

# Jerome Hayes

Class of 2004



Jerome Hayes was one of the nation's most highly recruited linebackers after concluding his stellar career at Bayonne HS. He was a 2005 Army All-American for Coach Rick Rodriguez and earned first-team All-State honors his final three years. He also was a Tom Lemming and PrepStar All-American. A linebacker and running back, Hayes recorded 103 tackles, forced eight fumbles and recovered four fumbles as a senior. He also ran for 1,200 yards and scored 18 touchdowns in 2004. Hayes was the conference Defensive Player-of-the-Year as a senior and a three-time all-county selection. He helped Bayonne capture the 2002 state title. Hayes also was a four-year standout on the hardwood. Jerome continued his career at Penn State. He also played in the Arena Football League with Philadelphia Soul before returning to teach and coach at BHS.