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LOBOS ANNOUNCE 12 SIGNEES ON NATIONAL SIGNING DAY

New Mexico football signed 12 players to its 2018 class on National Signing Day.

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — University of New Mexico head football coach Bob Davie has announced 12 signees for the 2018 class on the opening day of the early signing period for Division I football.

The Lobos added six players on offense, five on defense and one on special teams. The opening portion of the 2018 recruiting class features 10 junior college transfers and two high school players.

Below are capsules of the first 12 members of the 2018 recruiting class.

ERIN AUSTIN

DL | 6-2 | 278 | Jr | JC

Vallejo, California | Laney College/Heritage HS

Defensive Lineman who has two years to play two

JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Played two seasons at Laney College for coach John Beam
- Recorded 47 tackles, 29 solos, with five sacks for 28 yards 16.5 TFLs and one fumble recovery as Laney went 9-2 in 2017
- Recorded 28 tackles, 21 solos, with three sacks, 6.5 TFLs and an interception as Laney also went 9-2 in 2016
- Named a member of the 2017 All-America Junior College team

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at Heritage High School for coach Don Sanders
- Named First Team All-Conference



TRE BLAND

OL | 6-3 | 267 | Jr | JC

Ontario, California | Riverside CC/Colony HS

Athletic offensive lineman with three years to play two

JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Played two seasons at Riverside Community College for coach Tom Craft
- Led Riverside to a 10-2 season and a berth in the SCFA Championship game
- His squad averaged 458.9 yards per game and 38.6 points per game
- As a sophomore captain he was named First Team All-Southern California Football Association as the line he anchored led the league in total offense, rushing yards, rushing yards per game, rushing yards per carry and rushing touchdowns

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at Colony High School for coach Steve Randall
- Named First Team All-Conference



AHMARI DAVIS

RB | 5-10 | 182 | Jr | JC

Oakland, Calif. | Laney College/James Logan HS

Running back who put up big numbers in junior college with a nose for the end zone

JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Played two seasons at Laney College for coach John Beam
- In 2017, he rushed for 1,359 yards in 11 games, averaging 123.5 yards per game and averaging 6.86 yards per carry and scoring 17 touchdowns
- Added seven catches for 63 yards and averaged 20.8 yards per kickoff return on 20 returns
- Had six 100-yard games and scored a touchdown in 10 of his 11 games
- In 2016, he rushed for 684 yards in 10 games, averaging 68.4 yards per game and averaging 7.2 yards per carry and scoring seven touchdowns
- Named First Team All-America CCCAA

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at James Logan High School for coach George Zuber
- Played receiver and also returned kickoffs
- Had a 96-yard kickoff return touchdown against San Ramon
- Was a team captain



TYSON DYER

P | 6-2 | 198 | So | JC

Palmdale, Calif. | L.A. Valley College/Highland HS

First Australian punter in program history with four years to play three

JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Played one season at Palomar College for coach Joe Early
- Punted 65 times for a 39.9 yard average with 23 of his 65 punts pinned inside the 20 with just one touchback
- Averaged 41.4 over last eight games and 42.5 over last four
- Had at least one 50-yarder in six of last seven games, and at least one 60-yarder in each of his last two, including a career-long 70 yard punt
- Was named First Team All-Southern California Football Association



BLAKE FEHRMANN

DL | 6-4 | 221 | Fr | HS

Brookfield, Wisc. | Brookfield HS

Strong defensive lineman who garnered a lot of attention in the midwest

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at Brookfield High School for coach Jed Kennedy
- Was named First Team All-State by the Wisconsin Journal Sentinel as a senior
- After his junior season he was rated the No. 3 defensive end in Wisconsin by Wissports.net after earning first team all-conference honors
- Helped Brookfield Central to six shutouts his senior season in leading BCHS to the state title game, where he played against fellow singing Lawrence "L.O." Johnson



A.J. GREELEY

DB | 5-9 | 216 | Jr | JC

Fresno, Calif. | College of the Sequoias/Edison HS



Physical corner who was a highly touted recruit out of Fresno Edison

JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Played one season each at College of the Sequoias (2017) for coach Irv Pankey and at Fresno City College (2016) for Tony Caviglia
- Played in eight games, recording 13 tackles, one TFL, four breakups and an interception at College of the Sequoias
- Averaged 20.5 yards on six kickoff returns
- Played in nine games, recording 17 tackles and on interception at Fresno City
- Also returned three punts for a 7.7-yard average

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at Edison High School for coach Matt Johnson
- Led Edison to a 12-2 record as a senior and the school's first section title in 39 years
- Named to the Fresno Bee's "Fab 50" players in the Central Section
- Ranked with three stars out of high school, he originally committed to Fresno State before going to junior college

LAWRENCE "L.O." JOHNSON

RB | 5-9 | 195 | Fr | HS

Waunakee, Wisc. | Waunakee HS



Speedy running back who was a state titlist in track as well

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at Waunakee High School for coach Pat Rice
- As a senior he rushed for 595 yards on 102 carries with 10 touchdowns and added 205 yards receiving with two touchdowns on 15 receptions
- Was named First Team All-Badger North Conference and honorable mention Wisconsin State Journal/Wisconsin Prep Zone all-area
- Helped Waunakee finish 14-0 and win the WIAA Division 2 state championship
- Also was the WIAA Division 1 state champion in track in the 100-meter with a time of 10.99

SHERIRON JONES

QB | 6-3 | 196 | Jr | JC

Moreno Valley, Calif. | Mt. San Jacinto/Tennessee/Rancho Verde HS

One of the top dual-threat QBs in junior college, he was a four-star prospect from four services out of high school

JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Played one season at Mt. San Jacinto for Casey Mazzotta
- Was 208 for 393 passing for 2,162 yards and 17 touchdowns
- Also rushed for 345 yards and five touchdowns
- Had a magnificent game against L.A. Valley in a 47-33 win with 272 yards passing and five touchdowns with no interceptions and 68 yards rushing

TENNESSEE

- Played two seasons for coach Butch Jones, redshirting in 2015

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at Rancho Verde High School for coach Pete Duffy
- Threw for over 2,000 yards with 24 TDs as a senior
- Led Rancho Verde to a 10-3 mark and the second round of the state playoffs
- Played in the Semper Fidelis All-American Bowl
- Rated a four-star recruit by ESPN, Rivals, 247 Sports and Scout, and he was named to the ESPN 300



PATRICK PEEK

DB | 5-10 | 199 | Jr | JC

Ft. Worth, Texas | Trinity Valley JC/Aledo HS

Skilled athlete who originally committed to UNM in 2015 ... will have three years to play two

JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Played for Brad Smiley at Trinity Valley Junior College
- Helped Trinity Valley go 20-4 over the past two seasons, playing in all 24 games
- Recorded 63 tackles in 2017, including 57 solos, with 3.0 TFLs for 10 yards, one sacks, one interception, one forced fumble and five pass breakups
- Recorded 63 tackles as well in 2016, including 27 solos, with one sack, two forced fumbles, six pass breakups and five fumble recoveries
- Returned a fumble 47 yards for a touchdown against Northeast Oklahoma A&M

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at Aledo High School for coach Steve Wood
- Team went 13-2 in 2015
- Named First Team All-District



TRENT SELLERS

DL | 6-5 | 265 | Jr | JC

Fayetteville, Ga. | Coffeyville CC/Georgia Tech/Sandy Creek HS



Strong lineman who has two years to play two

JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Played for Aaron Flores at Coffeyville Community College
- Played in 11 games, recording 40 tackles including 8.5 tackles for a loss with two forced fumbles
- Named Honorable Mention All-Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference

GEORGIA TECH

- Spent two seasons at Georgia Tech, redshirting in 2015

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at Sandy Creek High School for coach Chip Walker, playing varsity all four seasons
- As a senior he was a team captain as well as being named first team all-region and honorable mention all-state
- Played in the Florida/Georgia All-Star Game
- Recorded 81 tackles, 8.5 sacks and 29 hurries as a senior

JARRED SYLVESTER

OL | 6-4 | 315 | Jr | JC

Clayton, N.J. | Dodge City CC/Clayton HS



Talented offensive lineman who has three years to play two, can play multiple positions along the line

JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Played one year for Gary Thomas at Dodge City Community College
- Named GridironRR.com Second Team All-America
- Named First Team All-KJCCC
- Top voted offensive lineman in the KJCCC

PACE UNIVERSITY

- Played one season for Andrew Rondeau at Pace University
- Played in eight games as a true freshman and was named to the NEC-10 All-Rookie Team
- Also named to the ECAC All-Star Team
- Helped Pace to finish fifth in the conference in rushing and allow nine fewer sacks than the year previous

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at Clayton High School for coach Corey Harvey
- Earned First Team Tri-County Conference at both offensive line and defensive line
- Named Second Team NJ Group 1 at offensive line
- Named South Jersey Playoff Player of the First Round in Group 1
- His team went 13-2 in 2015 and he was named All-District

DAVID ZAVALA

OL | 6-2 | 307 | Jr | JC

Lakewood, Calif. | Cerritos College/Nevada/Lakewood HS



Skilled offensive lineman who was also an All-American wrestler who has two years to play two

JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Played one season at Cerritos College for coach Frank Mazzotta
- Named unanimous First Team All-National Division Northern League honors as a sophomore, playing in 10 games
- Went 25-7 and was named a junior college all-America in wrestling, placing fourth at the CCCAA state championships
- Named a scholar all-America

NEVADA

- Redshirted at Nevada

HIGH SCHOOL

- Lettered at Lakewood High School and coach Jimmy Nolan
- Named First Team offensive lineman from the Long Beach Press-Telegram
- Was named Moore League Offensive Lineman of the Year in 2014
- Earned First Team All-Moore League in 2013 and 2014
- Was a heavyweight wrestler at Lakewood
- Inducted into the Lakewood Hall of Fame in both football and wrestling

SIGNEE ROSTER

Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown/School
Erin Austin	DL	6-2	278	Jr.	JC	Vallejo, Calif. (Laney College/Heritage HS)
Tre Bland	OL	6-3	267	Jr.	JC	Ontario, Calif. (Riverside CC/Colony HS)
Ahmari Davis	RB	5-10	182	Jr.	JC	Oakland, Calif. (Laney College/James Logan HS)
Tyson Dyer	P	6-2	198	So.	JC	Queensland, Australia (Palomar Coll./Palm Beach Currumbin State HS)
Blake Fehrmann	DL	6-3	221	Fr.	HS	Brookfield, Wisc. (Brookfield HS)
A.J. Greeley	DB	5-9	216	Jr.	JC	Fresno, Calif. (College of the Sequoias/Edison HS)
Lawrence "L.O." Johnson	RB	5-9	195	Fr.	HS	Waunakee, Wisc. (Waunakee HS)
Sheriron Jones	QB	6-3	196	Jr.	JC	Moreno Valley, Calif. (Mt. San Jacinto JC/Tennessee/Rancho Verde HS)
Patrick Peek	DB	5-10	199	Jr.	JC	Ft. Worth, Texas (Trinity Valley JC/Aledo HS)
Trent Sellers	DL	6-5	265	Jr.	JC	Fayetteville, Ga. (Coffeyville CC/Georgia Tech/Sandy Creek HS)
Jarred Sylvester	OL	6-4	315	Jr.	JC	Clayton, N.J. (Dodge City CC/Clayton HS)
David Zavala	OL	6-2	307	Jr.	JC	Lakewood, Calif. (Cerritos College/Nevada/Lakewood HS)

SIGNEE BREAKDOWN

By Country:

United States 11, Australia 1

By State:

California 6, Wisconsin 2, Texas 1, Georgia 1, New Jersey 1, Queensland (Australia) 1

By Position:

Offensive Line 3, Defensive Line 3, Defensive Back 2, Running Back 2, Quarterback 1, Punter 1