

JEREMY ASSAL

Fullback

Overland Park, Kansas
Blue Valley Northwest HS
FRESHMAN 5-7 200

Background: Was an All-EKL Scholar Athlete and a three-year peer tutor as well as a three-year member of the honor roll.

Personal: Born on June 8, 1985. Son of Dan Assal and Susan Katz. Majoring in criminal justice.

DEREK BANION

Placekicker

Omaha, Nebraska
Millard West High School
FRESHMAN 5-8 140

Background: Set several records as a placekicker at Millard West High School during his senior season with most field goals in a game (3), most consecutive field goals (6), best field goal percentage (85.7) and best PAT percentage (100). Also owns career records with 82 PATs.

Personal: Born on Aug. 13, 1984. Son of Brennan and Nanetta Banion. Majoring in business.

ERIN BECK

Defensive Back

Clafin, Kansas
Clafin High School
FRESHMAN 5-10 170

Background: Was a All-State and all-conference pick at quarterback and an all-league honorable mention choice at defensive back. Passed for 1,372 yards and 19 touchdowns. A *Great Bend Tribune* All-Area first team selection at quarterback and *Wichita Eagle* All-State honorable mention at quarterback.

Personal: Born Jan. 29, 1985. Son of Fred and Karlynn Beck. Joins older brother Evin on the Ichabod football team. Majoring in athletic training.

MITCH BIRT

Defensive End

Omaha, Nebraska
Millard North High School
FRESHMAN 6-2 235

Background: Was named first team Nebraska Super State, All-State, All-Nebraska, All-Metro and All-District as a senior at Millard North at defensive end after lettering as a junior and senior.

Personal: Born June 20, 1985. Son of Randall

and Christine Birt. Majoring in biology/pre-med.

BEN BOSWELL

Punter

Lenexa, Kansas
Shawnee Mission West HS
FRESHMAN 6-0 170

Background: Was a first team All-Sunflower League, All-Sun Country and all-state punter at Shawnee Mission West in 2002. Was named Shawnee Mission West's Co-MVP and was the team's defensive Player of the Year last fall.

Personal: Born Nov. 16, 1984. Son of Brad and Pat Boswell. Undecided on major.

JORDAN BRILL

Quarterback

Elkhorn, Nebraska
Elkhorn High School
FRESHMAN 6-2 196

Background: Was an all-conference, all-district an honorable mention all-state selection for Elkhorn High as a senior. A 2003 Nebraska Shrine Bowl participant. A three-year basketball letterwinner and an honorable mention all-conference pick. Also a two-year letterwinner in baseball and one year in track.

Personal: Born Oct. 26, 1984. Son of Jason and Nancy Brill. Majoring in business.

MATT BROWN

Wide Receiver

St. Louis, Mo.
Seckman High School
FRESHMAN 5-11 175

Background: At Seckman high school in St. Louis, played five sports - football, baseball, wrestling, track and hockey. Set school record for most receptions in a season at wide receiver.

Personal: Born on Nov. 8, 1982. Son of Randy and Debbie Kidder. Majoring in accounting and finance. Younger brother of Ichabod defensive coordinator Chris Brown.

NICK BULL

Defensive Line

Elkhorn, Nebraska
Elkhorn High School
FRESHMAN 6-2 280

Background: Was an all-conference, all-district, all-metro and all-state selection as a defensive lineman at Elkhorn High last season by making 48 tackles and collecting nine sacks.

Personal: Born on Feb. 21, 1985. Son of David and Kathy Bull. Undecided on major.

DANNY GLOVER

Defensive Line

Olathe, Kansas
Olathe North High School
FRESHMAN 6-3 228

Background: Was part of three state championships at Olathe North compiling a 37-0 record, receiving All-State, All-Johnson County and was a first team All-Sunflower league choice at defensive line. Was also MVP of the offensive line and a three-year letterman.

Personal: Born on Feb. 1, 1985. Son of Tim and Tammy Glover. Majoring in criminal justice.

BEN GRAY

Defensive Back

Lawrence, Kansas
Free State High School
FRESHMAN 6-0 175

Background: Was a second team All-Sunflower League pick at cornerback and holds the Free State record for single game, season and career for pass break-ups and tied school record for forced fumbles in a game.

Personal: Born on April 21, 1985. Son of Kevin and Julie Gray. Majoring in secondary education.

CASEY HARRIS

Linebacker

Leavenworth, Kansas
Leavenworth High School
FRESHMAN 6-1 215

Background: Was named team's MVP as a junior and senior as well as linebacker of the year. Was a three-year captain and a second team all-class selection. Also named second team All-Sunflower as a junior and senior. Also played in the Kansas City Metro All-Star game.

Personal: Born Jan. 26, 1985. Son of Chris and Mary Harris. Majoring in business.



SIMON

HECKMAN

Linebacker

Independence, Kansas

Independence High School

FRESHMAN

6-0 215

63

Background: Was a three-year letterman and a second team All-SEK pick at linebacker.

Personal: Born on Aug. 10, 1984. Son of John and Marge Heckman. His brother Aaron played football at Baker. Majoring in physical education.

ZACH

HEMMERLING

Defensive End

Hutchinson, Kansas

Hutchinson High School

FRESHMAN

6-5 230

98

Background: Was a member of the *Capital Journal's* all-state, all-class squad. Was voted to the All-Ark Valley League first team on both lines, earning unanimous honors on defense after recording 26 solo tackles, 16 assists, seven tackles for loss, three sacks and a fumble recovery as a senior. A 2003 Shrine Bowl Participant. Was also named to both Wichita Eagle and Topeka Capital Journal Top 11 pick. He was the 6A state champion at 215 pounds as a junior and a senior and was named the Most Outstanding Senior Wrestler on the Ark Valley League Wrestling Team.

Personal: Born Sept. 13, 1984. Son of Dwight and Vicki Hemmerling. Majoring in biology.

DUSTY

HELLER

Quarterback

Chapman, Kansas

Chapman High School

FRESHMAN

5-11 185

Background: Two-time honorable mention all-conference selection and the school record holder for most passing yardage in Irish history.

Personal: Born March 21, 1983. Son of Randy and Debbie Heller. Undecided on major.

AARON

HICKS

Linebacker

Olathe, Kansas

Olathe North High School

FRESHMAN

6-0 215

56

Background: Was named first team All-State, All-County, All-League and All-Metro at linebacker. Also named baseball team's outstanding senior player.

Personal: Born Jan. 24, 1985. Son of Rick and Lynn Hicks. Majoring in secondary education.

TROY

HOEFER

Safety

Topeka, Kansas

Highland Park High School

FRESHMAN

6-2 200

18

Background: Was named first team All-State, All-County, All-League and All-Metro at linebacker. Was an All-Centennial League selection on defense last fall for Highland Park. He also was second-team All-City and honorable mention All-Class 5A last season. Hoefer also played quarterback for the Scots, passing for 451 yards and rushing for 260 yards. Hoefer also a member of the Highland Park basketball squad and earned second-team All-City honors as a junior and was first team all-conference as a senior for the Scots.

Personal: Born on Oct. 10, 1984. Son of Greg and Pamela Hoefer. Majoring in business.

CODY

HUENEFELD

Defensive End

Aurora, Nebraska

Aurora High School

FRESHMAN

6-0 225

72

Background: Was a two-time all-state selection as an offensive lineman and was named to the Super State second team. Is also on the wrestling team at Aurora High School, qualifying for state each of his season and earning sixth place as a junior and third as a senior. Will also play in the Nebraska Shrine Bowl game.

Personal: Born on Jan. 21, 1984. Son of Dan and Linda Huenefeld. Majoring in criminal justice.

STEVEN

KEMPLAY

Safety

Paola, Kansas

Paola High School

FRESHMAN

6-1 180

59

Background: Was team captain his senior season and was honorable mention All-conference quarterback and honorable mention All-Metro. He was a three-year letterman in football and basketball.

Personal: Born July 18, 1984. Son of Chris and Vicki Kemplay. Majoring in psychology.

MATT

KOEHN

Offensive Line

Hesston, Kansas

Hesston High School

FRESHMAN

6-2 280

65

Background: Was a two-time first team all-league selection as an offensive lineman and

three-time all-league selection on the defensive line at Heston High School. Was named to the first team offense and honorable mention defense all-state team as a senior. Was named to Kansas High School Coaches first team all-state as a defensive lineman. Also earned Hutchinson News 3A Top 11 honors in 2002. Will also play in the 2003 Shrine Bowl Game. Also a state qualifier in wrestling.

Personal: Born on March 29, 1985. Son of Mary Steibler and Brian Koehn. Majoring in secondary education. His father played baseball at Bethany and Newman.

JOSHUA

LAMB

Defensive Back

Garden City, Kansas

Garden City High School

FRESHMAN

5-7 145

61

Background: Was named first team All-WAC on offense and honorable mention All-Area. Also a member of the honor roll and was named high school's male athlete of the year.

Personal: Born on March 9, 1984. Son of Kip and Tracy Lamb. Majoring in radiology.

JAKE

LEBAHN

Wide Receiver

Salina, Kansas

Salina Central High School

FRESHMAN

6-4 175

81

Background: Was part of two state champion 5A football teams as a Mustang and a second team all-conference wide receiver as a senior. Was also a *Salina Journal* all-county pick first team pick in basketball. In track, he was a state qualifier in the high jump and in the 110m, hurdles.

Personal: Born July 10, 1984. Son of Trent and Wendy LeBahn. Majoring in sports broadcasting. His brother Adam is a member of the golf team Rockhurst.

TREY

LEWIS

Defensive Line

Topeka, Kansas

Washburn Rural High School

FRESHMAN

6-3 260

76

Background: Was an honorable mention All-Class 6A, second-team All-City and All-Centennial League for the Junior Blues. Named team's defensive MVP.

Personal: Born on May 23, 1985. Son of Verna Chapman and Wynn Lewis. Majoring in pre-engineering.

DUSTIN MOYER

Defensive End

Eudora, Kansas
Eudora High School
FRESHMAN 6-2 220

94

Background: Was an All-Class 4A selection as a defensive lineman and was All-Frontier League on defense and offense as a junior and senior. Was named to the *Lawrence Journal World's* All-Area team as a junior and senior and an honorable mention all-state selection as a junior. Also named *Wichita Eagle's* All-State offense team and to Coaches All-4A Defensive squad plus the *Kansas City Star's* All-Metro second team defense and was named to KCPrepFootball.com's All-Metro honorable mention team. Was league champ in shot put.

Personal: Born on Nov. 12, 1984. Son of Rod and Nancy Moyer. Undecided on major.

BLAKE NICHOLS

Defensive End

Forgan, Oklahoma
University of Oklahoma
RS-FRESHMAN 6-4 260

90

Background: Redshirted at Oklahoma as a freshman. At Forgan High School, he was a four-year all-district selection, 8-man all-star, all-conference and team captain. He was named the team most valuable player two times. On the basketball court he was an all-state selection once and a two-time conference MVP and four-year all-conference selection.

Personal: Born on June 2, 1983. Son of Brent and Carol Nichols. Majoring in business.

A.J. PATTERSON

Running Back

Topeka, Kansas
Topeka West High School
FRESHMAN 5-9 185

25

Background: Was the 2002 Topeka Offensive Player of the Year, rushing for a school-record 1,977 yards with 19 touchdowns to help the Chargers to a runner-up finish in the Class 5A playoffs. A two-time all-city selection as a junior and a senior after leading the city in rushing both seasons while finishing his career with 3,817 yards. Was chosen to play in the Shrine Bowl and a *Capital Journal* 6A all-class selection and a *Capital-Journal* Top 11 all-state team. He had only two fumbles in 617 carries in his prep career.

Personal: Born on May 8, 1985. Son of Richard and Brenda Patterson. Undecided on major.

TYLER PERRY

Safety

Hutchinson, Kansas
Hutchinson High School
FRESHMAN 6-0 175

42

Background: An honorable mention All-6A defensive back as a senior and first team All-Ark Valley.

Personal: Born on May 16, 1985. Son of Mark and Peggy Perry. Majoring in business marketing.

CONNOR SABEL

Placekicker

Topeka, Kansas
Hayden High School
FRESHMAN 6-2 180

86

Background: Led Topeka in kick scoring with 42 points on 33 extra points and three field goals. He was first team All-Class 4A, second-team All-Centennial League and honorable mention All-City as a senior. Also played soccer at Hayden, where he earned second team all-state honors as a junior and first team all-state honors as a senior.

Personal: Born on Aug. 17, 1984. Son of Rick and Becky Sabel. Undecided on major.

JORDAN SCHROEDER

Safety

McPherson, Kansas
McPherson High School
FRESHMAN 5-9 165

165

Background: Started on both sides of the ball since sophomore season at quarterback and defensive back. Was team captain as a senior.

Personal: Born on Sept. 12, 1984. Son of Dwight and Sharlene Schroeder. Undecided on major.

Background: Was an unanimous All-

JAMIE SCULLY

Linebacker

Grain Valley, Missouri
Grain Valley High School
FRESHMAN 6-1 215

47

Conference, All-District and All-Area pick from 2000-02 and was an All-State choice as a junior and senior. Three-time All-Metro selection and defensive MVP. Holds school record with 501 career tackles and 197 single-season stops. Three-time all-conference selection and all-state pick wrestling in MOKAN Classic as three-year state qualifier. Qualified for state track meet all four years.

Personal: Born July 3, 1984. Son of Mike and Debbie Scully. Majoring in education.

JEFF SLOAN

Offensive Line

Overland Park, Kansas
Shawnee Mission West HS
FRESHMAN 6-0 250

69

Background: Was a two-time football letter-winner and also threw the shot and discus in track.

Personal: Born Oct. 6, 1984. Son of William and Sheryl Sloan. Majoring in criminal justice.

DAN SQUIRES

Defensive Line

Overbrook, Kansas
Santa Fe Trail High School
FRESHMAN 6-2 265

93

Background: Was a unanimous All-Conference, All-District and All-Area pick from 2000-02 and was an All-State choice in 2001 as well as All-Metro honorable mention his junior and senior seasons. As a sophomore was named All-County offensive line and a All-County selection on the offensive and defensive lines as a junior and senior as well as the defensive player of the year. As a junior, he was named all-Kaw Valley League first team on defense and All-Kaw Valley League first team on offense and defense. As a senior, was named All-Area by the *Lawrence Journal-World* squad a first team All-State selection as a senior on defense. He was also a state qualifier in wrestling and a finalist in the league tournament.

Personal: Born on March 1, 1985. Son of Gary and Merry Squires. Majoring in business.



JAROD TETUAN

Wide Receiver

Topeka, Kansas

Hayden High School

FRESHMAN 5-10 180

23

Background: As a two-time All-City pick, he tallied 1,844 yards of total offense as a senior, including 1,425 rushing yards. Scored 23 touchdowns and passed for four touchdowns. Was named *The Capital-Journal's* All-4A quarterback and was a unanimous pick as the All-Centennial League and first team 4A all-state quarterback as well as earning first-team all-league honors as a returner. As a junior he was an All-conference pick. Played in the 2003 Shrine Bowl.

Personal: Born on May 22, 1985. Son of John and Theresa Tetuan. Undecided on major. His brother John was a pitcher at Wichita State and is currently in the Colorado Rockies organization and his brother Jesse is a free safety at Kansas State.

FLETCHER TERRELL

Defensive Back

Minnetonka, Minnesota

Butler County Comm. Coll.

RS=FRESHMAN 5-11 166

15

Background: Transfer from Butler County. AT St. Louis Park High School, he was an all-conference, all-state and all-America selection and was named team's defensive player and defensive back of the year.

Personal: Born on March 26, 1984. Son of Kimberly Hassell. Majoring in mass communication.

DANNY WALKER

Linebacker

Ralston, Nebraska

Ralston High School

FRESHMAN 5-11 215

44

Background: Was a first team all-state selection by the Omaha World Herald, Lincoln Journal Star, Huskerland Magazine and Nebraska Prep Report as a linebacker at Ralston High. Was a three-time all-district and All-Omaha Area first team selection. Had 141 tackles (62 solo), two fumble recoveries, two interceptions and finished with 342 total career tackles. Also rushed for 322 yards and two touchdowns as a fullback in 2002. Named to the Merit Honor Roll and was the Runza/Fox 42 Student/Athlete of the Week in the fall. A 2003 novice Golden Glove Champion in the super heavyweight division.

Personal: Born on Nov. 4, 1984. Son of John and Toni Walker. Undecided on major.

JESSE WALLACE

Offensive Line

Topeka, Kansas

Topeka West High School

FRESHMAN 6-1 225

68

Background: Was named team captain and a first team All-I-70 League on defense and a second team All-City and honorable mention 5A All-State pick.

Personal: Born on Jan. 2, 1985. Son of Paul and Stephanie Wallace. Majoring in Education.

CODY WALTER

Wide Receiver

Topeka, Kansas

Jefferson West High School

FRESHMAN 6-3 195

Background: Was named all-league quarterback for the Tigers.

Personal: Born on March 14, 1978. Son of Ron and Charlot Walter. Majoring in physical education.

JEFF WOMACK

Running Back

Riviera Beach, Fla.

Dodge City Community Coll.

RS-FRESHMAN 5-9 205

27

Background: Redshirted at Dodge City in 2002. Rushed for 1,300 yards and 13 touchdowns as a senior and 1,000 yards and 13 more touchdowns as a junior and was named all-area first team by the *Palm Beach Post* and *Orlando Sun Sentinel*.

Personal: Born on Sept. 22, 1982. Son of Jeff and Jacquelyn Womack. Majoring in physical education.

TRAMAINÉ YOUNG

Defensive Back

Lawton, Oklahoma

Northeastern Oklahoma A&M

RS-FRESHMAN 5-11 173

17

Background: Redshirted last season at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M. Also played running back at Lawton Eisenhower High School as a prep.

Personal: Born Feb. 14, 1984. Son of Christopher and Jacqueline Young. Majoring in physical therapy.

JEFFREY HARRIS

Wide Receiver

Kansas City, Mo.

Northeast Public High School

FRESHMAN 6-0 180

82

Background: Was first team all-conference and district quarterback as well as team captain and offensive player of the year. His junior season, he led the Vikings in tackles and interceptions.

Personal: Born May 24, 1985. Son of Johnette Harris. Undecided on major.



In-season Birthdays

September

Andre Zandevakili	2, 81
Tyson Bahner	2, 82
Henry Talley	4, 83
Sam Sissom	5, 83
Jeff Scott	7, 83
Darryl Humphrey	10, 81
Trent Hearn	11, 84
Jordan Schroeder	12, 84
Zach Hemmerling	13, 84
Cason Lehman	19, 82
Kip Kraisinger	22, 81
Jeff Womack	22, 82
Brian Peel	25, 80

October

Joe Corcoran	3, 81
Dustin Hickel	5, 81
Jeff Sloan	6, 84
John Hoytal	8, 81
Pepé Hernandez	9, 80
Troy Hoefer	10, 84
Terrell Cobb	15, 82
Grant Gould	15, 83
Jordan Brill	26, 84
Adam Toby	27, 81
Marquetis Burgess	29, 82

November

Aaron Mills	2, 81
Danny Walker	4, 84
Pat Mack	11, 83
Dustin Moyer	12, 84

Squad Notes

Breakdown by Class

Seniors	15
Juniors	16
Sophomores	16
Redshirt Freshman	16
Freshman	35
Totals	97

Breakdown by State

Kansas	61
Texas	11
Nebraska	8
Florida	7
Missouri	6
Oklahoma	3
Minnesota	1
Totals	97

Tallest

Jim Holland	6-7
Justin Thompson	6-6
Zach Hemmerling	6-5
Matt Durler	6-4
Jake LeBahn	6-4
Pat Mack	6-4
Blake Nichols	6-4
Tim Watts	6-4

Shortest

Chris McCann	5-7
Joshua Lamb	5-7
Jeremy Assal	5-7

Squad Hometowns

Kansas (61)

Axtell: John McKinley
Centralia: Adam Toby
Chapman: Dusty Heller
Clafin: Erin Beck, Evin Beck, Dustin Hickel, Kip Kraisinger
Dodge City: Josh Coval, Matt Durler
Eudora: Dustin Moyer
Garden City: Joshua Lamb
Hesston: Matt Koehn
Hutchinson: Zach Hemmerling, Tyler Perry
Independence: Simon Heckman
Lawrence: Ben Gray, Jake Lawrence
Liberal: Zeb Austin, Chris McCann
Leavenworth: Casey Harris, Chad Taylor
Lecompton: Joe Corcoran
Lenexa: Ben Boswell, Jeff Scott
Manhattan: Jacob Barth
Mayetta: Blake Meyer
McPherson: Cason Lehman, Jordan Schroeder
Olathe: Danny Glover, Aaron Hicks
Onaga: Clayton Otwell
Overbrook: Dan Squires
Overland Park: Adam Azeltine, Jeremy Assal, Bret Dubbert, Adam Griess, Josh Looney, Jeff Sloan
Paola: Steven Kemplay
Pittsburg: Jim Holland
Salina: Jake LeBahn
Topeka: Morgan Dewey, Grant Gould, Troy Hoefer, John Hoytal, Shawn Kuszak, Joseph Leiker, Trey Lewis, Aaron Mills, Brooks Myers, A.J. Patterson, Brian Peel, Kevin Pierce, Conner Sabel, Jarod Tetuan, Jesse Wallace, Tim Watts
Valley Falls: Bo Kobuszewski
Wamego: Tyson Bahner, Kyle Kabriel
Wichita: Chris Huelsman

Texas (11)

Dallas: Forrest Williams
Flowermound: Bryce Kelley
Garland: Andre Zandevakili
Gavelston: Darold Smith
Houston: DaWight Benning, Mark Jackson
Lancaster: Trent Hearn
Lewisville: Rawshawn Bland
Needville: Darryl Humphrey
Richardson: Eric Taylor, Pepé Hernandez

Nebraska (8)

Auburn: Ben Thursby
Aurora: Cody Huenefeld
Elkhorn: Jordan Brill, Nick Bull
Omaha: Pat Mack, Derek Banion, Mitch Birt
Ralston: Danny Walker

Florida (7)

Belleglade: Tyrone Barrett
Boynton Beach: Terrell Cobb
Lake Worth: Mike Odupitan
Miami: Taurence Minikwu
Riverview: Tyler Schuerman
Riviera Beach: Jeff Womack
West Palm Beach: Marquetis Burgess

Missouri (6)

Grain Valley: Jamie Scully
Kansas City: Chris Brown, Henry Talley, Sam Sissom
Raytown: Justin Thompson
St. Louis: Matt Brown

Oklahoma (3)

Forgon: Blake Nichols
Lawton: Tramaine Young
Tulsa: Jeff Wimpy

Minnesota (1)

Minnetonka: Fletcher Terrell

The Story Behind Mr. Ichabod

The name "Ichabod" was derived from the first name of Ichabod Washburn, an early benefactor of the university. Ichabod Washburn was born in Kingston, Mass., on Aug. 11, 1798.

In 1831, he began what was his life work - and the pride of Worchester, Mass., - when he essayed the drawing of wire. He was co-founder of Washburn and Moen Manufacturing (later American Steel and Wire).

His own lack of formal education made him acutely aware of its importance. When approached by the residents of Topeka to help save the ailing Lincoln College, Ichabod Washburn responded with a \$25,000 gift. In May, 1869, Lincoln College was renamed Washburn College in recognition of his outstanding contribution.

Until 1938, there was no graphic representation or any particular characteristics associated

with the mascot. During the 1937-38 school year, the editors of the KAW yearbook decided that such items were important to the university and began to accept suggestions for a design of Mr. Ichabod. The adopted design was drawn by Bradbury Thompson (BA '34).

The following explanatory material accompanied the first representation of an Ichabod in the KAW: "He has courage and enthusiasm as shown by his brisk walk. He is democratic and courteous, for he tips his hat as he passes. Sincere in his search for truth and knowledge, he studiously carries a book under his arm. His friendly smile makes you like him. He is neatly dressed and he fits well into his generation ... but adopts himself with equal ease to any change in life.

