Home News Tribune All-Area Football Defense

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FIRST TEAM

POS.	PLAYER	SCHOOL	YEAR
DL	ELORM LUMOR	PISCATAWAY	SR.

Pass-rushing specialist, who has committed to Temple University, recorded area-leading 9.5 sacks with 19 tackles for a loss. Recorded 34 tackles for North 2 Group V semifinalists ncluding 24 solo hits. Had three tipped passes, seven QB pressures and a forced fumble.

DL SAM KAMARA CARTERET JR.

Established himself as a top defensive end with 87 tackles (11 for a loss) and a team-high 8.5 sacks. Also recorded six hurries and caused a fumble. Used primarily as a blocker and goal-line rusher at fullback, carrying 35 times for 180 yards and six TDs.

DL IRVING CHILDRESS EDISON SR.

Team co-MVP was Edison's physical and emotional leader. Recorded 59 tackles including 19 for a loss. Registered five sacks and 17 quarterback pressures. Most consistent of team's offensive linemen, which is the position for which he is being recruited to play in college.

LB CHRISJON SOUTH JR.

Heart of a stingy defense. Posted a team-high 112 tackles including a team-best 20 for a loss. Recorded seven sacks, three hurries and forced two fumbles. Helped team win Red Division championship and set tone with hard-hitting, aggressive play.

Key two-way performer in sectional final run. Recorded 105 tackles (17 for a loss), two sacks, five pass breakups, one hurry and four caused fumbles (one of which he recovered). As a fullback, rushed 100 times for 734 yards and 10 TDs.

LB RAUL CARDONA COLONIA SR.

Led Patriots in tackles (106), interceptions (five) and passes defended (16) while also recording two sacks and causing a fumble. Added 97 receiving yards as tight end despite playing through knee injury late in season. Heart and soul of defense.

LB TYMIR HINTON LINDEN SR.

Picked up where former teammate Shaquan Champagne, the 2013 HNT Defensive Player of the Year, left off. Led team with 109 tackles, four sacks, four interceptions, four pass deflections and a blocked punt. Caught 20 passes for 371 yards and three TDs.

LB JOHNNY SOUTH SR. CHILLEMI PLAINFIELD

Team MVP led Tigers in tackles (92), sacks (7), interceptions (6) and blocked punts (3). Finished with 433 all-purpose yards. Caught 20 passes for 250 yards and one TD. Also rushed 10 times for 112 yards and a score. Team faced seven NJSIAA playoff qualifiers.

DB BRANDON GILDER CARTERET SR.

Led team to second sectional final in three years. Caught 39 passes for 601 yards and four TDs. Dangerous return specialist amassed 1,089 all-purpose yards. Recorded 100 tackles and seven interceptions. Finished with more than 1,400 receiving yards and 27 INTs career.

DB TERENCE YOUNG J.F. KENNEDY SR.

All-Conference selection by GMC coaches, tied for area lead with seven interceptions, two of which he returned for touchdowns. Recorded 78 tackles and nine pass breakups. Amassed 1,339 all-purpose yards and scored 12 TDs including one passing, three rushing and six receiving. Caught 44 passes for 717 yards and had 61 carries for 375 more.

SR.

Had 70 tackles (five for a loss), three interceptions, three forced fumbles and three pass breakups. Rushed 86 times for 521 yards and caught seven passes for 199 more. All-Conference selection by GMC coaches, posted eight TDs. Helped 8-3 team win twice as many games this season than in two previous years combined.

DB STRICKLAND SOUTH SR.

Had 102 carries for 1,200 yards and 17 TDs. Posted 61 tackles, seven INTs, four sacks, forced two fumbles and recovered a loose ball. Had 501 return yards. Scored 22 touchdowns six different ways: rushing, receiving, on an interception return, on a fumble return, on a kickoff return and on a punt return.

P/K ED MISH OLD BRIDGE SR.

Averaged 36.4 yards on 19 punts (including one inside the 20). Had 19 touchbacks on kickoffs. Finished with 29 kicking points including two field goals, one of 46 yards. As a DB recorded 44 tackles, an interception and caused a fumble. Threat on fakes with two completions for 57 yards and a 19-yard run.

PR CHASE FEE SPOTSWOOD SR.

All-Conference selection by GMC coaches, rushed 167 times for 1,014 yards and nine TDs for Blue Division champions. Also returned a punt 85 yards for a score. Registered 39 tackles as a defensive back. Served as workhorse back in OT win over Middlesex and division-clinching win over Metuchen.

ATH ELIJAH BARNWELL PISCATAWAY SO.

Plays a hybrid strong safety/outside linebacker spot for the Chiefs. Posted 37 tackles (including eight for a loss) and an interception. Holds an offer from Rutgers and is being heavily recruited by other major Division I programs. Rushed 129 times for 912 yards and 12 TDs.

2ND TEAM

DL	JASON GRIGGS	HIGHLAND PARK	SR.
DL	Shawn Edwers	J.P. Stevens	Sr.
DL	Xavier Wilson	South Plainfield	Sr.
DL	Khalil Burns	Linden	Sr.
LB	Sean Darrar	South River	Sr.
LB	Alex Dawes	Bishop Ahr	Sr.
LB	Solomon Manning	Colonia	Jr.
LB	Percy Martin	Woodbridge	Sr.
LB	Cole Cusanelli	Monroe	Sr.
DB	Bryce Barneys	Colonia	Jr.
DB	Jake Esposito	Old Bridge	Sr.
DB	Elijah Pierson	Piscataway	Sr.
DB	Isaiah Ross	Piscataway	Sr.
P/K	Jon Sot	St. Joseph	Fr.

ATH	Kyle Dickerson	South Plainfield	Sr.

3RD TEAM

DL	EDRIECE PATTERSON	RAHWAY	JR.
DL	Sam Pierce	New Brunswick	Sr.
DL	Richie Leogrande	South River	Sr.
DL	Justin Counts	South Plainfield	Jr.
LB	Aiden Rosa	Piscataway	Jr.
LB	Matt Hode	Middlesex	Sr.
LB	Zach Rowell	North Brunswick	Jr.
LB	Mason White	Spotswood	Sr.
LB	Matt Golden	South Brunswick	Sr.
LB	Brendan Germano	Monroe	Sr.

DB	Michael Nowak	Carteret	Jr.
DB	Wendell Allen	South Brunswick	Jr.
PR	Tyler Valovcin	Metuchen	Sr.
ATH	Godwin Asamoah	Edison	Sr.
ATH	Larry Johnson	Perth Amboy	