—He was born March 2, 1986 in Sacramento, Calif. Hobbies include playing pool, playing the piano and lifting weights. His family tree has been traced back to General William Tecumseh Sherman of Civil War fame. He has always been a big Buffaloes fan, watching mainly CU games as he grew up, especially those versus Nebraska.

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LORENZO SIMS JR., CB

5-11, 185, Jr., 2L

Fresno, Calif. (Edison)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—One of CU's two starting cornerbacks who is coming off breakout season and could emerge as one of the league top defensive backs. A preseason second-team all-Big 12 Conference pick by both *The Sporting News* and *Huskers Illustrated*, he was the No. 49 ranked cornerback nationally by *Phil Steele's College Football*. He had an excellent spring as the coaching staff named him the Hale Irwin Award winner as the outstanding defensive back.

2004 (Soph.)—He started all 13 games, 12 at cornerback including the Houston Bowl and the Nebraska game at free safety as he earned honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from the league coaches. He had quite the sophomore year, as he was third in the Big 12 and 22nd in the NCAA in interceptions (5, or 0.42 per game), only the 18th player in Colorado history to record five or more in a single-season. He also led the team in snaps played from scrimmage (864), passes broken up (11) and fumble recoveries (3), while tying for second in third down stops (11). He was in on 56 tackles, including 46 solo, and three for losses with a quarterback sack; he also had a hurry and a forced fumble. His five interceptions came over the course of the last eight games, including two times back-to-back: versus Oklahoma State and Iowa State and at Nebraska and versus Oklahoma; his pick and ensuing 34 yard return set the Buffs up in Sooner territory for the only time in the Big 12 Championship game and led to CU's only points in the game—a Mason Crosby field goal. He posted "crooked" numbers in tackles in every game (two or more in all 12), including four or more in nine games and a season- and career high of eight (seven solo) against Missouri. He had three passes broken up, with a forced fumble and recovery against North Texas, and had his other interception to go with five solo tackles versus Texas. In the bowl win over UTEP, he was in on seven tackles (six solo), with a forced fumble and a third down stop. On special teams, he had seven points on the strength of five tackles (one inside-the-20) and a knock-down block. He earned his way on CU's prestigious Victory Club, as those who make it must post a winning productivity grade in at least eight games, and was CU's defensive back of the week for the North Texas and Iowa State games. A productive spring was the sign of things to come, as in the three main scrimmages, he posted 21 tackles (13 solo), with three pass deflections, two tackles for losses and four third down stops.

2003 (Fr.)—He played in four games as a true freshman, including three on defense and a start in CU's dime package for his first collegiate action against Washington State. He played 94 snaps in the secondary, registering 10 total tackles (9 solo) with a third down stop and a pass deflection. He had four tackles, three solos, against the Cougars in his start, where he played 38 snaps from scrimmage, and against Iowa State, he racked up five solo tackles in 32 plays on defense.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he garnered *PrepStar* All-American and all-West honors, while he also earned *SuperPrep* all-Far West and *Prep Football Report* all-West accolades. Rivals.com tabbed him as the No. 15 cornerback in the nation (the No. 33 player in California), with *SuperPrep* naming him the no. 56 player in California (the 11th defensive back) and *PFR* ranking him the 32nd player in the state (No. 3 defensive back). As Edison's MVP, he earned first-team all-state, all-Fresno County and all-North Yosemite district honors, while he also was named the all-Valley defensive player of the year and all-district MVP. As a junior, he garnered all-league (C section) and all-district first-team honors, earning his team's defensive player of the year (an honor he also received as a sophomore). As a senior at both cornerback and safety, he was in on 106 tackles (11 for loss, three quarterback sacks), along with seven interceptions, 15 pass deflections, three forced fumbles and four recovered fumbles. He also blocked two kicks and returned one for a touchdown. His junior year, he totaled 115 tackles (68 solo), four for loss, three sacks, seven interceptions, 12 pass deflections, three fumble recoveries and

five forced fumbles; he added three blocked punts on special teams. His sophomore year, he had 112 total tackles (11 for loss), four sacks, five interceptions, 13 pass breakups, four fumble recoveries and seven forced fumbles; he also had three blocked punts. He finished his career with 19 interceptions, returning four for touchdowns. Top career games included a 26-23 loss to Clovis West his senior year, when he had 15 tackles, one interception and one fumble recovery. During his junior year, in a 42-12 win over Stockdale, he totaled 10 tackles, three interceptions (one returned for a touchdown) and a forced fumble. As a sophomore, in a 38-17 victory against Lemoore High, he finished with 15 tackles, one interception and recovered a fumble. Edison was 11-2 his senior year (winning the Valley Championship), 10-1-1 his junior year (losing in the second round of the playoffs) and 12-1 his sophomore year (Valley champion) under coach Ray Reyes. He also lettered three times in basketball, averaging 18 points, seven assists, seven rebounds and five steals per game as a senior.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. A consistent honor roll student (a 3.1 grade point average as a prep), he also was named his school's Student Athlete of the Month at least once during all four years of school.

PERSONAL—He was born August 30, 1985 in Fresno, Calif. Hobbies include coaching youth football (ages 5-8) and doing community service through his church. Cousin (Ricky Manning) was a defensive back at UCLA, while another (DeShawn Stevenson) plays guard for the Utah Jazz; second cousin (Bruce Bowen) is a forward for the San Antonio Spurs. He goes to the same high school that produced Manning and current Oklahoma defensive back Aaron Miller. Nickname is "Spiderman."

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2003	3	94	9	1—10	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	1	0
2004	12	864	46	10—56	3-21	1-10	11	1	3	1	11	5
Totals	15	958	55	11—66	3-21	1-10	12	1	3	1	12	5

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Interception Return Yards: 5-53, 10.6 avg., 34 long (2004). Special Team Tackles: 3-2—5 (2004).

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DUSTY SPRAGUE, WR

6-4, 190, Soph., 1L

Holyoke, Colo. (Holyoke)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—Enters the fall atop the depth chart at the "z" receiver position. He had a solid spring, and in one scrimmage, he hauled in passes of 48 and 45 yards (from Joel Klatt).

2004 (Fr.-RS)—He played in 10 games including the Houston Bowl (no starts), missing the Kansas, Kansas State and Nebraska contests after suffering a broken clavicle against Texas. He returned faster than expected and played in the Big 12 championship game versus Oklahoma, catching one pass for six yards. *The Sporting News* named him to its Freshman All-Big 12 team, as he was having a fine year before the injury. On the season, he caught 22 passes for 278 yards (12.6 per) and a touchdown; the 278 yards were the fourth most ever by a CU freshman. In the overtime loss at Texas A&M, he accomplished something of note: he caught eight passes for 101 yards, becoming only the second freshman (true or redshirt) to have a 100-yard receiving game in Colorado history (the only other was by Phil Savoy in 1994, when he caught six passes for 113 yards against Oklahoma State). He caught half his passes on third down (11 for 153, 13.9 average, six first downs), and after being shutout in the first two games of the year, he improved game by game, becoming a favorite and trusting target for the quarterbacks. His touchdown came against Oklahoma State (he had two grabs for 27 yards), one of five games where he caught at least two passes. In the bowl win over UTEP, he caught two passes for 16 yards. He also tied for third in special team points with nine on the strength of six tackles (one inside-the-20) and two knockdown blocks. He was a prime candidate to



be a holder for placement kicks, but his duties were limited upon his return to he team.

2003 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced the entire fall at wide receiver.

HIGH SCHOOL—He won the prestigious Fred Steinmark Award, presented by the *Rocky Mountain News* to the state's most outstanding senior for accomplishment in sport, academics and citizenship. Many referred to him as the best small school athlete in the state of Colorado for 2002-03: as a senior, he earned both first-team all-Colorado (all classes) and all-state (1A) at defensive back from both the *Denver Post* and *News*. He was the LPAA (Lower Platte Athletic Association) player of the year, was all-league at quarterback and free safety, and was the state of Colorado's representative for the Wendy's High School Heisman. *SuperPrep* named him to its All-America team (listing him as the No. 30 receiver nationally), while *PrepStar* and *Prep Football Report* tabbed him as an all-Midlands selection. *SuperPrep* rated him as the No. 24 player in the Midlands, and the third performer in the "athlete" category, while *PFR* ranked him No. 44 in the region (the sixth receiver). *Rivals.com* ranked him as the No. 37 receiver in the nation and as the fifth overall best player in Colorado. As a junior, he earned all-state honors at free safety and all-conference honors at running back, wide receiver, free safety and kick returner, and as a sophomore, he earned all-league honors at wide receiver. His senior year he rushed for 1,340 yards and 25 touchdowns, with a long run of 85 yards, threw for 756 yards, had over 200 yards receiving, and racked up 869 kickoff and 480 punt return yards. On defense (free safety), he had 127 tackles (61 solo), with two interceptions, 12 passes broken up and three quarterback sacks. Top career games included two from his senior year: in a 48-0 win over Jefferson Academy, he rushed 17 times for 180 yards and five touchdowns, along with returning a punt 70 yards; and in a win over Academy of Charter, he had 19 carries for 191 yards and four score, while completing 7-of-10 passes for 115 yards and two TDs (and did not play in the fourth quarter). Holyoke was 8-3 his senior season and 7-5 his junior season under coach Adam Archibeque, reaching the state playoffs both years. In the Colorado All-State game the summer following his senior year, he starred among athletes from all classes, catching six passes for 130 yards and a touchdown. He lettered four times in track, and was the state champion in the 110-meter hurdles as a junior and senior, the long jump champ as a junior, and the runner-up in the 100-meter run, the 300 hurdles and long jump as a senior. He also earned four letters in basketball (guard; an honorable mention all-state performer).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in business management at Colorado, and was a first-team Academic All-Big 12 team member as a redshirt frosh. He was third in his high school class (41 in size) with a 4.078 grade point average. The president of the National Honor Society at Holyoke and class treasurer, he is a member of the Science, Cadenza, Spanish and Drama Clubs, while also being involved with the FCCLA (Family Career and Community Leaders of America), FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America), FCA and the El Pomar Youth Community Service groups. He was a member Holyoke's Knowledge Bowl championship team while participating in Northeastern Junior College's Math and Science competition, and also ranked as the school's outstanding student in math, science and Spanish classes.

PERSONAL—He was born August 9, 1984 in Holyoke, Colo. His hobbies include acting, fishing, music, reading and an interest in television production. He also loves farming and dogs, and watches shows and specials on televising regarding man's best friend. Two brothers (Aaron, Russell) both played college football at Colorado State. Full first name is Dustin.

Season	G	RECEIVING			TD	Long	High Games	
		No.	Yds	Avg.			Rec	Yds
2004	9	22	278	12.6	1	34	8	101

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 6,0—6 (2004).

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QUINN SYPNIEWSKI, TE

6-7, 265, Sr., 3L

Granger, Iowa (Johnston)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.-6)—He received a medical hardship from the NCAA and in the process is the first player in CU history to be granted a sixth year of eligibility. Already just one of five players to post game statistics in five different years, he can become the first to do that in six seasons and with 40 games played, can also set a record for the most games played in a CU uniform (the regular season record is 48). He was healthy for spring drills and had a good camp.

2004 (Sr.)—He saw action in the first three games of the season but suffered a lower leg fracture in practice on Sept. 24 and would miss the rest of the season. He caught three passes for 28 yards prior to going down with the injury. He went into the season healthy for the first time since early in the fall of 2002, as battled almost two years of chronic problems with a toe that eventually required surgery. He had six catches for 67 yards in the three main spring scrimmages, including three for 55 in the Black & Gold game.

2003 (Sr.-RS)—He was injured much of the year as a nagging toe injury kept him out of most of August camp, and when he tried to play against both UCLA and Florida State, he was just too hampered to be anywhere near effective. After the year was complete, he opted for surgery to help mend a stress fracture in the toe, and thus received a medical redshirt for the season. In his limited action, he caught two passes (for nine yards), one in each game he appeared. He also had an emergency intestinal procedure on May 2, which sidelined him from conditioning work for about a month.

2002 (Jr.)—He played in 13 games including the Alamo Bowl (seven starts), as he caught six passes for 42 yards despite battling turf toe most of the year. He scored his first career points in the Missouri game, as he caught a clutch 2-point conversion pass from Robert Hodge that padded the Buff lead to seven late in the game (though MU tied it up, CU won in overtime). He also played an additional 57 snaps on CU's field goal/PAT unit on special teams.

2001 (Soph.)—He played in all 13 games, including two starts (at Oklahoma State and against Oregon in the Fiesta Bowl) when the Buffs opened in a multiple tight end set. He caught two passes on the year for 25 yards and one first down (one for 18 yards at Oklahoma State, the other for seven yards at Texas). He had six dominant blocks on offense, as he was in for roughly 40 percent of the plays for the year. He also had a kickoff return for six yards on a short pop-up kick; he also had a fair catch in another situation, and he registered five knockdown blocks in clearing the way for return men on special teams. He led the team in receiving with 12 catches for 98 yards in the four full spring scrimmages.

2000 (Fr.)—He lined up as the second-team tight end throughout the season, playing all 11 games and making two starts the last two games of the year (Iowa State, Nebraska) when CU came out in a two-tight end set. He had two catches for 12 yards on the year, but they were big ones against Texas A&M, CU's first win of the year. He added two knockdown blocks on special teams duty.

HIGH SCHOOL—Considered by many to be one of the top two recruits in the state of Iowa, he earned All-America honors from *Prep Football Report*, *PrepStar*, *Rivals.com*, *SuperPrep* and *USA Today* (honorable mention). He was the Gatorade Player-of-the-Year in Iowa, and earned first-team all-Central Iowa Metropolitan League honors. *SuperPrep* tabbed him as the No. 1 jumbo athlete in the preseason, and ranked him as the No. 3 tight end nationally following the season (the No. 46 player overall on its National 50 and the No. 7 player overall in the Midlands). *PrepStar* ranked him as the No. 3 tight end overall as well, while *PFR* had him the No. 25 overall player on its ESPN-Reebok Top 100 list. As a junior, he earned honorable mention all-league honors. His senior year he caught 22 passes for 453 yards and a touchdown, and carried the ball on occasion (six times for 30 yards). On defense, as rush defensive end, he was in on 35 tackles, with nine tackles for loss including six quarterback



sacks, along with 18 pressures, two forced fumbles and a blocked punt. Top games came against Valley, when he caught a 74-yard touchdown pass, the longest in league play, and against Ankeny, when he caught five passes for 95 yards. As a junior, he had 13 catches for 130 yards and a score on offense, while posting six sacks on defense. He had eight catches for 86 yards a touchdown as a sophomore (he did not play defense). Johnston was 3-6 his senior year, 2-7 his junior season and 8-3 his sophomore year under coach Spence Evans. He also lettered four times in basketball (center), averaging 10 points and eight rebounds per game as a senior, earning honorable mention all-conference honors. He matched that with four letters in track: he was ranked No. 1 in the state in the discus as a junior (career best throw of 173-9), and also ran the 200-meter dash (23.6 PR) and the 400-meter dash (54.0).

ACADEMICS—He graduated last May ('05) with a bachelor's degree in journalism (news editorial), and is working toward a second degree this May in history. He was an honor roll student in high school, owning better than a 3.1 grade point average, which included several advanced courses.

PERSONAL—Born April 14, 1982 in Des Moines, Iowa. His hobbies include most outdoor activities, especially hiking, fishing and skiing, and working on his truck. He was a member of the show choir for four years in high school, participating in several shows. He has traveled to Europe, has also taught swimming lessons and worked two years as a student assistant in the athletic media relations office during his off-season. Father (George) lettered four years as an outside linebacker at Drake in the early 1970s. (*Last name pronounced sip-new-ski.*)

Season	G	RECEIVING			TD	Long	High Games	
		No.	Yds	Avg.			Rec	Yds
2000	11	2	12	6.0	0	7	2	12
2001	12	2	25	12.5	0	18	1	18
2002	12	6	42	7.0	0	18	2	18
2003	2	2	9	4.5	0	5	1	5
2004	3	3	28	9.3	0	23	2	30
Totals	40	15	116	7.7	0	23	2	30

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Kickoff Returns: 1-6, 6.0 avg. (2001). Two-Point Conversions Made: 1 (2002).

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JACK TIPTON, OL
6-3, 285, Jr., 1L
Arvada, Colo. (Pomona)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.) —Enters fall drills listed atop the depth chart at the split guard position, as due to injuries, he was elevated to first-team status in spring ball and received plenty of quality reps. In addition, with him practicing most of his sophomore year at tackle, with CU's limited experienced depth on the offensive line, he may very well see action at both positions. He tied for the best bench press on the team (414 pounds) in spring conditioning tests.

2004 (Soph.)—He saw action in three games on offense and in 10 games overall including field goal/PAT unit participation on special teams (he did not play in the Houston Bowl). He was in 21 plays from scrimmage and graded out to 66.7 for the season (14 plus plays).

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in two games on offense at guard. He got in for three snaps at Florida State (allowing a quarterback pressure) and played eight at Iowa State, recording a knockdown block and grading out to 75 percent. He graded out to 63.6 percent for the 11 total snaps (7 plus plays) for the year.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any game action. He practiced the entire fall on the offensive line, and dressed for 10 games, including the Alamo Bowl.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *PrepStar* and *Super Prep* All-America honors, as *P-Star* ranked him as the No. 7 offensive lineman in the Midlands region (and the No. 1 OL from the state of Colorado).

Rivals.com pegged him as the No. 34 guard in the country, and *Prep Football Report* named him to its all-West team (though selecting him as a preseason All-American). Closer to home, he was named first-team all-Colorado and first-team all-state (Rocky Mountain News, Denver Post), making the Post's exclusive 12-member Blue Chip List. He was voted the 2001 best offensive lineman in the Jeffco League, in which he was a two-time first-team all-conference member of as a junior and senior. As a senior, he graded out to about 88 percent for the year, allowing just one quarterback sack as he registered 50 pancake blocks and was called for just one penalty. He graded out to about 85 percent as a junior, allowing three sacks and getting called for five penalties in posting 35 pancake blocks. He also handled placement kicks on occasion throughout his career. Top games as a senior were against Chatfield and Arvada West, grading out to better than 95 percent in both. Pomona was 6-4 his senior year, 2-8 his junior year and 6-4 his sophomore campaign under coach Gary Klatt. He also lettered three years in track (throws; owns a career-best of 49-9 in the shot put) and once in basketball.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in architecture (planning) at Colorado. Owner of a 3.6 grade point average in high school (4.0 as a senior), he was a consistent member of the honor roll.

PERSONAL—He was born March 19, 1984 in Denver. His hobbies include lifting weights and fly-fishing. Father (Steve) played basketball at Trinity, and an uncle (Steve) played tight end at Wyoming in the 1970's.

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JOHN TORP, P
6-2, 205, Sr., 2L
Lafayette, Colo. (Monarch)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—One of the elite candidates for the Ray Guy Award, he's earned some preseason All-America mention (third-team by *Street & Smith* and honorable mention from *Nationalchamps.net*, as well as being on the short checklist by the FWA). He also earned assorted preseason All-Big 12 honors: first-team by *Huskies Illustrated* and *Nationalchamps.net*, and second-team from *Athlon*, *collegefootballnews.com*, *Lindy's*, *The Sporting News* and *Phil Steele's College Football*. TSN ranked him as the No. 5 punter in the nation, with *Lindy's* tabbing him No. 6. He owns the highest career average among active punters in the NCAA at 44.78 (USC's Tom Malone holds down the No. 2 spot at 44.53). At Colorado, he owns four of the top 20 gross punting days in school history, all this season: 52.3 versus Colorado State (10th), 52.2 versus Oklahoma State (12th), 51.2 versus Iowa State (18th) and 50.8 versus Texas (20th). He also owns two of the top 20 net punting games, also both this year: 48.8 against Oklahoma State (12th) and 46.7 against CSU (19th). He enters his senior year third all-time at Colorado in gross career average (44.62), as well as fourth in punts inside-the-20 (41) and ninth in total punts (134).

2004 (Jr.)—He was the second-team all-Big 12 punter (Associated Press, Big 12 Coaches), though the Austin American-Statesman made him their first-team choice; arguably was the best punter in the nation in 2004, but once eliminated from the Ray Guy Award (for having too many punts returned through nine games) and losing out to Baylor senior Daniel Sepulveda (the eventual Guy winner) for official first-team all-Big 12 honors, All-America honors for him were pretty much out of the question (ESPN.com selected him as the punter on its All-America team, with *SL.com* tabbing him honorable mention). Some used the old altitude argument against him (though no opponent punter topped him in six games in Boulder), but his 43.7 road average alone would have still ranked him 11th in the NCAA. He was first in the Big 12 and second in the NCAA with a 46.54 average (includes the bowl game), and it gets better looking inside his numbers: he averaged 49.6 on 19 kicks inside the Buff 25, as well as 47.5 yards per punt on CU's side of the field. He had 22 punts inside-the-20 to set a school record (32 percent of his 68 kicks). His punting has paved the way for Colorado to lead the nation in net punting with a 42.43 average, 1.29 yard ahead of runner-up BYU. He



owned an average of 42.1 on 15 fourth quarter punts (6 In20, 3 In10), and inside-the-CU25, he had five fourth quarter kicks for 255 yards, or 51.0 per; one of those kicks came late in CU's 27-24 victory over CSU, as he boomed a 61-yarder to get the Buffs out of a hole at their own 16 yard-line with 4:30 remaining. Only five of his kicks went for touchbacks; nine were downed, 14 fair caught and 40 returned for a paltry 6.7 average (21st in the NCAA, and lower than those of the three Guy Award finalists). He earned his way on CU's prestigious Victory Club, as those who make it must post a winning productivity grade in at least eight games, and was CU's special teams player of the week three times (CSU, OSU and Texas). Against UTEP in the bowl game, he averaged 50.0 yards on four punts, with a long of 58 and one inside-the-20. He was one of 36 original players on the Guy Award watch list but his returned punt count prohibited him from making the 10-member semifinalist group.

2003 (Soph.)—He played in all 12 games, as he was CU's regular punter, finishing fourth in the Big 12 and 31st in the nation in punting with a 42.5 average. His 63 punts overall tied for the fifth most ever in a single season at Colorado, with 16 placed inside-the-20 (eight inside-the-10), with 14 traveling 50 yards or longer and four 60-yards plus. He owned a 42.1 average on 21 punts inside CU's 25, and a 44.0 average for 57 kicks on CU's side of the 50. While the average return of his kicks went for 10.2 yards, only 31 of 63 were returned, with another six fair caught (and just four touchbacks). He executed both his fake punt attempts, the first for a 20-yard run against No. 1 Oklahoma that was the key play in a 76-yard touchdown march by the Buffs, and the second a week later for 10 yards in another scoring drive at Texas Tech. A fairly talented defender, he was in on three tackles, two being touchdown saves, after return men eluded CU's aggressors on his kicks. The downside was that four of his punts were blocked, leading to a 37.3 net average (Kansas State busted through to block two of those). He booted both his career long and short kicks in the same game: in the finale against Nebraska, he got off a 69-yard bomb in the first quarter, but with the winds picking up, his last kick of the day went for just four yards, the only negative to an otherwise spectacular day (six punts, also including a 60-yard boot, and a 44.5 average). He was CU's special teams player of the week for two games, versus Colorado State (10 punts for a 40.8 average with three inside the 20 in the rain) and Missouri (a 50.7 average on six punts, with three inside-the-20 and punts of 61, 60 and 55 yards).

2002 (Fr.-RS)—He was the backup to Mark Mariscal, thus he had an up-close view of the nation's 2002 Ray Guy Award winner. He did punt three times for a 49.7 average, all three placed inside-the-20 with a long of 63. His net average on the three kicks was a more than healthy 49.3

2001—Redshirted; practiced at both punter and placekicker his first year on campus.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned all-conference honors for the third straight year when he scored 57 points, as he made good of 45-of-50 extra points and 4-of-6 field goal tries (with a long of 43). He also owned a 40.3 average for 25 punts, including a long of 65 and three inside-the-20. As a junior, he was 53-of-56 on PAT kicks and a perfect 4-of-4 in field goals, with a long of 45. He averaged 35.8 yards on 15 punts. Monarch was 9-3 his senior year, winning the league title and making the state playoffs, and was 8-3 his junior and 9-3 his sophomore seasons under coach Phil Bravo. He also lettered three times in soccer, earning all-conference honors as a sophomore, and three times in track (hurdles). He holds four school records in track: 110 and 300 hurdles, long jump and 2x400 relay.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in both political science and economics at Colorado, and intends to going to law school after he graduates. A two-time member of the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll (his sophomore and junior seasons). In high school, he was an American Mathematic Award winner and earned All-Academic honors as a senior.

PERSONAL—Born August 19, 1982 in Seattle, Wash. Hobbies include skiing and photography. An older brother (Karl) is a news anchor for CBS/FOX 12 in Jacksonville, Fla., while a younger sister, Anne-Marie, plays basketball at Utah State.

PUNTING						In		had	Ret	Net	Net
Season	G	No	Yds	Avg	Long	20	50+	blk	Yds	Yds	Avg.
2002	2	3	149	49.7	63	3	1	0	1	148	49.3
2003	12	63	2679	42.5	69	16	14	4	326	2353	37.3
2004	12	68	3151	46.3	63	22	22	0	266	2885	42.4
Totals	26	134	5979	44.6	69	41	37	4	593	5386	40.2

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Rushing: 3-16, 5.3 avg., 20 long (2003). Passing: 1-1-0, -2 (2004); Special Team Tackles: 2,1—3 (2003).

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DAVID VEIKUNE, DE

6-2, 230, Fr., RS

Wahiawa, Hawai'i (Campbell)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall listed third at defensive end. He had six tackles in the three full spring scrimmages.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any action but practiced the entire year at defensive end. He was the Scout Team Defense Award winner for the Missouri game as selected by the coaching staff.

HIGH SCHOOL—*Rivals.com* ranked him the No. 46 defensive tackle in the nation, as he was a first-team all-state and all-Hawai'i Red West defensive end his senior year by the *Honolulu Star Bulletin* and *Honolulu Advertiser*. During his senior and junior years, he was named to the Larry Prince All-Katoosh Team, which is a list of the state's 11 hardest hitters. He was also an all-state honorable mention selection his junior season; prior to moving to Hawai'i, he played at Onate High School in Las Cruces, N.M., when he was a sophomore and freshman. His senior year, he totaled 92 tackles (21 solo), 26 tackles for loss with 16.5 quarterback sacks, three recovered fumbles, two forced fumbles, 56 quarterback hurries, three pass breakups and three blocked kicks. On offense, he saw limited action at tight end, but still snagged one reception for 10 yards. As a junior, he was in on 85 tackles (20 solo), including 12 tackles for loss, five sacks, two fumble recoveries, five forced fumbles, one interception, 45 quarterback hurries, eight pass deflections and three blocked kicks. At Onate his sophomore year, he mostly saw time on special teams. Top games: in a win over Waianae his senior year, he had 17 total stops (six solo), three tackles for loss, seven sacks, one forced fumble, one recovered fumble and a blocked PAT; against Leilehua that season in a 6-0 loss, he finished with 21 tackles (six solo), with one forced fumble and one recovered fumble; and also that year, in a victory over Waipahu, he racked up nine tackles (two solo), including two sacks. Under coach Tumoana Kenessey, Campbell was 2-5 his senior season and 6-2 his junior year, tying for first in the Red West but losing in the opening round of the state playoffs. He also lettered once in track (throws), participating in both the discus and shot put, as well as in baseball.

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major and is enrolled in CU's School of Arts & Sciences; he is interested in computer science. He owned a 3.6 grade point average as a prep and was on the Principal's List with a 4.0 GPA several times throughout high school.

PERSONAL—He was born December 12, 1985 in Anchorage, Alaska. He is part of a military family, and has lived everywhere from Anchorage to Winslow, Ariz. to Las Cruces to Hawai'i. Several members of his family (mostly his uncles) are nobles from the Tongan Islands; a cousin (Tony Fulilangi) was the No. 4 light heavyweight boxer in the world at one point. After fighting George Foreman, he went on to train Paea Wolfaram, who won a silver medal for the Tongan Islands at the 1996 Olympics Games in Atlanta. A cousin (Mapa Malupo) is a freshman running back at College of the Canyons in California. Hobbies include working on computers and lifting weights. Lived for a time in Winslow, Ariz., as youth as well, where he was a Little League all-star. (*Last name is pronounced vay-koo-nay.*)

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LAWRENCE VICKERS, VB

6-2, 235, Sr., 3L

Houston, Texas (Forest Brook)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Sr.)—CU's starting V-Back, named for his versatility for being a solid tailback, fullback and receiver. *Street & Smith's* selected him as a preseason honorable mention All-American, while *The Sporting News* ranked him the No. 5 fullback in the nation (with *Phil Steele's College Football* ranking him No. 9 in the same category). He enters his senior year already poised to move up on several CU all-time career lists: he is 42nd in receptions (43), 74th in receiving yards (404) and 93rd in rushing yards (373).

2004 (Jr.)—The top fullback in the Big 12 Conference, but the position didn't exist for the all-league team (early in the year, his position was reclassified from fullback to V-back). He was one of 10 players named by the coaches to CU's prestigious Victory Club (which requires a winning productivity grade in at least eight games), was the recipient of the Tom McMahon Award for dedication and work ethic, and was CU's offensive back of the week for the North Texas and Texas A&M games. In playing in all 13 games, with seven starts including the Houston Bowl, he had quite a season that featured a lot of balance. He finished second on the team in rushing (248 yards), fourth in receptions (27), sixth in receiving yards (274) and tied for third in special team points (9, including five tackle points, and one each for a knockdown block, fumble recovery, recovered blocked kick and a first down field). He earned 30 first downs (15 by both rushing and receiving), and scored three touchdowns, two via rushing and one when he recovered a blocked punt in the end zone for a score at Washington State. Against Oklahoma State, he caught nine passes (for 96 yards), the most receptions by a running back in a single game in Colorado history. He received his most rushing work out of the tailback position, carrying 15 times for 72 yards and a score against OSU and 17 times for 71 yards at Nebraska. One of his biggest plays of the year came on a third-and-10 in the final 30 seconds against Kansas State, as he scampered 13 yards on a draw play to set up CU's game winning touchdown pass on the next play. In the bowl win over UTEP, he had three rushes for four yards and caught one pass for 16 yards.

2003 (Soph.)—He played in 11 games on both offense and special teams, including six starts. While he lined up at fullback most of the time, he did see some spot action at tailback. He rushed for 100 yards and a touchdown on the year (28 attempts), and emerged as a threat as a receiver, catching 15 passes for 123 yards and a score. He had 10 plays of 10 yards or more (4 rushing, 6 receiving), and earned 15 first downs, nine on the ground. A 3-yard catch for a TD against Missouri was his first career touchdown, rushing or receiving; he then scored his first time as a ball carrier the following week on a 1-yard run at Iowa State, when he had his season single-game high of 27 yards. His reception high was four against Kansas, while he had 42 yards with two receptions against Texas Tech.

2002 (Fr.)—He saw action in 11 games, including the Alamo Bowl (no starts), seeing time on both offense (at fullback) and on special teams; he was a regular at the end of the year in CU's Stack-I formation (two fullbacks). He had seven rushes for 25 yards on the year, and also caught one pass for seven yards. He touched the ball the most against Baylor, when he had six rushes for 22 yards and his reception. He had a tackle and a knockdown block on special teams duty.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he garnered *PrepStar* All-America honors, as the magazine ranked him as the No. 8 running back in the Midlands. *SuperPrep* named him to its all-southwest team, while *Rivals.com* ranked him as the No. 11 fullback in the nation. He earned first-team all-state and first-team all-North Forest League while also being named to the first-team all-Greater Houston area. Earning offensive MVP of his district during 2001, he was named to first-team all-district all four years of his prep career. He was also named to the first-teams of the league and district his junior and sophomore years. Playing running back on the varsity squad throughout all four seasons, he finished his career with 4,610 yards rushing and 70 touchdowns on 345 carries (a gaudy 13.4 yards per carry). He also caught 72 passes for 1,950 yards and 24 touchdowns,

averaging 27.1 yards per catch. As a senior, he ran for 1,600 yards on 151 attempts, scoring 21 touchdowns with a long of 85 yards. He also caught the second most passes of his career (17) and compiled 500 receiving yards and four touchdowns. As a junior, he ran for 960 yards and scored 17 touchdowns on just 89 carries. During his sophomore season he averaged 15.8 yards a carry, rushing 70 times on the season for 1,110 yards and 22 touchdowns. As a freshman, the only year he played defense, he started in every game and racked up 75 total tackles at free safety, causing 10 fumbles and intercepting seven passes. His top games included a 21-0 win over West Berry his senior year, when he rushed for 248 yards and three touchdowns on 25 carries. In a 50-47 loss to Jasper in the semifinals of the state playoffs his senior year, he rushed 10 times for 192 yards and two touchdowns and had seven catches for 200 yards and two more scores. Under coach Ron Holmes, Forest Brook went 12-1 his senior year and advanced to the semifinals of the state playoffs; FBHS was 11-1 his junior season (losing in the second round of the playoffs), and was 7-4 his sophomore year. He also lettered three years in basketball, averaging 20 points a game with 10 rebounds, three steals and three blocks a game as a senior, and lettered twice in track, competing in the high jump (career best of 6-7).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado.

PERSONAL—He was born May 8, 1983 in Beaumont, Texas. His hobbies include listening to music, watching comedy and hunting. He is also an avid churchgoer.

Season	G	RUSHING					High Games		RECEIVING				High Games		
		Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Att	Yds	No	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Rec	Yds
2002	10	7	25	3.6	0	9	6	22	1	7	7.0	0	7	1	7
2003	11	28	100	3.6	1	19	6	27	15	123	8.2	1	29	4	42
2004	12	60	248	4.1	2	26	17	72	27	274	10.1	0	34	9	96
Totals	33	95	373	3.9	3	26	17	72	43	404	9.4	1	34	9	96

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 1,0—1 (2002); 3,0—3 (2003); 3,1—4 (2004).

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RYAN WALTERS, FS

5-11, 195, Fr., RS

Aurora, Colo. (Grandview)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall listed second at free safety and is in the hunt to see some significant playing time in CU's safety rotation. He progressed rapidly during spring drills, and the coaching staff recognized his progress by naming him the recipient of the inaugural Dick Anderson Award as the most improved player on defense.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any action though he practiced at free safety when healthy. He suffered a broken thumb in mid-September and missed seven weeks of practice before he could return. He was the Scout Team Defense Award winner for the Nebraska game as selected by the coaching staff. He had entered the fall as a reserve quarterback; he enrolled at CU in January after graduating from high school in December, but an illness prevented him from practicing for most of spring ball, though he got some limited non-contact work in toward the end of drills. He was moved to the secondary after fall camp began.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned honorable mention all-state honors from both the *Denver Post* and *Rocky Mountain News*, while earning second-team all-Centennial League accolades. *SuperPrep* named him to its All-America team, ranking him as the No. 18 quarterback in the nation, while *Prep Football Report* and *PrepStar* named him All-Midlands (PFR rate d him the No. 14 overall player in the region, and the fourth quarterback). A three-year starter at quarterback with over 4,000 career yards and a 36-to-11 touchdown-to-interception ratio, he was 13th in the state in passing yards with 1,549 (59.2 completion percentage, 14 TDs), limiting his running as he played hurt a good portion of the season as he played in just nine games. As a junior when he earned first-team all-state



honors by the *Post* as an athlete (and second-team all-league honors), he piloted Grandview to a 7-0 mark before suffering season-ending shoulder and knee injuries. He had rushed for 660 yards and 12 scores, averaging 6.3 yards per rush, while completing 54-of-107 passes for 816 yards and seven scores. He threw for 1,570 yards and 15 touchdowns as a sophomore, rushing for 700 yards and six touchdowns, including the long play of his prep career, a 93-yard scoring run. As a freshman, he was the second-team quarterback and only saw spot action, but also played some wide receiver in catching four passes for 40 yards and a score while rushing for 55 yards and two touchdowns. Top games: in a win over Doherty as a sophomore, he rushed for 200 yards and three touchdowns along with passing for 200 and a score; in a wild 51-46 win over Boulder as a junior, he rushed for 200 yards and three TDs while passing for 250 and two scores; and as a senior in a last minute loss to Fairview, he threw for 340 yards and four touchdowns. One of his top high school moments came when he quarterbacked GHS to a win over Cherry Creek when he did not attempt a single pass due to an injured shoulder. Grandview was 8-3 his senior year, 7-4 his junior season, 9-2 and Grand Peaks League champions his sophomore campaign, and 7-3 his freshman year under coach Rocky Whitworth.

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major at Colorado; he was a December high school graduate and enrolled at CU early (for the 2004 spring semester). He was an honor roll student as a senior in high school with a 3.0 grade point average.

PERSONAL—He was born January 21, 1986 in Los Angeles, Calif. His father, Marc, played quarterback at CU between 1986-89, remarkably coming back at one point from a career-threatening knee injury; he owns a school record as he established the best single game passing rating (any amount of attempts) when he recorded a 353.3 at Kansas State in 1989. The younger Walters is active in his church, and was the second commitment of CU's 2004 recruiting class, pledging to sign with the Buffs on March 10, 2003.

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TERRY WASHINGTON, CB

5-9, 190, Jr., JC

St. Louis, Mo. (Cleveland/
Garden City Community College)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Projected as a cornerback in his first fall as a member of a Division I-A program, as he arrived on campus this past summer. He will immediately shore up the depth and should contend for playing time if not a starting position.

JUNIOR COLLEGE (Fr./Soph., 2003-04)—He earned second-team all Jayhawk Conference honors as a sophomore, when he was in on 63 tackles (46 solo, four for losses), with six interceptions, 25 pass deflections, two forced fumbles, one recovery, one blocked field goal and two downed punts inside the opponent 5. He had three of his interceptions in a 71-21 win over Highland, when the Broncobusters set a school record with seven overall. GCCC was 5-5 on the year under coach Bob Larson. As a freshman, he played both offense (running back) and defense, rushing for about 400 yards and making four interceptions on defense.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned all-Midlands honors from both Prep Football Report and SuperPrep, as PFR ranked him as the No. 30 player in the region (and the fifth running back). He also earned first-team all-South, all-state, all-metro and all-Public High League honors, while being presented with the Demetrius Johnson athlete of the year award. As a junior, he earned all-South, all-metro and all-league honors. A three-year starter at tailback and kickoff return man, as a senior he rushed for 2,230 yards and 27 touchdowns, averaging just over 10 yards per carry. He also caught 20 passes for 260 yards and returned four kick-offs for touchdowns, owning an average of better than 40 yards per return. He rushed for 1,300 yards and 16 touchdowns as a junior, and

gained 1,100 while scoring 13 times as a sophomore. He was a three-year starter on defense as well, registering 87 tackles as a senior at cornerback, when he had three interceptions, six pass deflections, two forced fumbles and five recoveries. He split time at corner and free safety, racking up 103 tackles, three interceptions and five PBU's. Top games his senior year came against Ozark, when he rushed for a career-high 303 yards and four touchdowns, with 358 all-purpose yards including 55 receiving. Against Northeast (Arma, Kansas), he rushed for 284 yards and four scores. Cleveland was 8-3 and the Public High League champs his sophomore through senior seasons, but fell in the first round of the playoffs each year. He also lettered three times in basketball (7.0 points and 8.0 assists per game as a senior) and in track (sprints and relays, with bests of 10.7 in the 100 and 22.0 in the 200).

ACADEMICS—He is interested in business administration or management as his major at Colorado. A consistent honor roll student in high school.

PERSONAL—He was born December 18, 1984 in St. Louis, Mo. Hobbies include movies and spending time with friends. He has done quite a bit of school service, going to shelters to distribute food, clothing and toys.

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THADDAEUS WASHINGTON, ILB

5-11, 240, Jr., 2L

Marrero, La. (John Ehret)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—CU's starting "mike" inside linebacker who really came on at the end of last season and people took notice. *Street & Smith's* selected him as a preseason honorable mention All-American, while he earned the gamut of preseason all-Big 12 honors: *The Sporting News* (first-team), *Huskers Illustrated* (second-team), *Athlon* (third-team) and *Phil Steele's College Football* (fourth-team). *TSN* ranked him as the No. 11 inside linebacker in the nation, while *Phil Steele's* tabbed him at No. 20. He had an excellent spring as the coaching staff named him the recipient of the Dan Staveley Award as the outstanding defensive lineman.

2004 (Soph.)—He earned honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from both the *Associated Press* as well as the conference coaches; he played in all 13 games, with 10 starts including the Houston Bowl. He finished second on the team in tackles with 93, including 54 solo and four tackles for loss; he added 10 third down stops, five passes broken up and a quarterback hurry. He really came on as the season progressed, posting 10 or more tackles in each of the last five games and had 86 in the last nine games (or 9.6 per). He had a career high 12 stops (5 unassisted) in the win at Kansas, with two pass deflections, and was one of the few stars for CU against No. 2 Oklahoma in the Big 12 Championship game, as he had 11 tackles (10 solo) before missing most of the fourth quarter with a concussion. He earned Big 12 defensive player of the week honors (as well as CU's) for his tremendous game at Nebraska: he had 10 tackles (5 solo, including a tackle for loss), two interceptions, two passes broken up, two third down stops, a quarterback hurry and a caused interception. He also had 10 tackles against Oklahoma State, Texas and Kansas State. The two picks against Nebraska were the first interceptions of his career, and he became only the fifth linebacker in school history to have two in the same game. On special teams, he earned three points as he had a solo tackle, a knockdown block and the caused interception on a Nebraska two-point conversion try. In the bowl win over UTEP, he led CU with nine tackles (six solo), with two for losses including a quarterback sack, and a pass broken up.

2003 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in 11 games, including nine on defense, with one start (at Florida State). He was in for 123 plays from scrimmage, and with 26 total tackles, had the lowest play-to-tackle ratio count on team (he averaged one tackle for every 4.7 plays; the next lowest was 6.1). He had 18 solo tackles, two for losses, and three third down stops, and added another tackle on special teams. He had a season-high seven tackles (three solo) against Washington State, and recorded five against both Florida State and Missouri. He was the Scout Team Defense Award winner for the Colorado State game, which he sat out as punishment for



violating a team rule during the spring (he was suspended for the last two-thirds of drills but was reinstated at the end of the spring). The coaches praised his work ethic in practice despite his knowing he'd be sitting the game out.

2002 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any game action but practiced all fall at inside linebacker. He was the Scout Team Defense Award winner for two games (USC and the Big 12 Championship game versus Oklahoma). He was one of the first '02 recruits to hit Boulder, and he spent a lot of time in the weight room once here.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he garnered *Prep Football Report* and *SuperPrep* all-Southwest honors, with SP ranking him as the No. 8 player in Louisiana (and the second linebacker). Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 30 inside linebacker in the nation, as he was named his district's most valuable player. He was a three-time first-team all-district (8-5A) and all-Metro New Orleans performer (sophomore through senior seasons), and he garnered first-team all-state honors as a junior and senior. As a senior, he made 107 tackles, including 14 for losses and seven quarterback sacks, with an amazing 20 forced fumbles, nine recoveries, two forced fumbles and two blocked field goals. He had 89 tackles as a junior, with 23 TFL's and 15 sacks, 11 forced fumbles and three interceptions, and had 131 tackles as a sophomore and around 75 as a freshman to give him just over 400 for his career, to go with 43 forced fumbles. Top career games included a 21-12 win over Selman as a senior, when he 15 tackles, four tackles for loss, two sacks, four forced fumbles and a recovery; a 16-14 win over Neville as a junior, when he had 23 tackles, four TFL's (two sacks), four forced fumbles, a recovery and an interception; and a 38-21 win over Barbe his sophomore year, when he had 18 tackles, five TFL's/two sacks and two caused fumbles. Ehret was 5-4 his senior year, 13-1 his junior year and 10-3 his sophomore season for coach Billy North, claiming the district championship his soph and junior seasons. He also lettered three times in track (throws; career bests of 132-0 in the discus and 45-0 in the shot put).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. He was an honor roll student as a senior in high school.

PERSONAL—He was born October 10, 1983 in New Orleans, La. Hobbies include listening to gospel music, singing, watching movies, playing video games, swimming, hunting and fishing. He hails from the same high school that produced former CU quarterback Kordell Stewart.

TACKLES													
Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int	
2003	9	123	18	8—26	2-2	0-0	3		0	0	0	0	0
2004	12	538	54	39—93	4-7	0-0	10		1	0	0	5	2
Totals	21	661	72	47—119	6-9	0-0	13		1	0	0	5	2

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Interception Return Yards: 2-0, 0.0 avg. (2004); Special Team Tackles: 1,0—1 (2003); 1,0—1 (2004).

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VANCE WASHINGTON, CB
5-10, 185, Jr., 2L
Friendswood, Texas (Clear Brook)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Now healthy, he enters the season listed second at cornerback. With his speed, he will also likely see action on coverage units on special teams. He was the runner-up in the team's strength and conditioning competition for the "Speed" group (RB, DB, WR, QB, K/P), as he owned a team-best 40.5 in the vertical jump and the third fastest 40-yard dash time on the team (4.45).

2004 (Soph.-RS)—He was granted a medical redshirt for the season as he underwent shoulder surgery in late August and missed the entire season. He figured to be in the regular rotation as he was one of just two players on the roster with any Division I experience at the position, albeit minimal (19 snaps). He had a solid spring, with nine tackles (eight solo), four pass deflections, three third down stops and a quarterback sack in the three main scrimmages.

2003 (Soph.)—He saw action in all 12 games on special teams and in one

on defense: he recorded one solo tackles in 19 snaps at cornerback against Iowa State. He tied for fourth on the team in special team points with seven, on the strength of three four tackles (three solo), a fumble recovery, a knockdown block and a blocked kick. That block was important, as it was an extra point with 8:55 left in the fourth quarter against Kansas; it left the score at 44-38 in favor of the Jayhawks and CU was able to tie the game with two field goals and send it into overtime.

He missed spring practice recovering from a shoulder subluxation, which he suffered in a January car accident.

2002 (Fr.)—He saw action in 12 games, including the Alamo Bowl (no starts), with all the action coming on special teams.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *Super Prep* all-Southwest honors, with Rivals.com ranking him as the No. 35 cornerback in the nation. He also earned all-district (24-5A) honors and was invited to play in two unique high school all-star games, in Europe and Australia. He was a second-team all-district selection at running back as a junior. As a senior, he was in on 80 tackles (40 solo), with two for losses, two passes broken up, two recoveries and two forced fumbles. On offense, he caught 27 passes for 200 yards, rushed one time for a 20-yard touchdown, and owned gaudy averages for kickoff (50.0) and punt (34.0) returns. As a junior, he gained over 1,000 yards on just 82 carries, scoring 10 times with a long run of 85. He didn't play much defense as a junior, but as a sophomore, he was in 15 tackles and had 10 pass deflections and three interceptions playing corner. One of his top games was a 42-13 win over Beaumont Westbrook as a junior, when he rushed 15 times for 187 yards and four touchdowns. Clear Brook was 0-10 his senior year, 6-4 his junior season and 8-2 his sophomore campaign under coach James Smith. He also lettered four times in track, participating in sprints and relays (owned prep bests of 10.27 in the 100 and 21.01 in the 200, placing third in the state in the latter in 2001).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. An honor roll student in high school, he has consistently maintained a 3.5 grade point average as a prep.

PERSONAL—He was born September 22, 1983 in Houston, Texas. His hobbies include fixing and programming computers, listening to classical music, science fiction movies and breeding dogs.

TACKLES													
Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int	
2003	1	19	1	0—	1-0	0-0	0		0	0	0	0	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 1,0—1 (2002); 3,1—4 (2003).

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TERRENCE WHEATLEY, CB
5-10, 170, Jr., 2L
Richardson, Texas (Plano East)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—He missed all of spring drills following wrist surgery in February, but his chronic problems have continued and he was set to undergo additional surgery in August. He will likely miss the entire season, but he does have a redshirt year available so he'll still have two years left to play once healed. He had garnered some preseason all-Big 12 honors at both cornerback (third-team from *Phil Steele's College Football*) as well as kickoff return specialist (second-team from *Huskers Illustrated* and third-team from *Athlon*).

2004 (Soph.)—He played in all 13 games, and started the last five including the Houston Bowl, as he was finally 100 percent back from a couple of nagging injuries (wrist, groin and hamstring, the latter two suffered during two-a-days). He played 535 snaps from scrimmage in posting 33 tackles (27 solo), with five third down stops and three passes broken up. He was second on the team in interceptions with four, making all over the last five games of the regular season (he ranked seventh in the Big 12 and 51st in the NCAA in picks). The first of his career he made memorable, as he returned it 37 yards for a touchdown against Texas, becoming the 12th Buffalo since 1992 to return his first pick for a score. He also had four tackles in that game (all solo), one of six occasions he had four



or more in a game. He had six (each unassisted) in the win over Kansas State, and also had six (five solo) with a pick in the victory at Kansas. The coaching staff twice honored him as CU's defensive back of the week (for the Texas and Kansas games). On special teams, he was a dangerous return man, as he averaged 22.0 yards for 19 kickoff returns, including a 59-yard effort against Washington State and 43-yarder in the bowl against UTEP; he was fourth in the Big 12 and 53rd in the NCAA. He also earned six special team points on the strength of three tackles (one inside-the-20), a downed punt and a knockdown block. In the bowl win, he had four tackles, four pass deflections (a CU bowl record) and a third down stop. He missed most of spring practice after suffering a dislocated wrist on the third day of April work and was lost for the remainder of the spring; the cast came off in mid-June but was not really fully recovered until after the season started. He was the fastest player on the team in the spring conditioning tests, as he runs the 40-yard dash in 4.38.

2003 (Fr.)—He saw action in all 12 games on special teams and in six defensively, including two starts (against Baylor and Kansas State). He played 268 snaps at cornerback, registering 24 tackles (19 solo), five pass deflections and two touchdown saves. His first start against Baylor was historical as with the other starting cornerback being redshirt frosh Sammy Joseph, it marked the first time in CU history that a pair of freshmen started at the position in the same game (not to mention two starting at least one game in the same season). He posted his season high with eight tackles (six solo) against the Bears, and he also had five tackles (all solo) with two pass deflections at Kansas State. He tied for fourth in special team points with seven, on the strength of five tackles, one inside-the-20, and a downed punt.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, Rivals.com tabbed him the No. 56 cornerback in the nation, as he earned all-state honorable mention honors, all-district (9-5A) first-team honors and was named to the *Dallas Morning News* all-area first-team as a cornerback and receiver. He was also named the *Plano Star* Collin County MVP, and during his junior year, he received all-district second team honors at receiver and first-team accolades at kick returner. As a senior, he was in on 82 tackles (three for loss), along with making five interceptions, nine pass deflections, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery. On offense, he caught 25 passes for 410 yards and three touchdowns, as he averaged 35 yards per kick return and 15 yards per punt return on special teams. As a junior, totaled 70 tackles (four for loss), with six interceptions, 18 pass breakups, three forced fumbles and three recovered fumbles. He played running back sparingly, rushing 23 times for 200 yards, and added 11 catches for 161 yards and two touchdowns. He also averaged 25 yards per kick return and eight yards on punt returns. Top career games include a 24-21 win over Lake Highlands his junior year, when he rushed 13 times for 114 yards, and added four receptions for 70 yards, including the game winning touchdown. On defense, he had 10 tackles and one interception. In a 33-14 win over Plano his senior year, he had 65 yards receiving, nine tackles and one pass deflection, adding a 30-yard punt return average. That same year, in a 21-0 victory against Lewisville, he had 85 yards receiving, including a 79-yard touchdown reception, 10 tackles and two pass breakups in addition to a 35-yard kick return average. Plano East was 8-4 his senior season (district champions, but lost in the second round of the playoffs) and 8-3 his junior year (district champs, but losing in first round of the playoffs) under coach John Crawford. He also lettered three times in track and holds school records for the triple jump (49-11½), long jump (23-3½) and 100 meters (10.3). He was the Texas Relay champion in the triple jump winning with a 48-5 his junior year, and he won district championships in the 100, long jump and triple jump as a junior. He also was the district champion in the triple jump as a sophomore.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in economics (and earning a minor in business) at Colorado, but is interested in architectural engineering. He was a regular member of the honor roll in high school.

PERSONAL—He was born May 5, 1985 in Walnut Creek, Calif. His hobbies include playing video games, shooting pool, swimming and computers. He can also play both the saxophone and trumpet. Father (Randolph) ran track at Arizona State.

TACKLES													
Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int	
2003	6	268	19	5—24	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	5	0	
2004	12	535	27	6—33	1-1	0-0	5	0	0	0	3	4	
Totals	18	803	46	11—57	1-1	0-0	5	0	0	0	8	4	

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Interception Return Yards: 4-63, 15.8 avg., 1 TD, 37t long (2004). Kickoff Returns: 2-57, 29.5 avg., 38 long (2003); 16-357, 22.3 avg., 59 long (2004). Special Team Tackles: 5.0—5 (2003); 3.0—3 (2004).

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BRIAN WHITE, QB

6-5, 235, Soph., VR

Mission Viejo, Calif. (Trabuco Hills)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Soph.)—He missed all of spring practice after undergoing surgery for an injured wrist, which he suffered in the weight room spotting for a teammate. He should be 100 percent for August drills.

2004 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in one game, as he got in briefly at the end of the Oklahoma State game. He completed his only pass for 10 yards. He had a very good spring, completing 18 of 28 passes for 175 yards in the three main scrimmages, including a TD pass to Joe Klopfenstein in the Black & Gold game (and had just one interception).

2003 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he practiced all season at quarterback. He arrived in Boulder in June to participate in voluntary 7-on-7 workouts with the offense.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *PrepStar* All-American honors, as was also named to its all-West team. He garnered *SuperPrep* all-Far-West honors as the 48th overall player and No. 8 quarterback, while *Prep Football Report* named him to its all-West team as the No. 39 player in California and No. 10 quarterback. Rivals.com tabbed him the No. 21 quarterback in the nation (and the No. 69 player in California) on his way to earning all-CIF (southern section) and all-South Coast League accolades. He was an honorable mention all-league performer during both his junior and sophomore seasons. As a senior, he completed 160-of-265 passes (60 percent) for 2,006 yards and 16 touchdowns (he had 11 interceptions). He also rushed 60 times for 225 yards and three scores with a long run of 47 yards, and caught one pass for an 8-yard touchdown on a trick play. As a junior, he completed 118-of-205 passes for 1,500 yards and 10 touchdowns, with just five interceptions. He also ran for 120 yards and three touchdowns. In limited action as a sophomore, he completed 56 percent of his passes (70-of-125), throwing for 900 yards and eight scores, adding 100 yards on the ground and one TD. Top career games all came during his senior year, including a 41-19 win over Laguna Hills when he passed for 280 yards and four touchdowns on 17-of-22 attempts. Just two weeks later in a 35-14 win against Aliso Niguel, he completed 18-of-30 passes for 336 yards and three touchdowns. In his team's final game of the season, a first round playoff loss to Claremont, he completed 13-of-21 passes for 200 yards and three scores. Trabuco Hills was 6-5 his senior year (losing to Claremont in the first round), 5-6 his junior year (losing in the first round) and 2-8 his sophomore season under coach Bill Crow. He lettered three times in basketball (averaging 15 points, eight rebounds, four assists and two blocks per game as a senior), once in track (high jump; a career best of 6-0) and played baseball as a freshman.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in communication at Colorado. He was named Trabuco Hills' Student of the Month during November 2002, and is also a member of his school's medical science program.

PERSONAL—He was born September 20, 1984 in Cleveland, Ohio. His hobbies include bass fishing, playing basketball, playing video games and surfing. A grandfather (Ralph) played offensive line at Bowling Green and for the Baltimore Colts during the 1960s; father (Mark) was a linebacker for Bowling Green from 1980-84; and an uncle (Scott White) wrestled at Kent State.

PASSING										RUSHING				
Season	G	Att	Com	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Long		Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
2004	1	1-	1-	0	100.0	10	0	10		0	0	0.0	0	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—NCAA Rating: 184.0 (2004).



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PATRICK WILLIAMS, WR

6-2, 200, Fr., RS

DeSoto, Texas (DeSoto)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall listed third at the “x” receiver position but is likely to crack the regular rotation if the spring was any indication. He progressed rapidly in spring drills and caught six passes for 57 yards in the three full spring scrimmages. He ran the fourth fastest 40-yard dash time on the team (4.49) in spring conditioning tests.

2004 (Fr.)—He earned a medical redshirt for the season as he suffered broken bones in both his hands early in the season. He played briefly in the first two games of the season (Colorado State, Washington State), mainly on special teams. Once healthy again in practice later in the year, he earned the Scout Team Offense Award for the Kansas State and Nebraska games.

HIGH SCHOOL—He earned *SuperPrep* All-Southwest and *PrepStar* All-Midlands honors at quarterback as a senior, and was a two-time first-team All-District (4-5A) performer as well as a two-time team most valuable player and captain. As a senior in an option oriented ground attack, he rushed 123 times for 506 yards and five touchdowns, caught nine passes for 69 yards, passed for 215 yards and 2 touchdowns, and returned eight punts for 108 yards and a score. His top prep games include a 42-21 win over Burleson his junior year, when he rushed and passed for over 100 yards, both running and throwing for a touchdown; a 21-19 verdict over Lancaster the same season, when he returned punts 77 and 74 yards for touchdowns; and a 27-14 win over Euless Trinity his senior year, when he rushed for 92 yards including a career-long 67 yard TD run. DeSoto was 8-3 his senior year and 6-4 his junior season, finishing second in the district both seasons, and was 10-3 his sophomore year, winning the district under coach Dave Meadows; DHS reach the state quarterfinals his soph campaign. He also lettered three times in track (and was a three-time district champion team member), participating in the triple jump (46-3 career best), 110-hurdles (14.3), high jump (6-2) and relays (a member of the school record setting 4x200 team).

ACADEMICS—He is undecided on his major at Colorado, but is interested in sports medicine or sports marketing. An honor roll student throughout high school, he owned a 3.9 grade point average and earned the President's Award as a freshman. He was named to the Texas Legislative Black Caucus in 2003, and was also a member of the student council.

PERSONAL—He was born January 13, 1986 in Dallas, Texas. Hobbies include playing basketball, listening to music, laser tag and movies. He also maintains a vast collection of bass fishing hooks. A brother (Chris) played defensive tackle at Howard Payne from 2000-02.

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TERRY WILSON, CB

5-11, 200, Fr., RS

Chino, Calif. (Junipero Serra)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.-RS)—Enters the fall listed third at cornerback.

2004 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he did not see any action but practiced the entire year at cornerback. He was the Scout Team Defense Award winner

for the Kansas game as selected by the coaching staff.

HIGH SCHOOL—A three-year letterman in football, he was named his team's MVP during his senior campaign when he garnered first-team all-Del Rey League, all-CIF, all-area (South Bay) and all-region (southern section) accolades. During his junior season he was honored as Junipero's Rookie of the Year, while being named to the first-team all-league and all-CIF squads. As a senior at quarterback, he completed 60-of-94 passes for 1,200 yards and 14 touchdowns, tossing just one interception; he also rushed for about 600 yards with eight more scores, including a 5-yard game-winner against Cathedral. On defense, he played mostly at free safety and finished the year with 40 total tackles, six interceptions, three forced fumbles and three recoveries. As a junior, he passed for 850 yards and eight TDs, rushed for 350 yards and four scores, and racked up 93 tackles with seven interceptions, three forced fumbles and three recoveries on defense. Under coach Scott Altenberg, Junipero Serra was 9-4 his senior year, and won league titles both his junior (13-1) and sophomore (9-2) seasons. He lettered two times in track, with prep bests of 11.4 (100-meter dash) and 22.5 (200), and also lettered once in baseball (outfielder).

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. An honor roll student in high school, as he owned a 3.3 grade point average.

PERSONAL—He was born September 15, 1986 in Los Angeles. His hobbies include pencil sketching and drawing, playing basketball and lifting weights. A great uncle (Harrison Diggs) played quarterback at Alcorn, and his cousin (Robert Otis) played offensive guard at California in the 1980s. He was the last player to sign in the 2004 recruiting class, as he joined the fold in late spring.

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ABRAHAM WRIGHT, DE

6-3, 240, Jr., 1L

Oklahoma City, Okla.

(Southeast/NE Oklahoma A&M)



AT COLORADO: This Season (Jr.)—Enters the fall as one of CU's starting defensive ends (opposite the rush side). He had a good spring and a great spring game, when he had five tackles, including three or losses and a sack, with a pass broken up and a quarterback hurry.

2004 (Soph.)—He played in all 13 games, and developed to the point where he ascended into the starting lineup for the last three games of the regular season (Kansas State, Nebraska, Oklahoma; he did not start in the Houston Bowl). He played 455 snaps from scrimmage and recorded 23 tackles (17 solo), tying for second on the team in quarterback sacks with four-and-a-half (he had six TFL's overall). He also had six pressures, the second most on the team, along with three third down stops as he had two or more tackles in eight games. His season high came against Kansas State when he recorded five (three solo), with one for a loss. In the win at Kansas, he had three solo stops that included the first multi-sack game of his career (two, for 12 yards in losses), and his first career sack came at Washington State on the Cougars' final drive to help keep them at an arm's length in that win. In limited action in the bowl win over UTEP, he wasn't in on any tackles but he did have a key pass broken up late in the fourth quarter. He enrolled at CU for the spring semester and thus participated in April drills.

JUNIOR COLLEGE—He played one season at Northeast Oklahoma A&M (Miami, Okla.), lining up at both defensive end and outside linebacker for coach Dale Patterson. He was named to *SuperPrep's* JUCO Top 100 List, ranked as the No. 62 player overall in the junior college ranks, and the No. 5 defensive end; Rivals.com pegged him as the 59th best non-high school prospect. He was in on 68 tackles (38 solo), with 14 tackles for loss including eight quarterback sacks and a pass broken up, in helping NEO to a 10-2 record, the SWJFCF championship and a No. 11 national ranking by JC Grid-wire. One of his top games came in a 34-20 win over



Blinn, when he made six tackles that included three quarterback sacks. He redshirted his first year at NEO (2002), as he made a transition from linebacker to defensive end.

HIGH SCHOOL—He lettered three years in football, playing defensive end and linebacker as he was a three-year starter. As a senior, he earned first-team All-District honors as he was in on 110 tackles, including 14 for losses and seven-and-a-half quarterback sacks. Top games included a close win over Guymon as a senior, when he had eight tackles, one sack and made the only interception he has ever had on any level of football; it came late in the game to preserve the win. Southeast was 5-5 his junior and senior seasons and 6-5 his sophomore year, reaching the state playoffs, under coach Joe Poslick.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado. He earned his A.A. degree from Northeast Oklahoma A&M in December 2003.

PERSONAL—Born October 15, 1984 in Tulsa, Okla. A cousin (Robert Jones) is a starting cornerback at Oklahoma State (a senior in 2004). Hobbies include working out, playing video games and listening to music (including some country); he also makes sure to read the Bible at least once a day. He started taking sign language lessons in the summer of 2004 and has a sincere interest of working with the deaf after his football playing days are over; he has also hosted deaf children on campus. He was the third player in a four-year span to come to CU from NEO, joining DeAndre Fluellen (2001) and McKenzie Tilmon (2003).

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2004	12	455	17	6—23	6-31	4 1/2-30	3	6	0	0	0	0

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JARRELL YATES, WR

6-0, 170, Fr., HS

Denver, Colo. (Montbello)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a wide receiver in his true freshman season in college.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned Rivals.com honors as the No. 8 player in Colorado and the No. 70 wide receiver in the nation. Scout.com named him to its All-Midlands team as the No. 28 player (No. 3 wideout), while *SuperPrep* also named him to its All-Midlands squad, projecting him as the No. 32 overall player and the fourth receiver. The *Rocky Mountain News* and the *Denver Post*, named him to their All-Colorado teams, and he earned all-Denver Prep League honors as well. The newspaper publications also awarded him first-team all-state (5A) accolades, and he received mention in the *News* with Rocky Mountain Best of the Best honors. He earned Montbello's Team Warrior Award, and as a junior, he was also a first-team Denver Prep League selection. As a senior, he was second in the state in receiving yards as he caught 42 balls for 986 yards (23.5-yard average per catch) and 17 touchdowns. He had over 85 receiving yards in five different games. In his junior season, he had 28 receptions for 830 yards, good for a healthy 29.6 yards per catch with 13 touchdowns. He was also a standout on defense, starting for three years as a defensive back. Top prep games: in a 42-6 win over Denver South as a senior, he had seven catches for 189 yards and three touchdowns, garnering Offensive Player of the Week honors in the state; against Columbine the same year in the playoffs, he hauled in five catches for 166 yards and two touchdowns in a 49-34 loss; and against Ponderosa as a junior, he had eight catches for 190 yards and a score. Under coach Oliver Lucas, a former CU assistant, Montbello was 8-4 his senior year, losing in the second round of the state playoffs, and was 10-2 his junior year, dropping its state playoff opener.

ACADEMICS—He is interested in computer engineering as a possible major at Colorado. He maintained a 3.3 grade point average in high school and was on the honor roll his sophomore through senior years. He was a member of Montbello's student council.

PERSONAL—Born October 16, 1986 in Houston. He likes to spend time in the weight room during his spare time. A cousin (Darren Yates) played defensive back for Kansas State in 2000. (*First name is pronounced juh-rell.*)

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SAM ZIMMERER, DE

6-3, 245, Fr., HS

Colorado Springs, Colo.

(Air Academy)

AT COLORADO: This Season (Fr.)—He is projected as a defensive end in his true freshman season in college.

HIGH SCHOOL—A four-year letterman and three-time team captain who stood out on both sides of the ball, Rivals.com tabbed him the No. 34 strong side defensive end in the nation and the 11th-best player in Colorado his senior year. Both *SuperPrep* and *PrepStar* both named him to their All-Midlands squads (*SuperPrep* ranked him No. 58 overall in the region), while Scout.com rated him the No. 44 player (and the second tight end) on its Midlands Hot 100 list. A first-team all-state (4A) selection by the *Rocky Mountain News* on offense, he also garnered honorable mention all-state accolades by the *Denver Post*. In addition, he earned first-team all-Foothills League honors on offense, as well as second-team tributes on defense. As a junior he was a first-team all-area and all-league selection at tight end, and was second-team league as a sophomore. During his senior campaign, he had 56 tackles (36 solo), including seven for losses and six quarterback sacks, to go with seven quarterback hurries, one recovered fumble and six pass breakups. On offense he caught 10 balls for 100 yards and one touchdown. As a junior, he played in five games before injuring his knee; he had catches for 80 yards and two scores; on defense he posted 35 tackles (25 solo), four tackles for loss, three sacks, three hurries and four pass deflections. As a sophomore he had 25 receptions for 250 yards and four touchdowns, with 17 tackles, three sacks, seven hurries, two fumble recoveries, five pass breakups, one interception and a blocked kick. He started four games at outside linebacker as a freshman, and had what proved to be a game-winning sack against Pueblo South in Air Academy's homecoming game. Top games: in a 34-10 win over Wasson as a sophomore, he hauled in five passes for 60 yards and one score; in a 52-28 victory against Pueblo Central his senior year, he had eight tackles (seven solo) and three sacks; he also added four catches for 40 yards. Under coach Brian Sherman, Air Academy was 8-3 his senior season (league tri-champions), but fell to eventual 4A title winner ThunderRidge in the opening round of the playoffs; AAHS was 6-4 his junior year and 7-4 his soph season, winning the league title. He also lettered twice in basketball (center), averaging 10 points, seven rebounds and two blocks per game as a senior. In track (throws), he lettered twice with personal bests in the shot put (42-0) and discus (130-0).

ACADEMICS—He is interested in sociology and business as possible majors at Colorado. He was a consistent member of the honor roll throughout high school.

PERSONAL—Born July 5, 1986 in Dallas, Texas. Hobbies include playing video games and lifting weights. In eighth grade he and current Oklahoma tailback D.J. Wolfe played on a basketball all-star team that won the National 3-on-3 Championship that year. (*Last name is pronounced zimm-er-er.*)