

2009 UW-Platteville Pioneers

Seniors

#10 Dan Baranek

DB, 5-11, 190, Sr., Port Washington

2008: Baranek was a reserve defensive back who made presence felt in practices ... played in the UW-Whitewater game... **2007:** was a reserve running back who played 2 games ... had one run for 4 yards at UW-Stout... caught one pass for 22 yards at UW-Whitewater... **2006:** saw action as a running back, starting in the JV games ... **High School:** gained over 600 yards total offense his senior season ... earned all-conference honors ... team captain also had over 200 kick and punt return yards ... also lettered in track ... **Personal:** son of Chuck and Liane Baranek ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... criminal justice major.

Year	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Rec.	Yds	TD
2007	1	4	4	0	1	22	0
2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	4	4	0	1	22	0

#9 Terry Belville

DB, 6-1, 185, Sr., Elmhurst, IL/ York

2009: Belville will make his third position switch in three years to maximize his athletic abilities and get him on the field ... began working with the defensive backs in spring practices ... **2008:** changed from quarterback to wide receiver and had a strong impact ... competed in 6 games ... returned 8 kicks for 133 yards ... had a season-long return of 38 yards at UW-Oshkosh ... took some snaps from the Wildcat formation ... **2007:** saw first collegiate action as a starter against UW-Oshkosh ... completed his first collegiate pass for 48 yards and later threw his first touchdown pass, a seven-yarder, against the Titans ... also saw action at UW-Whitewater ... **2006:** earned Scout Team Offensive Player of the Year ... led the JV team ... was the QB for the Pioneers in Germany, tossing a pair of touchdown passes in 43-22 win over Schwaebisch Hall ... **High School:** helped lead his team to a 7-2 record and a conference championship ... was selected to the all-conference and the Press Publications All-Area team ... **Personal:** son of Tony and Mary Belville ... business major.

Year	Com	Att	Pct	Yards	TD	Int	Rush	Yds	TD
2007	11	25	44.0	100	1	4	7	1	0
2008	2	3	66.7	17	0	0	11	25	0
Total	13	28	46.4	117	1	4	18	26	0

#47 Tom Bruins

LB, 6-3, 245, Sr., Waupun

2008: Bruins played in 9 games ... had a season best against Augustana with 2 solo tackles ... tallied one solo and had one assist tackle at UW-La Crosse ... **2007:** saw action in one varsity game and in the junior varsity games ... tallied one tackle at UW-Stout ... **2006:** served as a reserve linebacker, leading the JV defense ... **High School:** made 117 tackles his senior season ... voted first team all-conference, conference defensive player of the year, an all-region team selection, and honorable mention all-state ... team led the conference in defense ... **Personal:** son of Randy and Marcene Bruins ... dairy science major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Loss	Sacks	FF	FR	Int
2007	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
2008	4	2	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Total	5	2	7	0-0	0-0	0	0	0

#11 Rob Crowley

LB, 6-1, 220, Sr., Lyndon Station Mauston

2008: Crowley bounced back from 2007 injury to start in 4 games at linebacker ... had career-best 6 tackles at Buena Vista ... recorded 4 tackles at St. Ambrose and against Augustana ... **2007:** was injured and did not play ... **2006:** largely contributed on special teams ... had a tackle against UW-River Falls ... also served as a reserve linebacker ... **High School:** earned second team all-conference honors ... team MVP ... led team in tackles with 79 ... second team all-conference in basketball ... **Personal:** son of Leo and Jeanette Crowley ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... building construction management major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks
2008	10	4	14	1-7

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#54 Jon Ebert

LB, 6-1, 225, Sr., Ashton, IL/ Ashton-Franklin

2008: Ebert competed in 8 games as reserve linebacker... had one solo and one assisted tackle at both Buena Vista and St. Ambrose ... **2007:** saw action in 4 games as a reserve linebacker ... served on the kick return and punt return teams ... **2006:** served as a reserve linebacker, starting on the JV defense ... **High School:** had 71 tackles and 2.5 sacks his senior season ... had 225 career tackles and 6.5 career sacks ... named to the IHSFCA All-State Team, Champaign News-Gazette All-State, all-conference running back and linebacker, and the all-area team ... team selected him as MVP ... also lettered in wrestling in which he was a state qualifier ... **Personal:** son of Randy and Sandy Ebert ...member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... crop science major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Loss	Sacks	FF	FR	Int
2007	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
2008	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Total	6	4	10	0-0	0-0	0	0	0

#55 Adam Hite

OL, 6-4, 280, Sr., South Elgin, IL

2008: Hite started the first 4 games of the season and played in 4 other games after making switch from defense to offense ... looks to solidify center position ... **2006-2007:** was a reserve defensive lineman who helped anchor the JV defensive line ... **High School:** was a 4-year letter winner for Elgin High School ... also was an all-conference wrestler ... **Personal:** son of Tom and Margaret Hite ... education major.

#1 Quincy Hudson

DB, 5-9, 165, Sr., Milwaukee/Bay View

2009: Hudson earned spot on *Inside Wisconsin Sports* magazine all-D3 preseason team ... **2008:** was named second team all-WIAC after standout season ... intercepted 5 passes, the most for a Pioneer since Barry Boganz grabbed 6 in 1990 ... 5 thefts ranked second in the WIAC ... earned a spot on the D3football.com Team of the Week after UW-River Falls game Nov. 1, when he made an interception on the goal-line on the Falcons' first drive, recovered a fumble on the 19 in the third quarter and contributed 6 tackles and 2 pass breakups ... top ranked pass defender in conference ... made at least one interception 4 out the last 6 games ... made 2 interceptions and 7 tackles at UW-Stevens Point... **2007:** started 9 games ... had best game at UW-River Falls, recording 6 solo and 3 assisted tackles, making 2 interceptions, returning one for a touchdown, and recovering one fumble ... the 63-yard score was the Pioneers' only interception for a TD in 2007 ... had a season high of 7 solo tackles against Drake ... **2006:** was moved from receiver to defensive back as needed during the year and played so well he earned the team's Newcomer of the Year Award ... against UW-Eau Claire, he had 12 tackles, 11 solo, and broke up a pass ... also was a big special teams contributor ... **High School:** was selected to play in the Shrine Bowl ... led Bay View to 7-3 mark ... Redcats won conference with 6-0 mark ... had season-best 65-yard catch ... scored on 3 kickoff returns ... **Personal:** son of Earnestine Hudson ... business major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Loss	Int
2006	12	2	14	0	0
2007	25	6	31	0	2-63
2008	37	18	55	2	5-17
Total	74	26	100	0	7-80

#3 Eric Jensen

DB, 5-9, 175, Sr., Arlington Heights, IL/John Hersey

2008: Jensen played in 9 games with 6 starts ... recovered a fumble at UW-La Crosse and against UW-River Falls ... had a season-best 7 tackles against UW-Eau Claire and against UW-River Falls ... **2007:** started all 10 games ... made an interception in his starting debut against St. Ambrose ... tallied 6 solo and 2 assisted tackles at UW-Stout ... had a season-high 7 solo and 5 assisted tackles at UW-River Falls ... **2006:** served the team as a reserve cornerback, playing in all of the JV games ... **High School:** finished his 2005 season second in the conference in interceptions ... team went to the Illinois state playoffs his junior year ... also lettered in track ... **Personal:** son of John and Nancy Jensen ... business major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	FF	FR	Int
2007	37	11	48	1	0	1
2008	21	14	35	0	2	1
Total	58	25	83	1	2	2

#8 George Katze

DB, 5-10, 170, Sr., Randolph/Cambria-Friesland

2009: Katze was nominated for the All-State/AFCA Good Works Team ... **2008:** earned UWP's Special Teams Player of the Year Award ... played all 10 games ... tallied a tackle in 7 games... had a season-best 4 solo tackles at UW-Oshkosh, earning WIAC Special Teams Player of the Week

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Award ... **2007:** played in 8 games as reserve defensive back and on special teams ... contributed solo tackles in 3 games: at UW-Eau Claire at UW-Whitewater and against UW- Oshkosh ... **2006:** saw game action on the JV team ... also was a reserve cornerback ... **High School:** was a first team all-conference, all-region, and a second team all-area and all-state defensive back, tying the conference record for interceptions ... won all-conference honors as a quarterback ... also lettered in basketball ... all-conference competitor in track ... **Personal:** son of George and Kalleen Katze ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... was the freshmen basketball coach for Darlington High School in 2007-08 ... technology education major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Loss	Sacks
2007	3	1	4	0	0
2008	9	1	10	0	0
Total	12	2	14	0	0

#19 Thomas Kral

LB, 6-1, 240, Sr., Wauwatosa/East

2008: Kral played in 9 games and started 2 games... had a season-high 9 solo tackles at UW-La Crosse ... tallied 5 solo and 3 assist tackles ... recovered a fumble and recorded 7 tackles at UW-Stevens Point ... **2007:** played in 7 games on the special teams and reserve linebacker ... made 3 solo tackles: against UW-La Crosse, at UW-Eau Claire, and at UW-River Falls ... **High School:** earned first team all-area and second team all-conference... **Personal:** son of Ron Kral and Julie Carter ... transferred from Valparaiso ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... mechanical engineering major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks	FR
2007	3	0	3	0	0
2008	17	9	26	0	1
Total	20	9	29	0	1

#68 Steven Lequia

OL, 6-1, 250, Sr., Kenosha /Bradford

2008: Lequia was a reserve offensive lineman ... leader of the scout team with a great work ethic ... **2007:** played in 2 games as reserve offensive lineman and on the junior varsity ... **2006:** was a reserve lineman ... saw action on the JV offensive line ... **High School:** earned all-South Division and all-County Honorable Mention honors ... earned two letters ... member of the National Honor Society ... **Personal:** son of Michael and Deborah Lequia ... mechanical engineering major.

#34 Ben Lusted

DB, 5-10, 190, Sr., Batavia, IL

2008: Lusted played in 9 games and started 3 of them ... had a season-best 4 tackles at Buena Vista, St. Ambrose, and against UW-Stout ... **2007:** played in 5 games as defensive back ... helped stuff UW-L's last drive with a tackle for a four-yard loss, setting up the Pioneers' game-winning drive ... had 4 solo tackles and a interception at UW-Eau Claire ... tallied 2 solo and 8 assist tackles at UW-River Falls ... **2006:** served as a reserve safety ... starting on the JV defense ... **High School:** earned all-conference awards and won defensive player of the week ...also named to two-all area teams after helping lead his team to a 9-2 record and a conference championship ... **Personal:** son of Steve and Sue Lusted ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... building construction management major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Loss	Int
2007	12	10	22	1.0-4	1-10
2008	11	4	15	0-0	0-0
Total	23	14	37	1.0-4	1-10

#20 Joey Martin

WR, 6-0, 190, Sr., Boscobel

2008: Martin played in 7 games as wide receiver... had a season-best 3 receptions for 15 yards at St. Ambrose ... **2007:** played in 9 games as wide receiver ... caught 2 passes for 33 yards and his first career touchdown against UW-Stevens Point ... had season-high with 38 yards against Drake, with long gain of 28 yards ... **2006:** was a reserve receiver who played in all the JV games ... **High School:** Despite his high school not being able to field full teams throughout his four years, he earned all-conference honors as a senior and was MVP on both offense and defense ... competed in basketball and track ... **Personal:** son of David and Laura Martin ... Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... physical education major.

Year	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	KR
2007	17	167	9.8	1	1-15
2008	5	25	5.0	0	0-0
Total	22	192	8.7	0	1-15

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#93 Jon McCauley

DL, 6-1, 230, Sr., Naperville, IL/ Marmion Military Academy

2008: McCauley played in 7 games after making the switch to defensive line ... **2006-07:** was a reserve linebacker ... was a key member of the JV defense ... **High School:** captained his team and was named Most Dedicated Player, Special Teams Player of the Year, and Defensive Player of the Year ... made 18 total tackles in a game ... was selected on the all-conference team ... also lettered in baseball and track ... **Personal:** son of Mike and Sharon McCauley ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... criminal justice major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total
2008	0	0	0

#17 Mitch Shadley

QB, 6-3, 215, Sr., Juneau/Dodgeland

2008: Shadley made his first start against Augustana and led the Pioneers to a 14-9 win ... threw for 137 yards with a touchdown in starting role ... also started vs. UW-Stout and at UW-Stevens Point ... was third in rushing for the Pioneers with 98 yards... **2007:** did not play football due to an injury ... **2006:** helped the team as a backup and scout team QB ... **2005:** reserve quarterback ... led the JV team to a 3-0 record in which the offense scored 132 points ... **High School:** earned second team all-conference honors ... threw for 1028 yards and 10 TDs ... lead team to a conference championship ... all-conference basketball player ... **Personal:** son of Dan and Janet Shadley ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... engineering major.

Year	Com	Att	Pct	Yards	TD	Int	Rush	Yds	TD
2008	41	76	53.9	366	1	3	25	45	0

#18 Jared Siegmund

DB, 5-7, 170, Sr., Black Creek/Shiocton

2008: Siegmund did not play ... **2005-2007:** served as a reserve defensive back, starting on the JV team and seeing some varsity action ... **High School:** earned teams special teams player of the year award ... started 3 years at cornerback ... team captain in wrestling ... **Personal:** son of John and Kathleen Siegmund ... engineering major.

#2 Tony Smidl

K, 5-11, 180, Sr., Oshkosh/West

2008: Smidl earned WIAC special teams player of the week honors for his performance against Augustana... went 2-2 in field goals with 31-yard and 39-yard kicks in 14-9 win over the Vikings ... kicked a career-long 43-yard field goal against UW-Eau Claire ... was 17-18 in PAT attempts ... averaged 58.7 yards per kickoff, second-best in WIAC ... **2007:** made 10-15 field goals, ranking second in the WIAC in made field goals and percentage ... the 10 FGs were the second most in Pioneer history ... earned a spot on D3football.com team of the week after going 3-4 in field goals and 4-4 for extra points, against UW-La Crosse, including the game-winning kick of 17 yards with 3 seconds remaining in a 37-34 win ... hit a career 38 yard field goal, against Stevens Point... **2006:** made 30-31 extra points, ranking second in the WIAC in accuracy ... kicked a 28-yard field goal against Augustana and a 31-yarder against UW-Stout, which proved to be crucial as the Pioneers won by 3 points ... earned the team's Special Teams Player of the Year Award ... scored 36 points ... also had 4 touchbacks on kickoffs ... **High School:** made 13 of 14 PATs and a 30-yard field goal ... had 8 touchbacks on kickoffs ... lettered twice in soccer ... **Personal:** son of Mark Smidl and Trina Rahmlow ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... civil engineering major.

Year	PAT	FG	Long	Pts
2006	30-31	2-5	31	36
2007	22-24	10-15	38	52
2008	17-18	5-9	43	32
Total	69-73	17-29	43	120

#13 Jimmy Spehn

WR/5-9, 170, Sr., Lake Elmo, MN/Naperville, IL Neuqua Valley

2008: Spehn came out for football after sitting out and made an immediate impact ... speedster caught 3 passes for 12 yards and took snaps out of the Wildcat formation, rushing 11 times for 34 yards ... gained 37 yards on the ground against UW-Eau Claire ... **High School:** earned all-conference honorable mention honors after helping team go 8-1, including 7-0 in league play ... made standout one-handed grab against Waubonsie Valley ... earned two varsity letters ... **Personal:** son of Richard and Patti Spehn ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... business major.

Year	Rush	Yds	YD	Rec	Yds	TD	Com	Att	Yds	TD	Int
2008	11	34	0	3	12	0	0	1	0	0	1

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#98 Tim Stephenson

DL, 6-3, 240, Sr., Lanark, IL/Eastland

2008: Stephenson earned second team all-WIAC honors after standout junior season ... earned WIAC defensive player of the week for his 3.5 sacks at UW-Oshkosh in a 28-0 victory ... tallied a season high 9 tackles and also had 2.5 sacks at UW-Stevens Point ... started off the season with 7 tackles at Buena Vista ... was one of just 7 Pioneers to start all 10 games ... **2007:** played as defensive lineman in 9 games ... had one tackle, one sack, and one forced fumble, against UW-La Crosse ... tallied 4 solo tackles, 1 assisted stop and a forced fumble against UW-Oshkosh... **2006:** was granted a medical redshirt after sustaining a season-ending injury in the opener at Dubuque ... **2005:** was a reserve defensive lineman who saw varsity action ... **High School:** three-year starter for Eastland ... two-time all-conference lineman ... recorded 147 tackles, including 95 solo stops, in his junior and senior years ... lost only eight games from sixth through 12th grade ... **Personal:** son of Todd and Luann Stephenson ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... building construction management major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks	FF	FR
2007	13	3	16	2-12	2	0
2008	28	18	46	7-65	0	1
Total	41	21	62	9-77	2	1

#87 Aunton Terry

WR, 6-1, 210, Sr., Waukesha /North

2009: Terry earned spot on *Inside Wisconsin Sports* magazine all-D3 preseason team ... **2008:** earned all-WIAC honorable mention honors after breakout season in 2008 ... ranked 5th in conference in receptions ... had monster start to year, catching 11 passes for 213 yards and 3 fourth-quarter touchdowns in 21-14 win at Buena Vista .. earned WIAC player of the week for his performance ... gained at least 40 receiving yards every game ... caught 8 passes for 103 yards vs. UW-Whitewater ... **2007:** played in 7 Pioneer games ... caught 2 passes for 24 yards against UW-La Crosse, including 20-yard gain ... returned 5 kickoffs, with long of 19 vs. Drake ... **High School:** played at Waukesha North, graduating in 2003 ... **Personal:** son of Antoinette Dixon ... transferred from Rochester Community College ... special education major.

Year	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	KR
2007	3	23	7.7	0	5-57
2008	62	803	12.9	3	0-0
Total	65	826	12.7	3	5-57

#65 Michael Tharp

OL, 6-6, 310, Sr., Bettendorf, IA

2008: Tharp played 5 games despite battling injuries throughout year ... showed glimpses of being dominating lineman ... blocked for Pioneer offense that passed for 344 yards at Buena Vista ... **2007:** played 4 games as reserve offensive lineman and also saw action midway through the year as a tight end ... **2006:** served on the JV team ... **High School:** earned All-MAC Academic honors in both his junior and senior years ... the team captain led his team to the state championship in 2004 and a return to the playoffs again the next ... **Personal:** son of Rodney and Connie Tharp ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... chemistry major.

#32 Zach Zaputil

DB, 6-2, 195, Sr., Cedar Falls, IA

2008: Zaputil contributed not only in games but also as a tremendous practice player ... known for his motivational attitude ... team sparkplug ... **2007:** played as a reserve defensive back ... **2006:** earned the team's Scout Team Defensive Player of the Year award for his work during practices ... **High School:** helped his team win back-to-back conference championships and record a 22-3 mark ... also lettered in track ... **Personal:** son of Kurt and Shawna Olson and Tim and Jennifer Zaputil ... business administration major.

Juniors

#15 Courtney Alexander

DB, 6-0, 180, Jr., Robbins, IL/Eisenhower

2008: Alexander played 9 games with 5 starts in the secondary ... tallied a season-best 5 tackles and a blitzing sack at St. Ambrose ... recorded 2 solo and 2 assisted tackles, and also forced a fumble against Augustana ... **2007:** was as reserve defensive back who saw action on the JV team ... **High School:** led Eisenhower in tackles and interceptions for two consecutive years ... picked off five passes in final two seasons ... earned honorable mention all-conference ... **Personal:** son of Riley Alexander and Sonya Overstreet ... building construction management major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	FF
2008	17	8	25	1

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#76 Jon Bryson

DL, 6-2, 270, Jr., Darlington

2008: Bryson saw action in 4 games as a reserve defensive lineman and should make push for regular playing time in 2009 ... **2007:** served as a reserve defensive lineman, gaining experience on the JV team ... **High School:** three-year all-conference player ... SWAL 2 Lineman of the Year as a senior ... helped Redbirds to 2 conference championships ... two-time sectional qualifier in the shot put ... two-year letterwinner in basketball ... **Personal:** son of Scott and Sandy Bryson ... business major.

#12 Joe Burkland

WR, 6-1, 195, Jr., Hollandale/Pecatonica

2009: Burkland will move to wide receiver to take advantage of his outstanding open-field moves ... **2008:** played in 8 games with limited playing time due to injury ... was the team's second leading rusher and passer ... threw for 119 yards and rushed for 125 with the game's lone touchdown in 7-0 win vs. UW-River Falls ... completed a season-best 14-16 for 187 yards and 2 touchdowns at UW-Oshkosh ... **2007:** played in all 10 games and started 2 of them as QB ... came off the bench to rush for 151 yards with 3 touchdowns against UW-La Crosse, including 57 of the 78 yards on the last-second, game-winning drive ... was the first Pioneer quarterback to rush over 100 yards in a game since 1998 ... was named WIAC offensive player of the week after the UW-L performance ... threw for 217 yards and 62 yards rushing at UW-Whitewater ... began the year returning kickoffs, returning 17 for a 22.9 average and a long of 35 yards ... **High School:** passed for 3,626 career yards and 60 touchdowns in 200 completions, leading Pecatonica to a 33-4 record ... named all-state quarterback and earned three all-region and all-conference awards ... ran for over 1,500 career yards and had 29 touchdowns ... lettered in track and baseball ... was a three-time all-conference basketball player ... **Personal:** National Honor Society ... son of Dale and Janet Burkland ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... business administration major.

Year	Com	Att	Pct	Yards	TD	Int	Rush	Yds	TD	KR	Yds
2007	31	68	45.6	303	1	5	91	498	4	17	389
2008	55	92	59.8	653	2	2	74	240	3	0	0
Total	86	160	53.8	956	3	7	165	738	7	17	389

#84 Andrew Fells

WR, 6-0, 705, Jr., Milwaukee/Bradley

2007-08: Fells attended UW-Platteville but did not play football ... **High School:** two-time letter winner and all-conference player in football ... also earned letters in wrestling ... **Personal:** son of Sandra Fells ... undeclared major.

#4 Brandon Hertrampf

RB, 6-0, 205, Jr., Fennimore

2008: Hertrampf contributed in practices and on the JV team ... **2007:** played in 2 games as reserve wide receiver ... **High School:** earned first team all-conference honors ... also earned all-area second team for the *Telegraph-Herald*, and all-area honorable mention for the *Wisconsin State Journal* ... competed in the state tournament in track junior and sophomore year... **Personal:** son of Kevin and Jackie Hertrampf ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... biology major.

#92 Randy Langer

DL, 6-2, 255, Jr., Edgerton/Milton

2008: Langer played in all 10 games in the starting rotation ... made 5 varsity starts ... had a season-best with a forced fumble, 7 tackles and 1.5 sacks against UW-River Falls ... recorded 2 or more tackles seven times... **2007:** played in 4 games as reserve defensive lineman ... had one tackle at UW-Eau Claire... **High School:** earned conference defensive player of the year in his senior year... earned a spot in the 2005 Shrine Bowl ... was four-year letter winner and also three-year letter winner in track ... **Personal:** son of Mark and Anita Langer ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... civil and environmental engineering major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks	FF	FR
2007	1	0	1	0	0	0
2008	14	7	21	3-15	1	1
Total	15	7	22	3-15	1	1

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#57 Eric Leander

LB, 5-11, 203, Jr., Cambridge, IL

2008: Leander played in 9 games, adding depth at linebacker and on special teams ... recorded a tackle at UW-Stevens Point ... **2007:** played in 3 games as reserve linebacker and on the JV team ... **High School:** led his team in tackles and was awarded MVP ... rushed for more than 900 yards and 14 touchdowns ... earned Offensive Player of the Year ... was second in school history with 42 career touchdowns ... *Star Courier* Athlete of the Week was named to the All-Area team as a junior and a senior ... also lettered in track and basketball ... **Personal:** all-conference and all-state academic team selection ... son of Mitch and Lynette Warren ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... mechanical engineering major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks
2008	0	1	1	0

#69 Scott Mansfield

OL, 6-3, 265, Jr., Juda

2008: Mansfield was one of just 7 Pioneers to start all 10 games ... skilled at both pass and run blocking ... first year with Pioneers after transferring from Southwest Minnesota State, which he attend for two years ... **High School:** first team all-conference selection on both offense and defense ... all-state honorable mention ... team captain ... three-year letterwinner ... all-conference performer in basketball ... played baseball ... **Personal:** son of David and Kathy Mansfield ... physical education major.

#31 De'Marcus Mitchell

DB, 5-11, 170, Jr., Milwaukee/Hamilton

2008: Mitchell did not play last season ... **2007:** played in seven games in the secondary ... made juggling interception in season opener to help preserve 16-6 win over St. Ambrose ... **2006:** saw action in the season opener at Dubuque ... played in 12 games for the Pioneer basketball team in 2006-07 ... **High School:** earned all-conference honors at Hamilton ... excelled in football, basketball and track ... earned three all-league honors in basketball, including first team honors in 2004 ... state qualifier in track ... **Personal:** son of May Ann Mays-Mitchell ... transferred from Milwaukee Area Technical College ... communication technology major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Loss	Int
2007	2	2	4	0	1-0

#80 Paul Pridemore

WR, 6-0, 175, Jr., Hartford/Hartford Union

2008: Pridemore earned all-WIAC honorable mention as a kick returner ... was sixth in the WIAC in both kickoff and punt returns, averaging 20.2 yards per kick and 6.1 yards per punt return ... started 9 games... had a season best 8 catches for 93 yards with 4 kick returns for 78 yards at UW-La Crosse ... caught his first touchdown pass and a season high 4 kick returns for 108 yards against UW-Stout ... **2007:** played in 7 games on special teams and as reserve wide receiver ... became the primary kick returner halfway through the season ... had 5 kick returns for 102 yards at UW-Eau Claire... **High School:** gained more than 600 receiving yards and a junior and 700 as a senior ... earned all-conference both years ... selected to play in the Shrine Bowl ... earned team captain and MVP ... named to all-state team ... led Hartford Union to a conference championship ... also lettered in track ... was all-conference in basketball ... **Personal:** member of National Honor Society ... Badger Boys State ... son of Donald and Patricia Pridemore ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... mechanical engineering major.

Year	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	KR
2007	0	0	0	0	22-381
2008	23	224	9.7	1	21-424
Total	23	224	9.7	1	43-805

#97 James Prochnow

DL, 6-2, 240, Jr., Verona

2008: Prochnow played in 2 varsity games on the defensive line, providing depth to an experienced group ... **2007:** served as reserve defensive lineman and on the JV team ... **High School:** captained his team to a second conference championship in two years and an undefeated regular season record ... earned all-conference honors ... also lettered in track ... **Personal:** son of Shelly Prochnow ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... mathematics major.

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#74 Joe Pulczinski

OL, 6-3, 280, Jr., Mukwonago

2008: Pulczinski started in 8 games ... blocked for the Pioneers offense that had 458 yard total offense at Buena Vista ... was a key player on a young offensive line ... **2007:** saw varsity action as reserve offensive lineman ... **High School:** earned first-team all-conference honors as a junior and a senior ... led his team to a conference championship and the state playoffs ... earned two consecutive all-county honors ... was awarded all-area his junior season ... also state qualifier in wrestling ... **Personal:** son of Ken and Tammy Pulczinski ... civil engineering major.

#5 David Rizzio

DB, 5-9, 200, Jr., Loves Park, IL/Harlem

2007-08: Rizzio saw action as a reserve defensive back and on special teams ... **High School:** earned all-conference honors and scored a defensive touchdown as a junior on a fumble recovery ... earned all-conference honors in baseball after going 6-0 as a senior while hitting 7 home runs ... **Personal:** son of Thomas and Christina Rizzio ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... building construction management major.

#26 Brian Snyder

DB, 5-10, 210, Jr., Mt. Morris, IL/Oregon

2008: Snyder played in all 10 games, making 7 starts ... tallied season-high 14 tackles against UW-Whitewater ... snared an interception and had 4 tackles at UW-Oshkosh to help Pioneers record shutout ... **2007:** served as reserve defensive back and on the JV team ... **High School:** won all-conference and all-area team awards after his junior and senior seasons ... lead his team to a conference championship ... team captain ... earned three consecutive Defensive MVP awards for Oregon ... an all-state selection as a senior ... lettered in basketball ... state track qualifier ... **Personal:** all-state academic team ... National Honor Society ... son of Roy and Cathy Snyder ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... accounting major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Loss	Int
2008	19	18	37	1.5-3	1-28

#52 Todd Tubergen

LB, 5-11, 235, Jr., Ionia, MI

2008: Tubergen played in one game as a reserve linebacker ... represented the team at National Student-Athlete Day for having a 4.0 grade-point average ... **2007:** served as reserve linebacker... **High School:** earned first team all-conference as a defensive lineman ... won all-county awards ... led team to back-to-back conference championships ... lettered in track ... **Personal:** Scholar-Athlete ... son of Dennis and Doris Tubergen ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... animal science major.

#96 Cody Weber

DL, 6-4, 295, Jr., Lodi

2008: Weber was in the starting lineman rotation, starting 6 games and coming off the bench 4 times ... had career-high 5 tackles in shutout win at UW-Oshkosh ... recorded a tackle 8 out of the 10 games... **2007:** served as reserve defensive lineman ... wrestled as heavyweight for the Pioneers, compiling a 13-8 record with 5 pins ... **High School:** earned first team all-conference on both offense and defense ... all-area selection ... captained team as a senior to a 9-1 mark and a playoff berth ... played on the 2005 team that went 13-3 and was state semifinalist ... two-time state wrestling qualifier ... **Personal:** son of Kerry and Carol Pribbenow ... building construction management major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks	FF	FR
2008	9	8	17	0	0	0

Sophomores

#82 Darin Blaser

WR, 6-2, 180, So., Aledo, IL

2008: Blaser attended Black Hawk CC last year ... **2007:** Blaser showed tremendous promise in his first year, making his mark in practices and JV games ... caught 4 passes for 67 yards in the intrasquad game ... **High School:** two-time all-state receiver for an Aledo squad that twice made the Illinois championship game .. set state record with 11 receptions in title game ... played in the Shrine Bowl ... set school record in long jump (22-3)

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and 400 (50.3) ... three-time state track qualifier ... averaged 10 points and 8 assists per game in basketball ... **Personal:** son of Steve and JoAnn Blaser ... physical education major.

#14 Zak Brinkman

P, 6-3, 220, So., Cassville

2008: Brinkman earned the starting punter job as a freshman ... recorded career-long punt 67 yards, which was the longest punt in the conference at UW-La Crosse ... averaged 42.6 yards at UW-La Crosse ... punted over 200 yards six-times... **High School:** was a four year letter winner... averaged 35.5 yards per kick as a senior and 40.1 yard per kick as a sophomore ... earned first team all-conference for baseball in 2006 and 2007.... **Personal:** son of Mike Brinkman and Pam Hubanks ... mechanical engineering major.

Year	No.-Yds	Avg	Long
2008	59-2113	35.8	67

#29 Justin Bucko

WR, 6-1, 190, So., Kenosha/Tremper

2008: Bucko served as reserve wide receiver who also saw action on the JV team ... **High School:** played at Tremper High School... **Personal:** son of Scott Stover and Amy Dower ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... health promotional major.

#70 Adam Cook

OL, 6-2, 250, So., Morrison, IL

2008: Cook showed promise in practices and on the JV team as a defensive lineman and now will shift to the offensive side of the ball ... **High School:** named Illinois Coaches Association first team all-state class 2A after standout senior season ... earned conference player of the year ... first team offensive linemen in both his senior and junior years, as well as first team defensive linemen in his senior year ... earned three varsity letters in football and two varsity letters in basketball... **Personal:** son of John and Joyce Cook ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... animal science major.

#50 John Cook

LB, 6-1, 205, So., Elkhorn

2008: Cook served as reserve linebacker and played on the JV team ... **High School:** earned honorable mention all-conference ... was a three-time letter winner in football and baseball... **Personal:** son of Robert and Sarah Cook ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... building construction management major.

#64 Nate Demski

OL, 6-2, 220, So., Amherst

2008: Demski was a defensive lineman as a freshman and now will shift to the offensive side ... **High School:** earned honorable mention all-conference ... recorded 11 sacks, and 65 tackles ... three-time letter winner ... earned academic all-conference three times ... **Personal:** son of Robert and Jackie Demski ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... mechanical engineering major.

#56 Chenard Haywood

LB, 5-10, 220, So., Milwaukee/Bay View

2008: Haywood was a reserve linebacker and played on the JV team ... **High School:** earned all-conference accolades ... recorded 70 tackles and forced 3 fumbles... earned 3 varsity letters in football and track and field... **Personal:** son of Lawrence and Elaine Haywood... civil engineering major.

#91 Chris Henningsen

DL, 6-2, 230, So., Long Grove, IA/North Scott

2008: Henningsen attended Iowa State ... **High School:** earned first team all-conference honors on both sides of the line ... earned first team all-Quad Cities Metro and third team all-state as a senior ... played in the Iowa Shrine Bowl game ... helped team to a 9-1 record and conference championship as a junior in 2006 ... qualified for the state wrestling tournament ... earned academic all-conference honors in football, wrestling and track ... **Personal:** son of Harvey and Kathy Henningsen ... mechanical engineering major.

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#88 Brian Holtrop

WR, 6-1, 185, So., St. Charles, IL/North

High School: Holtrop earned Upstate 7 Special Mention honors ... helped team to 8-2 record and conference championship ... **Personal:** son of Jim Holtrop and Mary Holtrop ... transferred from College of DuPage ... criminal justice major.

#58 Chad Ihrig

LB, 6-0, 200, So., Long Grove, IA/North Scott

2008: Ihrig was a reserve linebacker and saw action in one game, against Augustana ... **High School:** was selected third-team all-metro, and team defensive MVP ... earned two varsity letters in football and track and field ... **Personal:** son of Robert and Mary Ihrig ... undeclared major.

#24 Broc Kundert

LB, 5-9, 210, So., Freeport, IL

2008: Kundert was a reserve linebacker and on the JV team ... **High School:** earned all-conference honors ... was a three-time letter winner ... earned team MVP and was named team captain ... tallied 65 tackles and 5 tackles for a loss ... was a four-time letter winner for wrestling ... earned all-conference twice and team wrestling MVP three times ... **Personal:** son of Tim and Wendy Kundert ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... secondary education major.

#6 Jesse Lindemulder

LB, 6-2, 220, So., Elmhurst, IL/York

2008: Lindemulder played in 6 games in his freshman season, impressing the coaching staff with his hard-nosed player ... had tackles at Buena Vista, St. Ambrose, and against Augustana ... **High School:** was a two-time varsity letter winner ... started all four-years ... help his team to two conference championships... **Personal:** son of Warren and Cyndi Lindemulder... business administration major.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks
2008	3	0	3	0

#73 Andrew Mears

OL, 6-3, 245, So., Brookfield/Central

2008: Mears was a reserve offensive lineman who played on the JV team ... **High School:** was a three-time letter winner ... helped his team win a conference championship and state champion runner-up in 2006 ... **Personal:** son of Robert and Ann Mears ... engineering major.

#40 Ross Mueller

LB, 6-2, 215, So., Chippewa Falls

2008: Mueller served as reserve linebacker and played on the JV team ... **High School:** was a two-time second team all-conference ... earned first team all-Northwestern Area honors ... was ranked on ESPN.com for linebackers ... earned three varsity letters ... **Personal:** son of David and Gloria Mueller ... biology/pre vet major.

#23 Travis Nelson

RB, 6-0, 185, So., Galesville /Galesville-Etrick-Trempealeau

2008: Nelson was a reserve running back who showed much promise on the JV team ... **High School:** earned honorable mention offense and defense all-conference ... earned three varsity letters in football and one letter in track and field ... **Personal:** son of Roger and Sandy Nelson ... human health performance major.

#94 Josh Nigl

DL, 6-2, 230, So., Richland Center

2008: Nigl saw action in 2 varsity road contests ... transferred from UW-Milwaukee ... **High School** ... earned honorable mention all-SWAL honors as a senior ... voted most dedicated and team captain by his teammates ... captained baseball team as a senior ... **Personal:** son of Jeff and Pam Nigl ... badger Boys State representative ... mechanical engineering major.

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#42 Patrick O'Brien

RB, 6-1, 215, So., Belvidere, IL

2008: O'Brien served on the Scout team and gained experience in JV contests ... **High School:** earned first team all-state honors ... broke 4 Belvidere records, including 6 rushing touchdowns in one game (vs. Chicago Robeson 11/3/07), tying an IHSA 5A state record ... scored 40 points in one game and 174 in a season ... rushed for 27 TDs as a senior and gained 1,718 yards ... finished career with 2,317 rushing yards and 234 points ... led team to two-year mark of 17-5 ... played in Shrine Bowl ... **Personal:** son of Michael and Janice O'Brien ... member of academic all-state team ... computer software engineering major.

#25 Jeremy Payne

RB, 5-9, 180, So., Blue Island, IL/Eisenhower

2008: Payne played in the first 2 games of the season, making tackles in both of them ... will shift to RB in 2009 ... **High School:** earned two varsity letters and rushed for 1200 yards ... conference champion in the long jump, 4X400 and 4X100. Payne earned academic National Honor Society. He is the son of Karen Brown and plans to major in education or business administration.... **Personal:** son of Karen Brown ... National Honor Society ... education/business administration majors.

Year	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks
2008	1	1	2	0

#46 Chad Roscoe

RB, 6-5, 170, So., Aurora, IL/Central Catholic

2008: Roscoe played a year at Joliet Junior College ... ran for a score in a victory over the Carthage JV team ... **High School:** two-year letterman at Aurora Catholic Central ... set school kickoff return yardage career record ... earned all-area baseball honors and was voted team's most inspirational wrestler ... **Personal:** son of Scott and Lisa Roscoe ... criminal justice major.

#79 Ben Taylor

OL, 6-3, 280, So., Galesburg, IL

2008: Taylor saw action in the JV games and helped better the team through practices ... lost 35 pounds between 2009 spring practices and fall camp ... **High School:** earned team lineman of the year award ... two-time varsity letter in football and three-time letterman in track and field ... earned academic all-conference... **Personal:** son of Douglas and Charla Taylor ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... secondary education major.

#22 Jake Wiederholt

QB/TE, 6-5, 230, So., Fennimore

2008: Wiederholt earned the Pioneers' Newcomer of the Year Award ... played both quarterback and tight end positions ... earned starting nod at QB vs. UW-River Falls ... ran for 13 yards in first varsity contest at Buena Vista ... caught season-best 4 passes against Augustana and gained high of 34 receiving yards at UW-River Falls ... grabbed 3-yard scoring pass against UW-Whitewater ... **High School:** earned first team defense all-conference, second team offense all-conference, and team MVP ... earned second team all-area by the *Telegraph Herald* and the *Wisconsin State Journal* ... threw for 1,948 yards with 23 touchdowns ... earned three varsity letters in football, basketball, and track and field ... selected first team all-conference in basketball and was selected on the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association All-Star team ... **Personal:** son of John and JoAnn Wiederholt ... member of UWP's Gabe Miller Academic Honor Roll ... engineering major.

Year	Com	Att	Pct	Yards	TD	Int	Rec	Yds	TD	Rush	Yds	TD
2008	5	12	40.7	70	0	1	10	83	1	4	18	0

#21 Connor Wilson

DB, 5-10, 170, So., Marion, IA/Linn-Mar

2008: Wilson earned valuable UWP experience in practices and junior varsity games ... **High School:** two-time all-conference safety ... earned first team all-Metro honors as a senior year after making 4 four interceptions and 73 tackles ... captained the team as a senior ... won the Paula Grady Leadership Award ... **Personal:** son of Brian and Sue Wilson ... business administration major.

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Freshmen

#16 Nick Anderson

QB, 6-3, 205, Fr., Sycamore, IL

High School: Anderson earned first team all-conference and was named team offensive player of the year as a senior in 2007 ... threw for 1,970 yards and 13 touchdowns while rushing for 635 yards and had 10 TDs in 2007 ... threw for career-best 365 yards vs. Batavia ... drove team 63 yards in 38 seconds to set up game-winning field goal in 9-7 win over Rochelle ... **Personal:** son of Craig and Suzanne Anderson ... mechanical engineering major.

#90 Casey Balczewski

TE, 6-5, 235, Fr., Madison/Edgewood

High School: Balczewski earned all-conference, all-city and all-area lineman honors ... led Crusaders in tackles ... registered 8 sacks as a senior ... helped Edgewood to two-year 18-6 mark and into third round of playoffs both years ... served as the long-snapper ... captained football and rugby squads ... **Personal:** son of Joseph and Kathy Balczewski ... criminal justice major.

#44 Dustin Bollant

LB, 6-3, 230, Fr., Montfort/Iowa-Grant

High School: Bollant was a two-time all-conference linebacker who also earned all-league honors as a senior running back ... all-area linebacker as a senior ... helped Panthers win a state wrestling title ... was in the workforce for several years before coming to UWP ... **Personal:** son of Tamia Bollant ... business major.

#49 Jeff Bracken

WR, 5-11, 155, Fr., Bourbonnais, IL/Bradley-Bourbonnais

High School: Bracken was a four-year letter winner for Bradley-Bourbonnais ... earned Southwest-Suburban All-Conference wide receiver ... led team in receptions as a senior ... also earned three letters in basketball and baseball ... helped lead football and baseball team to conference championships in 2008 ... **Personal:** son of Jeff and Joanne Bracken ... physical education major.

#53 Ryan Brusatori

LB, 6-0, 230, Fr., Oswego, IL

High School: Brusatori earned all-conference honors after racking up 74 solo tackles, including 14 for losses and 8.5 sacks ... earned defensive MVP and team captain ... led team to 8-3 record ... **Personal:** son of David Brusatori and Karen Brusatori ... criminal justice major.

#61 Caleb Butera

OL, 6-2, 230, Fr., Rio

High School: Butera played in the WFCA All-Star Game after standout career ... named first team all-state and all-conference offensive linemen, team captain, and most valuable player in his senior year ... earned first team all-conference and all-region defensive line as a junior ... earned three varsity letters in football and one in track. **Personal:** son of Tony and Peggy Butera ... National Honor Society student ... engineering major.

#51 Ryan Constant

LB, 6-2, 210, Fr., Solon, IA

High School: Constant was a three-year starter and was first team all-district linebacker ... helped his team to the state quarterfinals in 2005, state runner up in 2006, and state champion in 2007 ... discus state qualifier who holds school record in that event (150-9) and shot put (48-5.25) ... three time all-district academic team member ... **Personal:** son of Dave and Kala Constant ... engineering major.

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#38 Dave Daino

DB, 5-11, 185, Fr., Lonhorne, PA/Neshaminy

High School: Daino earned second team all-conference after making 59 tackles and 2 interceptions as a senior ... led team to 11-2 record and the semifinals of the Pennsylvania state playoffs ... played in the Bucks County All-Star Game ... **Personal:** son of Dave and Georgia Daino ... physical education major.

#77 Scott Doering

OL, 6-1, 270, Fr., Naperville, IL/Neuqua Valley

High School: Doering is an all-conference player and letter winner and Neuqua Valley ... was the team's top-lifter in bench, squat, and clean ... **Personal:** son of Scott and Kathy Doering ... business major.

#85 TD Douglas

WR, 6-0, 160, Fr., Aurora, IL/Oswego East

High School: Douglas was team most valuable player and all-conference player as a senior ... earned two varsity letters in both football and basketball ... **Personal:** full name is TaDarius ... son of Glaudis and Pam Lawrence ... marketing major.

#60 Jamie Flood

DL, 6-2, 230, Fr., Brooklyn/Albany

High School: Flood earned first team all-conference as a senior ... holds all of the school's weight room records ... earned two varsity football letters ... **Personal:** son of Kendall and Kristi Flood ... agribusiness major.

#67 Colton Friemuth

DL, 6-2, 230, Fr., South Beloit, IL/North Boone

High School: Friemuth was a four-year letter winner and was a first team all-conference player for two years ... helped lead team to playoffs as a freshman ... **Personal:** son of Tami Dylak ... agriculture major.

#35 Ben Glynn

DB, 5-9, 165, Fr., Freeport, IL

High School: Glynn was a four-year letter winner playing both offense and defense in his varsity career ... helped lead team to playoffs ... also ranked seventh in the state for wrestling and was team Most Valuable Player ... two-time all-conference wrestler ... **Personal:** son of Jim and Margie Glynn ... undeclared major.

#89 Mat Hammer

WR, 5-11, 175, Fr., West Chicago, IL/St. Charles East

High School: Hammer earned all-state honors after catching 71 passes for 1,121 yards as a senior ... had 31 receptions for 536 yards as a junior ... two-time all-conference and all-area ... helped East to 9-2 mark in 2007 ... transferred from Grand Valley State ... **Personal:** son of Mike and Kristy Hammer ... marketing major.

#71 John Hefel

OL, 5-11, 260, Fr., Dubuque, IA/Hempstead

High School: Hefel earned second team all-conference offense and first team all-area offense as a senior ... helped lead Hempstead to two playoff games ... **Personal:** son of Wayne and Celeste Hefel ... industrial technology management major.

#86 Marshall Herget

WR, 6-2, 180, Fr., Mayville/Living Word Lutheran

High School: Herget was a four-year starting quarterback, breaking every passing record at Living World Lutheran ... team offensive most valuable player for two years ... first-team all-conference punter and safety ... received the Elite Quarterback award in the Midwest Football Combine and the Eliter Punter award in the Bellin Football Combine... **Personal:** son of James and Karyl Herget ... electrical engineering major.

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#33 Nick Karleski

WR, 5-8, 160, Fr., Janesville/Milton

High School: Karleski earned first-team all-conference honors as a senior ... helped team to conference championships two years ... lettered in wrestling and baseball ... **Personal:** son of Daniel and Margaret Karleski ... National Honor Society Student ... engineering major.

#30 John Kelly

QB, 6-1, 175, Fr., Chicago, IL/Guerin Prep

High School: Kelly completed 120 of 191 passes for 1,851 yards and 20 touchdowns in nine 2007 games ... threw for 403 yards once and 390 in another game on his way to earning all-conference honors ... named the Offensive Player of the Year in 2007 and also earned first team all-conference honors at safety ... **Personal:** son Mike and Darlene Kelly ... civil engineering major.

#45 Joe Kvam

RB, 6-0, 190, Fr., Minneapolis, MN/Maple Grove

High School: Kvam earned all-conference honors after rushing for 831 yards ran for career-best 201 yards in one game ... was a two-time letter winner in football and a four-time letter winner in tennis ... three-year academic letterman ... **Personal:** son of Martin and Tanya Kvam ... mechanical engineering major.

#62 Scott Leach

OL, 6-4, 265, Fr., Green Bay/Bay Port

High School: Leach earned honorable mention all-conference honors in 2008 and helped lead team to conference championships two years in a row ... voted most improved player as a junior ... **Personal:** son of Jon and Kathy Leach ... civil engineering major.

#83 Brad Lemar

WR, 6-3, 185, Fr., Oswego, IL

High School: Lemar earned two football letters and started every game senior year ... helped lead team to second round of playoffs ... also earned three varsity letters in baseball ... **Personal:** son of Tom and Theresa Lemar ... criminal justice major.

#66 Phil Livingston

OL, 6-3, 255, Fr., Batavia, IL

High School: Livingston earned first team all-conference for the IHSA state runner-up team ... named team captain senior year ... earned two letters in track ... **Personal:** son of Rob and Joan Livingston ... undeclared major.

#99 Mitch Mahmens

WR, 5-11, 160, Fr., Marion, IA/ Linn-Mar

High School: Mahmens led the Mississippi Valley Conference with 53 catches, earning first team all-conference and first team all-metro ... played in the 2009 Iowa Shrine Bowl ... lettered three times in football and baseball ... **Personal:** son of Scott and Tammy Mahmens ... health promotions/physical education major.

#95 Corey Marks

DE, 6-2, 230, Fr., New Lenox, IL/Lincoln Way Central

High School: Marks earned three football letters and helped lead team to two conference championships ... **Personal:** son of Thomas and Karen Marks ... physical education major.

#41 Sean Martinez

RB, 6-1, 195, Fr., Oak Forest, IL

High School: Martinez led Oak Forest to one conference title and three appearances in the state semifinals ... state track qualifier ... **Personal:** son of Wanda Martinez ... physical education major.

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#36 Hank McIvor

RB, 5-8, 175, Fr., Milton

High School: McIvor earned first team all-conference running back senior year ... holds the school record for most yards in a single game at 346 yards ... tied school mark for most touchdowns in a single with six ... first team all-conference sprinter two years in a row and participated in the state track meet for two years ... **Personal:** criminal justice major ... son of Wesley McIvor and Colette Grunzel.

#39 Ryan McWethy

DB, 6-1, 205, Fr., Oregon, IL

High School: McWethy earned IHSA all-state safety, team most valuable player, first team all-conference with a total of 83 tackles, 325 passing yards, and 281 rushing yards ... helped Oregon to two conference championships ... four varsity wrestling letters, a two-time state qualifier and two-time unanimous choice first team all-conference ... earned varsity track letter, 100m individual state qualifier ... **Personal:** business major ... son of Mark and Mary McWethy.

#78 Tyler Miller

OL, 6-4, 265, Fr., Eau Claire/North

High School: Miller was a three-year varsity starter on the offensive line ... lettered in basketball for the Huskies ... academic all-conference student ... **Personal:** son of Dale and Kathy Miller ... electrical engineering major.

#63 Jeff Novak

OL, 6-3, 260, Fr., West Duende, IL/Jacobs

High School: Novak was named team lineman of the year and power lifter of the year ... **Personal:** son of Jeff and Laura Novak ... business major.

#37 Sam Parker

DB, 5-10, 160, Fr., Clinton, IA

High School: Parker earned second team all-conference honors ... led Clinton to first playoff berth in 20 years ... voted team captain in both football and basketball ... **Personal:** son of Dan and Molli Parker ... education major.

#72 Dane Perlick

DL, 5-9, 250, Fr., Oakfield/Winnebago

High School: Perlick earned first team all-conference and was selected to play in the WFCA All-Star Game ... three-time football letter winner and a two-time wrestling letter winner ... **Personal:** son of Dean and Jayne Perlick... selected as a Badger Boys State participant ... mechanical engineering major.

#48 Joe Prange

DB, 5-10, 165, Fr., Green Bay/Bay Port

High School: Prange earned second team all-conference and honorable mention all-area as a senior ... helped lead team to a conference championship ... **Personal:** son of Dave and Denise Tassone ... engineering major.

#10 Paul Reit

QB, 6-4, 190, Fr., Stanley/Stanley-Boyd

High School: Reit earned second team all-conference defensive back as a senior and second team all-conference wide receiver as a junior ... helped lead team to a conference championship ... also lettered in basketball and track ... qualified for state in the triple jump ... **Personal:** son of Dennis and Karen Reit ... undeclared major.

#59 Brandon Shira

OL, 6-1, 255, Fr., Fairbanks, AK/West Valley

High School: Shira is believed to be the first Pioneer football player ever to hail from Alaska ... had a game-winning field goal snap against the defending state champions as a sophomore ... **Personal:** son of Mike and Lynda Shira ... physical education major.

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#28 Nick Snyder

LB, 5-11, 205, Fr., Mt. Morris, IL/Oregon

High School: Snyder earned all-state linebacker, all-area Player of the Year, and first team all-conference running back senior year ... selected to the 2009 All-Star Shrine Team ... holds the team career record for total tackles with 380 ... earned academic all-state and team most valuable player two years in a row ... earned first team all-conference linebacker and first team all-area linebacker as a junior ... helped Oregon to two conference championships ... lettered four times in wrestling and track letters ... **Personal:** son of Roy and Cathy Snyder ... Brian, currently plays football at UW-Platteville ... National Honor Society student ... business major.

#75 Matt Steplyk

LB, 6-1, 250, Fr., Libertyville, IL

High School: Steplyk earned two varsity letters in football and in lacrosse ... helped Libertyville to a 10-1 season and a conference championship ... **Personal:** son of Michael and Kathryn Steplyk ... National Honor Society student ... Illinois State Scholar ... civil engineering major.

#27 Lee Vlasak

WR, 6-0, 200, Fr., Blanchardville/Pecatonica

High School: Vlasak earned first team all-conference running back as a junior and senior and first team all-area running back as a senior ... selected to play in the 2009 WFCA All-Star game ... all-conference baseball pitcher ... track state qualifier as a sophomore ... **Personal:** son of Blanche Baker-Vlasak and Don Vlasak ... undeclared major.

#57 Mark Westphal

LB, 6-4, 215, Fr., Chaseburg/Westby

High School: Westphal earned second team all-conference honors as a senior in 2007 ... co-captained squad ... pitched for conference championship baseball squad ... also lettered in basketball ... **Personal:** son of Lanny and Mary Westphal ... National Honor Society ... engineering major.

#43 Kevin Ybarra

DB, 6-0, 170, Fr., Sterling, IL/Newman

High School: Ybarra earned first team all-conference, first team all-area, and first team all-state defensive back and running back after senior season ... helped lead Newman Catholic to an 8-3 record ... lettered twice in track and field and helped lead team to both indoor and outdoor conference championships... **Personal:** son of John and Mary Ybarra ... National Honor Society student ... business administration major.

#81 David Zielke

WR, 6-0, 170, Fr., Bristol, IL/Aurora Christian

High School: Zielke earned second team all-conference and first team all-area defense ... broke two Illinois state records in title game, 163 yards and 10 receptions ... led team to conference championship and the runners-up in the state championship game ... also earned all-conference honors on the baseball team ... **Personal:** son of David and Julie Zielke ... business administration major.