SANTA MARGARITA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

2026 FOOTBALL POSTSEASON GAME NOTES

3 CIF State Championships 1997 Division II (Cal-Hi Sports Poll) 2011 Division I 2025 Open **4 CIF Southern Section Championships** 1996 Division V, 1997 Division V 2011 PAC-5 & 2025 Division I	**31 CIF Southern Section Playoff Appearances** 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017 2019, 2021 (Fall), 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 & **2026** **6 League Championships** 1996, 1997, 2000, 2001, 2025 & **2026**	**38th Varsity Season** Overall Record: 273-159-3 (.631) Home Record: 151-72-3 (.675) Road Record: 122-87-0 (.583) **10 Nationally-Ranked Teams** 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2011, 2012, 2017, 2024, 2025 & **2026**

2025 Season: CIF State - Open Division Champions / Cal-Hi Sports State Football Team of the Year / Unanimous State No. 1
HSRatings.com Analysis: No. 17 Top Single Season in California Since 2003 / No. 9 Dominant Program in California Since 2003

SMCHS Retired Number Honorees: 2 – Minna | 3 – Palmer | 4 – Newman / Stanton | 54 – Frost | 82 – Minardi

2022 California High School Football Hall of Fame Inductees: Carson Palmer & Head Coach Harry Welch

2027 SMCHS Athletic Hall of Fame -- Inaugural Inductees: Brad Finneran | Brian Finneran | John Minardi
Carson Palmer | Billy Newman | Head Coach Jim Hartigan

St. John Bosco Braves (8-3) at Santa Margarita Catholic Eagles (11-0)

Saddleback College Stadium (Mission Viejo)
Friday, November 20, 2026 • 7:00 p.m.

LAST WEEK'S GAME STORY: CIF-SS FIRST-ROUND PLAYOFF GAME

The Eagles' Defense Lends Their Offense a Hand In 7-0 Shutout Over San Clemente In the CIF-Southern Section Division 1 Quarterfinals

By: Adrian Peters – Football Statistical Consultant

Santa Margarita Catholic's top-ranked defense allowed only 95 total offensive yards and four first downs to help overcome the rain and offensive miscues as the nation's top-ranked team recorded their fourth shutout of the season in a 7-0 blanking of the San Clemente Tritons at Saddleback College. The win was the Eagles seventeenth in a row and improved their record to 11-0 on the season. The victory sets up a semifinal match-up next week at home against Trinity League foe St. John Bosco (8-3). With the loss San Clemente fell to 8-2 and ended their season.

After forcing a Tritons punt on their opening possession, the Eagles drove 58 yards in ten plays to the visitor's eight-yard line. The drive was highlighted by a 27-yard completion from Fletch Palmer to Grant Van Raaphorst (4 receptions for 68 yards), but hindered by two dropped passes. Senior nose tackle Tonga Uhila made a key stop for no gain on third-and-short on San Clemente's next drive, and after a short punt, the Eagles set up shop on the Triton's 37 yard line. Two plays later Palmer hit fellow junior Ryan Clark for a first-down completion. However, a holding call followed by Palmer's first interception of the game ended their second promising drive of the evening.

San Clemente's Jaxson Rex, who picked off the Palmer pass, entered as a wildcat quarterback and promptly scrambled 22 yards to the Eagles' 34 yard line. The scamper by Rex was the only first down of the half by the Tritons as the Eagles forced a punt three plays later. Setting up at their own six yard line as the second quarter began, Santa Margarita Catholic, behind the running of Jaion Smith (22 carries for a career-high 132 yards), went on a ten-play drive that reached the Triton's 27-yard line. However, a dropped pass on third down coupled with an overthrown ball on fourth down, marked the third-consecutive time the Eagles accessed Triton territory and came up empty.

Stops by sensational freshman linebacker Aydan Steen (six tackles including two for losses) and senior linebacker Cruz Nuñez (four tackles) helped force another Triton three-and-out leading to the Eagles' only scoring drive of the night. Taking over on the visitors' 49-yard line, Palmer hit Clark for nine yards and Smith ran for 10 more taking it to the Triton

30 yard line. A sack pushed the hosts back to the 37-yard line but on the next play Palmer hit Smith on a lateral in the flat and the junior raced 20 yards for the first down. Four plays later he punched it in from the one-yard line with 1:12 left in the half.

The Eagles used their time outs and forced a Triton punt, only to see, three plays later, Palmer's second interception of the evening. Junior cornerback Ca'ron Williams returned the favor one play later by intercepting a pass which ended the first half. At this point the Eagles had run 36 plays for 187 yards and collected ten first downs while holding the Tritons to just 39 total yards -- but the scoreboard reflected SMC up only 7-0 at intermission.

Smith started the second half for the Eagles with four carries for 24 yards to move the ball to the 50-yard line. However, a penalty and sack ended the drive forcing the Eagles to punt for the first time. Starting at their own 26-yard line, San Clemente went on a 13-play drive that took 7:54 off the clock. Facing fourth-and-one from the Eagles 19 yard line, the Tritons were stopped for a loss of one yard by Steen and fellow freshman Setaleki Manu at the 11:56 mark of the 4th-quarter. After an exchange of punts the Eagles took over at the 50-yard line with 8:56 remaining after four runs by Smith. Palmer then hit Van Raaphorst for 18 yards and again for 11 more, two plays later, bringing the ball inside the ten-yard line. On second-and-goal from the four Smith bobbled a pitch and it was recovered by the Tritons ending another golden Eagle scoring opportunity with 3:28 remaining in the game.

The Eagles forced a punt and on fourth down from the Triton 32 yard line and with 34 seconds left on the clock, Palmer found freshman wide receiver Kiyan Callis (3 receptions for 36 yards) for a 16-yard completion to seal the win.

With the win Santa Margarita Catholic improved to 3-1 all-time against San Clemente. The 132 yards rushing marked the fourth time in his career Smith hit the century mark and first since gaining 127 against JSerra Catholic last year. With 1,886 career rushing yards, he is now just four yards behind Carlo Audagnotti (2006-07) for eighth place on the Eagles all-time rushing list and 145 behind Johnny Stanton (2010-12) for seventh place.

Palmer finished 10-of-22 for 126 yards.

The three turnovers by the offense were a season high for the Eagles. Freshman edge player Kaleb Herndon joined Steen for the team lead with six tackles while fellow freshman Jayden Jack recorded three with a pass breakup from his safety position. Defensive linemen Isaia Vandermade and Kingston Jimmerson each recorded two tackles with a tackle for loss while the latter also broke up a pass. The Eagles allowed 59 yards rushing against the run-heavy Tritons attack.

The Eagles will host the St. John Bosco Braves on Friday, November 20 at Saddleback College in the Division 1 semifinals. The Eagles snapped their 16-game losing streak to the Braves in Week 8 with a 21-7 win in Bellflower, but the Braves still hold a 20-12 series edge dating back to 1992. The Eagles have not defeated the Braves at home since 2011, and this is the third time these two teams have played in the post season with the most recent match-up being in the 2024 quarterfinals when the Braves narrowly prevailed at home 31-29. They also played in the 2016 quarterfinals which saw the Braves win 54-14 while on their way to a California Open Division title.

WEEK 8 REWIND: EAGLES FINALLY FOIL BRAVES AFTER 15 SEASONS



The Good, the Bad and the Ugly, and Now Good Again for the Eagles As They Finally Bust Through Versus St. John Bosco

Santa Margarita Catholic High School (SMC) and St. John Bosco High School (SJB) face each other for the second time in exactly four week's time. The pair met on October 16 in Bellflower in the regularly schedule season game and now have a date for a semifinal game in the CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 playoffs.

It's absolute fact that when any of the six Trinity League schools face each other they share the privilege of competing versus in the toughest athletic league in the nation, for mostly any sport, not just football.

For a decade-and-a-half, SJB dominated the series. Between 2011 and 2025, the Braves reeled-off a 16-game winning streak -- regular season and playoff matchups -- versus SMC. While Santa Margarita Catholic had historic success in the 1990s and early 2010s (winning state titles in 1997 and 2011), head coach Jason Negro built SJB into a perennial national championship powerhouse starting around 2010.

The shift began on November 2, 2012, when the Braves defeated the Eagles 42-15 to secure their first-ever Trinity League title. Throughout SMC's draught, SJB frequently won by multi-score margins -- including a massive 65-point performance in 2021 -- on their way to multiple CIF-Southern Section - Division 1, State Open Division and National Championships.

In 2024, SMC made two trips to Bellflower – one regular season and one playoff game. In each game, the Eagles were poised to upset the SJB. Game one was tied 0-0 with six minutes remaining. A blocked punt in the end zone tilted and ultimately favored the home team. In the playoff match up, SMC fell by the thinnest of margins – 2 points in another impressive effort.

The 2025 meeting displayed signals that the Eagles may be poised to engineer a breakthrough, and soon. SJB defeated SMC 27-14 as they were powered by quarterback Koa Malau'ulu's four touchdown passes. That would be, and still is, the last defeat suffered by SMC. Since then, Coach Carson Palmer has his squad well-tuned and ready for any opposition. SMC rebounded from that setback to defeat heavyweights like Mater Dei, Centennial (Corona) and De La Salle (Concord). By the end of the year, SMC, SJB and Mater Dei finished in a three-way tie for the Trinity League Championship. SMC captured the CIF-SS Division 1 and State Open Division crowns. That's sixteen-straight wins and a record of 18-1 over the last nineteen.

Last month, the "modern era of the rivalry" dominated the landscape of California prep football. The game between the Eagles and Braves was a historic, rare and highly anticipated "No. 1 versus No. 2" battle of the titans. The matchup featured teams that were both ranked in the top two positions in the state, in reputable polls, including Cal-Hi Sports -- the de facto authority on team ranking polls for nearly 50 years.

On a brisk mid-October night, a turning point emerged in the contest. The top-ranked Eagles defeated the Braves 21-7 at Panish Family Stadium. The victory was sparked by an early pick-six from sophomore Rayshawn Brandon. Then, with the game knotted 7-7, a 49-yard flea-flicker touchdown pass from junior quarterback Fletch Palmer to junior receiver Grant Mosley helped SMC snap the 16-game losing skid against SJB. It marked the first time the Eagles beat the Braves since November 4, 2011 and their first road win at SJB since 2010.

SMCHS IN THE NEWS

MAXPREPS
TOP 10 TOUGHEST PLAYOFF BRACKETS
High School Football

Southern California's CIF Southern Section Takes Top Spot, But Texas Has Three Divisions Represented
By: Zack Poff | MaxPreps.com | November 11, 2026
In our look at the nation's toughest postseason brackets, California's Southern Section - Division 1 bracket again checks in at No. 1. The eight-team field features five MaxPreps.com Top 25 teams with No. 2 Santa Margarita Catholic (Rancho Santa Margarita), No. 4 Sierra Canyon (Chatsworth), No. 13 Mater Dei (Santa Ana), No. 20 St. John Bosco (Bellflower) and No. 24 Centennial (Corona). It also features two teams in the expanded top 100 with No. 43 Mission Viejo and No. 70 Lutheran (Orange). It doesn't get any more difficult than this. Half of those school represented are from the vaunted Trinity League.

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November 9, 2026
With elite talent, relentless pressure and dominance against some of the toughest competition in the country, Santa Margarita Catholic has made a serious case for the inaugural Kyrie Beecham Award – celebrating the top high school football defensive line in the nation for the 2026 season. The Eagles are No. 2 on the National Watch List and feature:

- Kingston Jimmerson
- Kaleb Herndon
- Isaia Vandermade
- Tonga Uhila

Santa Margarita Catholic's Grant Van Raaphorst Is A Rising Star To Keep An Eye On

By: Silas Bravo | westcoastpreps.com | November 13, 2026



Versus Mater Dei, SMCHS went with some trickery, getting the ball to Van Raaphorst on a reverse and he set up the Eagles at the five-yard line. Quarterback Fletch Palmer went right back to him on the next play, hitting Van Raaphorst on a crossing route for a touchdown, to take the lead at 14-7. The go-ahead touchdown was all the Eagles needed, defeating the Monarchs 14-7 to remain undefeated at 6-0.

SMCHS BY THE NUMBERS

SMCHS: Overall Winning Streaks – All-Time

Win Streak	Season(s)
28	1996-1998
17	**2025-2026**
12	1990
11	2011-2012

- 19-1 over last 20 games played
- Currently the longest streak in Orange County and the CIF-Southern Section

SMCHS: All-Time Playoff Shutouts

Season	Opponent	Final Score
2026	**San Clemente**	**7-0**
1998	Irvine	17-0
1996	Newport Harbor	38-0
1996	@ Tustin	31-0
1996	Valencia	38-0
1993	Newport Harbor	19-0
1989	@ Beaumont	20-0

SMCHS: Most Shutouts – Single-Season – All-Time

Season	Shutout Games
1996	5
1989	5
2026	**4**
1990	4

SMCHS: All-Time Fewest Points Scored in Playoff Win

Season	Opponent	Points	Final

		Scored	Score
2026	**San Clemente**	**7**	**7-0**
1998	Irvine	17	17-0
1990	Claremont	17	17-14
2025	@ Sierra Canyon	21	21-9
2011	@ Mission Viejo	21	21-20
2008	JSerra Catholic	22	22-14

SMCHS: Most Games Allowing 10 Points or Less – Single-Season – All-Time

Season	Games
1996	9
2026	**8**
2025	7
1997	7
1990	7

SMCHS Rolls 7's

Game Result	Season	Opponent	Final Score
Previous Playoff Game Scoring 7-Points or Less	2021	Servite (@ Orange Coast College)	Lost 34-3
Previous Game Scoring 7-Points or Less	2025	@ Mater Dei (Santa Ana Bowl)	Won 7-6
Previous 7-0 Loss	2002	@ Loyola (Los Angeles)	Lost 7-0
Previous 7-0 Win	1989	@ Brethren Christian	Won 7-0

SMCHS: 2026 Defense – 11 Games

Average Allowed per Game						Season			
Points	Rush Yards	Pass Yards	Total Yards	Plays Faced	Yards per Play	Sacks	Ints	Blocked Kicks	Shutouts
7.0	41.8	110.1	151.9	44.1	3.44	40	11	9	4

SMCHS: 2026 Offense – 11 Games

Average Gained per Game					
Points	Rush Yards	Pass Yards	Total Yards	Plays Run	Yards per Play
29.6	127.9	155.0	286.9	45.7	6.28

SMCHS: 2026 Rushing Defense

Opponent	Rushing		
	Attempts	Yards Allowed	Average per Attempt
Jones	19	- 13	- 0.68
Centennial	25	82	3.28
Highland	22	- 15	- 0.68
Inderkum	16	11	0.69
Norco	18	- 3	- 0.18
Mater Dei	30	84	2.80
Servite	23	41	1.78
St. John Bosco	21	59	2.81
JSerra Catholic	34	69	2.03
Orange Lutheran	32	86	2.69

San Clemente	19	59	3.11
St. John Bosco	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -
Season Total	**238**	**460**	**1.93**

- Not allowed a 100-yard plus yard rushing performance in 13-consecutive games
- Not allowed a 200-yard plus passing performance in 16-consecutive games

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SMCHS: All-Time Fewest Points Allowed per Game – Full Season

Points Allowed per Game	Season	Total Defensive Points Allowed	Games Played
7.0	**2026**	**77**	**11**
9.5	1990	124	13
11.0	1996	154	14
11.7	2025	164	14
13.9	2012	167	12

SMCHS: Most Team Sacks – Single-Season – All-Time

Season	Sacks	Games Played	Average per Game
2026	**40**	**11**	**3.64**
1996	50	14	3.57
2011	40	15	2.7
2025	36	14	2.6
2001	35	12	2.9
1989	34	12	2.8

HS Ratings / hsratings.com: National Computer Top-10 Defensive Team Rankings

Rank	School (Location)	Mark
1	**Santa Margarita Catholic**	**56.5**
2	Sierra Canyon	52.4
3	St. John's (Washington, D.C.)	50.6
4	Thompson (Alabaster, Alabama)	49.2
5	Tupelo (Mississippi)	48.8
6	Centennial (Peoria, Arizona)	48.1
7	IMG Academy (Bradenton, Florida)	47.8
8	Chaminade-Madonna (Hollywood, Florida)	47.6
9	Lewisville (Texas)	47.2
10	Brownsburg (Indiana)	47.0

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Same-Season Rematches Between St. John Bosco and Santa Margarita Catholic – All-Time

Season	Game Type and SMCHS Result		CIF-SS Round & Division	Other Rematch Game Results
	Trinity League	Postseason		
2026	**Won 21-7 @ St. John Bosco**	**TBD @ Saddleback College**	**Division 1 - Quarterfinal**	• Newport Harbor – 2-0 • El Modena – 1-0 • Irvine – 1-0 • Orange Lutheran – 1-0 • Servite – 1-1 • Woodbridge (Irvine) – 0-1 • St. Bonaventure – 0-1 • JSerra Catholic – 0-1
2024	Lost 13-0 @ St. John Bosco	Lost 31-29 @ St. John Bosco	Division 1 - Quarterfinal	
2016	Lost 47-10 @ St. John Bosco	Lost 54-14 @ Saddleback College	Division 1 - Quarterfinal	
SMCHS All-Time Record: 6-6 / Last win: 2025 @ Orange Lutheran, 31-6				

SANTA MARGARITA CATHOLIC - PLAYER NOTES, HIGHLIGHTS & STATS

0 Aydan Steen | Linebacker | Freshman | 6-2 / 210

- Registered 6 total tackles (tied for team high) and 2 tackles for loss in slim win over San Clemente in Division 1 playoff game
- Named by PrepRedzone.com as the Top SMCHS Defensive Player to Watch is the CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 Playoffs
- teamfb7.com stated: the No. 1 X-Factor to watch in the CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 Playoffs -- heavily spotlighted
- Dan Albano (*Orange County Register*): One of the top under-the-radar players who missed the Preseason OC Hot 150
- Ranked No. 6 by Orange County Football (orangecountyfootball.com) for the 2026 Midseason OC50 Defense
- *USA Today* Sports 2026 All-USA Midseason All-America Football Team -- Second-Team - Defense
- *USA Today* Sports 2026 West Region Midseason High School Football Team -- First-Team - Defense
- PrepRedzone.com: 2026 Midseason Fantastic Freshmen of Southern California - Defense
- Continued remarkable season with a team-high 14 total tackles, 2 tackles for loss and one sack in victory against Servite -- Cited by PrepRedzone.com as one of the best performances of the week and Defensive Player of the Week by Orange County Football (orangecountyfootball.com)
- Named by West Coast Preps as the No. 56 Top SoCal Midseason Impact Player (of 65)
- Blocked a punt in the end zone which led to a special teams touchdown for the Eagles in dominant victory versus Norco -- *Los Angels Times* Performer of the Week / Season and cited by PrepRedzone.com as one of the best performances of the week
- West Coast Preps: “Has been unreal through first three games of his high school career -- 20 total tackles, six tackles and 4.5 sacks
- Prep Talk by Eric Sondheimer / *Los Angeles Times*: “Freshmen Aydan Steen and Kiyan Callis Make Early Impact for SMCHS” 09/03/26
- On3.com / rivals: Instant impact freshman contributor for SMCHS
- After playing two games, was one of a handful of players in the Southland off to the best starts and making immediate impact for their team
- Continued to be factor on defense as he registered 1 sack versus Centennial (Corona)
- Enjoyed one of the finest defensive debuts by a freshman or player in first varsity game versus Jones (Orlando). Registered 3 sacks, 10 total tackles and 3 tackles for loss – all led team in those categories: *Los Angeles Times* Top Star Performers for the Week in the Southland
- Identified as a standout prospect by Six Star Football -- highlighting elite prospects and talent in Fall
- Ranked the No. 18 “Freshman Player to Watch” in the Southern Section for 2026 by High School on SI
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Named by PreAcktive / PASports / @pre_aktivesports as the No. 14 top class of 2030 incoming freshmen Watch List prospect for the CIF Southern Section
- High school debut is much anticipated by Dan Albano of the *Orange County Register* -- cited as one of the top incoming freshmen in Orange County
- Selected as the “Overall Most Valuable Player Award” recipient at the Under the Radar Straight Baller Camp in Spring
- Has received Division 1 offers from Auburn, Alabama, USC, UCLA, Ohio State, Southern Methodist (SMU), Utah, Wisconsin, Notre Dame and Miami (Florida)
- Projected to be a top-50 national recruit -- aggressive, downhill athlete who can deliver big hits

1 Jaion Johnson-Smith | Linebacker / Running Back | Junior | 6-0 / 190 | Two-Year Varsity Starter

- Saw significant action back at running back in triumph over San Clemente in Division 1 playoff game -- 22 rush attempts, 123 yards (5.6 average) and 1 touchdown -- third 100-plus yard rushing game (also a career high) and nineteenth rushing touchdown of career
- Scored his fourth rushing touchdown of the season in win versus JSerra Catholic
- Ranked No. 44 by Orange County Football (orangecountyfootball.com) for the 2026 Midseason OC50 Offense
- Saw action on offense as well and capped off an Eagle drive with a touchdown in slim win over Centennial (Corona)
- Logged 53 yards rushing and scored one touchdown in win over Jones (Orlando) -- the fourteenth of his career
- Identified as a standout prospect by Six Star Football -- highlighting elite prospects and talent in Fall
- Ranked the No. 3 running back to watch in the Southern Section for 2026 by High School on SI

- Selected by OCVarsity (Orange County Register) as No. 45 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 80 prospect in California and No. 6 at his position for class of 2028 in Summer
- Named by the *Orange County Register* as No. 3 among the "Top Running Backs to Watch in 2026" from Orange County
- Has made the transition to the defensive side of the ball for 2026 and will play linebacker. Led the Eagles in rushing his freshman and sophomore seasons
- Named by MaxPreps.com as one of the Key Players for the No. 6 nationally-ranked Eagles' for 2026
- PrepRedzone.com Underclass Trinity League Running Backs to Watch in Winter
- PrepRedzone.com state prospect rankings: Overall - No. 53 / Position - No. 3 in February
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Sophomore All-State Football Second-Team - Offense
- 2025 All-Trinity League First-Team - Offense
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee
- Rolled for 127 yards rushing on 19 attempts (6.7 average) and one touchdown in final regular season win of 2025 at JSerra Catholic -- new career high
- Collected a 41-yard pass reception in historic win versus Mater Dei on October 10 in 2025
- Scored what proved to be the game-winning touchdown in victory over Servite in 2025
- Established new career highs for rushing yards (122) and touchdowns (3) in rout of Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village). Cited by PrepRedzone.com as one of the best performances of the week
- Eight rush attempts for 59 yards (7.4 average) and 2 touchdowns versus Highland (Palmdale). Named *USA Today* High School Sports Team Player of the Week
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1
- Ranked No. 87 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Has received Division 1 offers from Morgan State, Sacramento State, San Diego State, Syracuse, Maryland, Arkansas, Cal (California), USC, Oregon, Wisconsin and Texas State
- 2024 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense

2 Ryan Clark | Wide Receiver | Junior | 5-10 / 150

- Tied for second-most pass receptions – 3 -- in narrow playoff win against San Clemente
- Selected by OCVarsity (*Orange County Register*) as No. 121 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No.155 prospect in California and No. 14 at his position for class of 2028 in Summer
- PrepRedzone.com No. 1 Receiver to Watch at the Exposure Series Preview Showcase in Spring -- Great deep threat who can create separation with his speed and win in man coverage and versatile enough to succeed in multiple alignments. Event showcases in high school prospects to compete and gain exposure
- PrepRedzone.com state prospect rankings: Overall - No. 98 / Position - No. 9 in February
- 2025 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com Rising Star and Early Off-Season Notable Underclassman from Southern California
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com class of 2028 Potential Breakout Receivers in Orange County
- Has received two Division 1 offers: Oregon State and Sacramento State
- Was the second leading receiver for SMCHS with 384 yards on 27 catches with six touchdowns last season -- emerging as the top receiver when Trent Mosley was down due to injury
- Continued to contribute strong production to the Eagle's offense as the first half come to a close with one reception, 26 yards and one touchdown in 42-7 rout of Centennial in the CIF Southern Section - Division 1 championship
- Enjoyed the best game of his career, thus far, with two pass receiving touchdowns (33 and 42 yards) in the CIF Southern Section - Division 1 Playoff victory at Sierra Canyon / PrepRedzone.com Top Southern Section Offensive Performer from Round 2
- Collected three pass receptions for 67 yards and one touchdown in final regular season win of 2025 at JSerra Catholic
- Contributed two receptions for 28 yards in win at Highland (Palmdale) and followed up that effort with four receptions and a touchdown in win at Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1 and also "Big games, big numbers" player by Tarek Fattal of si.com

- Enjoyed a breakout game versus Centennial (Corona) with seven pass receptions for 78 yards (11.1 average) and his first career touchdown. SMCHS upset the Huskies for the second season in succession. Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com

3 Fletch Palmer | Quarterback | Junior | 6-2 / 190

2026 Season							
GP	Comp	Att	Com %	Yards per Game	TD Passes	Ints	QB Rating
11	132	209	63.2 %	147.9	11	9	86.8

Most Passing Yards - Single Game: 242 yards vs. Jones (Orlando)
Longest Completion: 55 yards to Grant Van Raaphorst - Touchdown vs. Servite

- Has thrown at least one touchdown pass for eight-consecutive games and nine of 10 this season
- Tossed a 4-yard touchdown pass to Grant Van Raaphorst for proved to be the game winner versus Mater Dei in the third quarter -- 13-for-20 passing (65.0 %), 154 yards and 1 touchdown
- Received his first Division 1 offer from San Diego State
- Was 16-of-23 (69.6 %) with 215 yards passing an one touchdown in one-sided victory over Inderkum (Sacramento) – completion percentage for the season stands at 66.7 % (54-of-81)
- Turned in one of the best starting debuts for an SMCHS quarterback in dominant win over Jones (Orlando). Was 21-of-31 passing (66.7 %), with 242 yards and 2 touchdown passes. One was to fellow junior Grant Van Raaphorst for 39 yards to seal the game in the fourth quarter. In all, connected with six different receivers: *Los Angeles Times* Top Star Performers for the Week in the Southland
- Palmer's 242 yards passing is fifth-most in a first career start for an Eagle quarterback (see chart)

Most Passing Yards in First Career Start at SMCHS - All-Time				
Quarterback	Yards	Opponent	Date	Class
John Gazzaniga	377	@ Bishop Amat	September 7, 2023	Junior (Transfer)
Peter Costelli	325	Downey	August 16, 2018	Sophomore
Jaxon Potter	294	San Juan Hills	August 20, 2021	Junior (Transfer)
Josiah Norwood	243	@ Downey	August 25, 2017	Senior (Transfer)
K.J. Costello	243	@ Bishop Amat	August 30, 2013	Sophomore
Fletch Palmer	**242**	**Jones (Orlando, Florida)**	**August 21, 2026**	**Junior**

- Guided the Eagles in three offensive series' versus Highland (Palmdale) and was 1-for-2 passing for 20 yards. Followed that effort with a showing of 4-for-5 for 54 yards at Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village) in 2025

4 Jayden Jack | Safety | Freshman | 5-11 / 190

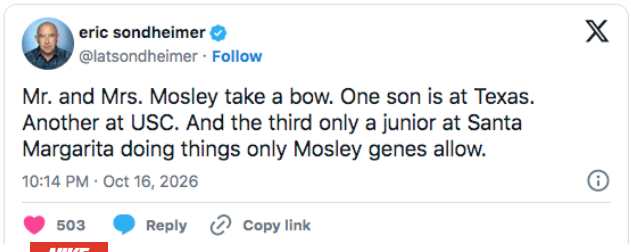
- Recovered a blocked punt and dashed 12 yards to score his first touchdown in win at Orange Lutheran
- PrepRedzone.com: 2026 Midseason "Fantastic Freshmen of Southern California" - Defense
- Named by West Coast Preps as one of the 100 Top SoCal Midseason Impact Players
- Enjoyed a big defensive game along with Eagle's teammates versus Mater Dei: 6 total tackles and 1 interception
- Registered his second career interception in blowout win over Norco
- On3.com / rivals: Instant impact freshman contributor for SMCHS
- Gathered his first career interception in his first varsity game versus Jones (Orlando)
- Identified as a standout prospect by Six Star Football -- highlighting elite prospects and talent in Fall
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Named by PreAcktive / PASports / @pre_aktivesports as the No. 17 top class of 2030 incoming freshmen Watch List prospect for the CIF Southern Section
- High school debut is much anticipated by Dan Albano of the *Orange County Register* -- cited as one of the top incoming freshmen in Orange County
- Has received four Division 1 offers: USC, UCLA, California (Cal), San Diego State and Georgia State
- Named "Most Valuable Player" of the 8th-grade championship game with Top Flight Eagles in January
- Has played for the Top Flight Eagles (8th Grade), Los Angeles Rams 13U, O'Donavan 7v7 and Hell Star 7v7

5 Curren King | Safety / Linebacker | Junior | 6-0 / 185

- Third-year varsity player with 38 total tackles, 2 tackles for loss, 1.5 sacks and 3 passes defended

6 Grant Mosley | Wide Receiver | Junior | 6-0 / 180

- Named by PrepRedzone.com as the Top SMCHS Offensive Player to Watch is the CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 Playoffs
- Enjoy his best game as a prep – scoring three touchdowns (career high) on just 6 touches at Orange Lutheran – 2 rushing and one receiving
- Led the team in pass receptions with 7 versus JSerra Catholic – totaled 71 yards (10.1 average) and scored 1 touchdown



Nike Offensive Player of the Game -- Continued to make contributions after returning from injury, caught a remarkable 49-yard touchdown pass from Fletch Palmer off of a flea-flicker play in dynamic win over St. John Bosco

- Returned to action after missing the first five games of the season with an injury and responded by delivering 3 pass receptions for 38 yards (12.7 average) versus Mater Dei
- Picked by Cannon Sports as the No. 6 Top Wide Receiver in California for the class of 2028
- Identified as a standout prospect by Six Star Football -- highlighting elite prospects and talent in Fall
- Mitch Stephens / High School on SI: One of the Top Receivers to Watch in California for 2026: Rocker!
- Greg Biggins -- On3.com / rivals: A huge weapon
- Selected by OCVarsity (*Orange County Register*) as No. 111 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Named by High School on SI as one of the Top Wide Receivers to Watch in CIF Southern Section Football in 2026
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 41 prospect in California and No. 5 at his position for class of 2028 in Summer
- Named by PreAcktive / PASports / @pre_aktivesports as the No. 18 top class of 2028 junior Watch List prospect for the CIF Southern Section
- Named one of the top Wide Receivers in the Southland for 2026 by Eric Sondheimer of the *Los Angeles Times*
- Named by MaxPreps.com as one of the Key Players for the No. 6 nationally-ranked Eagles' for 2026
- Featured in published article by West Coast Preps – "Underclassman Spotlight: Is Santa Margarita Catholic's Grant Mosley next up?" -- A highly touted class of 2028 wide receiver with a prominent football bloodline (06/18/26)
- Has received Division 1 offers from Washington, Oregon, UCLA, USC, Sacramento State, Minnesota, Colorado State, Stanford and San Diego State
- PrepRedzone.com state prospect rankings: Overall - No. 63 / Position - No. 8 in February
- Was the team's leading receiver in loss to Bishop Gorman with five catches for 73 yards (19.0 average)
- Continued to show remarkable talent as he caught a career-high seven passes versus Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village). Scored one touchdown for the third-consecutive game
- Collected one reception for 14 yards and a touchdown in win over Highland (Palmdale)
- PrepRedzone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1
- With brother Trent watching from the sidelines with an injury, caught a perfect rainbow throw from Trace Johnson for his first high school touchdown -- 39 yards
- 2025 High School Football America Academic All-America selection
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com No. 3 Sophomore Receiver to Watch in Southern California
- Cal-Hi Sports: California Freshman Football Players to Watch in the 2024 Season

7 Cruz Nuñez | Linebacker | Senior | 6-3 / 222

- PrepRedzone.com: One of the "Top Southern Section Defensive Performers from Week 3" – 8 total tackles, 3 tackles for loss and 1 pass defended
- Led the Eagles in total tackles with 9 (1 for loss) in victory at Centennial (Corona) and again in one-sided win versus Inderkum (Sacramento) with 8 (3 for loss)
- Has received a Division 1 offer from Cornell
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee
- 2025 Statistics: 2 pass receptions, 41 yards and 1 touchdown / 38 total tackles (3 1/2 for loss) and 2 sacks
- 2024 Statistics: 32 total tackles (6 for loss) and 4 sacks

- Transfer from JSerra Catholic High School

9 Luke Gazzaniga | Tight End | Senior | 6-4 / 235 Captain

- Ranked No. 11 by Orange County Football (orangecountyfootball.com) for the 2026 Midseason OC50 Offense
- Named by West Coast Preps as the No. 33 Top SoCal Midseason Impact Player (of 65)
- Named by High School on SI as a member of the 2026 CIF Southern Section Preseason All-Star Team
- 2026 *USA Today* High School Sports Preseason All-West Region Third-Team - Tight End
- Mitch Stephens / High School on SI: One of the Top Receivers to Watch in California for 2026: Mover!
- 2026 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Southern Section Third-Team - Offense
- Chosen the No. 2 tight end in California and No. 13 in the nation by *USA Today* High School Sports
- Lauded by Eric Sondheimer of the *Los Angels Times* for both his toughness and skill – utilizes the "Oklahoma drill" to train in feature entitled "Tight end Luke Gazzaniga Is Set To Fight To The Finish"
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Named by West Coast Preps as the No. 1 tight end in Southern California for the 2026 season
- Selected by OCVarsity (*Orange County Register*) as No. 39 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Named by the *Orange County Register* as No. 9 among the "Top Wide Receivers and Tight Ends to Watch in 2026" from Orange County
- Named by MaxPreps.com as one of the Key Players for the No. 6 nationally-ranked Eagles' for 2026

The Whole Package

By: Greg Biggins - Rivals National Recruiting Analyst and Andy Villamarzo - On3.com / rivals Prep Journalist (06/09/26)

-- Prototype tight end with an ideal frame to play in any situation
-- Well-rounded player who can line up out wide, in the slot or attached
-- Flashed at multiple off-season events and showed the ability to work the seam and get vertical
-- Natural pass catcher with strong hands and catches it well through contact
-- Strong blocker, especially in run situations and will routinely drive his man down the field or bury him at the point of attack
-- Advanced as a route runner

- Has committed to Kansas to continue his football career. Had received Division 1 offers from Duke, Arizona, Arizona State, Nevada-Las Vegas, California, Hawaii, Kansas, Utah, Southern Methodist (SMU), Washington State, New Mexico, San Jose State, Colorado State, San Diego State and Sacramento State
- Cited by Tom Lemming / Lemming Prep Report as one of the more talented tight end professional prospects in the West region – a class of 2027 all-around player who can run, catch in a wide radius and block
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 68 prospect in California and No. 4 at his position in Winter
- PrepRedzone.com: In 2025, emerged as one of the top tight end prospects in the state -- big downfield target with blocking -- one of the Top Offensive Newcomers
- Scored a key touchdown late in the first half in 42-7 rout of Centennial in the CIF Southern Section - Division 1 championship – two receptions, 39 yards (19.5 average) and one touchdown
- Quickly become a favorite target of quarterback Trace Johnson. In the first two games as teammates, the duo hooked up for 11 receptions covering 150 yards (13.6 average) before missing several games wit an injury
- Collected his second pass reception of the season which was also his first-ever touchdown scored at the prep level -- in a rout of Inglewood in the CIF Southern Section - Division 1 First Round playoff game in 2024

10 Kiyan Callis | Wide Receiver | Freshman | 5-10 / 170

- Tied for second-most pass receptions – 3 -- in narrow playoff win against San Clemente
- Ranked No. 9 by Orange County Football (orangecountyfootball.com) for the 2026 Midseason OC50 Offense
- PrepRedzone.com: 2026 Midseason "Fantastic Freshmen of Southern California" - Offense
- Selected by PrepRedzone.com: to the 2026 Fantastic Freshmen Team in Southern California - Offense/Receiver -- "Will be a top playmaker in the Trinity League for years to come"
- Named by West Coast Preps as the No. 56 Top SoCal Midseason Impact Player (of 65)
- Through first four career games, has 29 receptions for 391 yards (13.8 average) and 3 touchdowns
- Was team leader in pass receptions (10) and a new career-high 111 receiving yards – also added a touchdown vs. Inderkum
- Led the club in pass receptions at Centennial (Corona) with 3
- Prep Talk by Eric Sondheimer / *Los Angeles Times*: "Freshmen Aydan Steen and Kiyan Callis Make Early Impact for SMCHS" 09/03/26
- On3.com / rivals: Instant impact freshman contributor for SMCHS

- Started at wide receiver an didn't disappoint with 9 pass receptions for 105 yards (11.7 average)
- Identified as a standout prospect by Six Star Football -- highlighting elite prospects and talent in Fall
- Ranked the No. 6 "Freshman Player to Watch" in the Southern Section for 2026 by High School on SI
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Named by PreAcktive / PASports / @pre_aktivesports as the No. 7 top class of 2030 incoming freshmen Watch List prospect for the CIF Southern Section
- Named a "Top Performer" at the South County Passing Classic by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com: will be a major contributor as a freshman for the Eagles
- Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com had this to offer after seeing Callis perform at the "Battle of the Beach" 7v7: "Has a chance to be one of the best freshmen offensive players in the state this season"
- Has received Division 1 offers from USC, UCLA and Miami (Florida)
- Selected as the "Offensive Most Valuable Player Award" recipient at the Under the Radar Straight Baller Camp in summer

11 J.J. Minardi | Wide Receiver | Junior | 6-4 / 190

- Collected the first two pass receptions of his career in a two-game span -- 13 yards versus Inderkum (Sacramento) and 21 yards versus Norco
- Has demonstrated sure-handedness by being selected as the holder for field goal and PAT conversion attempts
- Scored a vital touchdown versus eventually tournament winner Sierra Canyon in 7-on-7 summer event
- A key contributor to SMCHS's freshman team that won the 2024 Trinity League championship for the first time in several seasons -- 9-1 overall record, 5-0 league record – including victories over Mater Dei and St. John Bosco -- outscored opponents 384-154

12 Matthew Smith | Quarterback | Senior | 6-1 / 190

- Saw significant action versus Highland (Palmdale) and responded with 78 passing yards with a long of 51-yards
- Chosen as No. 4 of the Top 10 Senior Quarterbacks in Orange County for 2026 by Cannon Sports
- Picked by Cannon Sports as the No. 8 Top Quarterback in California for the class of 2027
- Named by On3.com/rivialsdotcom as the No. 2 "Quarterbacks to Monitor" the nation for the 2026 season
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Selected by OCVarsity (Orange County Register) as No. 27 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Recognized as one of the "Top 20" quarterbacks in California by Mitch Stephens of High School on SI
- Named by the *Orange County Register* as No. 8 among the "Top Quarterbacks to Watch in 2026" from Orange County
- Strong summer saw him earn the "Quarterback Most Valuable Player Award" at the Under Armour Next Camp Game in Maui, Hawaii – Event featured nearly 500 4-star prospects in the classes of 2027 and 2028
- Named a "Top Performer" at the South County Passing Classic by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com
- Gained significant attention as a top performer at the "Elite 11" Regional held at De La Salle High School in Concord on April 25, 2026 -- noted for having "elite zip on the ball" and superior anticipation. The Elite 11 quarterback program is operated by Stack Sports and heavily supported by long-time partner Nike.
- 2025 Season @ Villa Park: 6 games – 74-for-108 (68.5 %), 1,006 yards and 7 touchdown passes / 1 rushing touchdown
- 2024 Season @ Loyola: 7 games played – 28-for-57 (49.1 %), 340 yards and 2 touchdown passes
- PrepRedzone.com: 2027 Orange County All Star Game Watch List -- South Offense
- Has an committed to play at Vanderbilt after receiving Division 1 offers form offer from Princeton, Utah, Northern Arizona and Idaho
- Transfer from Villa Park High School (previously enrolled at Loyola 2023 and 2024)

13 Jake Martin | Safety | Junior | 6-0 / 180

- Has blocked 3 field goals this season – part of the teams' total of 5
- Received his first Division 1 offer from San Diego State
- Delivered crucial plays to assist the win over Mater Dei – blocked a 41-yard field goal attempt, delivered a key pass breakup and led the team in total tackles with 12. Awarded "Stat Stuffer - Top Performance status from High School on SI and one of the Top Southern Section Defensive Performers from Week 6 by PrepRedzone.com
- Played a fierce game from safety position and collected first career interception in one-sided victory versus Inderkum (Sacramento) – added 7 total tackles (1 for loss)

- Delivered a game changing block on the point-after-attempt following Centennial's late fourth quarter touchdown to preserve the Eagles win -- named a Weekly Key Performer by the *Los Angeles Times*
- Selected by OCVarsity (*Orange County Register*) as No. 122 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as a Watch List prospect for class of 2028 in California in Summer
- Has made the transition to the defensive side of the ball for 2026 and secured the free safety position
- PrepRedzone.com Selected to Watch List for class of 2028
- 2025 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com Rising Star and Early Off-Season Notable Underclassman from Southern California
- Registered five pass receptions for 66 yards (17.2 average) and one touchdown in final regular season win of 2025 at JSerra Catholic
- Collected a career-high six pass receptions in win over Servite in 2025
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1

15 West Stansbury | Quarterback | Junior | 6-4 / 230

- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 116 prospect in California and No. 18 at his position for class of 2028 in Summer
- Holds Division 1 offers from UCLA and Texas - El Paso (UTEP)
- PrepRedzone.com prospect rankings - Texas: Overall - No. 63 / Position - No. 8 in February
- Father Ed was nationally-ranked quarterback prospect out of Irvin High School (El Paso) in 1997. Was backup at UCLA for two seasons before making the move to fullback. Played for the Houston Texans in 2002. Uncle Don was a defensive lineman for Southern Methodist (SMU) from 2001-05 and uncle Hal was a fullback for Texas - El Paso (UTEP) in the mid-1990s
- Has attended numerous prospect camps over the past three years
- Stansbury is a traits-based evaluation, and those traits are real. The frame is college-ready, and his ability to generate power without over swinging is impressive for his age. He throws with rhythm and shows an understanding of sequencing reads, even with limited varsity reps
- The next step for Stansbury is volume and command, more snaps, more situational football. Once he gets a full season as the guy, expect rapid development. This is a quarterback whose stock could rise sharply once exposure and reps catch up with the tools
- Best game of career came on September 19, 2025 versus Parkland (El Paso): 261 yards passing and 3 touchdown passes
- Transfer from Coronado High School (El Paso, Texas)

16 Grant Van Raaphorst | Wide Receiver | Junior | 6-0 / 175

- Caught 4 pass receptions for 68 yards (17.0 average / long = 27 yards) to lead team in slim Division 1 playoff contest versus San Clemente – ninth multi-pass reception game of the season (11 played). Seven of 29 season catches have stretched 20-yards or more
- Has proven to be one of Coach Palmer's most versatile performers with contributions rushing, pass receiving an returning kicks:
  -- Registered at least one pass reception in every regular season game thus far (10) with eight being multi-catch contests
  -- Tied for club lead in touchdown receptions with 3, is second in pass receptions (25) and receiving yards (429)
  -- Broke loose for a 34-yard rush to put the Eagles deep into the red zone in win at Orange Lutheran -- his longest run for the season -- has 4 rush attempts for 80 yards this season (20.0 average)
  -- Returned 3 kickoffs for a total of 78 yards (26.0 average)
- 42-yard pass reception versus JSerra Catholic gave him five this season with a distance of 34 yards or more
- Delivered another solid performance versus Servite – 5 pass receptions for 87 yards (17.4 average) and one long-distance score of 55 yards
- Named a *USA Today* High School Sports Playmaker Athlete for Week 7 – nominated for the "National Play of the Week" for Going Up the Ladder versus Mater Dei
- Set up his own touchdown reception with 20-yard reverse run into the Mater Dei red zone and then was on the receiving end of a Fletch Palmer pass for a score. Also 34-yard reception earlier in the game. Finished with 3 touches for 58 yards (19.3 average)
- Registered a solid game -- 4 pass receptions for 91 yards (22.8 average) and long of 38 yards in dominant victory over Highland (Palmdale) – season high for receiving yards thus far
- Has receive Division 1 offers from Connecticut and Colorado State
- In first game for SMCHS, caught 3 passes for 69 yards (23.0 average) and one touchdown (39 yards) from Fletch Palmer in victory against Jones (Orlando)

- Named by prep sports guru James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key transfers and impact players in the Trinity League for 2026
- 2025 New Jersey Prep Super Football Conference All-Division Football -- First-Team - Offense (Tight End)
- Most Valuable Wide Receiver at the PrepRedzone.com New Jersey Combine in July, 2025
  -- Key Performance: 40-Yard Dash -- Measured at 4.56 and then 4.53
- Week of November 5, 2024: Named Jersey Mike's "Athlete of the Week" as he scored the game winning 78-yard touchdown to give Delbarton a 17-13 win over Paramus Catholic (first reception of high school career)

Dalbarton School Career Receiving Statistics						
Year / Season	**Games**	**Recs**	**Yards**	**Avg.**	**TDs**	**Other Notes**
Sophomore 2025	10	29	576	19.9	7	Led team in all categories and was one of the top kickoff returners in the state -- 21.1 average
Freshman 2024	4	1	78	78.0	1	
Career Totals	**14**	**30**	**654**	**21.8**	**8**	334 yards -- kickoffs and punt returns for career

Best Individual Receiving Game: September 27, 2025 vs. Seton Hall Prep -- 5 pass receptions, 139 yards (27.8 average) and 2 touchdowns

- Transfer from Dalbarton School (Morristown, New Jersey)

17 Rayshawn Brandon | Defensive Back | Sophomore | 6-0 / 165

- Nike Defensive Player of the Game -- Snagged the first interception of his career in the first quarter of dynamic win at St. John Bosco and returned it 55 yards for a touchdown – Lauded by the *Los Angeles Times* / Eric Sondheimer: Noted as a Top Game Performer of the Week in the Southland and awarded Stat Stuffer -- Top Performance status from High School on SI and Top CIF-Southern Section Defensive Performer by PrepRedzone.com
- Received first Division 1 offer from UCLA
- Saw action on the varsity for two postseason games 2025 when promoted from the freshman team
- Member of the SMCHS track & field team. Clocked at 11.74 in the 100-meters. Also on the 4x100-meter relay team with fellow football players Emmanuel Logan-Brown, Ca'ron Williams and Titus King (since transferred)

19 Jagger Apt | Safety | Junior | 5-9 / 170

- Scored the first touchdown of his career as he scooped up a blocked punt and rambled 10 yards for a score versus Norco
- Registered first career interception in one-sided victory versus Inderkum (Sacramento) – added 5 total tackles
- Collected three pass receptions in overtime upset win versus Centennial (Corona) in 2025 -- the first of his young career

20 Juel McAlister | Cornerback / Free Safety | Sophomore | 6-1 / 170

- Has received Division 1 offers from California and San Diego State

21 Ca'ron Williams | Cornerback | Junior | 6-0 / 175 | Three-Year Varsity Starter & Captain

- Collected his fourth interception of the season and eighth of his career in narrow playoff victory over San Clemente

SMCHS: Most Interceptions – Career – All-Time

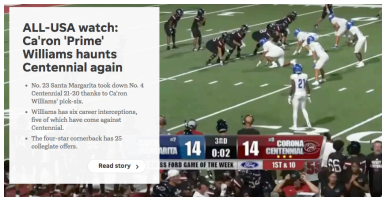
Player Name	Interceptions	Seasons Played
Brad Finneran	12	1991-93
Connor O'Brien	11	2010-12
Logan Hirou	10	2022-25
David Shearer	9	1989-90
Ca'ron Williams	**8**	**2024 - Current**
Brian Finneran	8	1991-93
Matt Nickels	8	1994-95

- Ranked No. 4 by Orange County Football (orangecountyfootball.com) for the 2026 Midseason OC50 Defense
- Logged his third interception of the season and seventh of his career in victory at St. John Bosco -- SMCHS record for most interceptions in a career: 12 by Brad Finneran from 1991-93
- *USA Today* Sports 2026 West Region Midseason High School Football Team -- First-Team - Defense
- Named by West Coast Preps as the No. 26 Top SoCal Midseason Impact Player (of 65)

- Developed a new tool in his arsenal in win versus Mater Dei – the elite pass defender registered the first two sacks of his career. Also notched 5 total tackles and 2 tackles for loss
- Featured guest on MaxPreps.com's "National Prep Football Podcast' – 0902/26
- Nominated by High School on SI for "Southern California High School Football Player of the Week" (08/24-29)
- All-*USA Today* Watch: Cornerback Ca'ron "Prime" Williams Gets Key Pick Six In Santa Margarita Catholic's Super 25 Win Over Centennial, 21-20
  https://www.usatoday.com/story/sports/high-school/football/2026/08/29/caron-williams-interception-santa-margarita-beats-centennial-football/91527079007/
- Scored what turned out to be the winning touchdown with a 31-yard return in the fourth-quarter in slim win over Centennial (Corona). Touted by prep sports guru James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as the "Play of the Night"
- Continued a career of dominating performances versus highly-ranked Centennial (Corona)

Ca'ron Williams – Career Interceptions vs. Centennial

Season	Games vs. Centennial	Interceptions		Touchdowns vs. Centennial	Return Yards
		Career vs. All Opp	Career vs. Centennial		
2024	1	1	1	0	0
2025	2	3	3	1	131
2026	1	4	1	1	31
Total	**4**	**8**	**5**	**2**	**162**



- Collected his fifth-career interception in blowout win over Jones (Orlando)
- 2026 MaxPreps.com Preseason All-America Junior First-Team - Defense (Defensive Back)
- Named by Cannon Sports as the No. 7 Top Football Player in California from the class of 2028
- 2026 West Coast Preps – No. 35 – Top High School Football Players in Southern California
- Identified as a standout prospect by Six Star Football -- highlighting elite prospects and talent in Fall
- 2026 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Southern Section Second-Team - Defense
- Greg Biggins -- On3.com / rivals: Elite cornerback
- Named one of the top cornerbacks in the Southern Section for 2026 by High School on SI
- Named by West Coast Preps as the No. 3 cornerback in Southern California for the 2026 season
- Selected by OCVarsity (*Orange County Register*) as No. 21 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 6 prospect in California and No. 3 at his position for class of 2028 in Summer – first appearance in the outlet's Top 10 -- a "Rankings Riser"
- Named by the *Orange County Register* as No. 5 among the "Top Defensive Backs to Watch in 2026" from Orange County
- Named by PreAcktive / PASports / @pre_aktivesports as the No. 9 top class of 2028 junior Watch List prospect for the CIF Southern Section
- Selected by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com as one of the "Top Performers from the Battle at the Beach" 7v7 tournament -- brings consistency and experience to his corner position – capable of locking down bigger receivers
- Named by MaxPreps.com as one of the Key Players for the No. 6 nationally-ranked Eagles' for 2026
- Named one of the top Defensive Backs in the Southland for 2026 by Eric Sondheimer of the *Los Angeles Times*
- Delivered a dominant performance at Nike's The Opening regional camp in Los Angeles in February
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com: Named one of top three class of 2028 Defensive Backs in Orange County by Michael Huntley in Winter, 2026
- Selected to play in The 2nd Annual Sevens 7-on-7 Football Tournament in late February at Peachtree High School in Suwanee, Georgia along with nation's top 200-plus recruits in the classes of 2027 and 2028
- PrepRedzone.com state prospect rankings: Overall - No. 11 / Position - No. 4 in February
- 2025 West Coast Preps All-Southern California First-Team - Defense
- 2025 West Coast Preps -- Top 65 High School Football Players in Southern California
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Sophomore All-State Football: First-Team - Defense
- 2025 All CIF Southern Section - Division 1
- 2025 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Defense
- 2025 All-Orange County Football team (*Orange County Register*)
- 2025 MaxPreps.com Sophomore All-America First-Team
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California Sophomore Football Team
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee

- In 42-7 rout of Centennial in the CIF Southern Section - Division 1 championship, snagged his third interception of the season against the Huskies and returned it 51 yards.
- Notched two interceptions in the span of the last four minutes of the first half against Centennial (Corona), an upset win for the Eagles. He sprinted 62 yards on the first of the two for his first high school touchdown.
  -- Named the Orange County Male Athlete of the Week by the *Orange County Register* for his impressive defensive performance
  -- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1
  -- Lauded by Eric Sondheimer of the *Los Angeles Times*
  -- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic by PrepRedZone.com
  -- Named a Dominant Defender for Santa Margarita Catholic by PrepRedZone.com
- 2025 MaxPreps.com Preseason All-America Sophomore selection: Second-Team - Defense (Defensive Back)
- Ranked No. 80 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 10 defensive back in Orange County
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 MaxPreps.com Freshman All-America Team: Second-Team - Defense
- Has received more than 30 Division 1 offers from: USC, Oregon, Ohio State , Cal (California), Oklahoma, Miami (Florida), Alabama, UCLA, Arizona, Arizona State, Norte Dame, Washington, Florida State, Texas, Texas A&M, San Diego State, Ole Miss (Mississippi), Nebraska, North Carolina, Arkansas, Vanderbilt, Iowa, Missouri, Maryland, Sacramento State, Costal Carolina, Toledo, SMU (Southern Methodist), Colorado State, Florida, Michigan, LSU, Penn State and Georgia
- Has narrowed his commitment decision to 12 schools:



23 Luca Amaya | Running Back | Junior | 5-10 / 190

- Fielded a kickoff versus JSerra Catholic and returned it 96-yard for a touchdown -- tied for third-longest in school history. Earlier this season, Ford Davenport returned a kickoff 88-yards for a touchdown versus Highland (Palmdale)

SMCHS: Longest Kickoff Return – All-Time

Player	Distance	Season	Opponent
Malone Mataele	98	2016	@ Mission Viejo
A.J. Cruz	97	2008	@ St. John Bosco
Luca Amaya	**96**	**2026**	**JSerra Catholic**
Cory Thomson	96	2009	Poway
Malone Mataele	94	2016	@ Mission Viejo
Logan Sweet	91	2008	Mater Dei
Josh Ireland	90	1990	Trabuco Hills
Josh Ireland	90	1990	San Luis Obispo

- Scored 2 rushing touchdowns in dominant win versus Highland

24 Noah Grande | Running Back | Senior | 5-9 / 200

- Scored 2 rushing touchdowns – one each in lop-sided wins against Highland (Palmdale) and Inderkum (Sacramento)

26 Adrian Petero | Running Back | Sophomore | 5-6 / 190

- Contributed 19 rushing attempts for 114 yards (6.0 average) and 1 touchdown in victory over JSerra Catholic
- Featured in online article by Silas Bravo of westcoastpreps.com – “Sophomore Star Adrian Petero Sets the Tone for Santa Margarita Catholic” (10/22/26)
- Tied for the regular season lead in rushing touchdowns in the Trinity League lead with 16 -- Continued streak of capturing at least one touchdown in each game this season until leaving the game versus San Clemente with an injury
- *USA Today* Sports 2026 West Region Midseason High School Football Team -- Second-Team - Offense
- Led the Eagles in rushing versus Servite – 98 yards on 7 attempts (14.0 average) and 2 touchdowns scored. One score was a 56-yard romp.

2026 Trinity League: Most Touchdowns Scored – Regular Season – 10 Games

		Touchdowns	
Player	**School**	**Rushing**	**Overall**
Adrian Petero	**Santa Margarita Catholic**	**16**	16
Maliq Allen	St. John Bosco	16	20
Asir Nembhard	Mater Dei	13	14
Ryan Christianson	JSerra Catholic	13	14

- Named by West Coast Preps as the No. 53 Top SoCal Midseason Impact Player (of 65)
- Scored the Eagle's first touchdown of the game versus Mater Dei
- Cited by Tarek Fattal in the High School on SI midseason report as a strong candidate for the 2026 CIF Offensive Player of the Year
- In blowout win over Norco, established a new career high for rushing yards with 142 yards (23 attempts / 6.2 average) and 2 tocuhdowns -- now has at-least one rushing touchdown in each game and multiple in the past three -- *Los Angels Times* Performer of the Week / Season
- Continued remarkable start to season with 101 yards rushing on 12 attempts (8.4 average) and scored 4 touchdowns (all rushing) against Inderkum (Sacramento)

A-Train Rolling

- The last game an Eagles player scored four rushing touchdowns prior to Adrian Petero was on September 15, 2011, when junior running back Ryan Wolpin tied the school record with four rushing touchdowns. In that matchup, Wolpin led the Eagles to a 35-14 nonleague victory over Trabuco Hills, finding the end zone on runs of 1, 2, 1, and 34 yards
- The last Eagles player to score four overall touchdowns in a game before Adrian Petero was Trent Mosley in the CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 Championship game on November 28, 2025 versus Centennial (Corona) at the Rose Bowl





- Pass reception and dynamic run after catch versus Inderkum (Sacramento) and powerful running (101 yards) was recognized by many outlets:
  -- No. 1 on the ESPN SportsCenter "Top 10 Plays of the Day"
  -- Named a *USA Today* High School Sports "Super 25 Playmaker and High School Football Athlete of Week 4" -- nominated and won "National Player of the Week"
  -- PrepRedzone.com: One of the "Top Southern Section Offensive Performers from Week 3"
  -- "Recommended viewing on social media" – Steve Fryer / *Orange Coast Register*
  -- West Coast Preps Named: "Weekly Star"
  -- The play was picked up and aired all over the nation by media outlets including: *New York Post* , ESPN SportsCenter, Sports Illustrated, Yahoo Sports, NFHS Network, *USA Today* High School Sports, Cal-Hi Sports, rivals, MaxPreps.com *and* numerous YouTube channels
- Was a key contributor and foundation of a grinding running attack in win at Centennial (Corona). Established new career highs for attempts – 23 and yards gained 111 (1 touchdown) in a game – Named a Weekly Key Performer by the *Los Angeles Times* and one of the "Top Southern Section Offensive Performers from Week 1" by PrepRedzone.com
- Dubbed the "A-Train" by teammates last season and has a new moniker bestowed by prep guru Eric Sondheimer of the *Los Angels Times*: "Mighty Mouse"
- Literally carried he load for the Eagles with 14 attempts versus Jones (Orlando) and scored one a 1-yard dive. Fourteen is a new single-game career high
- Greg Biggins -- On3.com / rivals: Provides strength to the ground game
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Selected by OCVarsity (*Orange County Register*) as No. 99 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Named one of the top Running Backs in the Southland for 2026 by Eric Sondheimer of the *Los Angeles Times*
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 79 prospect in California and No. 4 at his position in Spring
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports California All-State Football Freshman Watch List
- 2025 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com Rising Star and Early Off-Season Notable Underclassman from Southern California
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com class of 2029 Orange County Players to Watch
- Named to the PrepRedzone.com "Watch List" for Class of 2029 recruiting class

- Scored one rushing touchdown in the 31-6 CIF Southern Section - Division 1 semifinal victory over Orange Lutheran
- Executed one of the most pivotal plays when he caught a pass from Trace Johnson and romped 59-yards versus the Mater Dei defense in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10 on late scoring-drive
- Combined with teammate Jaion Smith to gain 156 yards on the ground versus Centennial (Corona) – regular season. Petero grinded and drove to gain the final two yards of real estate and score the winning touchdown in overtime as well. It was the first score in his young career. Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial (Corona) by PrepRedZone.com

27 Kaleb Herndon | Defensive End | Freshman | 6-5 / 225

- Blocked the first punt of his young career, which led to an Eagle's touchdown, at Orange Lutheran
- Registered 1.5 sacks in win against JSerra Catholic
- Ranked No. 3 by Orange County Football (orangecountyfootball.com) for the 2026 Midseason OC50 Defense
- PrepRedzone.com: 2026 Midseason "Fantastic Freshmen of Southern California" - Defense
- Featured in lengthy (1,700 words) published article by High School on SI – Five-Star Freshman Kaleb Herndon Emerging as Force for Undefeated Santa Margarita Catholic (09/07/26)
- Named by West Coast Preps as the No. 45 Top SoCal Midseason Impact Player (of 65)
- Enjoyed a strong defensive game along with Eagle's teammates versus Mater Dei: 8 total tackles, 4 tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks
- Snagged first career interception to set up an early Eagles first touchdown in the one-sided win versus Inderkum (Sacramento)
- On3.com / rivals: Instant impact freshman contributor for SMCHS
- Another one of the freshman contributors on defense in big win versus Jones (Orlando) – 2 sacks, 3 total tackles and 2 tackles for loss
- One of sixteen of the nation's top young athletes selected for the inaugural "UP NEXT: No Days Off" class -- a new recognition program created by Whistle Sports and DAZN (dazn.com) to spotlight standout competitors from across the country -- Will be featured in a premium documentary-style episode exploring his journey, support system and pursuit of excellence before being presented with the Golden Whistle Plaque -- an annual award recognizing athletes who exemplify the spirit of "No Days Off"
- Identified as a standout prospect by Six Star Football -- highlighting elite prospects and talent in Fall
- Ranked the No. 1 "Freshman Player to Watch" in the Southern Section for 2026 by High School on SI
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Named by PreAcktive / PASports / @pre_aktivesports as the No. 2 top class of 2030 incoming freshmen Watch List prospect for the CIF Southern Section
- Generated early Division 1 interest as he is considered one of the top prospects in the country for his age group
- Has received Division 1 offers from Alabama, Texas Tech, Texas A&M, Oregon, Ole Miss, Oregon, Miami (Florida), Southern Methodist (SMU), Texas-San Antonio (UTSA), San Diego State and USC, many while still in 8th grade
- Possesses elite size for his position at a young age, leading to comparisons to top athletes

31 Setaleki Manu | Linebacker | Freshman | 5-10 / 206

- Was called upon to fill in at linebacker because of a last-minute personnel shift (injury) in the playoff victory over versus San Clemente – combined with fellow freshman Aydan Steen to deliver a key tackle for loss in the fourth quarter
- Saw game action in rout of Highland (Palmdale0 – collected 2 assisted tackles

33 Gauge Cook | Kicker / Punter | Junior | 5-11 / 205 -- INJURED

- Junior transfer displayed his leg strength with 4 kickoffs with a 60.0 average and 2 touchbacks
- Named by the *Orange County Register* as No. 7 among the "Top Specialists to Watch in 2026" from Orange County
- Star Tiers in Class of 2028 (per Chris Sailer): Kicker -- 5-star and punter -- 4.5-star
- Chris Sailer Kicking Rankings
  -- National Rank: 9 overall kicker - Class of 2028
  -- California Rank: 2 overall kicker - Class of 2028
- Chris Sailer Kicking Camp Accomplishments
  -- 2026 Vegas 47 Field Goal Finalist
  -- 2026 Vegas 48 Punt Finalist
  -- 2026 Vegas 48 Field Goal Finalist
  -- 2026 Top 12 Camp Selection
  -- 2025 Vegas XLV Class of 2028 Punt Champion

- Fresh off an impressive performance at the Chris Sailer Kicking Camp was one of only two kickers from California invited to the prestigious camp and just 50 specialists nationwide
- Transfer from Aliso Niguel High School
- Played on Aliso Niguel junior varsity team in 2025 -- In a notable 10-8 victory over Beckman High School (Irvine), Cook connected for the game-winning, 36-yard walk-off field goal with 0:01 remaining on the clock. His long for the season was 37-yards.

36 Kaleb Mendez | Safety | Sophomore | 6-0 / 175

- In the lop-sided win at Orange Lutheran – return a blocked punt for a touchdown (25 yards) and added 1 tackle for loss, 1 sack, 1 pass defended and 1 hurry

37 Colin Hicks | Punter | Senior | 6-0 / 210

2026 Season				
Games	**Punts**	**Avg.**	**Long**	**Inside 20**
9	25	36.9	61	5

Team did not punt in 2 games: Inderkum and Servite

- Booted the longest punt of his career, and the longest in the Trinity League, against Orange Lutheran – 61-yards
- Finished the regular season with the highest mark of yards-per-punt in the Trinity League -- 37.36 yards
- Has connected on a punt of 44-yards or more in seven of eight games played
- Punt of 54-yards versus JSerra Catholic was the second longest by a punter in the Trinity League this season until the final regular season game when he bested that
- Received a 4-star ranking from Chris Sailer Kicking in June 2025
- Trained by legendary kicker John Carney at the Carney Training Facility – works alongside with free agent kickers and punters in the offseason

41 Kai Koga | Punter / Kicker | Senior | 5-11 / 176

Season	PAT	PAT Att	PAT %	FG	FGA	FG %	Long	Points	KO	KO Avg	Long	TB
2026	36	43	83.7 %	1	5	20.0 %	33	38	53	58.7	68	21
2025	0	0	00.0 %	0	0	00.0 %	0	0	2	44.5	59	0
Career	**36**	**43**	**83.7 %**	**1**	**5**	00.0 %	**33**	**38**	**55**	**58.1**	**68**	**21**

Season	Asst. Tackles	Solo Tackles	Total Tackles
2026	1	1	2
2025	0	0	0
Career	**1**	**1**	**2**

- Put a kickoff straight through the goal post in the south end zone at Orange Coast versus Orange Lutheran – one of just three Eagles to accomplish that feat since the 2016 season

SMCHS: Kickoff Touchbacks -- Through Field Goal Uprights -- Career

Kicker	Season(s)	Total
Dylan Brady	2017-18	5
Kai Koga *	**2026**	**1**
Blake Wilson *	2021	1

* = Kicked on a short field after a penalty against opponent

- Brings a rare international soccer background to SMCHS -- having trained and competed across multiple countries before transitioning to football with advanced ball-striking mechanics
- Trained summer in Spain. Spent three weeks training at the Marcet High Performance Academy in Barcelona and spent time training in Madrid, Rome, London and Scotland
- Plays club soccer for Pateadores ECRL, based in Orange County
- Kohl's Kicking: Ranked 4-star / Attended multiple showcase and invitational events
- Chris Sailer Kicking: Ranked 4.5 star
- 315-pound squat that supports genuine leg power and runs a 4.68 40-yard dash

44 Dax Karney | Linebacker / Long Snapper | Sophomore | 5-11 / 195

- Has gained more field time as the seasons' progressed – 39 total tackles, 5 tackles for loss, 5 hurries and 3 sacks

- Enjoyed the best game of his young career in Eagle's shredding of Norco – led team with 10 total tackles (1 for loss), one-half sac and 1 hurry. Has 2 sacks and 4 tackles for loss in first 5 games

45 Sebastian Watson | Linebacker | Sophomore | 5-11 / 205

- PrepRedzone.com: Selected to Watch List for class of 2029 -- an emerging, high-potential underclassman linebacker tracking toward future official state rankings
- Has received a Division 1 offer from the University of Texas-San Antonio (UTSA). In addition, he has an offer from Georgetown and recently received an unofficial recruiting invite and visit to UCLA

50 Adam Iloilo, Jr. | Offensive Lineman | Sophomore | 6-4 / 295

- Collected 3 pancake blocks in the dominant win over Norco
- High School on SI: One of key offensive lineman SMCHS leans on to do the dirty work up front
- 2026 MaxPreps.com Preseason All-America Sophomore First-Team - Offense (Offensive Line)
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Selected by OCVarsity (*Orange County Register*) as No. 137 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Named an Honorable Mention offensive lineman selection by 300+ Media / 300 Plus Podcast -- National Coaches Poll for 5v5
- Named by PreAcktive / PASports / @pre_aktivesports as the No. 9 top class of 2029 sophomore Watch List prospect for the CIF Southern Section
- Registered 11 pancake blocks last season
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 43 prospect in California and No. 6 at his position in Spring
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports California All-State Football Freshman Watch List
- PrepRedzone.com 2026 Winter Showcase Most Valuable Player -- Offensive Line
  Test categories:
  * 40-yard dash: 5.36 / 4th
  * Shuttle: 4.79 / 2nd
  * Broad jump: 8'1" / 2nd
  * L Drill: 8.63 / 3rd
- 2025 MaxPreps.com Freshman All-America First-Team
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com Rising Star and Early Off-Season Notable Underclassman from Southern California
- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial (Corona) - regular season by PrepRedZone.com

52 Chris Kraninger | Offensive Lineman | Junior | 6-3 / 275

- Registered 3 pancake blocks in the trenches versus Servite
- Has received offers from Harvard and Princeton
- Registered 4 pancake blocks in four games played in 2025
- PrepRedzone.com: Selected to Watch List for class of 2028
- 2025 High School Football America Academic All-America selection

53 Isaia Vandermade | Offensive / Defensive Lineman | Senior | 6-4 / 290 | Captain

- Ranked No. 19 by Orange County Football (orangecountyfootball.com) for the 2026 Midseason OC50 Defense
- Arose to record 2 sacks in win over Servite - Cited by PrepRedzone.com as one of the best performances of the week and Honorable Mention Defensive Player of the Week by Orange County Football (orangecountyfootball.com)
- Named by West Coast Preps as the No. 22 Top SoCal Midseason Impact Player (of 65)
- Awarded Stat Stuffer - Top Performance status from High School on SI in win over Mater Dei: 4 total tackles, 1 tackle for loss and 1 sack
- Chosen by West Coast Preps as the No. 5 defensive lineman in Southern California for the 2026 season
- Named by High School on SI as a member of the 2026 CIF Southern Section Preseason All-Star Team
- Mitch Stephens / High School on SI: One of the Top Defensive Lineman to Watch in California for 2026
- 2026 West Coast Preps – No. 29 – Top High School Football Players in Southern California
- 2026 *USA Today* High School Sports Preseason All-West Region Third-Team - Defensive Line
- 2026 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Southern Section First-Team - Defense
- Greg Biggins -- On3.com / rivals: Strong leader of the defense
- Selected by OCVarsity (*Orange County Register*) as No. 7 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026

- Named one of the top defensive linemen in the Southern Section for 2026 by High School on SI
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Named by the *Orange County Register* as No. 4 among the "Top Linemen to Watch in 2026" from Orange County
- Cited by Eric Sondheimer of the *Los Angeles Times* as one of the top defensive linemen to watch this season
- Named by MaxPreps.com as one of the Key Players for the No. 6 nationally-ranked Eagles' for 2026
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com Junior All-Southern California - Defense
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Junior All-State First-Team - Defense
- 2025 West Coast Preps All-Southern California First-Team - Offense
- 2025 West Coast Preps -- Top 65 High School Football Players in Southern California
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 94 prospect in California and No. 9 at his position in Winter
- 2025 All CIF Southern Section - Division 1
- 2025 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense
- 2025 All-Orange County (*Orange County Register*)
- 2025 SMCHS Defensive Lineman of the Year
- 2025 High School on SI / si.com / SBLive All-CIF Southern Section
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee
- Committed to play for USC on February 17, after having received Division 1 offers from: Arizona, Brigham Young (BYU), Cal (California), Colorado, Minnesota, Oklahoma State, Oregon, Texas Tech, Washington, San Jose State, South Florida and San Diego State
- Continued to romp over opposing offensive linemen with eight total tackles (3 for loss) and another three sacks Note: In first three CIF Southern Section Playoff games (SCS, OLu and Cent) had eight sacks, nine tackles for loss and two forced fumbles
- Followed up his best career game with another triumphant performance five total tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss and two sacks in the 31-6 CIF Southern Section Division 1 semifinal victory over Orange Lutheran
- Had the best game of his prep career in upset win at Sierra Canyon in the CIF Southern Section - Division 1 Playoffs -- seven total tackles, 3 1/2 tackles for loss, three sacks, one forced fumble and one pass defended. Commendations from:
  -- Cal-Hi Sports Southern California Defensive Player of the Week nominee
  -- *Orange County Register* Boys County Athlete of the Week nominee / Dan Albano - "Most Impressive"
  -- PrepRedzone.com Defensive Performer of the Week selection
- Ranked No. 83 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Honorable Mention - Defensive Lineman in California
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County First-Team
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com Top Offensive Linemen to Watch in Southern California
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports First-Team All-State Sophomore Team - Offense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee
- 2024 All-Bay Area News Group Honorable Mention - Defensive Line
- 2024 *San Francisco Chronicle* All-Metro Team - Honorable Mention - San Francisco
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Central Coast Section Team - Second-Team
- 2024 West Catholic Athletic League - Sophomore Player of the Year
- 2024 All-West Catholic Athletic League - First-Team
- 2024 All-Bay Area News Group Preseason Team - Defensive Line
- 2023 *San Francisco Chronicle* All-Metro Honorable Mention - San Francisco
- 2023 *San Francisco Chronicle* All-Metro - Freshman of the Year
- 2023 All-West Catholic Athletic League - Freshman Player of the Year
- 2023 All-West Catholic Athletic League - Second-Team
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee

54 Chavis "Ceejay" Tuimauga | Offensive Lineman | Junior | 6-1 / 275 -- INJURED

- 2025 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California - Sophomore Team - Offense - Honorable Mention
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com state prospect rankings: Overall - No. 164 / Position - No. 23 in February
- Noted for his strong base and heavy hands
- Transfer from Leuzinger High School (Lawndale)

55 Ray Jacobs | Offensive Lineman | Senior | 6-3 / 300

- High School on SI: One of key offensive lineman SMCHS leans on to do the dirty work up front

- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Featured in podcast interview in late summer on 300+ Media / 300 Plus Podcast
- Registered 7 pancake blocks in 2025

56 Aaron Klatt | Center | Senior | 6-1 / 280 Captain

- Asserted himself as the "King of the Pancake Blocks" versus Norco with 5 in the game
- High School on SI: One of key offensive lineman SMCHS leans on to do the dirty work up front
- Starting at offensive guard rather than his usual center position, dealt 3 pancake blocks versus Mater Dei
- Named as the No. 1 center in Southern California, for classes of 2027 and 2028, by 300+ Media / 300 Plus Podcast
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 10 Offensive Linemen in Orange County for 2026
- Selected by OCVarsity (*Orange County Register*) as No. 91 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Has registered 38 career pancake blocks
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 341 prospect in California and No. 54 at his position in Winter
- PrepRedzone.com: Klatt anchors perhaps the top offensive line unit in the state and is one of the top returning offensive lineman in the Trinity League
- 2025 All-Trinity League First-Team - Offense
- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial (Corona) - regular season by PrepRedZone.com
- Also is a member of the SMC wrestling and track & field teams

58 Tonga Uhila | Defensive Tackle | Senior | 5-10 / 260 Captain

- Was a defensive force once again in victory at Orange Lutheran – forced one fumble and recovered 2 -- again cited by PrepRedzone.com as a Defensive Performer of the Week
- Made presence know in win over JSerra Catholic with 4 total tackles, 1 tackle for loss, 0.5 sacks, 1 forced fumble and a blocked field goal -- cited by PrepRedzone.com as a Defensive Performer of the Week
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- 2025 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Defense
- 2025 SMCHS Brad Dillahunty Award selection
- Registered one sack and one tackle for loss in final regular season of 2025 win at JSerra Catholic
- Blocked at PAT attempt versus St. John Bosco in 2025
- Finished with the best game of his young career with one interception and one sack versus Liberty (Bakersfield) in 2024

64 Kairin Brunt | Offensive Line | Sophomore | 5-11 / 280

- High School on SI: One of key offensive lineman SMCHS leans on to do the dirty work up front
- PrepRedzone.com: Selected to Watch List for class of 2029
- Recognized for his strength and physical presence at the point of attack, often highlighted on platforms like Hudl and SportsRecruits

67 Elyjah Aiavā | Offensive Lineman | Junior | 6-1 / 325

- Joined teammate Aaron Klatt in the pancake fest versus Norco – dealt 3 in the game, bringing his season total to 9
- High School on SI: One of key offensive lineman SMCHS leans on to do the dirty work up front
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as a Watch List prospect for class of 2028 in California in Summer
- PrepRedzone.com Selected to Watch List for class of 2028 / Named Top Riser in Spring
- PrepRedzone.com Breakout Sophomore Sensation selection in Winter -- One of the top class of 2028 prospects across the entire state regardless of position. Already well on his way to being a FCS+ prospect and should be closing in on his first offer soon

88 Sacha Guerdat | Tight End | Junior | 6-5 / 235

- Has received five Division 1 offers from Colorado State, San Diego State, Sacramento State, Northern Arizona and Dartmouth
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 132 prospect in California and No. 3 at his position for class of 2028 in Summer

- Collected 9 pass receptions and 3 pancake blocks in 2025
- 2025 High School Football America Academic All-America selection

99 Kingston Jimmerson | Defensive End / Edge | Sophomore | 6-2 / 267

- Joined his defensive mates in the kick blocking statistical category by tying a school record with 2 in the win at Orange Lutheran – named as one of the Top Southern Section Defensive Performers from Week 10 by PrepRedzone.com
- Scooped up a fumble and returned it 79-yards to register a touchdown versus JSerra Catholic – established three new school records in the process:
  -- Longest fumble return in a game – 79 yards
  -- Most fumble return yards in a season – 79 yards
  -- Longest defensive touchdown – 79 yards
- Jimmerson became the fourth SMCHS player to have a spectacular play nominated as the *USA Today* High School Sports "National Play of the Week" and was the eventual winner. Also cited by PrepRedzone.com as a Performer of the Week
- Exciting play was shared on video by *USA Today* High School Sports and Yahoo Sports around the country
- Ranked No. 30 by Orange County Football (orangecountyfootball.com) for the 2026 Midseason OC50 Defense
- Has continued defensive dominance into his sophomore season – has 20 total tackles while registering 15 for loss -- also collected 7.5 sacks
- *USA Today* Sports 2026 West Region Midseason High School Football Team -- Second-Team - Defense
- Defensive hard performance that supported SMCHS defensive unit in victory over Mater Dei - 2 sacks and 2 tackles for loss one of the Top Southern Section Defensive Performers from Week 6 by PrepRedzone.com
- Displayed a fierce defensive effort from his edge position – 6 total tackles (3 tackles for loss) in victory at Centennial -- Named a Weekly Key Performer by the *Los Angeles Times*, one of the Top Southern Section Defensive Performers from Week 1 by PrepRedzone.com, SoCal Stud by West Coast Preps – the best player on the field and cited by PrepRedzone.com as one of the best Defensive Performances of the Week
- Mitch Stephens / High School on SI: One of the Top Sophomore Defensive Lineman to Watch in the nation
- Greg Biggins -- On3.com / rivals: Expected to have a breakout year
- Featured prospect on @varsity_sports_media_ with showcase reels, graphics and performance highlights
- Picked by editor James Escarcega of the Southern California High School Football Report as one of the key players in the Trinity League for 2026
- Selected by OCVarsity (Orange County Register) as No. 119 on the Hot 150 high school football players likely to have the biggest impact on the field in 2026
- Ranked the No. 3 defensive lineman in the nation by 300+ Media / 300 Plus Podcast
- Has received Division 1 offers from UCLA, USC, Arizona State, Penn State, Arizona, Sacramento State, Nebraska and San Diego State
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 44 prospect in California and No. 7 at his position in Spring of 2026
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports California All-State Football Freshman Watch List
- PrepRedzone.com 2026 Winter Showcase Most Valuable Player -- Defensive Line and leader in every test category:
  * 40-yard dash: 4.94 seconds / 3rd
  * Shuttle: 4.65 seconds / 2nd
  * Broad jump: 8'10" / 2nd
  * L Drill: 8.03 seconds / 1st
  * A no-brainer FBS talent that is one of the best at his position in the Trinity League
- Performed well in rout of Centennial in the CIF Southern Section - Division 1 title game -- one sack and one forced fumble

CURRENT COMPOSITE POLL RANKINGS

Please note that these rankings are most current at distribution time. With the results from last week's games definitely dictating movement, updated polls will be published throughout the week to reflect changes.

Media Outlet	Coverage Area	Poll Rank
Los Angeles Times / latimes.com	Southland	1
Orange County Register / ocregister.com	Orange County	1
Cal-Hi Sports / calhisports.com	State	1
	Southern Section	1

MaxPreps / MaxPreps.com	Nation – Opinion	2
	Nation – Computer	2
	California – Opinion	1
	California – Computer	2
	Southern Section – Overall – Computer	2
	Southern Section – Division 1 – Comp	2
	Los Angeles Metro – Computer	2
	Media Composite – Computer	2
HS Ratings / hsratings.com	Nation – Computer	3
	California – Computer	1
	Southern Section – Computer	1
	Offensive Unit – Nation – Computer	154
	Defensive Unit – Nation – Computer	**1**
High School Football America / highschoolfootballamerica.com FloFootball / flofootball.com	Nation – Computer	3
	California – Computer	1
	Southern Section – Computer	1
High School on SI / SBLive Sports / *Sports Illustrated*	Nation – Opinion	2
	California – Opinion	1
	Southern Section – Opinion	1
Massey Ratings / masseyratings.com	Nation – Computer	7
	California – Computer	2
	Southern Section – Computer	2
	Defensive Unit – Nation – Computer	**1**
USA Today High School Sports / usatodayhss.com	Nation – Opinion	1
	West Region – Opinion	1
	California – Opinion	1
	Southern Section – Opinion	1
	Nation – Media Composite – Computer	2
National High School Football / nationalhsfb.com	Nation – Opinion	2
	California – Opinion	1
ESPN High School Football – Next / espn.com High School Football Nation / hsfootballnation.com	Nation – Opinion	5
	California – Opinion	1
	Southern Section – Opinion	1
On3.com / rivals.com Composite	Nation – Opinion	5
	Nation – Computer	2
	California – Computer	1
	Southern Section – Computer	1
The Sporting News / sportingnews.com	Nation – Opinion	9
	California – Opinion	3
	Southern Section – Opinion	3
Sports Idol Nation (SPIN Media) / spinmedia.com	Nation – Opinion	1
	West Region – Opinion	1
	California – Opinion	1
	Southern Section – Opinion	1
College Football Now / collegefootballnow.com	Nation – Computer	2.0 / 2
	California – Computer	1
	Southern Section – Computer	1
The Comp Poll / thecomppoll.com/	Nation – Computer	1
Football Clears / footballclears.com	Nation – Opinion	2

Nations Elite / @nations _elite	Nation – Opinion	8
Prep Grid Logistics / prepgridironlogistics.com	Nation – Opinion	2
JPWest Media / jpwestmedia.com	Southern Section – Opinion	1
	Orange County – Opinion	1
West Coast Preps / westcoastpreps.com	California – Opinion	1
	Southern California – Opinion	1
	Southern Section – Opinion	1
	Orange County – Opinion	1
The Mecca Sports / themeccasportscomplex.com	Nation – Opinion	2
USA Top 100 / usatop100.org	Nation – Opinion	5
SoCalFootball / socalfootball.com	California – Opinion	2
	Southern California – Opinion	1
Orange County Football / orangecountyfootball.com	Orange County / Power – Opinion	1 / 1
Score Pirate / scorepirate.com	California – Opinion	2
	Southern California – Opinion	2
Mister Football National Composite Rankings – 13-plus Sources	Nation – Algorithm	5

THIS WEEK: ST. JOHN BOSCO CIF-SS - DIVISION 1 SEMIFINAL

SMCHS Season Game No. 12 / CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 Semifinal
Game Day / Date / Time: Friday, November 20, 2026 / 7:00 p.m.
Game Location: Saddleback College (Mission Viejo)
Tickets: GoFan.co
Nickname: Braves
Head Coach: Jason Negro
2026 Season: Overall: 8-3 / Trinity League: 3-2 (3rd) / Postseason: 1-0
Last Week's Playoff Game: vs. Orange Lutheran, Won 38-0

All-Time Series: St. John Bosco leads 20-12 (including playoffs)
Last Game / Last SMCHS Win: 2026 Regular Season -- Eagles won 21-7 @ Bellflower
Key Players to Watch:

- D.J. Tubbs – Wide Receiver – Junior
- Elisha Mueller – Offensive Lineman – Junior
- Ethan Coach – Linebacker – Senior
- Isala Wily-Ava – Defensive Back – Senior
- Koa Malau'ulu – Quarterback – Junior
- Kuika Moaalii – Wide Receiver – Sophomore
- Maliq Blackwell-Allen – Running Back – Senior
- Nicholas Whiteman – Kicker / Punter – Senior
- Simote Tupou – Defensive Lineman – Junior
- William Santana – Defensive Lineman – Freshman

NEXT WEEK: CIF-SOUTHERN SECTION - DIVISION 1 CHAMPIONSHIP

Season Game No. 13 / CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 Championship Semifinal
vs. Centennial (Corona) or Sierra Canyon (Chatsworth)

Game Day / Date: Friday, November 27
Game Location / Time: Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum | 7:00 p.m.
Game Tickets:

Link: https://gofan.co/app/school/CIFSS
Cost: $14.00 for adults and $7.00 for students (with valid school identification)

Game Parking:
Link: https://eventpass.justpark.com/la-memorial-coliseum-events-exposition-park/listings/passes/eedf470c-e578-410a-9767-9782e832191c
Approximate Cost: $27.00

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- Cox: Channel 99

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SANTA MARGARITA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
2026 FOOTBALL POSTSEASON ROSTER

No.	Player Name	Pos.	Class	Ht.	Wt.
0	Aydan Steen	LB	Fr.	6'2"	205
1	Jaion Smith	RB/LB	Jr.	6'0"	195
2	Ryan Clark	WR	Jr.	5'10"	160
3	Fletch Palmer	QB	Jr.	6'0"	195
4	Jayden Jack	RB/S	Fr.	5'11"	200
5	Curren King	S/LB	Jr.	6'0"	190
6	Grant Mosley	WR	Jr.	6'1"	185
7	Cruz Nuñez	LB	Sr.	6'3"	230
8	Braxton Boyle	TE	Jr.	6'2"	205
9	Luke Gazzaniga C	TE	Sr.	6'4"	235
10	Kiyan Callis	WR	Fr.	5'10"	175
11	J.J. Minardi	WR	Jr.	6'4"	190
12	Matthew Smith	QB	Sr.	6'1"	200
13	Jake Martin	WR/FS	Jr.	6'0"	195
14	Finn Sanders	QB	So.	6'0"	180
15	West Stansbury	QB	Jr.	6'4"	240
16	Grant Van Raaphorst	WR	Jr.	6'0"	180
17	Rayshawn Brandon	DB	So.	6'0"	165
18	Johnny Dos Santos	WR	So.	6'0"	180
19	Jagger Apt	DB	Jr.	5'11"	175
20	Juel McAlister	CB	So.	6'2"	180
21	Ca'ron Williams C	CB	Jr.	6'1"	180
22	Titus King	DB	Jr.	5'11"	155
23	Luca Amaya	RB	Jr.	5'10"	190
24	Noah Grande	RB	Sr.	5'9"	200
25	Christopher Behnam	LB	Jr.	5'8"	220
26	Adrian Petero	RB	So.	5'6"	190
27	Kaleb Herndon	DL	Fr.	6'5"	230
28	Colin Fredericks	CB	Jr.	5'9"	165
29	Marcus Lopiccolo	QB	Fr.	6'2"	175
30	T.J. McKenzie	DL	So.	6'4"	210
31	Setaleki Manu	LB	Fr.	5'10"	206
32	Warren Klatt	LB	Sr.	6'0"	198
33	Gauge Cook	K	Jr.	5'10"	165
35	Alex Windisch	WR	Sr.	6'5"	195
36	Kaleb Mendez	S	So.	6'0"	175
37	Colin Hicks	P/K	Sr.	5'10"	205
38	Ethan Cole	DB	Jr.	5'10"	170
39	Detavian Miller	WR/DB	Fr.	5'10"	190
40	Alex Oots	DB	So.	5'8"	180
41	Kai Koga	K	Sr.	5'11"	170
42	Emmanuel Logan-Brown	DL	So.	6'2"	205
43	Joaquin Perrizo	WR/DB	So.	5'7"	140

No.	Player Name	Pos.	Class	Ht.	Wt.
44	Daxton Karney	LB/LS	So.	5'11"	195
45	Sebastian Watson	LB	So.	5'10"	185
46	Robby Piscopo	WR/DB	So.	5'7"	135
47	Nathan Bottiaux	WR	So.	5'10"	165
48	Matthew Galang	WR	So.	5'7"	150
50	Adam Iloilo, Jr.	OL	So.	6'4"	290
51	Nick Alfisi	DE	Sr.	6'3"	280
52	Chris Kraninger	D/OL	Jr.	6'3"	280
53	Isaia Vandermade C	DL	Sr.	6'3"	300
54	Ceejay Tuimauga	O/DL	Jr.	6'3"	320
55	Raymond Jacobs	OL	Sr.	6'3"	320
56	Aaron Klatt C	C	Sr.	6'1"	280
57	Grover Brown	O/DL	So.	6'2"	245
58	Tonga Uhila C	DL	Sr.	5'11"	265
59	Joey Mamola	LB	So.	5'10"	190
60	Chance Weber	LB	Jr.	5'9"	165
61	Kyler Mendoza	OL	So.	6'2"	275
62	Lucas Boemer	O/DL	Jr.	6'1"	300
63	Heinrik Shriver	OL	Sr.	6'2"	290
64	Kairin Brunt	OL	So.	5'11"	280
66	Cristian Duenas	DL	So.	5'11"	250
67	Elyjah Aiava	G	Jr.	6'2"	320
73	Mickey Stephens	OL	Jr.	6'1"	295
74	Hunter Grajeda	O/DL	So.	6'0"	280
77	Brandon Tapia	OL	Fr.	6'2"	280
78	Karras Vandermade	OL	So.	6'3"	285
79	Jack Matteson	O/DL	Fr.	5'9"	190
80	Ford Davenport	WR/DB	So.	5'9"	156
81	Logan Anderson	WR	So.	5'10"	170
82	Trey Minardi	TE	So.	6'3"	190
83	Sean Meihaus	TE	So.	5'10"	175
84	Carter Muscarella	WR	So.	5'10"	160
85	Evan Linstrom	TE	So.	6'3"	215
86	Ian Nickoloff	LB	So.	6'0"	195
87	Luca Bernal	DL	So.	6'1"	240
88	Sacha Guerdat	TE	Jr.	6'5"	235
89	Dylan Hernandez	LS	Jr.	6'1"	210
91	Teancum Iloilo	O/DL	So.	5'8"	275
97	Jack Bovberg	O/DL	So.	6'1"	210
99	Kingston Jimmerson	DL	So.	6'1"	280

ST. JOHN BOSCO

2026 Football Roster

No.	Player Name	Position	Class
1	Prentice Jones, Jr.	DB	So.
2	D.J. Tubbs	WR	Jr.
3	Dorian Franklin	DB/WR	Sr.
4	JaShaun Shaffer	DB/RB	Sr.
5	Maliq Allen	RB	Sr.
6	Ben Rivas	LB/TE	Jr.
7	Jacob Reid	WR/DB	Jr.
8	Anthony Uzondu	WR	So.
9	D.J. Lacy	DB	So.
10	Josiah Poyer	LB/RB	Sr.
11	Elijah Tuua	DL	Jr.
12	Koa Malau'ulu	QB	Jr.
13	Daniel Oliveros	QB	Fr.
14	Gary Foster	LB	Jr.
15	Ethan Coach	LB	Sr.
16	Aiden Marchetta	QB	Jr.
17	Kuika Moaalii	WR	So.
18	Dillon Davis	DB	Sr.
19	Brandon Nash	DB	Jr.
20	Jeremiah Bryant	DB	Fr.
21	Kayden Hardnett	RB	So.
22	Kingston Fatu	DB	So.
23	Isala Wily-Ava	DB	Sr.
24	Jaylen Jones	RB	So.
25	David Plunkett III	WR	So.
27	Kahi Jimenez-Labra	RB	Fr.
28	David Lee	RB	Jr.
29	Devin Perez	DB	Jr.
30	Solomon Nash	DB	So.
31	Justin Coach	LB	Sr.
32	T.J. Howard	LB	So.
33	Lincoln Sinozic	LB	Sr.
34	Tyler Klewan	LB/LS	Sr.
35	Bryce Nelson	DB	So.
36	Nicholas Whiteman	K/P	Sr.
38	Khalil Dominique	DB	So.
39	Jameer Henderson	DB	So.
40	Richie Orosco	DL	Sr.
41	William Santana	DL	Fr.
42	Ian Ruiz	DL	Sr.
43	Jairus Muasau	LB	Fr.

No.	Player Name	Position	Class
44	Samuelu Faumuina	DL/OL	So.
45	Kaho Holani	DL/OL	Jr.
46	Dante Bobaly	DL/OL	So.
47	Nolan Avery	DB	Sr.
48	London Mancilla	LB	Sr.
49	Dean Clifton	LB	Jr.
50	Daniel Jones	DL/OL	So.
51	Marques Torres	OL	Jr.
52	Gabriel Villalobos	OL	Sr.
53	Caleb Hansen	LB	So.
54	Jordon McInnis	LB	So.
55	Elisha Mueller	OL	Jr.
56	Josiah Smith	DL	Jr.
57	Isaiah Maciel	OL/LS	Sr.
58	Kaden Franco	OL	Sr.
59	Samson Aiava	OL	Sr.
60	Le'Yon Brown	OL	Jr.
62	Alex Solis	OL	Jr.
66	Dante Persico	OL	So.
67	Jameson Stringer	OL	So.
70	Reese Asoau	OL	Jr.
71	Jeremiah Currie	OL	So.
72	Daylen Williams	OL	Fr.
73	Sebastian Manale	OL	Sr.
74	Luke Barley	OL	Sr.
75	Jayden Olague	DL	Sr.
77	Chase Gibbons	OL	Jr.
80	Joshua Laird	WR	So.
81	Trevon Bates	WR/DB	So.
82	James Gleason	WR	So.
83	J.D. Barajas	K	So.
84	Brian Garmendez	WR	Sr.
85	Aaron Seti	TE	Sr.
86	Jorge Campana	TE	Sr.
87	Braydon Johnson	TE	Jr.
88	Tristan Corona	WR	Sr.
89	Tony Guerrero	TE	Sr.
91	Kekoa Peko	DL	Sr.
92	Simote Tupou	DL	Jr.
93	Princeton Charleston	DL	So.