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Pioneer Football League Announces 23rd Annual All-PFL Teams

Two unanimous picks, nine repeat first-team selections highlight squads

SAINT LOUIS, Mo. – Fifty-nine student athletes have been named to the 23rd All-Pioneer Football League teams, Tuesday. All selections were made by the league's coaches, who were not permitted to vote for their own student-athletes.

Stetson safety junior Donald Payne, the league's Defensive Player of the Year, and Morehead State senior defensive back Justin Grier were each unanimous (i.e. received all 10 possible first-team votes) selections to this season's All-PFL teams. In addition, Payne's first-team selection is his third consecutive first-team nod, with one season remaining.

Seven PFL student-athletes earned their second consecutive First-Team All-PFL honor – Davidson senior wide receiver William Morris, San Diego senior offensive lineman Pono Keni, Campbell redshirt senior defensive lineman Ugonna Awuruonye, Marist fifth-year defensive lineman Demetrius Williams, Dayton senior linebacker Christopher Beaschler and Jacksonville senior linebacker Grady Redding. In addition, Drake fifth-year linebacker John Hugunin and Dayton senior placekicker William Will returned to the league's first-team after a one-year hiatus – each also earning first-team selection in 2013.

Ten of the 11 league members had at least one student-athlete named First-Team All-PFL, league co-champion Dayton leading the way with eight first-team honorees.

In addition to the 59 student-athletes recognized on the league's first and second teams, 72 student-athletes received honorable mention recognition.

The Academic All-PFL team, highlighted by the league's Scholar-Athlete of the Year, will be released Wednesday, concluding the league's awards week.

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2015 Pioneer Football League Major Award Winners

(announced Monday)

Offensive Player of the Year: Austin Gahafer, Morehead state

Defensive Player of the Year: Donald Payne, Stetson

Co-Special Teams Player of the Year: Nick Kaczowski, Dayton

Co-Special Teams Player of the Year: Guy DiBalsamo, Butler

Freshman Offensive Player of the Year: Anthony Lawrence, San Diego

Freshman Defensive Player of the Year: Jack Ryan, Campbell

Coach of the Year: Rick Chamberlin, Dayton

Scholar-Athlete of the Year: To be announced, Wednesday

2015 All-Pioneer Football League First Team

(as selected by PFL head coaches)

Pos.	Player	School	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
OFFENSE						
WR	Justin Cornwall	Morehead State	5-10	166	R-Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio (Princeton HS)
WR	Andy Jones (H)	Jacksonville	6-2	215	Sr.	Clermont, Florida (East Ridge HS)
WR	William Morris (1)	Davidson	6-1	179	Sr.	Dallas, Texas (Highland Park HS)
TE	Eric Saubert (H)	Drake	6-4	242	Sr.	Hoffman Estates, Ill. (Hoffman Estates HS)
QB	Austin Gahafer (H)	Morehead State	6-0	187	Jr.	Louisville, Ky. (Saint Xavier HS)
RB	De'Shawn Jones	Campbell	6-0	215	Jr.	Greensboro, N.C. (Grimsley HS)
RB	Ulysses Bryant (2)	Jacksonville	5-6	195	Jr.	Jacksonville, Fla. (Nease HS)
FB	Chris Campano (2)	San Diego	6-0	243	R-Sr.	San Diego, Calif. (Scripps Ranch HS)
OL	Jack Beck (H)	Drake	6-5	292	5th-Yr.	Whitefish Bay, Wis. (Whitefish Bay HS)
OL	Pono Keni (1)	San Diego	6-3	290	Sr.	Kailua, Hawaii (St. Louis HS)
OL	Zac Morgan (H)	Dayton	6-7	280	Sr.	Mokena, Ill. (Providence Catholic HS)
OL	Jeff Starr (H)	San Diego	6-4	325	R-Sr.	Norwalk, Conn. (Caterbury Prep)
OL	Jimmy Vogel (H)	Dayton	6-4	290	Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio (Colerain HS)
DEFENSE						
DL	Ugonna Awuruonye (1)	Campbell	6-5	260	R-Sr.	Charlotte, N.C. (First Assembly Christian HS)
DL	Demetrius Williams (1)	Marist	6-2	269	5th-Yr.	Chester, Pa. (Smyrna HS)
DL	Mack Marrin (FR, H)	Drake	6-1	246	Jr.	Mendota Heights, Minn. (St. Thomas Academy)
DL	Greg Milhouse Jr. (2)	Campbell	6-3	295	Sr.	Garner, N.C. (Garner Magnet HS)
LB	Christopher Beaschler (1)	Dayton	6-0	226	Sr.	Ada, Ohio (Ada HS)
LB	Alex Green (2)	Valparaiso	6-3	225	Sr.	Zionsville, Ind. (Zionsville Community HS)
LB	John Hugunin (2)	Drake	5-11	232	5th-Yr.	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego HS)
LB	Grady Redding (1)	Jacksonville	5-10	205	Jr.	Cocoa, Fla. (Cocoa HS)
DB	Justin Grier (U)	Morehead State	5-11	187	Sr.	Saks, Ala. (Saks HS)
DB	Donald Payne (U, 3, 1)	Stetson	6-1	217	Jr.	Fayetteville, Ga. (Landmark Christian HS)
DB	Christian Searles	Dayton	5-9	178	So.	Chicago, Ill. (Mt. Carmel HS)
DB	Cameron Stubbs	Dayton	5-10	201	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Saint Louis University HS)
SPECIAL TEAMS						
PK	William Will (H)	Dayton	6-0	190	Sr.	Mokena, Ill. (Lincoln Way East HS)
P	Sean Smith	Dayton	6-3	195	Fr.	Avondale, Pa. (Salesianum HS)
RS	Christian Searles	Dayton	5-9	178	So.	Chicago, Ill. (Mt. Carmel HS)
LS	Jakey Dunagan	Morehead State	6-2	255	Sr.	Monticello, Ga. (Piedmont Academy)

Notes in parentheses: U-indicates a player was a unanimous first-team selection, 3-is a three-time first-team All-PFL selection, 1-was a first-team selection in 2014, 2-was a second-team selection in 2014, H-was a honorable mention selection in 2014; FR-was a Freshman Player of the Year in 2014.

2015 All-Pioneer Football League Second Team

Pos.	Player	School	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
OFFENSE						
WR	Justin Christian	Marist	6-0	189	Fr.	Owings Mills, Md. (Owings Mills HS)
WR	Marquese Martin-Hayes	Butler	5-11	189	Sr.	Chicago, Ill. (Loyola Academy)
WR	Brian Riley	San Diego	6-3	190	Jr.	Rancho Bernardo, Calif. (Rancho Bernardo HS)
TE	Ross Dwelley	San Diego	6-5	240	R-So.	El Dorado Hills, Calif. (Oakridge HS)
QB	Matt Shiltz	Butler	6-2	195	R-Sr.	St. Charles, Ill. (St. Charles North HS)
RB	Conley Wilkins	Drake	5-10	194	Jr.	Overland Park, Kan. (Blue Valley West HS)
RB	Tucker Yinger	Dayton	5-11	178	R-Fr.	Columbus, Ohio (St. Francis DeSales HS)
FB	Dalton Dillon	Campbell	6-1	225	Sr.	Cofax, N.C. (Northwest Guilford HS)
OL	Max Brodbeck	Butler	6-2	285	R-Sr.	Lima, Ohio (Lima Central Catholic HS)
OL	Sean Foley	Marist	6-3	280	5th-Yr.	Floral Park, N.Y. (Chaminade HS)
OL	Mike Mangino	Marist	6-2	290	5th-Yr.	Swedesboro, N.J. (Gloucester Catholic HS)
OL	Brian Stryffeler	Campbell	6-4	300	R-So.	Sanford, N.C. (Wingate)
OL	Travion Wallace	Jacksonville	6-5	285	R-So.	Tampa, Fla. (Freedom HS)
DEFENSE (Five linebackers due to a tie in voting)						
DL	TJ Jenkins	Jacksonville	6-3	270	R-Sr.	Darien, Ga. (McIntosh Academy)
DL	Joe Nomellini	San Diego	6-4	235	R-Sr.	Stockton, Calif. (Saint Mary's HS)
DL	Jonathan Petersen	San Diego	6-1	230	So.	Poway, Calif. (Poway HS)
DL	Adam Rodgers	Butler	6-2	285	Sr.	LaGrange, Ill. (Lyons Township HS)
LB	Jake Barr	Campbell	6-1	225	R-Sr.	Hamptonville, N.C. (Starmount HS)
LB	Sean Horan	Butler	5-11	225	R-Jr.	Kings Mills, Ohio (Kings HS)
LB	Ryan Bennett	Morehead State	6-1	210	Jr.	Alpharetta, Ga. (Centennial HS)
LB	Luke Keller	Morehead State	6-2	222	Sr.	Lucasville, Ohio (Valley HS)
LB	Miguel Sandoval	Marist	5-11	221	5th-Yr.	Anaheim, Calif. (Mater Dei HS)
DB	Zach Adler	Marist	6-1	202	5th-Yr.	Walden, N.Y. (Valley Central HS)
DB	Jamal Agnew	San Diego	5-10	185	Jr.	San Diego, Calif. (Point Loma HS)
DB	Devyn Bryant	San Diego	5-11	185	Jr.	San Diego, Calif. (Horizon Christian HS)
DB	Terrance Bryant	Jacksonville	6-2	205	R-Jr.	Fort Walton Beach, Fla. (Choctawhatchee HS)
SPECIAL TEAMS						
PK	Brandon Behr	Jacksonville	5-11	190	R-So.	Fleming Island, Fla. (Fleming Island HS)
P	Ryan Giaratano	Jacksonville	6-1	182	Jr.	Coral Springs, Fla. (Cardinal Gibbons HS)
RS	Ben Rowell	Davidson	5-10	211	So.	Woodstock, Ga. (Etowah HS)
LS	Robert Delaney	Dayton	6-2	265	Sr.	Chicago, Ill. (Loyola Academy)

2015 All-Pioneer Football League Honorable Mention

BUTLER: Brian Akialis (P); Connor Andras (LS); Ethan Brunhofer (LB); Duvante Lane (FB); Marquese Martin-Hayes (RS); Isaak Newhouse (DB); David Tiwari (OL); Zack Wolfe (TE). **CAMPBELL:** Chris Beaty (DB); Aaron Blockmon (WR); Rogers Clark (DL); Daniel Dillon (LS); Austin Fleming (TE); Josh Hutto (OL); Brandon Mobley (DB); Laurin O'Briant (OL); Jarrett Ozimek (P); Jack Ryan (LB). **DAVIDSON:** William Curran (DB); Josh Daryoush (OL); Conrad Mueller (LS); Trevor Smith (PK); Chris Woods (DL). **DAYTON:** Jack Crain (LB); Danny Leach (DB); Ian Palin (TE); Cory Stuart (WR). **DRAKE:** Camden Bohnert (P); Brad Duwe (DB); Bob Quilico (DB); Andy Rice (QB); Michael Vankat (LS); Al Wegener (DL). **JACKSONVILLE:** Tyler Adrian (OL); Terrance Bryant (RS); Josh Celerin (LB); Trey Davis (DL); Joshua Gilmore (DL); DJ Howard (LB); Dallas Jackson (DB); Matthew Passeggiata (FB); Malik Slater (LB); Damien Strange (WR); Maroa White (DL); Logan Williams (OL). **MARIST:** Jim Braun (LB); John Brennan (DL); Marcellus Calhoun (RB); Nick Foster (DL); Cam Gibson (DB); Mike Marston (DB); Landon Moore (DL); Zach Quarles (DB); Matt Tralli (WR); Matt Tralli (RS); Mike White (QB). **MOREHEAD STATE:** Shavi Bash (PK); Colt Briggs (DL); Todd DeWoody (OL); Pat DiSalvio (P); Alex Hey (OL); Rob Lewis (DL); Liam Maloney (OL); Tanner Napier (WR); CJ Phillips (OL); Jake Raymond (WR); Trey Watkins (DB). **SAN DIEGO:** Jereke Armstrong (RB); Ray Clark (DB); Colton Giorgi (DB); Nic Henson (LB); Anthony Lawrence (QB); Miles McArdle (OL); Justin Priest (WR). **STETSON:** Davion Belk (DL); Pat Fogarty (OL); Eric Martin (DB); Dylan Wydronkowsi (LB). **VALPARAISO:** Cody Cotton (DL); John Guilford (DL); Griffin Norberg (FB); J.J. Nunes (DB).