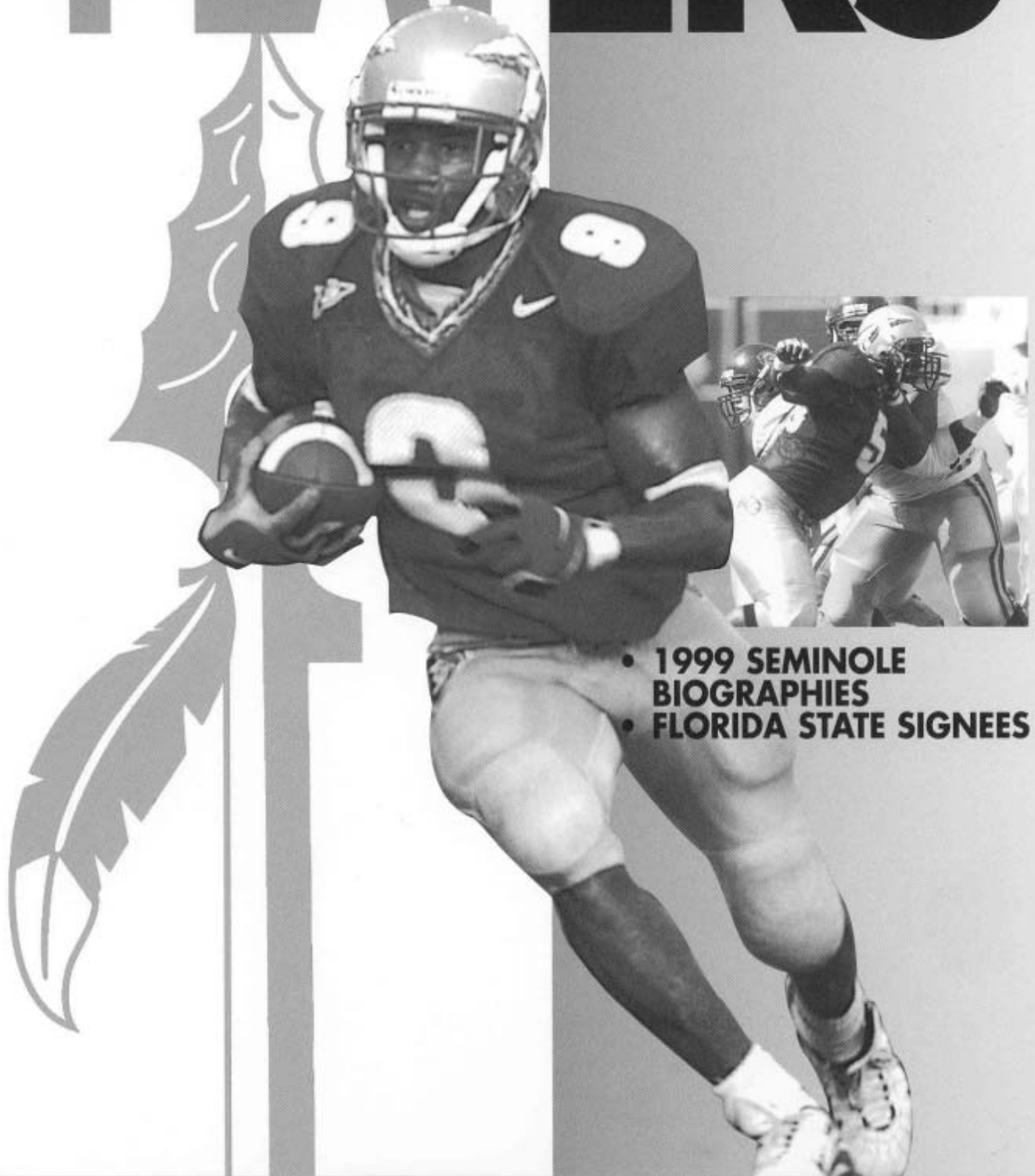


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# #55 BRIAN ALLEN

**Linebacker, 6-0, 225, Junior  
Lake City, FL (Columbia)**

**At Florida State:** Slated to be the starter at strongside linebacker...split starting duties at the position last season with departed senior Demetro Stephens...ranked sixth on the team with 57 stops last year...should contend for postseason honors as a junior...versatile athlete who can also play the middle linebacker spot...has also been a key contributor on special teams throughout his FSU career...coaches have compared his ability to that of former FSU standout Derrick Brooks...has recorded a bench press of 500+ pounds.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Finished sixth on the team with 57 tackles (31 solo)...totaled a career-high nine tackles at Georgia Tech...registered eight stops versus Miami...recorded sacks against Miami (2) and Florida...had six tackles for loss on the season...batted down passes against Miami, Clemson, Georgia Tech and Florida (2)...recovered fumbles against Southern California and Clemson...blocked a punt against Virginia...had six tackles for loss on the season...credited with six intimidations and two pressures...named the Tomahawk Player of the Game by the coaching staff following FSU's 23-12 victory over Florida...played a key role in that game as he was the lone linebacker on the field in many situations...earned Victor's Club honors against USC, Maryland, Clemson, Georgia Tech, UNC, Wake Forest and Florida.

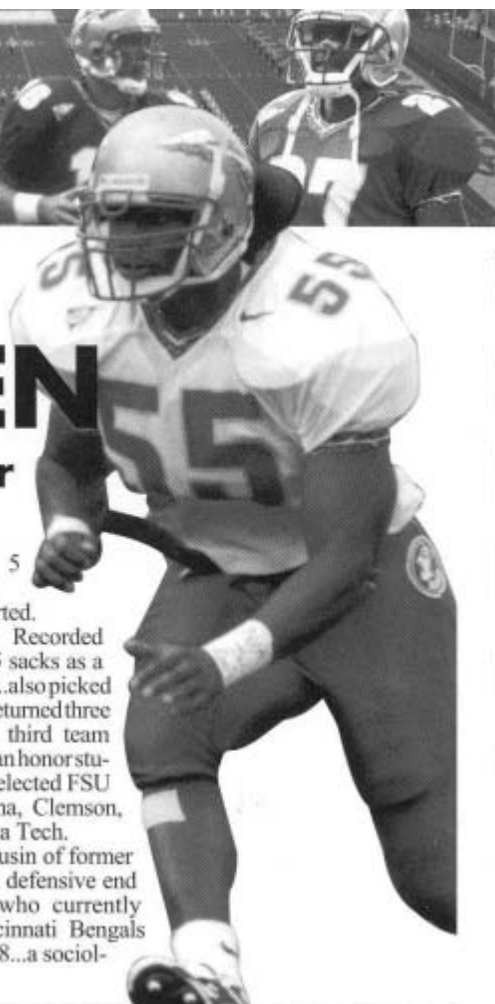
**Freshman Year (1997):** Finished fifth among FSU linebackers with 26 total tackles (10 solo) while playing in all 12 games...backed up Lamont Green and Deon Humphrey at strongside linebacker...recorded five tackles, including one for loss, in victory over Maryland...tallied a season-high seven stops against Duke...set up a Sebastian Janikowski field goal with a blocked punt

against then-No. 5 North Carolina.

**1996:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Recorded 159 tackles and 5.5 sacks as a senior at Columbia...also picked off four passes and returned three for scores...named third team all-state Class 6A...an honor student as a senior...selected FSU over South Carolina, Clemson, Florida and Virginia Tech.

**Personal:** Cousin of former FSU All-American defensive end Reinard Wilson, who currently plays for the Cincinnati Bengals...born April 1, 1978...a sociology major.



### ALLEN'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1997	10	16	26	1	0	0	0	0	0
1998	31	26	57	6	3	5	0	2	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>

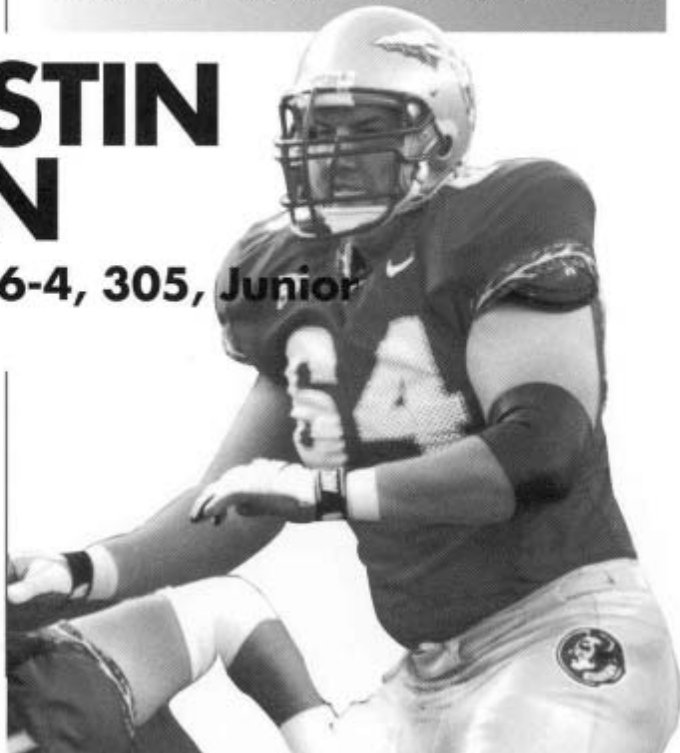


# #64 JUSTIN AMMAN

**Offensive Guard, 6-4, 305, Junior  
Eustis, FL (Eustis)**

**At Florida State:** Enters his junior year as All-American Jason Whitaker's backup at split guard...has spent his first two seasons at FSU as a reserve along the offensive front...appeared in 11 games as a sophomore as a backup to Whitaker...also sees duties on special teams...named the offensive line's most improved at the conclusion of spring practice by the FSU coaching staff...one of the strongest Seminoles on the 1999 roster with a 480 lb. bench press.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Saw action in 11 games as a backup to Jason Whitaker at split guard...one of two offensive linemen who did not give up a sack all season...saw the majority of his action on special teams as a member of the extra point and field goal units...saw significant playing time and im-





proved steadily over the course of the year.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Served as a backup to Donald Heaven at tight guard...appeared in every game during the season...saw the majority of his action on special teams but also received scrimmage snaps in five contests...gained valuable game experience against Maryland, Miami, Duke, Georgia Tech and Wake Forest.

**1996:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Named to the Florida Super Seniors team...a

Class 4A second team all-state selection...tabbed a *Tampa Tribune* Blue Chipper...member of the Super 24 team...led Eustis to the Class 4A quarter finals...one of eight members of FSU's recruiting class selected to play for Team Florida in the Florida-Georgia High School All-Star game...selected FSU over Florida and Miami.

**Personal:** Born August 27, 1978...a nutrition and fitness major...father, Richard, played football at Florida State from 1969-71 and played two seasons with the Baltimore Colts.



# #67 JOSH BAGGS

**Center, 6-1, 305, Sophomore  
Camilla, GA (Mitchell-Baker)**

**At Florida State:** Opens his sophomore season as Florida State's fourth team center...sat out the 1998 season after transferring from Division I-AA power Georgia Southern...originally played guard upon his arrival in Tallahassee but moved to center during the spring.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Sat out the season as a redshirt after transferring from Georgia Southern.

**High School:** Three-year starter and four-year member of the varsity while at Mitchell-Baker High School...was a three-time first team All-Southwest Georgia selection...earned first team all-

region and all-state honors as a senior...helped his team to the state playoffs all four years and was a member of the state championship team as a freshman...started at center and guard on offense and tackle on defense...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game after senior season but a sprained ankle kept him from participating...did play in the Georgia North-South All-Star game...signed with Georgia Southern as a senior, selecting the Eagles over Furman...also a member of the baseball, golf and track and field teams in high school.

**Personal:** Majoring in business...born on November 29, 1978.



# #26 ATREWS BELL

**Flanker, 5-11, 201, Sophomore  
Jacksonville, FL (Lee)**

**At Florida State:** Enters sophomore campaign looking for playing time at flanker...listed at fourth team behind All-American Peter Warrick, Germaine Stringer and Marvin Minnis entering the fall...saw action in eight games last year as a freshman...recruited as a walk-on in August of 1997 and earned a scholarship just one week into practice.

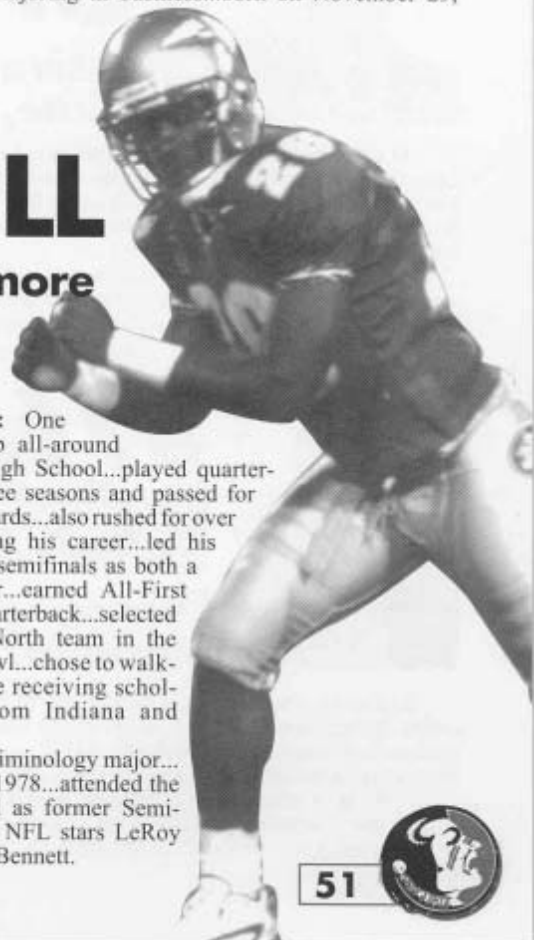
**Freshman Year (1998):** Reserve at flanker who appeared in eight games...backed up All-American Peter Warrick...caught two passes for 18 yards on the year...first catch of his career was a 10-yarder from Chris Weinke in the Seminoles' 26-14 win at Miami...also had an eight-yard reception in the win over North Carolina.

**1997:** Originally came to the program as a walk-on but was awarded a scholarship one week into fall practice...sat out the

season as a red-shirt.

**High School:** One of the state's top all-around players at Lee High School...played quarterback his final three seasons and passed for more than 3,100 yards...also rushed for over 2,000 yards during his career...led his team to the state semifinals as both a junior and senior...earned All-First Coast honors at quarterback...selected to play for the North team in the Florida Shrine Bowl...chose to walk-on at FSU despite receiving scholarship offers from Indiana and Marshall.

**Personal:** Criminology major...born January 10, 1978...attended the same high school as former Seminoles and current NFL stars LeRoy Butler and Edgar Bennett.



## BELL'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1998	2	18	9.0	0	10





# #97 TONY BENFORD

**Defensive Tackle, 6-4, 270, Freshman  
Denver, CO (Jefferson)**

**At Florida State:** Begins his second season at Florida State listed at second team behind All-America candidate Jerry Johnson at defensive tackle...used the spring to get acclimated to the collegiate level...likely to be called upon to play often in FSU's defensive line rotation.

**1998:** Sat out the year with most of his class as a redshirt.

**High School:** Was a first team All-Colorado defensive line selection after recording 20.5 sacks as a senior at Jefferson High...played just two years of football there...registered 95 tackles as a senior and had 21.5 sacks during his junior season...earned honor-

able mention All-America status from both *SuperPrep* and *PrepStars*...also a member of the Jefferson basketball team...selected the Seminoles over Nebraska, Oklahoma State, Texas and North Carolina.

**Personal:** Born on the first day of the decade, January 1, 1980...birthday was also the same day that the Seminoles lost to Oklahoma in the Orange Bowl 24-7, FSU's only loss of the season...will not declare major until after sophomore season...first Seminole player to hail from Colorado since Scott Bentley, who hit the field goal that won the '93 National Championship game.



# #51 RONALD BOLDIN

**Offensive Guard, 6-5, 291, Junior  
Pahokee, FL (Pahokee)**

**At Florida State:** Backup at tight guard entering his junior campaign...originally played defensive tackle when he came to Florida State but moved to the offensive line prior to the 1998 season...sat out the 1997 year, his freshman season, in compliance with NCAA regulations.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Did not see any action during the season...slowed by his transition from the defensive line during preseason practice...did work with the Seminole scout units.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Sat out the season in accordance

with NCAA regulations.

**High School:** Rated among the top 20 offensive linemen in the Southeast by *PrepStar*...earned honorable mention *USA Today* All-USA status...led Pahokee to the state semifinals as a senior...a two-time Class 3A all-state second team selection...chose FSU over Ohio State, West Virginia, Auburn and Michigan State.

**Personal:** Cousin Anquan Boldin is a true freshman quarterback with the Seminoles and was Florida's Mr. Football in 1998...born April 6, 1978...criminology major.



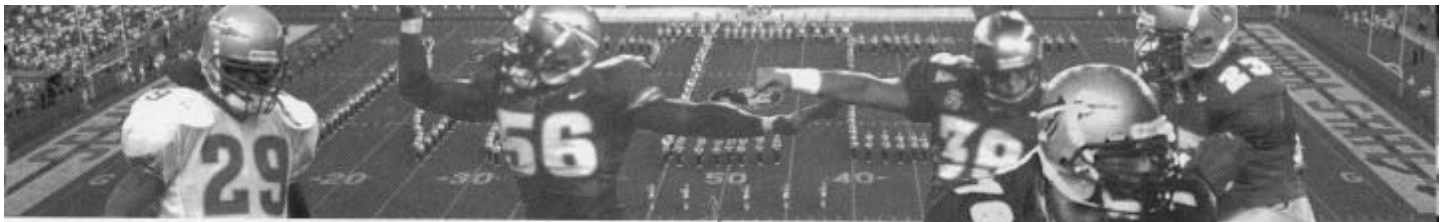
# #76 ROSS BRANNON

**Offensive Tackle, 6-8, 310, Junior  
Marietta, GA (Lassiter)**

**At Florida State:** Earned first team All-ACC honors as a sophomore last year...started all 13 games at split tackle in 1998 and 10 games at tackle as a redshirt freshman in 1997...expected to be one of the leaders for the Seminoles as a junior...one of five returning starters along the offensive front...missed the spring after undergoing minor arthroscopic knee surgery...was a second team Freshman All-America selection by the *Sporting News* in 1997.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Started every game at split tackle last season...earned first team All-ACC honors...very solid performer who played with limited mobility in his knee over the last month of the season...named Dominator of the Week after the Virginia game...had 22 intimidations during the regular season...named to the Victor's Club after his performances against Texas A&M, NC State, Miami, Virginia, Wake Forest and Florida.





**Freshman Year (1997):** Named second team Freshman All-America by *The Sporting News* following a season in which he started 10 games as a rookie...received Victor's Club honors four times during the season — after the Southern Cal, Maryland, Miami and Virginia games...had the tough job of replacing Walter Jones, the sixth pick in the 1997 NFL Draft by the Seattle Seahawks, at his position.

**1996:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Played tight end his first three years at Lassiter High School...*SuperPrep's* No. 19 offensive lineman in the nation...a 1995 Georgia All-Academic team member...ranked as the No. 2 offensive lineman in Georgia by the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*...also played basketball...Class 4A all-state selection...named all-xounty following senior season...selected FSU over Auburn, Florida and Tennessee.

**Personal:** Born December 11, 1977...majoring in management information systems...rooms with fellow offensive lineman Jarad Moon.



# #71 JERRY CARMICHAEL

**Offensive Guard, 6-4, 310, Junior  
Plantation, FL (Plantation)**



**At Florida State:** Status for the 1999 campaign is uncertain due to a knee injury suffered in the Fiesta Bowl loss to Tennessee...tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee in that game...started every game as a sophomore at tight guard last year...was FSU's top reserve along the offensive front in 1997...played both tackle and guard as a redshirt freshman and started against Maryland at split tackle.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Started all 13 games at tight guard...suffered a torn ACL in his right knee in the Fiesta Bowl...named a Dominator of the Week by the FSU coaching staff for his performance against Virginia...also earned Victor's Club honors after the Texas A&M, NC State, Duke, Maryland, Georgia Tech and Virginia games.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Played in every game as a redshirt freshman and battled Ross Brannon for starting duties at split tackle for most of the season...made his first collegiate start in place of first round NFL choice Tra Thomas at tight tackle against Maryland...also started versus NC State and Ohio State for Brannon at split tackle...was Florida State's top reserve along the offensive front...earned Victor's Club honors from FSU coaches after the Maryland, NC State and Wake Forest games.

**1996:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Considered the state's top offensive lineman by many as a senior at Plantation High...a first team Class 6A all-state selection...member of Florida's Super Seniors team...Offensive Player of the Year in Broward County...an honor student at Plantation...one of eight members of FSU's recruiting class selected to play for Team Florida in the Florida-Georgia High School All-Star game...selected FSU over Florida, Nebraska, NC State and Georgia Tech.

**Personal:** Born on July 8, 1978...an environmental studies major...roommate is offensive guard Justin Amman.





# #95 RIAN CASON

**Defensive Tackle, 6-5, 285, Freshman  
College Park, GA (Woodward)**

**At Florida State:** Enters the fall listed as the third team defensive tackle behind Jerry Johnson and Tony Benford...has great size and just needs more experience to contribute...could play his way into the defensive line rotation...one of four outstanding defensive line prospects who entered with the 1998 recruiting class.

**1998:** Redshirted along with the majority of his recruiting class...worked on his conditioning and dropped 15 pounds from his 300-pound weight upon arrival at FSU.

**High School:** Highly acclaimed prospect out of Woodward Academy...was a second team All-USA choice by *USA Today*...recorded 73 tackles, seven sacks and blocked a kick during his senior season to earn first team all-state honors...led his team to an

11-1 season...listed as the No. 5 defensive lineman by recruiting analyst Tom Lemming...also listed as one of the country's top five defensive linemen and an All-American by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star Game...won the state shot put title as a junior...also a high school honor student...chose FSU over Georgia, Tennessee, Notre Dame and North Carolina.

**Personal:** Born January 18, 1980...will not declare major until after sophomore season...brother David is a senior wide receiver at East Tennessee State and interned in the Florida State sports information office over the summer while living in Tallahassee.



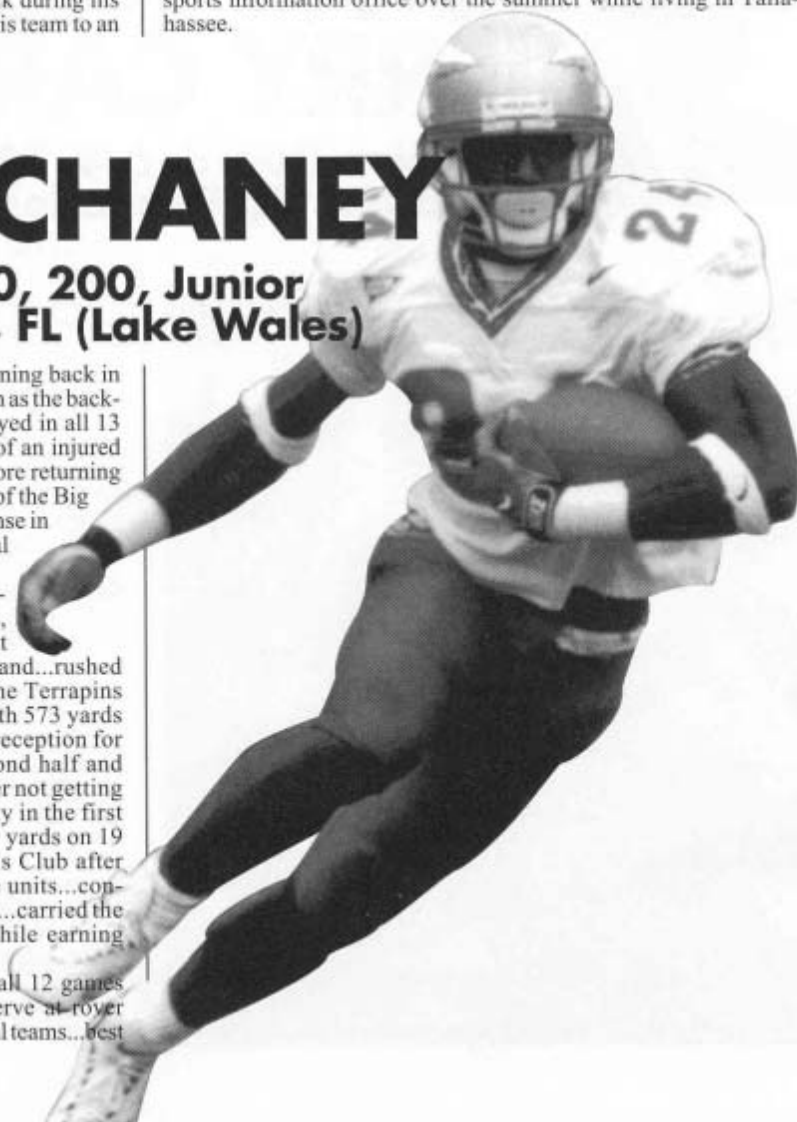
# #24 JEFF CHANEY

**Tailback, 6-0, 200, Junior  
Lake Wales, FL (Lake Wales)**

**At Florida State:** Emerged as a productive running back in his sophomore season at FSU...enters his junior season as the backup to returning starter Travis Minor at tailback...played in all 13 games last year, while starting four games in place of an injured Minor...spent some time at fullback in the spring before returning to tailback at the end of spring drills...named winner of the Big Otis Award and the Second Effort Award for the offense in the spring...also an integral member of the special teams units.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Started the Maryland, Miami, Clemson and Georgia Tech games, while playing in all 13 contests...recorded his first career 100-yard rushing performance against Maryland...rushed for a career-high 133 yards on 30 carries against the Terrapins...second-leading rusher on the Seminole squad with 573 yards on 120 attempts and five touchdowns...added one reception for three yards...came into the Duke game in the second half and had 10 carries for 88 yards and two touchdowns after not getting a carry in the first two games...replaced Minor early in the first half against Southern California, finishing with 89 yards on 19 carries and one touchdown...named to the Victor's Club after five games...also participated on kickoff coverage units...converted to tailback from defensive back in the spring...carried the ball 12 times for 47 yards and one touchdown while earning most improved honors after the '98 spring game.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Saw action in all 12 games during his freshman year...served as a reserve at rover behind Shevin Smith...also saw time on special teams...best





game of the year was a four-tackle performance against Duke...had two tackles each against Maryland and North Carolina...finished the season with 10 total tackles (seven solos and three assists) ...earned Victor's Club honors four times for his special teams play.

**High School:** One of the top all-around players in the state while at Lake Wales High School...originally signed with South Carolina after graduating from high school in 1996...state Class 4A Player of the Year in 1995 and finished third in the voting for Florida's Mr. Football...rushed for 1,874 yards and 27 TDs on 174 carries as a senior...also tallied 135 tackles (85 solo), four sacks and two interceptions that year...had seven interceptions as a junior...a two-time, first team all-state selection...rushed for nearly 3,000 yards and 48 touchdowns in his prep career, while recording 344 tackles, 15 sacks and 12 interceptions...rated as *SuperPrep's* No. 7 player in Florida in 1995...named to the

## CHANEY'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1998	120	573	4.8	5	41

National Recruiting Advisor and *Blue Chip Illustrated's* All-Southeast Region team...a Super 24 selection by the Florida Times Union...played in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game in June of 1996...played on two state title teams at Lake Wales.

**Personal:** Born on November 16, 1976...majoring in electrical engineering...hails from the same high school as former Seminole tight end Melvin Pearsall.



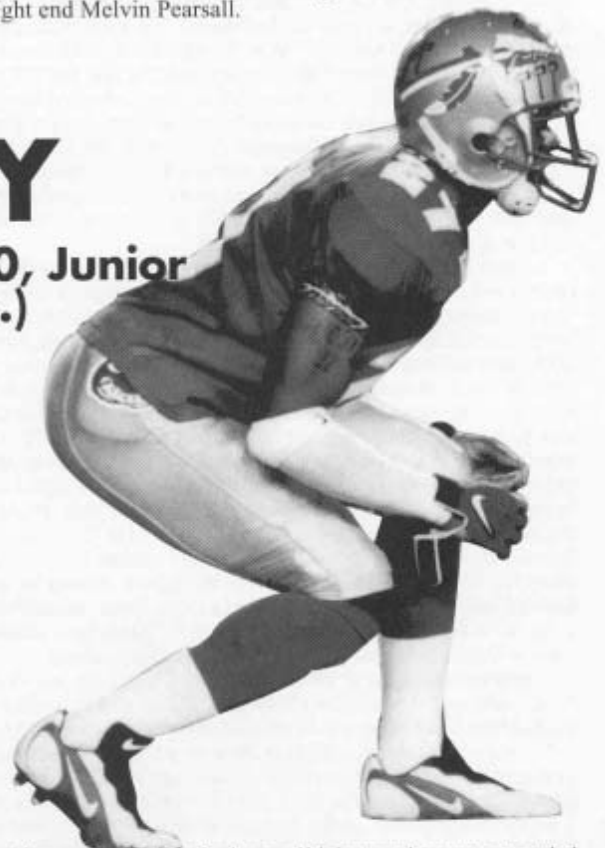
# #27 TAY CODY

**Cornerback, 5-11, 180, Junior  
Blakely, GA (Early Co.)**

**At Florida State:** Emerged as one of the top cover corners in the country as a sophomore last season...one of three returning starters in the Seminole secondary which has been ranked the best in the country by several preseason magazines...started at right cornerback the past two seasons...was one of three players from the FSU secondary to earn All-ACC second team honors in 1998...earned freshman first team All-ACC honors as a newcomer in 1997...only freshman starter on the 1997 team.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Started at right cornerback in all 13 games...named to All-ACC second team along with secondary mates Mario Edwards and Dexter Jackson...had 33 tackles, including 24 solo stops...11 of his 33 total tackles were on third down...finished second on the Seminole squad with eight pass deflections...intercepted only pass of the season against Maryland...key reason why FSU held five opponents to less than 100 yards passing and ranked first in the nation in passing defense...pass break-ups came against Texas A&M, NC State, Clemson, Georgia Tech (2) and a team-high three against Florida...also contributed four intimidations on the season...earned Victor's Club honors eight times...was the Tomahawk Player of the Game against Georgia Tech.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Recorded 46 tackles, including 30 solo as a redshirt freshman...finished third among defensive backs and eighth overall in tackles...added three tackles for loss and four pass break-ups...named ACC Rookie of the Week following a season-high 12 tackle performance against Georgia Tech...totaled three intercep-



tions on the season which ranked second highest on the team...recorded five tackles and broke up a pass in the Sugar Bowl victory over Ohio State...notched his first career interception at Clemson...named Tomahawk Player of the Game (MVP) for Georgia Tech contest...earned Victor's Club honors nine times...recovered a fumble at Virginia...had three "big hits" and two "big plays" on the season.

**1996:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Listed among the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution's* Super Southern 100...regarded as one of Georgia's top 50 prospects...received one of the higher grades from Jeff Whitaker's *Deep South Football*...considered the 12th best defensive back in the country by *SuperPrep*...recorded 10 interceptions over his final two seasons...totaled 70 tackles as a senior at Early County...chose FSU over Auburn.

**Personal:** Born October 6, 1977...social science education major.

## CODY'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1996									
1997	30	16	46	3	0	4	0	0	3
1998	24	9	33	0	0	8	0	1	1
Career	54	25	79	3	0	12	0	1	4





# #7 LAVERANUES COLES

**Split End, 6-1, 195, Senior  
Jacksonville, FL (Ribault)**

**At Florida State:** Established a reputation as a big-play maker over his first three seasons at FSU...enters the fall listed at second team split end behind Ron Dugans...has spent the last two and a half years at split end after coming to Tallahassee as a tailback...versatile performer who can also line up in the backfield and return kicks... finished fifth on the team with 19 receptions last year for 397 yards... led the team with a 20.9 yard per catch average...clocked at a sub 4.2 40-yard dash making him the fastest Seminole ever...caught 21 passes as a junior while playing alongside E.G. Green and Peter Warrick...began his freshman season at tailback before moving to wide receiver five games into the year...has averaged 16.3 yards per touch over his Seminole career...named FSU's most improved at wide receiver at the conclusion of spring drills.

**Junior Year (1998):** Appeared in every game except the season opener and ranked fifth on the team with 19 catches for 397 yards...second on the team with three touchdown receptions and scored five times overall...four of his five TD's came from 35 yards or more...his 20.9 yards per catch average led the team...had five receptions of at least 30 yards...became just the second player in the Bobby Bowden era at Florida State to score a touchdown by kickoff return, reception and rush in the same season (Tamarick Vanover in 1992 was the other)...filled in as a backup tailback due to injuries midway through the season and played the position against Clemson, Georgia Tech and North Carolina...third on the team in rushing with 15 attempts for 128 yards...averaged 8.5 yards per carry...best game of the season was a five-catch, 120-yard, one TD performance against UNC...had four grabs for 74 yards and a score against Maryland...rushed for a team-high 82 yards on just three carries at Georgia Tech...scored on a 60-yard run in that game...returned a kickoff 97 yards for a touchdown against Duke...averaged 28.4 yards on 13 kickoff returns.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Played in all 12 games and started in three wide receiver set along with E.G. Green and Peter Warrick... finished his first full season at wide receiver with 21 catches for 384 yards and a touchdown...third on the team in receiving yardage and averaged 18.3 yards per catch...scored his only TD of the year on a 48-yard catch against Georgia Tech...had four grabs for 91 yards in a 50-7 win over Maryland...had a then career-best 97 yards receiving on three catches versus NC State...had three receptions in the Sugar Bowl win over Ohio State...averaged 21.1 yards on eight kickoff returns...also rushed for 41 yards on six attempts...pulled down at least one pass in nine of 11 games.

**Freshman Year (1996):** Contributed immediately as a true freshman...made the transition from tailback to wide receiver prior to FSU's 34-16 win at Miami...played in 10 of 12 games on the season...had 10 catches for 104 yards and two touchdowns...added 91 yards on 14 attempts on the ground...rushed for 46 yards on eight carries at NC State...caught the first pass of his Seminole career against Wake Forest...started against Southern Miss when FSU went with four receivers in their first offensive series...caught two TD passes in that game...caught four balls for 45 yards in the win over Maryland...averaged 24.8 yard on five kickoff returns.

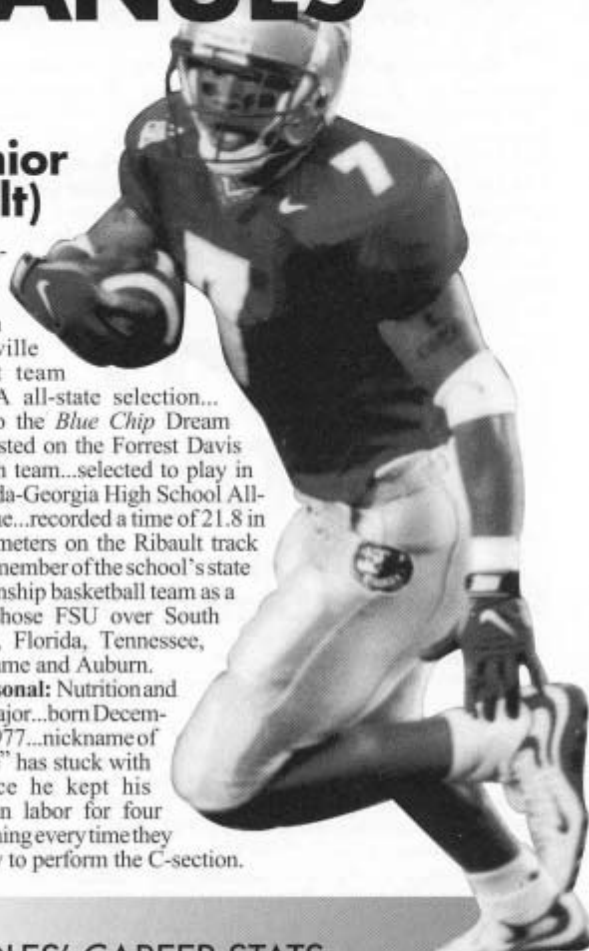
**High School:** Regarded by most as one of the top five running backs in the nation...rushed for almost 5,000 yards

during career at Ribault High in Jacksonville

...a first team

Class 4A all-state selection... named to the *Blue Chip Dream Team*...listed on the Forrest Davis All-South team...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia High School All-Star Game...recorded a time of 21.8 in the 200-meters on the Ribault track team...a member of the school's state championship basketball team as a senior...chose FSU over South Carolina, Florida, Tennessee, Notre Dame and Auburn.

**Personal:** Nutrition and fitness major...born December 29, 1977...nickname of "Trouble" has stuck with him since he kept his mother in labor for four days, turning every time they got ready to perform the C-section.



### COLES' CAREER STATS

#### Receiving

YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1996	10	104	10.4	2	15
1997	21	384	18.3	1	48
1998	19	397	20.9	3	62
<b>Career</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>62</b>

#### Rushing

YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1996	14	91	6.5	0	24
1997	6	41	6.8	0	24
1998	15	128	8.5	1	60
<b>Career</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>60</b>

#### Kickoff Returns

YEAR	RETURNS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1996	5	124	24.8	0	34
1997	8	169	21.1	0	34
1998	13	369	28.4	1	97
<b>Career</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>25.5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>97</b>







# #47 KEITH COTTRELL

**Punter, 6-4, 205, Junior  
Orlando, FL (Boone)**

**At Florida State:** Returns as the starting punter where he has handled every Seminole punt over the last two seasons...comes off a very solid sophomore season in which he averaged 41.3 yards per punt...has handled the pressure of the position very well and coaches feel his leg strength will mean even better performances as an upper classman.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** The Seminoles' punter for the second consecutive year...showed great improvement from his freshman campaign...averaged 41.3 yards per punt on the season...banged a career-high 69-yarder at Miami...best game was at Wake Forest when he punted a season-high nine times and averaged a year-best 44.7 yards...also had a solid National Championship game against Tennessee when he was called on nine times...had a stretch of four games - Georgia Tech through Wake Forest - where he averaged at least 42.0 yards...averaged at least 40 yards per kick in eight of 13 games...did have one kick blocked.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Began his collegiate career with a 42.7 yard punting average at Southern California...booted career-long punts of 54 yards against Clemson and Florida...punted six times and averaged 41.3 yards versus Florida, including one inside the 20...his season average of 38.4 was on par with the sophomore season average of previous four-year starter Sean Liss.

**High School:** Considered one of the top punters in the Southeast

as a senior at Boone High School in Orlando...averaged 43.8 yards per punt as a senior...rated as the No. 3 kicker/punter in Florida by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...*PrepStar's* No. 1 punter in the Southeast...ranked among the state's top 50 recruits by the *Tallahassee Democrat*...also recruited as a quarterback by several other Division I programs...received the Bob Martin Scholar-Athlete Award in the Orlando area...selected Florida State over Florida, Tennessee, Pittsburgh and Cincinnati.

**Personal:** Sport management major...born October 23, 1978 and will turn 21 the day the Seminoles play Clemson...graduated early from high school and enrolled at Florida State in January of 1997.



## COTTRELL'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	PUNTS	YARDS	AVG	BLOCKED	LONG
1997	58	2227	38.4	1	54
1998	62	2558	41.3	1	69
<b>Career</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>4785</b>	<b>39.9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>69</b>



# #88 CARVER DONALDSON

**Tight End, 6-6, 245, Sophomore  
Lakeland, FL (Kathleen)**

**At Florida State:** Enters the fall as the co-second team tight end with Patrick Hughes and Ryan Sprague...sat out the 1998 campaign as a redshirt after playing in seven games as a true freshman in 1997...provided the best offensive highlight of the spring game with a 44-yard reception of a Marcus Outzen pass...will play on a number of special teams.

**1998:** Suffered a chest injury during the preseason and was forced to sit out the season as a redshirt.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Saw action in seven games as a true freshman...one of 15 true freshman to letter...recorded two catches for 39 yards on the season...first career catch, a 14-yarder, came at Virginia...had a 25-yard reception from



Chris Weinke in Florida State's home finale against Wake Forest.

**High School:** Pulled down 25 receptions and a pair of touchdowns during his career in a run-oriented offense...named to the Forrest Davis All-South first team...also listed among Davis' Florida Top 12...received a perfect 10.00 rating from Jeff Whitaker's *Deep South Football*...rated as the No. 16 prospect in Florida and No. 19 offensive lineman nationally by *SuperPrep*...rated the No. 1 tight end in Florida, No. 4 tight end nationally and No. 72 overall nationally, receiving a 6.0 on a 6.1 scale by the *National Recruiting Advisor*.

**Personal:** Political science major...born October 5, 1978.

## DONALDSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1997	2	39	19.5	0	25



# #75 CHAR-RON DORSEY

**Offensive Tackle, 6-7, 325, Junior  
Jacksonville, FL (Bolles)**

**At Florida State:** Had the inside track on starting honors at tight tackle last year but missed virtually the entire year with a neck injury suffered during preseason practice...inadvertently kicked in the head while on the ground during practice...tremendous size and strength combine with excellent feet...will battle returning starter Tarlos Thomas for starting honors during preseason drills.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Missed almost the entire season after suffering a neck injury in the preseason...tried to comeback in mid-October in games against Miami and Clemson, but reinjured his neck and was out for the rest of the year...was running at first team tight tackle before preseason injury eliminated his chance to earn the position.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Played in six games as a true freshman at defensive tackle...recorded five solo tackles and six assists on the season...also registered two tackles for loss and one sack...had four tackles and one tackle for loss against Maryland...in addition to the Maryland game he saw action against Miami, Duke, Georgia Tech, Virginia and NC State.

**High School:** Three-time first team Class 4A all-state selection while at The Bolles School in Jacksonville...frequently double-teamed, yet still recorded 70 tackles (40 solo) as a senior defensive tackle...Forrest Davis' first team All-South selection...listed on Jamie Newberg's "Border Wars Top 100"...rated as the No. 9 defensive lineman in the Southeast by *PrepStar*...the *National Recruiting Advisor's* No. 8 defensive tackle in the nation...*SuperPrep* All-American and their No. 5 prospect in Florida...also that publication's No. 10 defensive tackle nationally...named to the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100, the *Tallahassee Democrat* Top 50, the *Gainesville Sun* Top 30 and the *Florida Times-Union* Super 24...earned honorable mention All-USA honors from *USA Today*...also a *St. Pete Times* and *Tampa Tribune* Blue Chipper...also recruited to play college basketball as one of the top power



forwards in Florida...led Bolles to the state playoffs on the hardwood twice...selected the Seminoles over Alabama.

**Personal:** Has not declared a major...born November 5, 1977...FSU defeated Georgia Tech 41-10 on his 16th birthday in 1994...the Tribe beat South Carolina 45-30 on his fifth birthday in 1983...high school teammate of Florida State fullback William McCray.





# #80 RON DUGANS

**Split End, 6-3, 190, Senior  
Tallahassee, FL (FAMU High)**

**At Florida State:** Returns to his starting position at split end after finishing last year as the Seminoles' No. 2 overall receiver behind Peter Warrick...enjoyed a breakout season last year after catching 38 passes for 616 yards and three touchdowns...has caught a pass in 15 consecutive games...thumb injury suffered in preseason drills sidetracked his 1997 season...played in every game his first two seasons and caught 21 passes...named FSU's most dependable at wide receiver at the conclusion of spring drills...received his bachelor's degree in political science last spring.

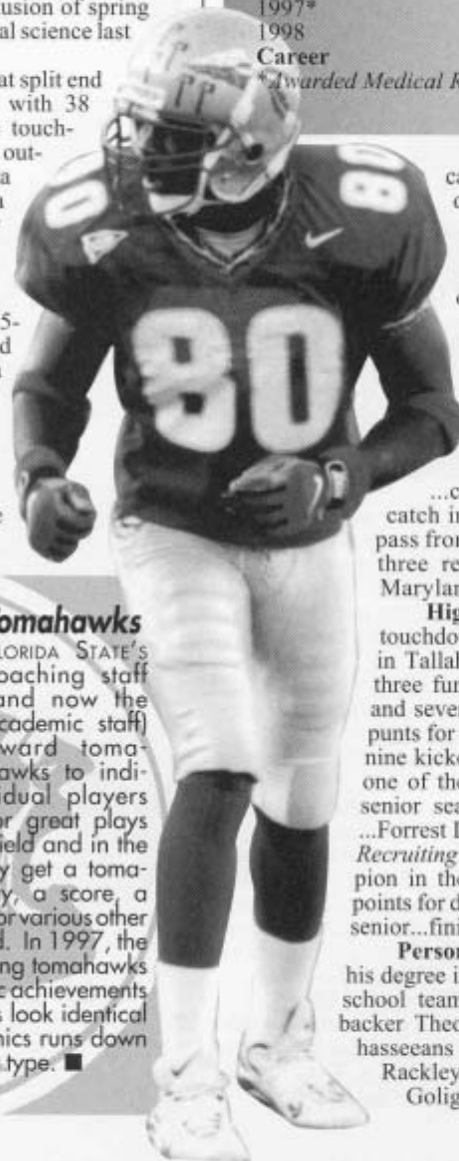
**Junior Year (1998):** Started every game at split end and finished the year second on the team with 38 catches...had 616 receiving yards and three touchdowns...averaged 16.2 yards per catch...had outstanding game against Tennessee in the Fiesta Bowl with a career-high tying six catches for a career-high 135 yards...caught a pass in every game last year and had three or more receptions in nine games...had a then career-high six receptions for 69 yards and a 12-yard TD against Clemson...made four grabs for 88 yards and a 35-yard score against Southern California...scored the win-clinching touchdown against Florida on a 46-yard throw from Peter Warrick on a fake reverse.

**1997:** Played a few plays over the first two games of the year before a preseason thumb injury forced him to the sidelines...caught three passes for 37 yards in limited action...had one

## DUGANS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1995	14	157	11.2	0	42
1996	7	66	9.4	1	16
1997*	3	37	12.3	0	19
1998	38	616	16.2	3	46
<b>Career</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>876</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>46</b>

\*Awarded Medical Redshirt



catch for 19 yards at USC in the season-opener...followed up with two catches for 18 yards versus Maryland.

**Sophomore Year (1996):** Caught seven passes for 66 yards as a sophomore...played in every game...had the first touchdown catch of his career against Southern Miss on a 16-yard pass from Dan Kendra...had at least one reception in five games.

**Freshman Year (1995):** One of six members of his class to play as a true freshman...appeared in every game...caught 14 passes for 157 yards...had a catch in all but two games...caught a 42-yard pass from Thad Busby in the Miami game...had three receptions each against NC State and Maryland.

**High School:** Rushed for 730 yards and 10 touchdowns on just 70 as a senior at FAMU High in Tallahassee...recorded 75 tackles, two sacks, three fumbles caused, three fumbles recovered, and seven interceptions on defense...returned 10 punts for 230 yards and one touchdown...returned nine kickoffs for 200 yards and one TD...became one of the South's hottest recruits following his senior season...Max Emfinger's No. 7 receiver...Forrest Davis' second team All-South...*National Recruiting Advisor's* No. 5 strong safety...state champion in the triple jump as a junior...averaged 20 points for defending state basketball champions as a senior...finished third in the state high jump.

**Personal:** Political science major who received his degree in the spring...born April 27, 1977...high school teammate of fellow Seminole senior linebacker Theon Rackley...one of three native Tallahasseeans on the FSU roster (along with Rackley and freshman fullback Randy Golightly).

## SEMINOLE SIDeline



### Tomahawks

FLORIDA STATE'S coaching staff (and now the academic staff) award tomahawks to individual players for great plays

or contributions on the field and in the classroom. Players may get a tomahawk for a crucial play, a score, a touchdown saving tackle or various other achievements on the field. In 1997, the Seminoles began receiving tomahawks for outstanding academic achievements as well. The tomahawks look identical except the word academics runs down the handle of the newest type. ■





# #74 OTIS DUHART

**Offensive Tackle, 6-4, 290, Junior  
Belle Glades, FL (Central)**



**At Florida State:** Backup to Tarlos Thomas and Donald Heaven at the tight tackle position last season and enters the fall listed at second team split tackle...played in six games last season, including the shutout of Clemson...named to the Victor's Club after his performance against Duke...did not dress out for the final two regular season games after injuring his knee, but was available in the Fiesta Bowl.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Played at tight tackle, seeing action in six games...injured knee prevented him from playing in the Seminoles' last two regular season games against Wake Forest and Florida, but he was available for the Fiesta Bowl...earned Victor's Club honors for his play against Duke.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Played sparingly as a true freshman.

**High School:** First team all-state performer as a senior at tradition-rich Belle Glades' Central High School...the school's top line prospect in the last 15 years...*SuperPrep* All-Region selection and that publication's No. 53 prospect in Florida...earned honorable mention All-USA honors from *USA Today*...rated as the No. 16 offensive line prospect in the Southeast by *PrepStar*...named to the *Tallahassee Democrat* Top 50 and the *Florida Times-Union Super 75*...picked Florida State over Florida and Ole Miss.

**Personal:** Born on February 22, 1979...a sports management major...played at the same high school as former Seminoles Wayne Messam and Jesse Hester...brother, Tony, was a lineman at the University of Florida in the mid '80s.



### Chief Osceola & Renegade

PERHAPS THE MOST spectacular tradition in all of college football occurs in Doak Campbell Stadium when Chief Osceola charges

down the field riding an Appaloosa horse named Renegade and plants a flaming spear at midfield to begin every home game. The tradition was born on September 16, 1978 against Oklahoma State when a student, wearing Native-American clothing, led the team from the tunnel riding a horse. Since the beginning of the FSU tradition, there have been three different horses and 10 different riders that have actually appeared at a game. However, there have been a total of 16 horses trained in the Renegade program, including Tonka and Spiderman, who are the understudies to current Chief Osceola mount, Sharky. The original Chief Osceola and Renegade were Jim Kidder and Reo. The original horse was donated by Tallahassee veterinarian Dr. Jerry Deloney. For the last 18 years, the horses have been trained by their owner, local businessman Bill Durham, who also trains the riders. The clothing and rigging that Chief Osceola and Renegade wear were designed and approved by the Seminole Indian Tribe of Florida. ■

### SEMINOLE Sideline





# #1 REGGIE DURDEN

**Cornerback, 5-9, 175, Senior  
Houston, TX (Copiah-Lincoln CC, MS)**

**At Florida State:** Emerged as the starter at left cornerback following spring drills but will be in a battle with returning starter Mario Edwards to hold the position...shared Most Improved honors at cornerback with Clevan Thomas this spring...served as a backup at both cornerback positions in 1998 after transferring from Copiah-Lincoln (MS) Community College...also returns punts and kickoffs for the Seminoles.

**Junior Year (1998):** Recorded two interceptions and was in on some very important plays during first season with the Seminoles...picked off his passes in wins over Virginia and Florida...contributed 13 total tackles on the year as a backup at both corners...deflected a pass against Wake Forest...made a season-high four tackles in the NC State game...averaged 11.2 yards per punt return and 19.4 yard per kickoff return...earned Victor's Club recognition against Virginia...was named to the kicking game Victor's Club in the North Carolina and Florida games.

**High School:** Originally signed with FSU in 1996...enrolled as a junior during spring semester of 1998...played quarterback and tailback in junior college and as a freshman at Texas A&M-Kingsville...totaled 1,554 all-purpose yards in 1997...the *National Recruiting Advisor's* No. 7 junior college prospect nationally...one of the nation's top quarterbacks out of high school...Tom Lemming's National Offensive Player of the Year...converted 20 two-point conversions during senior year...named to the *SportSouth* All-South third-team as an athlete...rated the No. 6 "skilled athlete" by *Super-Prep*...also that publication's Southwest Of-

fensive Player of the Year...received Max Emfinger's highest rating of 10.6...listed as the No. 25 overall prospect in the Southwest by Tom Lemming...

named City of Houston's Player of the Year...a first-team all-district pick and district MVP...only player from Houston chosen to participate in the Shrine California/Texas all-star game

...accounted for 6,421 all-purpose yards and 64 TDs in his four-year career despite missing five games as a junior...started at cornerback each year since the ninth grade...rushed for 1,620 yards and 14 TDs on 209 carries as a senior...added 595 passing yards and totaled 2,421 all-purpose yards...had two 300-yard rushing performances in high school, including a career-high 350 yards and five TDs in one game...also long jumped 25-feet as a track and field stand-out...selected FSU over LSU, Texas A&M, Kansas State and Arizona out of high school.

**Personal:** Born November 22, 1976...a criminology major.



## DURDEN'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1998	7	6	13	0	0	1	0	0	2

## SEMINOLE SIDeline



## Walk-Ons Rewarded

TWO OF FLORIDA STATE'S defensive stars in 1997 came to the program as walk-ons. Defensive end Andre Wadsworth left FSU as a consensus All-American and the third pick in the 1998 NFL Draft while rover Shevin Smith was a sixth round selection by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers that year. Both came to FSU in the fall of 1993 overlooked by other schools, but recruited to walk-on at Florida State. Four (Atreus Bell, Clay Ingram, Bobby Rhodes and Ryan Sprague) current scholarship Seminoles came to school as walk-ons. ■





# #15 MARIO EDWARDS

**Cornerback, 6-2, 195, Senior  
Gautier, MS (Pascagoula)**

**At Florida State:** Will contend for starting honors at left cornerback where he started 11 games last season...one of the nation's top defensive backs who should contend for postseason honors...one of three returning starters in the Seminole secondary...led the ACC and was among the nation's Top 10 with six interceptions in 1998...made a valiant return to action last year after missing 1997 season and earned All-ACC second team accolades...garnered the defensive leadership award following spring drills...picked off a school and ACC record four passes against Wake Forest last year.

**Junior Year (1998):** Earned starting honors at cornerback just two games into the season and proved to be one of FSU's best defenders...led the ACC and finished eighth in the country with six interceptions...set a new FSU record and tied the ACC single-game record with four interceptions against Wake Forest...his pick against the Gators stopped a Florida scoring drive...recorded 20 tackles, including 17 solo stops...led the Seminoles and was fourth in the ACC with 11 passes broken up...helped FSU hold five opponents to less than 100 yards passing and to a number one national ranking in pass defense...named second team All-ACC along with secondary teammates Tay Cody and Dexter Jackson...recorded a season-high five tackles against Southern California...registered his only tackle for loss of the season against Wake Forest...garnered Tomahawk Player honors following Wake Forest win...named to the Victor's Club eight times.

**1997:** Redshirted.

**Sophomore Year (1996):** Recorded 14 tackles in 11 games as a backup at right cornerback...broke up three passes and had one fumble recovery...tallied three tackles against both Clemson and Virginia...earned Victor's Club honors following performances in Clemson, Wake Forest and Virginia games.

**Freshman Year (1995):** One of only six Seminoles to earn a letter as a true freshman...contributed on special teams with a blocked punt against North Carolina that he caught and returned 24 yards for a score...had six tackles including one for loss as a rookie.

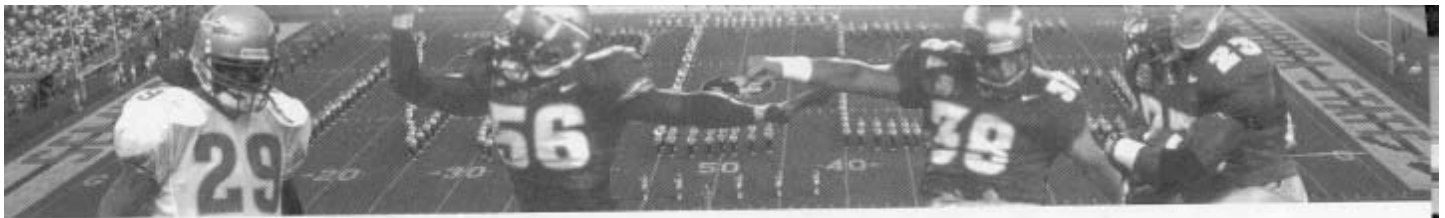
**High School:** Totaled 61 tackles, four interceptions, 14 pass break-ups and caused four fumbles as a senior at Pascagoula (MS) High...also blocked four PATs and one field goal as a senior...averaged 38 yards per kickoff return and returned one for a touchdown...named the top free safety prospect in the country by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...NRA's No. 10 player in the country regardless of position...received Max Emfinger's highest possible rating...*SuperPrep*'s No. 5 defensive back in the nation and their No. 7 player in the South...a G&W All-American and their No. 27 player in the nation.

**Personal:** Born December 1, 1975...social science major...attended the same high school as former FSU All-American and current Miami Dolphin cornerback Terrell Buckley, FSU's second all-time leading receiver Kez McCorvey and current FSU pitcher Blair Varnes.

### EDWARD'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1995	5	1	6	1	0	0	0	0	0
1996	1	13	14	0	0	3	0	0	0
1998	17	3	20	1	0	11	0	1	6
<b>Career</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>





# #22 DAVY FORD

**Tailback, 5-11, 188, Sophomore  
West Palm Beach, FL (Cardinal Newman)**

**At Florida State:** Missed the entire 1998 season following reconstructive knee surgery to repair a torn ACL in his right knee...expected to contend for the No. 2 position at tailback this year before suffering the same injury in the first week of spring practice...spent the summer undergoing rehabilitation with hopes of making a return by the beginning of the season...originally injured knee while practicing for the 1998 Sugar Bowl...was one of 14 true freshmen to see action in his class...has impressed training and coaching staff with his dedication and attitude during rehab.

**1998:** Missed the entire season after suffering a torn ACL in his right knee on the first day of practice in the Superdome prior to the win over Ohio State in the 1998 Sugar Bowl...was able to redshirt since he played as a true freshman.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Enjoyed a solid rookie season...one of 14 true freshmen on the Seminole roster to see game action...one of three freshmen to earn a start at tailback...finished second on the team in rushing with 258 yards on 61 carries...scored one touchdown and averaged 4.2 yards per attempt...also caught seven passes for 48 yards and returned one kickoff for 10 yards...started for the first time against Georgia Tech and ran for 29 yards on seven carries...best game came against Miami when he rushed for 69 yards on 14 carries...scored his only touchdown of the season on a nine-yard run at Duke...finished that game with 58 yards on 11 attempts...ran five times for 44 yards against Maryland...did not play at Clemson or in the Sugar Bowl versus Ohio State.

**High School:** Rushed for 743 yards and seven touchdowns in just four games as a senior at Cardinal Newman High School...also returned two kickoffs for scores and caught two TD passes...suffered a broken collarbone while returning the opening kickoff in his senior season's fifth game that ended his prep career...as a

## FORD'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG.	TD	LONG
1997	61	258	4.2	1	23
1998	REDSHIRTED				
<b>Career</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>23</b>

junior, ran for 1,587 yards to earn second team all-state honors...rated the No. 9 prospect in Florida and the No. 9 running back nationally by *SuperPrep*...earned prep All-America honors from the *National Recruiting Advisor*...named to the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100, the *Tallahassee Democrat* Top 50 and the *Florida Times Union* Super 75...won the state Class 3A 100-meter title as a senior with a 10.3 clocking...selected FSU over Ohio State, Florida and Michigan State.

**Personal:** Born December 11, 1978...enrolled in FSU's undergraduate studies.



## SEMINOLE SIDeline



### Fan Favorite

ACCORDING TO THE Harris Poll last August, Florida State is America's second-favorite college football team behind Notre Dame. The poll was taken among 1,006 adults of which 335 said they followed college football. Rounding out the top five behind the Fighting Irish and Seminoles, in order, were Penn State, Michigan and Tennessee. ■

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## #81 NICK FRANKLIN

**Tight End, 6-3, 255, Senior**  
**St. Petersburg, FL (Osceola HS/SW Mississippi JC)**

**At Florida State:** Enters his senior season at the likely successor to second team All-ACC performer Myron Jackson at tight end...made solid contributions last year after transferring into the Seminole program from junior college...considered an excellent run blocker who was used frequently in FSU's short yardage sets...led Seminole tight ends with three receptions a year ago...named the team's most dependable tight end at the conclusion of spring drills in April.

**Junior Year (1998):** Played in every game after transferring from Southwest Mississippi Junior College...was the backup to second team All-ACC choice Myron Jackson...led all FSU tight ends with three catches for 48 yards on the year...averaged 16.0 yards per reception...first catch of his career was a nine-yarder at Miami...had two grabs for a total of 39 yards, including a season-long 31-yarder from Marcus Outzen, that set up a touchdown at Wake Forest...also saw action on special teams.

**Junior College/High School (1996-97):** Two-year starter at tight end at Southwest Mississippi Junior College...considered by most recruiting analysts as the top junior college tight end in the nation...considered one of the top 30 junior college players regardless of position by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...all-area and all-state selection after his senior year of high school at Osceola High in St. Petersburg...picked FSU over Alabama, Central Florida and Baylor following his junior college career.

**Personal:** Sport management major...born July 13, 1977...was an early enrollee at Florida State, coming to the school in January of 1998 to go through spring drills.

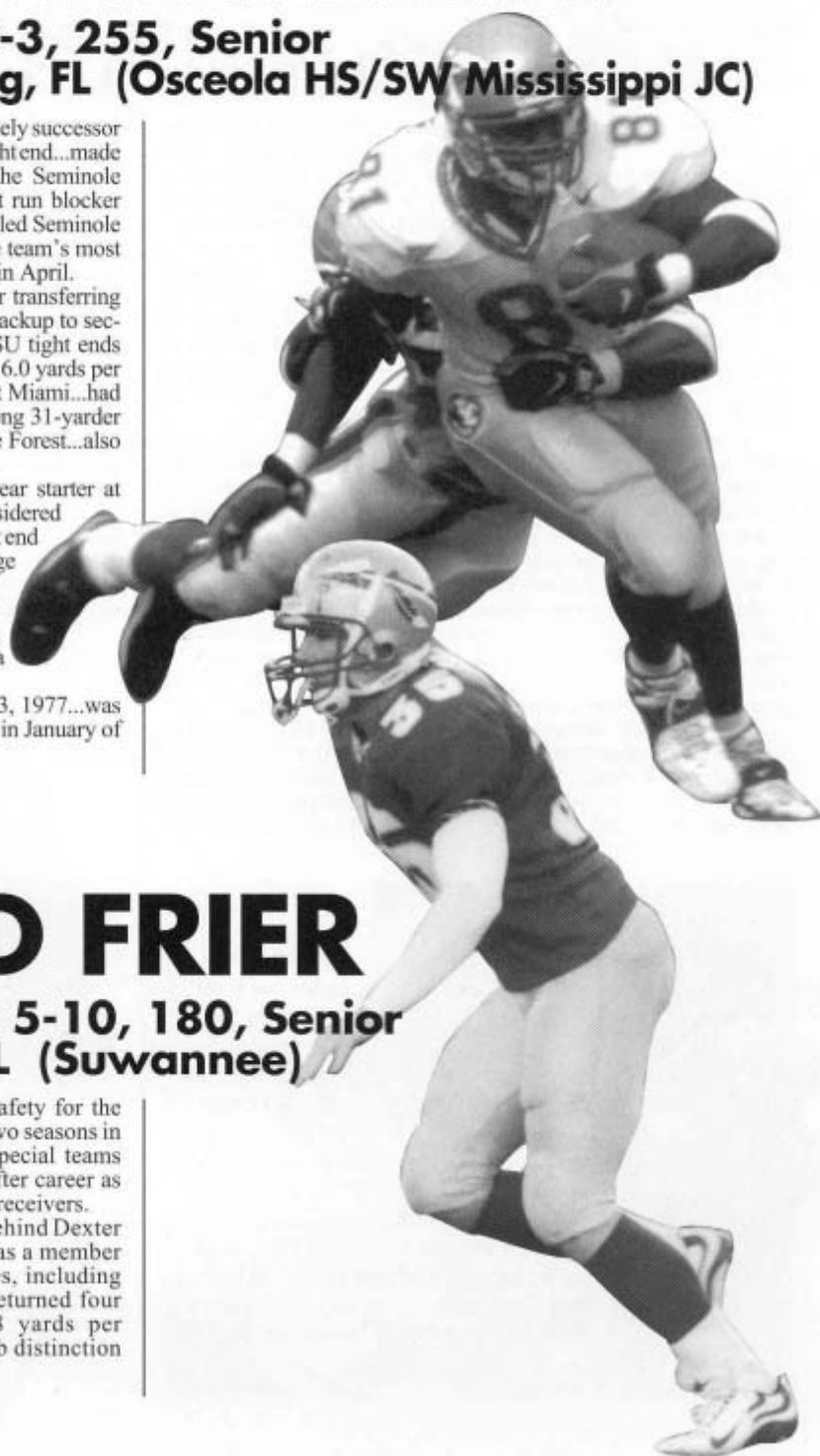


## #35 TODD FRIER

**Free Safety, 5-10, 180, Senior**  
**Live Oak, FL (Suwannee)**

**At Florida State:** Will be a backup at free safety for the second straight year...played at cornerback his first two seasons in the Seminoles program...has been a mainstay on special teams throughout his career...made transition to defense after career as one of the state's most acclaimed high school wide receivers.

**Junior Year (1998):** Saw action as a reserve behind Dexter Jackson at free safety...played in all 13 games...was a member of several FSU special teams...recorded 12 tackles, including four solo stops...caused a fumble versus Duke...returned four kickoffs on the season, averaging 12.8 yards per return...earned kicking game Victor's Club distinction in six games.







**Sophomore Year (1997):** Credited with 10 tackles...saw action in 12 games at cornerback...recorded two intimidations, one tackle inside the 25-yard line and one third-down stop...had pass break-ups against Georgia Tech and Wake Forest...served on the kick return squad and returned two kickoffs...had a season-high three tackles in three games against Miami, Wake Forest and Ohio State in the Sugar Bowl...earned Victor's Club honors six times as a member of the special teams unit...recorded first sack of his career in the Sugar Bowl victory over Ohio State.

**Freshman Year (1996):** Recorded lone tackle of the season on a third-down stop in season-opener against Duke...was a member on the special teams kickoff unit as a redshirt freshman...earned defensive scout team player of the year honors following the season.

**1995:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Caught 35 passes for 563 yards and three touchdowns as a senior at Suwannee High in Live Oak, FL...the *National Recruiting Advisor's* No. 17 wide receiver in the

### FRIER'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1995	REDSHIRTED								
1996	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1997	6	4	10	0	0	2	0	0	0
1998	4	8	12	0	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

South...member of *Gainesville Sun* All-Area team...played offense, defense and special teams at Suwannee.

**Personal:** Marketing and management major...born November 23, 1976...brother, Matt, was a star wide receiver on FSU's 1993 National Championship team...rooms with Pete Henderson and Jason Whitaker.



# #21 TALMAN GARDNER

Split End, 6-2, 195, Freshman  
New Orleans, LA (McDonough 35)



### Coaching Cradle

MUCH IS MADE OF the continuity on Florida State head coach Bobby Bowden's coaching staff.

In fact, defensive ends coach Jim Gladden is in his 25th season on the FSU staff in 1999. Tallahassee has also been fertile ground for young coaches, climbing their way up in the profession. The following is a list of coaches who have all served as Florida State assistants that went on to become a major college or National Football League head coach: Terry Bowden, Tommy Bowden, Mack Brown, Art Baker, Lee Corso, Jim Donnan, Joe Gibbs, Dan Henning, Skip Holtz, Don James, Gene McDowell, Bill Parcells, Brad Scott and Steve Sloan. ■

### SEMINOLE SIDELINE



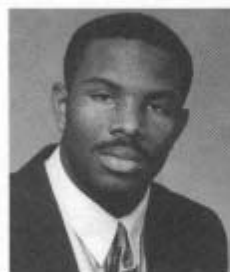
**At Florida State:** Begins his second season at Florida State as a backup at split end...was slated to see playing time as a true freshman, but underwent hernia surgery the week of the season-opener that scrapped those plans...made some big league plays in spring and proved to coaches that he has the ability to be an impact player...must improve his consistency to earn regular playing time.

**1998:** Redshirted along with the majority of his recruiting class although coaches were impressed enough with him in the preseason to plan on playing him before hernia surgery prevented it.

**High School:** Considered one of the nation's top three high school wideouts by most recruiting analysts after his final season at McDonough 35 High...earned *Parade* All-America honors and was a second team All-USA selection by *USA Today*...pulled down 47 passes for 944 yards and 13 touchdowns as a senior for a 20.1 yards per catch average...listed as *PrepStar's* No. 1 wide receiver prospect in the country...*SuperPrep's* No. 3 ranked wideout...state 200 meters champion as a junior and senior and the runner-up in the 100 meters...clocked at 10.5 in the 100 and 21.2 in the 200...chose Florida State over Georgia, LSU, Tulane and Florida.

**Personal:** Born March 10, 1980...will not declare major until after sophomore season...one of three Louisiana natives on the Seminole roster (along with tailback Travis Minor and defensive end Roland Seymour)...his signing continued a pipeline of Louisiana natives coming to FSU in the '90s...others include NFL Draft picks Sean Jackson, Chris Cowart and Warrick Dunn, as well as Minor and Seymour.





# #6 DERRICK GIBSON

**Rover, 6-2, 207, Junior  
Miami, FL (Killian)**

**At Florida State:** Returns as the starter at the rover position for the second straight season...one of three returning starters in the Seminole secondary...named most dependable player following spring drills...big hitter with speed to stay with receivers and size to stop the running game...clocked in at 4.33 in the 40 during spring testing and added a 400+ lb. bench press.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Started every game at rover...registered 46 tackles on the year, doubling his total from his freshman campaign...29 of his stops were unassisted...recorded tackles for loss against Maryland and Virginia...made a career-high 10 tackles in the NC State game...credited with nine stops against Virginia...intercepted a pass in the Duke game to set up an FSU score by Peter Warrick...deflected a pass against Clemson...also a member of special teams...garnered Victor's Club honors nine times.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Credited with 23 tackles, including 14 solo, as a backup at the rover position...had a season-high five tackles against both Duke and Virginia...all five tackles against the Blue Devils were solo...recovered a punt blocked by Tommy Polley and returned it one yard for a touchdown in Duke game...was also active on special teams...had one intimidation, one block on return and one knock 'em back...named to the Victor's Club six times for special teams...played in season opener at Southern California as a true freshman and recorded one tackle.

**High School:** *USA Today* first-team All-American selection following his senior year at Miami Killian High School...also named to *SuperPrep's* first team and named the No. 4 prospect nationally by the same publication...earned Class 6A All-State honors as a senior...rated the No. 1 prospect in state of Florida by several analysts...recorded 65 tackles, caused eight fumbles, had seven sacks and two interceptions during his senior year...missed three games in that season due to a shoulder injury...named to the *PrepStar* Dream Team...selected Southeast Defensive Player of the Year by Tom Lemming...Reebok All-American team selec-

tion...chose FSU over Auburn, Ohio State and Miami.

**Personal:**

Born March 22, 1979...will not declare major until after junior season...high school teammate of fellow defensive back Malcolm Tatum.



### GIBSON'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1997	14	9	23	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	29	17	46	2	0	1	0	0	1
<b>Career</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>



# #46 MICHAEL HAMILTON

**Linebacker, 6-2, 215, Freshman  
Greenville, FL (Madison Co.)**

**At Florida State:** Listed as third-team behind returning starter Tommy Polley and veteran Bobby Rhodes at weakside linebacker...needs to add weight during off-season workouts...began to show coaches ability to make big plays during the spring, but could not stay injury-free...will have a great opportu-

nity for playing time this season as FSU defensive coaches freely substitute well into the two-deep.

**1998:** Redshirted along with the majority of his signing class.

**High School:** A first-team class 4A all-state selection as a



junior and senior at Madison...an athletic linebacker with good speed and coverage skills...recorded 185 tackles (110 solo) and seven sacks in his final year...received honorable mention All-USA honors from *USA Today*...listed among the top 35 linebackers in the Southeast by PrepStar...tabbed an All-American by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...a member of the Super 24 squad and the *Tallahassee Democrat's* Big Bend Defensive Player of the Year...rated as the No. 2 outside linebacker in the state by the

*Florida Times-Union*...also a Super 75 pick by the *Times-Union*...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game...listed among the top 30 prospects in the state by the *St. Pete Times*...received a 9.25 rating from Jeff Whitaker (highest - 10.0)...selected FSU over Auburn and Michigan State.

**Personal:** Played for former Seminole safety and graduate assistant coach Bill Ragans at Madison...born July 20, 1979...will not declare major until after sophomore season.

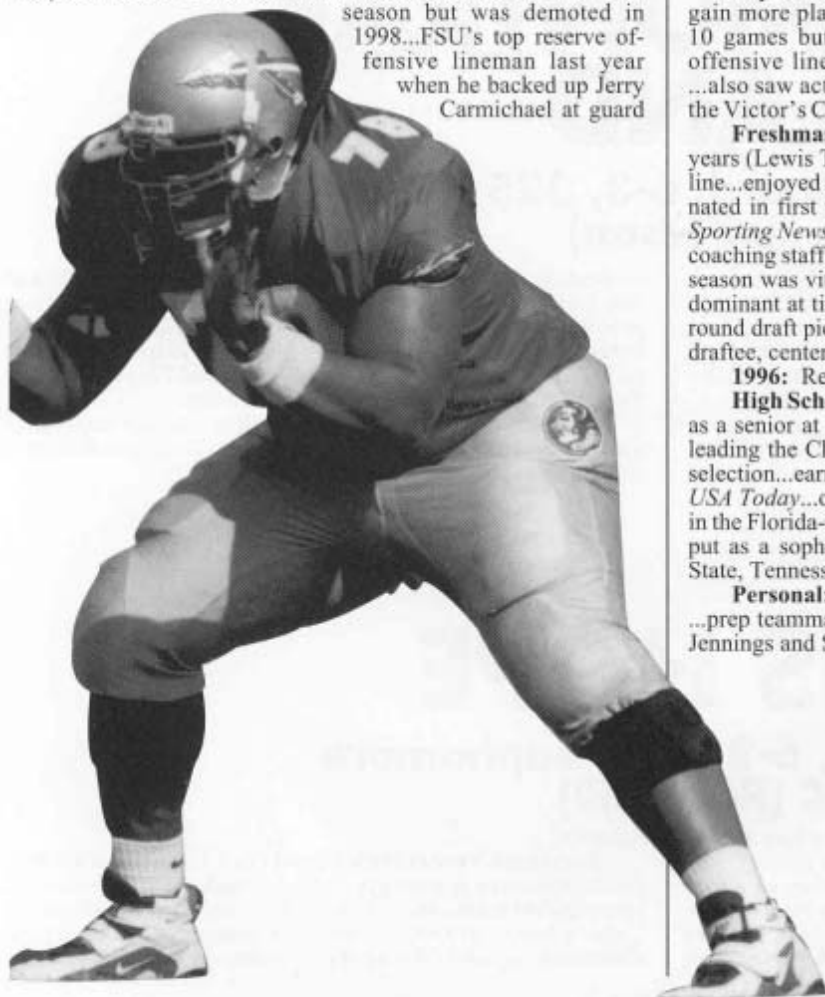


# #78 DONALD HEAVEN

**Offensive Guard, 6-5, 305, Junior  
Miami, FL (Carol City)**

**At Florida State:** Enters the fall as Florida State's starter at tight guard...re-dedicated himself during the spring to earn the starting job with the possible absence of Jerry Carmichael early in the year...earned Freshman All-America honors after the 1997

season but was demoted in 1998...FSU's top reserve offensive lineman last year when he backed up Jerry Carmichael at guard



and Tarlos Thomas at tackle...named King of the Boards on offense by the Florida State coaching staff at the conclusion of spring practice in April.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Used an improved work ethic to gain more playing time as the season progressed...appeared in 10 games but did not start...was Florida State's top reserve offensive lineman...backed up at tight guard and tight tackle...also saw action on extra point and field goal units...named to the Victor's Club after the Southern California and Miami wins.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Became the first freshman in five years (Lewis Tyre, 1992) to start every game along the offensive line...enjoyed an excellent rookie season at tight guard that culminated in first team Freshman All-American recognition by *The Sporting News*...earned Victor's Club honors from Florida State's coaching staff nine times...his development over the course of the season was vital as Florida State's ground game improved...was dominant at times...played on the tight side along side NFL first round draft pick Tra Thomas...joined on the line by another NFL draftee, center Kevin Long.

**1996:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Regarded as one of the state's top prep lineman as a senior at Carol City High...played both ways as a senior in leading the Chiefs to a 12-2 mark...first team Class 6A all-state selection...earned honorable mention All-America honors from *USA Today*...one of eight members of his recruiting class to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star Game...state champion in the shot put as a sophomore...picked the Seminoles over Florida, Ohio State, Tennessee and Syracuse.

**Personal:** Majoring in social science...born April 17, 1978...prep teammate of current Seminoles Octavis Jackson, Bradley Jennings and Stanford Samuels.





# #37 PETE HENDERSON

**Defensive Back, 6-0, 180, Senior  
Tarpon Springs, FL (Tarpon Springs)**

**At Florida State:** Walk-on who lettered last season as a contributor on special teams and reserve defensive back...originally signed with Army as a quarterback out of high school...played quarterback for two years at West Point before moving on to FSU...did not play in 1997 due to NCAA transfer rules...one of the fastest players on the team with a 4.57 time in the 40.

**1998:** Played in the final six games of the season, including the Fiesta Bowl...saw action primarily on special teams...missed the early portion of the season waiting to be cleared for competition

after transferring.

**Prep:** A three-year varsity letterman at Tarpon Springs...played defensive back as a sophomore and junior and quarterback as a senior...a four-year letterman as a sprinter on the track team...football team captain and MVP of track team as a senior...also played soccer as a senior.

**Personal:** Born June 12, 1977...a civil engineering major...roommate of fellow Seminole defensive back Todd Frier and offensive guard Jason Whitaker...father, Kenneth, was a Florida State graduate.



# #61 MONTRAE HOLLAND

**Offensive Guard, 6-3, 325, Freshman  
Ore City, TX (Jefferson)**

**At Florida State:** Promising young offensive line prospect who begins his second season at Florida State as Donald Heaven's backup at tight guard...had an excellent spring where he impressed coaches with his toughness and work ethic...has excellent footwork for a man his size and needs only experience to reach his potential...bench pressed 500 pounds during spring testing.

**1998:** Reshirted.

**High School:** Considered one of the top three offensive linemen in Texas after his senior season at Jefferson High School...also played

on the defensive front where he recorded 71 tackles, three sacks and two fumble recoveries as a senior...rated the No. 9 offensive line prospect in the Big 12 region by *PrepStar*...earned All-American honors from the *National Recruiting Advisor*...also an accomplished track and field performer in high school...selected Florida State over Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech and Oklahoma.

**Personal:** Born May 21, 1980...will not declare major until after sophomore season...one of seven native Texans on the Seminole roster.



# #28 CHRIS HOPE

**Free Safety, 6-2, 195, Sophomore  
Rock Hill, SC (Rock Hill)**

**At Florida State:** Will battle veteran Sean Key at free safety for starting honors, but both will see a lot of playing time this fall...was one of just four players to see action as a true freshman in 1998...impressed coaches with his play as a rookie...posted 34 tackles and made a number of big hits on special teams...excellent student with tremendous

potential.

**Freshman Year (1998):** Played in all 13 games of his true freshman season as a backup to Dexter Jackson at free safety...recorded 34 tackles, including 24 solo stops as a true freshman...also a key contributor on special teams...credited with pass deflections against Miami and Florida...recovered a fumble





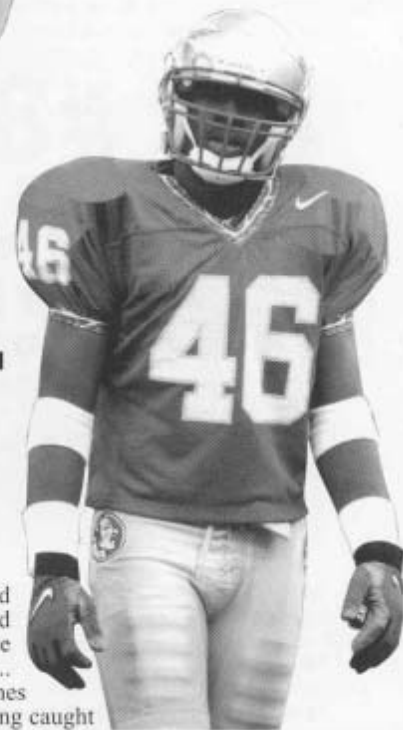
## HOPE'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1998	24	10	34	0	0	2	1	1	0

against USC and forced a fumble against Clemson...earned kicking game Victor's Club honors five times...also garnered defensive Victor's Club honors against Clemson, Wake Forest and Florida.

**High School:** *USA Today* First Team All-American... *Parade* All-American...named *USA Today* South Carolina Player of the Year...regarded as the nation's top safety prospect by several publications...played both offense and defense his senior year...recorded 114 tackles and three interceptions on defense, while rushing for 1,319 yards and 20 touchdowns as a running back...selected to *PrepStars*' Dream Team and ranked the No. 1 defensive back prospect by the same publication...No. 6 prospect nationally by Bill Buchalter...received first-team All-America honors from G&W recruiting...first-team All-South from Forrest Davis... rated the No. 3 defensive back and No. 50 nationally by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100...selected to the *Orlando Sentinel* All-Southern team...*Tampa Tribune's* No. 8-rated recruit and No. 1 defensive back nationally...No. 6 recruit nationally by *St. Petersburg Times*...finished four-year career with 474 tackles, 10 interceptions and four fumble recoveries...set a school record starting 55 consecutive games...selected FSU over Michigan, Florida and South Carolina.

**Personal:** Born September 29, 1980...will not declare major until after sophomore season.



# #12 ABDUAL HOWARD

Rover, 6-1, 190, Sophomore  
Quincy, FL (Shanks)

**At Florida State:** Will return to action after missing all of last season with a finger injury...should contribute on special teams and as a backup at the rover position...begins the fall listed behind Derrick Gibson at rover and should see considerable playing time this year.

**1998:** Missed the entire season after suffering a compound fracture to his finger in the preseason...redshirted.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Recorded five tackles, three solo, in nine games as a true freshman...was a backup at cornerback to All-ACC selection, and current Tennessee Titan, Samari Rolle...also saw action on special teams...had three solo tackles in Miami game...recorded pass break-ups in the Duke and Wake Forest wins...had six intimidations and five blocks on return...registered his first career interception against Georgia Tech and returned it 31 yards.

**High School:** Played three positions, while being named to Class 4A All-State team as a senior at Shanks High School...recorded

12 total touchdowns and 1,190 all-purpose yards and added 116 tackles and five interceptions as a senior... was only thrown at nine times

at cornerback with one being caught...named to the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100, *Gainesville Sun* Top 30 and the *Tallahassee Democrat* Top 50...rated the No. 14 defensive back nationally by *SuperPrep*...ranked the No. 4 free safety in the country and No. 61 overall by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...listed at No. 65 nationally and No. 15 in the South by Tom Lemming...selected FSU over Georgia, Florida, Ohio State and Nebraska.

**Personal:** Born January 27, 1979...will not declare major until after sophomore season...attended the same high school as former Seminole and current Tampa Bay Buccaneer Dexter Jackson.





## #42 JEREL HUDSON

**Linebacker, 6-3, 230, Freshman  
Homestead, FL (South Dade)**

**At Florida State:** Goes into second season at FSU as the backup to Bradley Jennings at middle linebacker...had a very strong spring that should help him earn playing time in the fall...the heaviest linebacker in Coach Chuck Amato's group...coaching staff considered moving him to defensive line, but he showed enough quickness to stay at linebacker...hard-hitter who excels at shutting down running lanes.

**1998:** Redshirted along with the majority of his signing class.

**High School:** A hard worker who emerged as one of the top linebacking prospects in the state after his senior season at South Dade High...registered 97 tackles (10 for loss), six sacks, four interceptions and three fumble recoveries in final season...excellent coverage skills allowed him to see playing time at

strong safety...a class 5A all-state first-team selection...*SuperPrep's* No. 24 prospect in Florida and No. 28 linebacker nationally...listed as the No. 2 inside linebacker in the state by the *Florida Times-Union*...a three-sport star for the Buccaneers with letters in basketball and track as well as football...named the school's athlete of the year following senior year...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game...chose FSU over Florida, Miami, West Virginia and Kansas State.

**Personal:** Football runs in the family as three of his brothers have college football experience - one brother played at Iowa and two played for Bethune-Cookman...born November 12, 1980...will not declare major until after sophomore season.



## #82 PATRICK HUGHES

**Tight End, 6-5, 245, Sophomore  
Nacogdoches, TX (Nacogdoches)**

### HUGHES' CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	REC	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1998	1	6	6.0	0	6

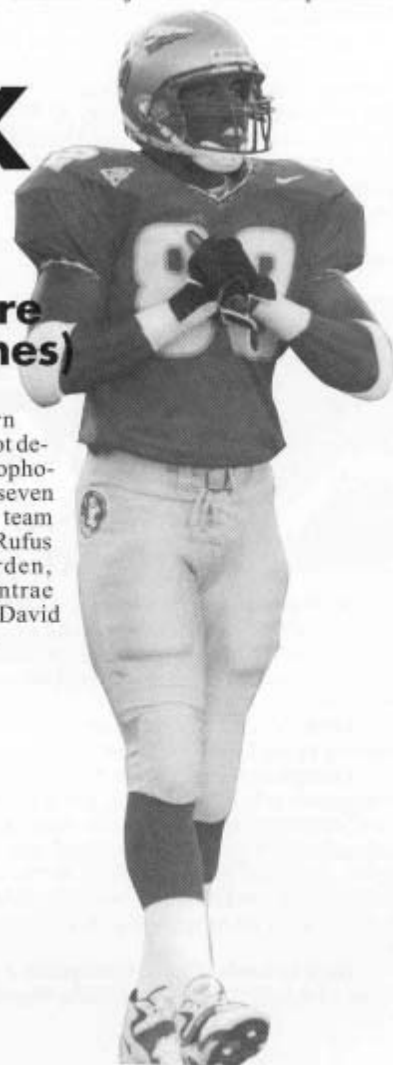
**At Florida State:** Begins his sophomore season fighting for playing time at tight end...enters the fall listed second on the depth chart...considered the most athletically gifted player at the position on FSU's roster...was one of four true freshmen to see action in 1998...excellent hands make him a receiving threat.

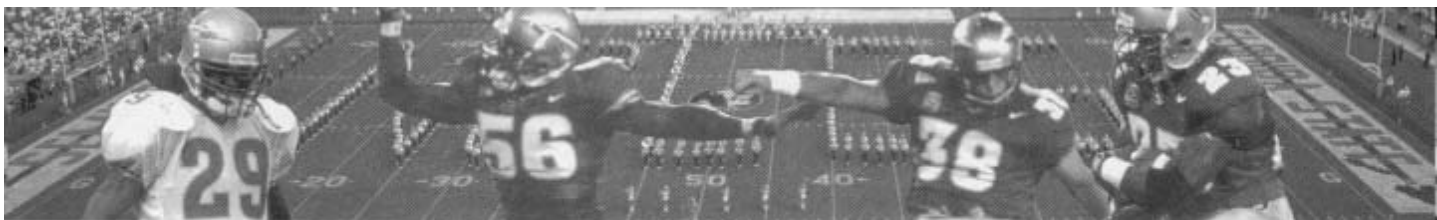
**Freshman Year (1998):** Played in five games as a backup to Myron Jackson and Nick Franklin at tight end as a true freshman...only catch of the year was a six-yarder against Duke...one of four true freshmen to earn a letter on the year (Chris Hope, Jared Jones and Robert Morgan were the others).

**High School:** Rated as the nation's top prep tight end prospect by the *National Recruiting Advisor* and *SuperPrep* after his senior season at Nacogdoches High...caught 13 passes for 225 yards and four touchdowns in a run-oriented offense...a *USA Today* honorable mention All-America pick...recorded 81 "pancake" blocks...twice named All-District...selected FSU over Miami, LSU, Texas A&M

and Texas.

**Personal:** Born March 24, 1980...will not declare major until after sophomore season...one of seven members of the FSU team from the state of Texas (Rufus Brown, Reggie Durden, Kevin Emanuel, Montrae Holland, B.J. Ward and David Warren are the others).





# #73 CLAY INGRAM

**Long Snapper, 6-1, 265, Senior  
Cantonment, FL (Tate)**

**At Florida State:** The Seminoles' snapper for all special teams for the past three seasons...has handled all snaps for extra points, field goals and punts since 1996...has started 49 straight games, including all 13 last year...teamed with holder Marcus Outzen and placekicker Sebastian Janikowski on an FSU and ACC record 27-of-32 field goals and 42-of-43 extra points last year...walked-on as a true freshman in 1996 and earned a scholarship prior to the 1997 season.

**Junior Year (1998):** Handled all the snaps for FSU special teams over the 13-game 1998 season which culminated with the Seminoles' appearance in the Fiesta Bowl...teamed with kicker Sebastian Janikowski and holder Marcus Outzen to make 27-of-32 field goals and all but one of their 43 extra point attempts.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Deep snapper in all 12 games...chore was made more difficult working with a new holder, kicker and punter...teamed with holder Marcus Outzen and kicker Sebastian Janikowski on 16-of-21 field goals and 37-of-39 PAT's...part of the FSU-record field goal of 56 yards by Janikowski against Wake Forest.

**Freshman Year (1996):** One of only two true freshman to letter during the 1996 campaign...walked on to the team at the start of fall drills...performed extremely well in a difficult role as the deep snapper...came through in a number of pressure situations and showed impressive poise for a freshman...snapped for all punts and took over duties as the field goal and extra point snapper midway through the Clemson game.

**High School:** Two-year lettermen at Tate...starter along the offensive line his final two seasons.

**Personal:** Plays in a band during his spare time...majoring in communications...born on February 5, 1978.



# #94 OCTAVIS JACKSON

**Defensive End, 6-2, 255, Freshman  
Miami, FL (Carol City)**

**At Florida State:** Promising young defensive end prospect who enters the season listed at third team right end behind Jamal Reynolds and Chris Walker...was used on the interior of the defensive front during the fall but moved to end in the spring.

**1998:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** Dominant defender at state powerhouse Carol City High...first team class 6A all-state selection as a senior after recording 89 tackles and 22 sacks...helped the Chiefs win back-to-back state championships as a junior and senior...ranked as the

second best defensive lineman in the state of Florida as a senior by the *Florida Times-Union*...chose Florida State over Kansas State, Miami and Alabama.

**Personal:** Born January 17, 1980...will not declare major until after sophomore season...one of five players from Dade County in FSU's 1998 recruiting class...attended the same high school as Seminole offensive guard Donald Heaven, linebacker Bradley Jennings and cornerback Stanford Samuels.





# #38 SEBASTIAN JANIKOWSKI

Placekicker, 6-2, 255, Junior  
Daytona Beach, FL (Seabreeze)

**At Florida State:** The nation's top kicker in 1998 and the winner of the Lou Groza Award...named All-America by the Associated Press, *Football Writer's* and *Football News* following last season... named first team All-ACC...set Florida State and Atlantic Coast Conference records for field goals in a season with 27...made 27 of his 32 attempts (84.4 percent) last year...set the ACC and Florida State season kick scoring record with 123 points, which also ranks second on the FSU all-time season scoring list...led the nation with an average of 2.25 field goals per game...tied a school record with five field goals against Maryland...weapon on kickoffs as well with just 34 of his 79 kickoffs returned last season...has made six field goals in a row and 11 of his last 12.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Voted the best kicker in the country when he became the first Seminole to win the Lou Groza Award...recorded an ACC and Florida State record with 27 field goals (attempted 32 which was also a school record)...set both conference and school records for points by a kicker with 123...average of 2.25 field goals per game led the nation...five field goals against Maryland tied Bill Capece's FSU record...connected on 42-of-43 extra points...booming kickoffs resulted in touchbacks on 47 of his 79 (59.5 percent)...kicked 10 field goals of 40 yards or more last year in 13 attempts and is 15-of-21 from more than 40 over his career...season long field goal was a 53-yarder against Clemson which tied for third longest in Seminole history...booted four field goals against North Carolina...had at least three field goals in five games.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Led the Seminoles in scoring with 85 points as a freshman...began the season as the starter on kickoffs...unseated incumbent starter Bill Gramatica from field goal and point after attempts after the Miami game...made 16-of-21 field goals and converted 37-of-39 extra points...was sixth in the nation with 1.45 field goals per game and 30th in the nation with 7.64 points per game...set a school record with a 56-yard field goal versus Wake Forest, which was also the second longest in the nation in 1997...the 56-yarder was also just one yard short of the ACC record...was perfect against the Demon Deacons with three field goals (21, 56 and 20 yards) and seven extra points...nailed 3-of-3 field goal attempts vs. Florida...42-of-84 kickoffs resulted in touchbacks.

**High School:** Virtually unknown in football circles until he decided to play during his senior season at Seabreeze High in Daytona...considered the state's top kicking prospect in recent memory after his only season...was 31-of-31 on extra points and 9-of-15 on field goals...nailed a career-high 60-yarder against Palatka for the second longest field goal in state history...also hit field goals from 56, 53 and 51 yards...just missed a 71-yard attempt...had just two kickoffs returned and 80 percent went through the endzone...first team All-USA selection by *USA Today*...also a Reebok All-American...a Florida Super Senior who was selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star Game...earned All-America status from the *National Recruiting Advisor* and *SuperPrep*...listed as the state's top kicking prospect on the *Florida Times-Union* Super 75...listed at No. 20 on the *Tampa Tribune's*

list top 50 state recruits and among their top 100 nationally...also listed on the *Tallahassee Democrat's* Top 50...scored a state record 69 goals as a senior for his school's soccer team...chose Florida State over Tennessee, Miami and Michigan.

**Personal:** Born on March 2, 1978...former member of the Polish national under-17 soccer team...left Poland at age 15 to be closer to his father...turned down various professional soccer contract offers in South America to enroll at Florida State.

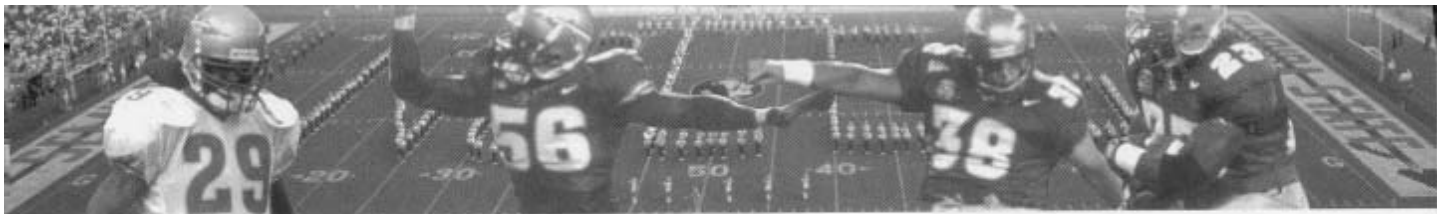


### JANIKOWSKI'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	XPM-XPA	FGM-FGA	LONG	POINTS
1997	37-39	16-21	56	85
1998	42-43	27-32	53	123
<b>Career</b>	<b>79-82</b>	<b>43-53</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>208</b>







# #44 BRADLEY JENNINGS

**Linebacker, 6-3, 230, Sophomore  
Miami, FL (Carol City)**

**At Florida State:** Has already established himself as one of the most punishing hitters on the FSU roster...turned heads in the spring with several hits on running backs, particularly in goal line situations...won the starting middle linebacker job in the spring...totaled 26 tackles as a redshirt freshman last season in a reserve role.

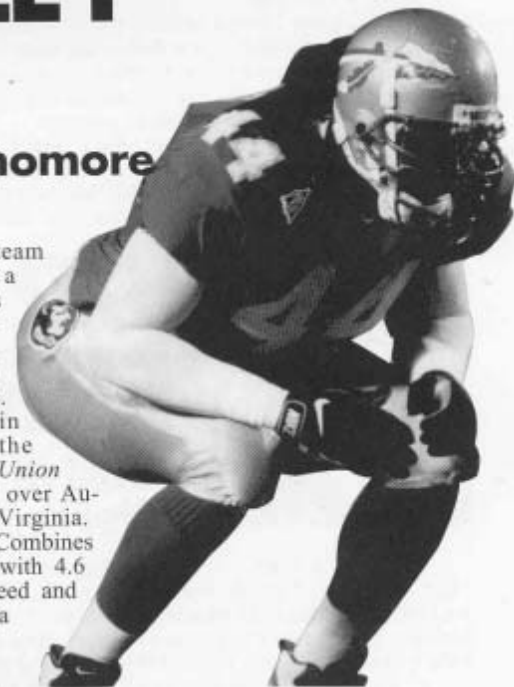
**Freshman Year (1998):** Saw playing time backing up Brian Allen and Demetro Stephens at middle linebacker...recorded 26 total tackles, 14 of which were solo...registered tackles for loss against NC State and Clemson...pulled down the first interception of his career and returned it seven yards versus Virginia...had three knock 'em backs and three intimidations on the season...piled up a career-high eight tackles against Clemson...named to Victor's Club by coaches in Virginia and Clemson contests...earned Victor's Club kicking game honors against Florida.

**1997:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Emerged late in the recruiting season after leading Carol City to the Class 6A state title...led the Chiefs in tackles and had a dominating performance in state championship

game...a first-team class 6A pick as a senior...listed as the No. 60 prospect in Florida by *SuperPrep*...rated as the No. 3 linebacker in Florida by the *Florida Times-Union*...selected FSU over Auburn and West Virginia.

**Personal:** Combines size with 4.6 speed and a



430-pound bench press...nicknamed "Monster" by teammates...born December 2, 1977...will not declare major until after sophomore season...high school teammate of Seminole offensive guard Donald Heaven, defensive end Octavis Jackson and defensive back Stanford Samuels.

## JENNINGS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1998	14	12	26	2	0	0	0	0	1



# #32 JEAN JEUNE

**Rover, 5-9, 195, Junior  
Boynton Beach, FL (Atlantic)**

**At Florida State:** Returns as a backup at the rover position...used the spring to rehabilitate a second degree MCL sprain suffered in the Fiesta Bowl and participated in the last week only of spring drills...very valuable special teams performer...walked on with the FSU program and saw a lot of playing time last year...FSU's NCAA representative at the leadership conference this past summer.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Made significant contributions on kickoff returns and coverage teams as a walk-on...recorded 11 total tackles, including seven solo stops...made a season-high three tackles against both Maryland and Clemson...earned kicking game Victor's Club honors in six games.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Recorded one tackle as a member





of the special teams units...lone tackle came in the Georgia Tech game...spent much of his time on the kickoff and punt teams.

**1996:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Three-sport star at Atlantic High School...played both offense and defense as a three-year letterwinner in football...saw action at linebacker and fullback...qualified for regionals in the 300-meter hurdles and as a member of the 4X100 relay team...won county powerlifting honors as a senior.

**Personal:** Sociology major...born March 6, 1978...born in Port-au-Prince, Haiti and moved to the United States at the age of four...played organized football for the first time in the ninth grade...maintains a green belt in "Shotokan" (martial arts).

## JEUNE'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1997	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	7	4	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



# #92 JERRY JOHNSON

**Defensive Tackle, 6-2, 280, Senior  
Ft. Pierce, FL (Central)**

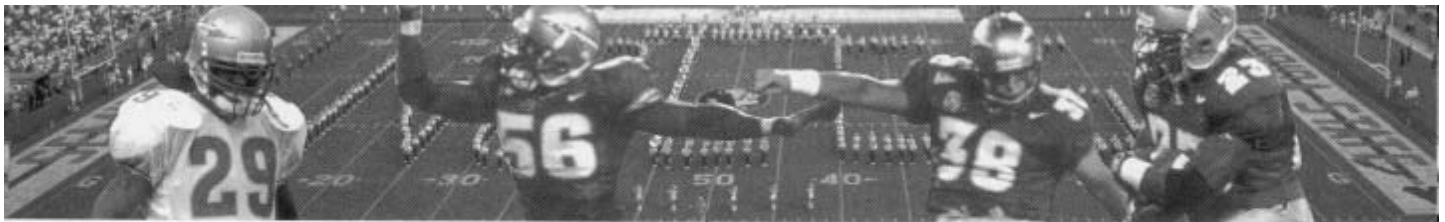
**At Florida State:** All-America candidate entering his final season at Florida State...teams with Corey Simon to anchor the defensive front and provide the Seminoles with the nation's best interior duo...one of three returning starters on FSU's defensive line...1999 will be his third consecutive season as a starter...sat out most of the spring with a hamstring injury...has 34 career tackles for loss to rank second in school history behind Ron Simmons (44).

**Junior Year (1998):** Started 12 of 13 games for the 1998 Seminoles at defensive tackle...held out of the North Carolina game with an injury...fourth on the team with 61 tackles (36 solo)...recorded 10 tackles for loss and three sacks...got off to a fast start with a career-high 10 tackles in the season-opener versus Texas A&M...also had a tackle for loss, a sack and a forced fumble...totaled seven tackles (one for loss), three pressures and a deflection at NC State...added eight stops, including two for loss, with a team high nine intimidations against Duke...had five tackles, a sack and two pressures in the win over USC...credited with two third-down stops against Florida as UF went 0-for-13 on third down conversion attempts in the Seminole win.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Started every game and tied for the tackle lead among FSU defensive linemen with 57...had 31 solo tackles and 26 assists...recorded three sacks and 13 stops for loss (second on the team)...had six tackles and two sacks in the Virginia game...had seven stops against both Duke and USC...caused a fumble at USC that led to a Seminole touchdown in a tight game...helped hold Miami to -33 yards rushing with six tackles.

**Freshman Year (1996):** Served as the backup to Andre Wadsworth at noseguard...saw action in 11 games...recorded 31 tackles on the year...ranked fourth on the team with 11 tackles for loss...was third among defensive linemen in tackles for loss...stepped into the starting lineup for three games when Wadsworth was injured...registered five tackles and a sack in his first start against Wake Forest...also started against Southern Miss and Maryland...named to the Victor's Club after the Georgia Tech, Wake Forest, Southern Miss and Maryland games...received Tomahawk Player of the Game award after the Southern Miss contest when he turned in a season-high seven stops and recorded a safety...registered the first sack of his career at Georgia Tech and followed with sacks in each of the next three





games (Wake Forest, Southern Miss and Maryland)...began the season as FSU's snapper on field goals and extra points but relinquished the job after the Clemson game.

**1995:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** Earned first team 6A all-state honors following his senior season at Central High in Ft. Pierce, FL...named to *Orlando Sentinel's* All-South list...tenacious player who was highly regarded on both sides of the line...*USA Today* 2nd team All-America...Tom Lemming's No. 2 noseguard in the country and his No. 18 player in the Southeast...rated the top center in the nation by Max Emfinger and the *National Recruiting Advisor*...member of *Blue Chip Illustrated's* Dream Team...state heavyweight wrestling champ as a junior and senior...state runner-up in the shot put as a senior.

### JOHNSON'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	SACKS	PBU	INT
1996	15	16	31	11	4	0	0
1997	31	26	57	13	3	0	0
1998	36	26	62	10	3	3	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>

**Personal:** A social science major...born July 11, 1977...room-mate is Corey Simon.



# #11 JARED JONES

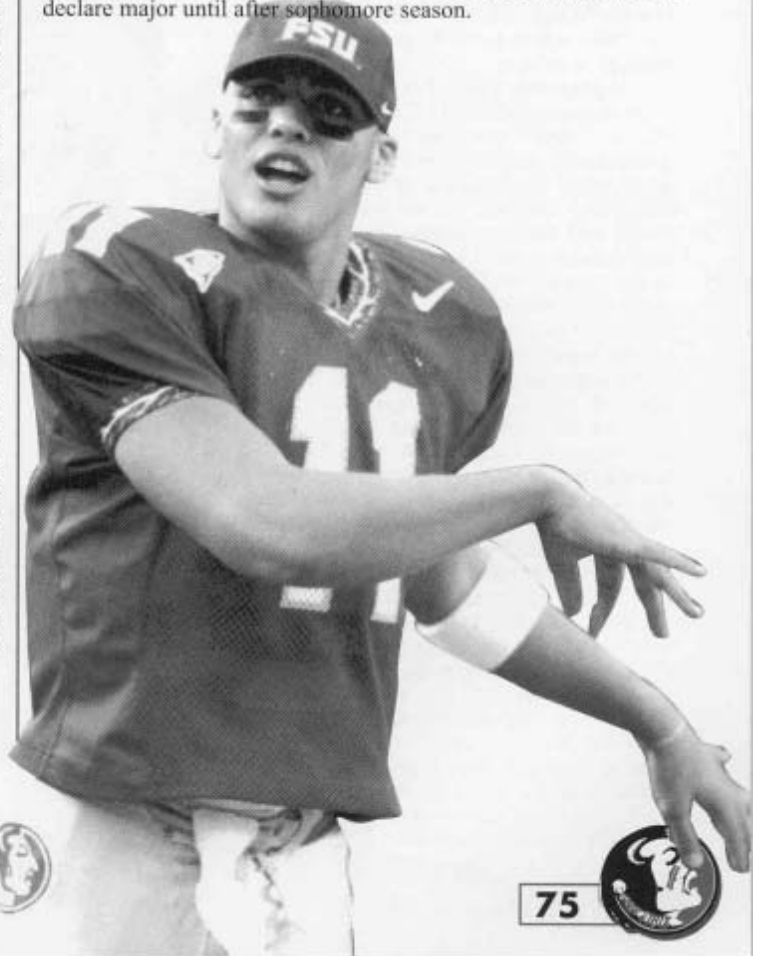
**Quarterback, 6-5, 235, Sophomore  
Walla Walla, WA (Walla Walla)**

**At Florida State:** Enters his sophomore season battling for the second-team quarterback job with junior Marcus Outzen...one of four true freshmen to see action last year...named the most improved quarterback at the conclusion of spring drills in April...possesses the size and tools to be an effective dropback passer...spent the summer working with the other quarterbacks to better understand the intricate offensive schemes...moved to second team when Chris Weinke was injured...one of three *Parade* All-America quarterbacks (Weinke and Dan Kendra) on the FSU roster...split time with the first-team offense with Outzen during spring drills while Weinke was rehabilitating.

**Freshman Year (1998):** Forced into action after starting quarterback Chris Weinke went down with a serious neck injury in the Virginia game...played in one game, completing 2-of-6 passes for eight yards against Wake Forest...was hoping to redshirt but coaches felt that he needed to see playing time if called on against Florida or in the National Championship game...spent much of his first season learning the complicated FSU offensive system.

**High School:** Joined Weinke and Dan Kendra as the third *Parade* All-American quarterback on the Seminole roster when he signed...rated the No. 5 quarterback and No. 26 overall prospect in the country by the *Tampa Tribune*...tabbed as the No. 7 QB in the country by Tom Lemming and 12th by *Super Prep*...listed as the sixth-best QB in the country and No. 37 prospect nationally by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...completed 62 of 124 passes for 684 yards as a senior in a run-oriented attack...carried the ball 70 times for 317 yards and one touchdown...a first-team all-state selection as a free safety during senior campaign...highly-touted baseball prospect that was selected in the 27th round by the Baltimore Orioles...selected FSU over Washington and Tennessee.

**Personal:** Attended the same high school as New England Patriot quarterback Drew Bledsoe...born June 25, 1980...will not declare major until after sophomore season.



### JONES' CAREER STATS

YEAR	ATT-COM-INT	PCT	YARDS	TDS	LONG
1998	6-2-1	.333	8	0	8





# #10 DAN KENDRA

**Fullback, 6-2, 255, Senior  
Bethlehem, PA (Catholic)**

**At Florida State:** Enters his senior season as the second-team fullback behind William McCray...sat out the entire 1998 season after tearing the ACL in his right knee during the spring game and undergoing reconstructive surgery...converted to fullback last fall after spending his first three years as a quarterback...did not participate in spring drills this April after having some loose cartilage removed from his repaired knee...was the first team quarterback in a battle with Chris Weinke and Marcus Outzen before going down with the knee injury in the 1998 Garnet and Gold Game...phenomenal athlete who possesses great size and speed for the position...owns the FSU record with a leg press of over 1300 pounds...started one game his freshman year at quarterback, leading the Seminoles to a 44-7 victory over Wake Forest.

**Junior Year (1998):** Spent the entire season rehabilitating from reconstructive knee surgery...tore the ACL in his right knee in the second half of the 1998 Garnet and Gold game when sacked by Bradley Jennings.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Played in seven games behind ACC Offensive Player of the Year Thad Busby at quarterback...gained valuable experience with the Seminole offense...completed 20-of-37 passes for 341 yards and three touchdowns over sophomore season...Florida State's fourth leading rusher on the season with 73 yards on 18 carries...had his best game in a relief role against Maryland where he completed 6-of-8 passes for 105 yards and two touchdowns...connected on 7-of-15 passes for 82 yards against Wake Forest...completed three of his four passes against Georgia Tech for 90 yards and a touchdown...did not play against Clemson, NC State, North Carolina or Florida...gained 36 yards rushing on three carries in the win over Miami.

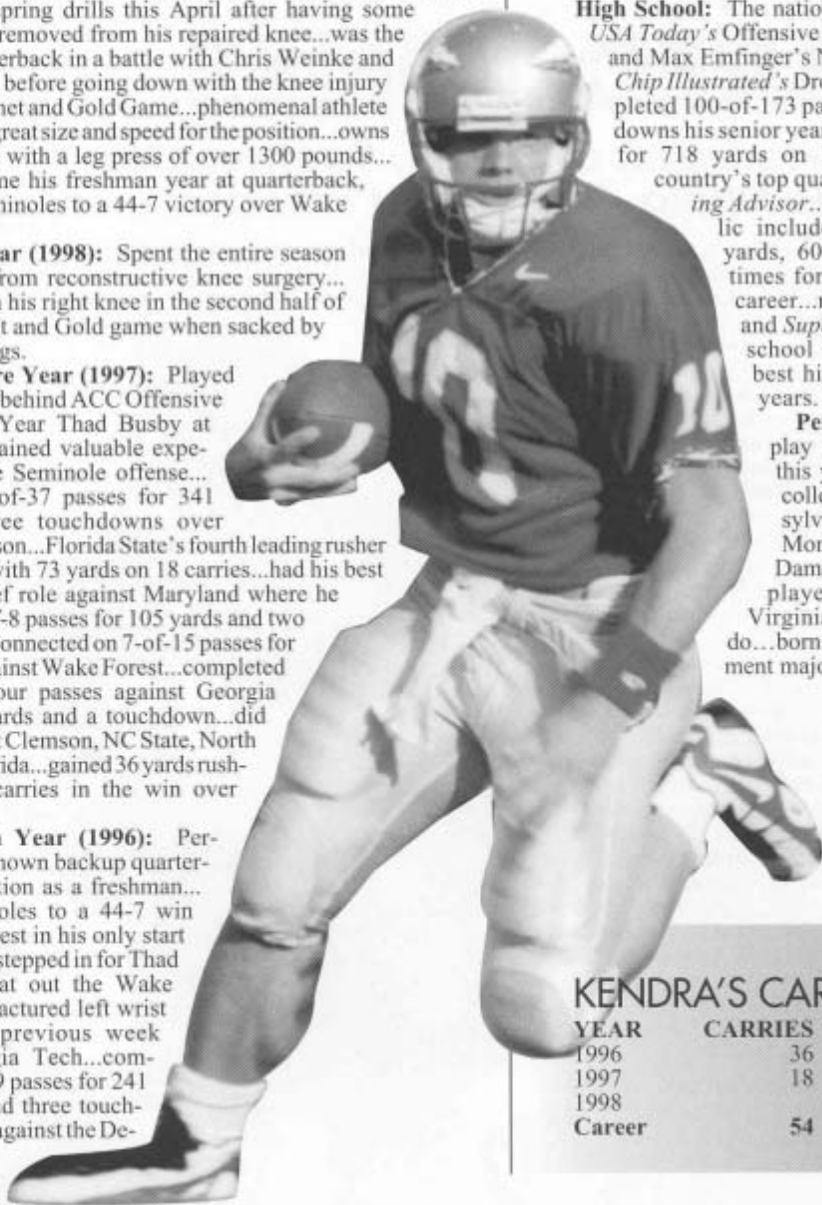
**Freshman Year (1996):** Perhaps the best known backup quarterback in the nation as a freshman...led the Seminoles to a 44-7 win over Wake Forest in his only start of the season...stepped in for Thad Busby, who sat out the Wake game with a fractured left wrist suffered the previous week against Georgia Tech...completed 20-of-39 passes for 241 yards and three touchdowns against the De-

mon Deacons...played in eight games...threw a pair of touchdown passes against both NC State and Southern Mississippi...attempted 15 or more passes in three games...netted 55 rushing yards on the season...ran for a pair of touchdowns on the year.

**1995:** Redshirted.

**High School:** The nation's consensus No. 1 quarterback...*USA Today's* Offensive Player of the Year...Tom Lemming and Max Emfinger's No. 1 quarterback...named to *Blue Chip Illustrated's* Dream Team during preseason...completed 100-of-173 passes for 1,988 yards and 21 touchdowns his senior year...mobile quarterback who rushed for 718 yards on 123 carries...also ranked as the country's top quarterback by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...career totals at Bethlehem Catholic include 307-of-624 passing for 6,087 yards, 60 TDs and 32 INTs...rushed 392 times for 1,939 yards and 31 TDS during career...named *ESPN, Parade, USA Today* and *SuperPrep's* Player of the Year...high school coach Bob Stem called him the best high school player he's seen in 33 years.

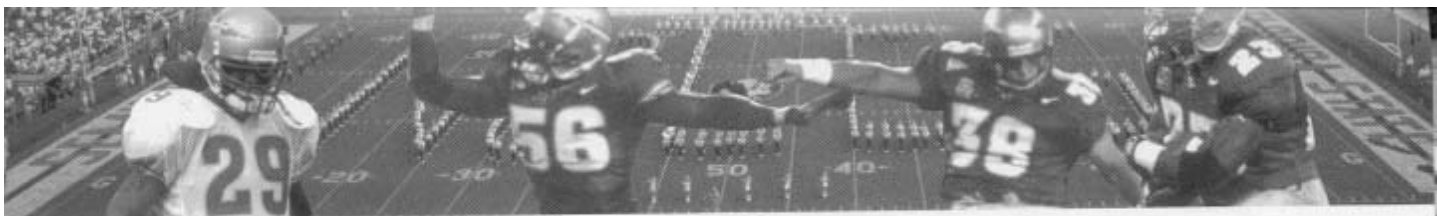
**Personal:** Girlfriend was selected to play for a professional volleyball team this year after playing at Penn State in college...hails from same region in Pennsylvania as NFL QBs Dan Marino, Joe Montana, Jim Kelly and former Notre Dame quarterback Ron Powlus...father played for Bobby Bowden at West Virginia...has a black belt in taekwondo...born March 15, 1976...sports management major.



## KENDRA'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1996	36	55	1.5	2	16
1997	18	73	4.1	1	48
1998		DNP			
<b>Career</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>48</b>





# #18 SEAN KEY

**Rover, 6-1, 190, Senior  
Miami, FL (American)**

**At Florida State:** Won the job as the starter at free safety following spring drills...shared the second effort award in the spring with teammate Bobby Rhodes...made a solid return to action as a junior after redshirting for the 1997 season and was second in tackles among secondary members with 52...one of the fastest Seminoles with a 40-yard dash time of 4.37 during spring testing.

**Junior Year (1998):** The second leading tackler in the Seminoles' secondary with 52 stops despite not starting a game...29 of his tackles were solo...played behind Derrick Gibson at rover...credited with a season-high nine stops against Miami...intercepted a pass against Duke that set up an FSU touchdown...picked off a pass on the goal line against Florida...deflected passes against Duke and North Carolina (2)...caused fumbles in the Southern California and North Carolina games...his forced fumble against North Carolina set up a Sebastian Janikowski field goal...recorded tackles for loss in the Miami, Clemson and North Carolina contests...seven of his tackles were on third-down...named to the Victor's Club list six times.

**1997:** Redshirted.

**Sophomore Year (1996):** Totaled 33 tackles, including 17 solo stops during sophomore season...had a career-high seven tackles against Southern Miss...also contributed a tackle for loss and three pass break-ups on the season...had pass deflections against NC State, Virginia and Clemson...earned Victor's Club honors in seven games.

**Freshman Year (1995):** One of only six members of his

## KEY'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1995	7	6	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
1996	17	16	33	1	0	3	0	0	0
1997	REDSHIRTED								
1998	29	23	52	3	0	3	2	0	2
<b>Career</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>

recruiting class to play as a true freshman...worked his way up to second-team free safety during his rookie campaign...played in seven of the last eight games in a reserve role behind Sean Hamlet at free safety...finished the season with 13 tackles, including seven solo stops.

**High School:** One of the top defensive backs in the South coming out of American High in Hialeah, FL...earned first team Class 6A all-state honors as a senior...snagged six interceptions his senior year, returning one 102 yards for a touchdown...triple jumped 47 feet as a member of the Patriots' track team...*SuperPrep's* No. 5 defensive back in the nation...the *National Recruiting Advisor's* No. 6 defensive back in the Southeast...Tom Lemming's No. 13 cornerback nationally and top 50 nationally at all positions...Max Emfinger's No. 9 free safety prospect in the country...*Orlando Sentinel Super 24* selection...made Forrest Davis' third team All-South.

**Personal:** Majoring in criminology...born June 25, 1977.



## SEMINOLE SIDeline



### Sealed Lockers

THE RETIREMENT (or permanent sealing) of lockers in the Florida State locker room began after Deion Sanders' senior season in 1988. Long-time equipment manager Jimmie Callaway came up with the idea to add more tradi-

tion to the area.

Former FSU Athletic Director Bob Gain established the criteria for locker retirement that allows only the dressing area of two-time consensus All-Americans to be retired. To date, three players, Ron Simmons (1979-80), Deion Sanders (1987-88) and Marvin Jones (1991-92), have had their lockers sealed. Charlie Ward, FSU's first Heisman Trophy winner, also has his locker retired.

The lockers are encased in glass with the player's final home uniform gear intact — right down to the sweat bands! ■





# #39 CHAD MAEDER

**Fullback, 6-3, 240, Junior  
Brooksville, FL (Millsaps College/Central HS)**

**At Florida State:** Walk-on fullback who impressed coaches with his punishing blocking in spring drills...listed third on the depth chart behind William McCray and Dan Kendra at the position...named by the offensive coaches as the most valuable non-scholarship

player and also received the big hitter award for the offense during the spring...should see playing time on special teams this fall.

**Personal:** Born April 7, 1979...majoring in business management.



# #36 WILLIAM McCRAY

**Fullback, 6-0, 225, Junior  
Jacksonville, FL (Bolles)**

**At Florida State:** Slated as the starting fullback as the Seminoles enter the 1999 season...battling to keep his starting position with recently-converted quarterback Dan Kendra...must replace departed starter Lamarr Glenn, who was drafted by Tampa Bay in the sixth round of the NFL Draft...played in 11 games in 1998 after missing the first two games of the year with an injured knee...named most dependable and most improved running back at the conclusion of spring practice...spent some time at tailback in the spring due to injuries at that position...versatile athlete who can be utilized in FSU's one-back sets...improved blocker who is an excellent receiver out of the backfield...made a name for himself early when he recorded two TD runs in the Sugar Bowl victory over Ohio State at the end of the 1997 season...one of 13 signees from his class to see action as true freshmen...one of the top bench presses on the team at 470 pounds.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Played in 11 games after missing the Texas A&M and NC State games...suffered a sprained knee in preseason drills which kept him out of the first two contests...had 22 carries for 73 yards and two touchdowns on the season...added two receptions for eight yards...scored his first touchdown on the year on a one-yard plunge against Duke and recorded a season-high five attempts for seven yards against the Blue Devils...added a TD run in the victory over Miami...rushed the ball four times for nine yards and a touchdown in the Fiesta Bowl versus Tennessee...named to the Victor's Club after four games...member of the kickoff special teams unit.

**Freshman Year (1997):** One of 14 true freshmen to play...appeared in every game at fullback and on special teams...ran six times for 22 yards during the regular season but did not score on the ground...added eight catches for 77 yards and a TD out of the backfield...touchdown came on a nine-yard pass from Chris Weinke against Maryland...capped his rookie season with a pair of touchdowns in the Sugar Bowl win against Ohio State...TDs came on two one-yard plunges.

**High School:** Rushed for over 3,000 yards during his final two seasons at the Bolles School...carried his team to



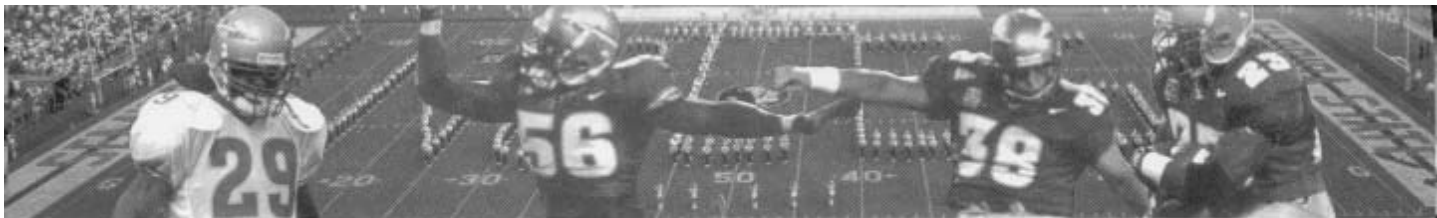
the state title as a junior with a 274-yard, two-touchdown rushing performance and was a three-year starter...considered the state's top fullback prospect as a senior...combined for over 1,500 all-purpose yards, including 976 rushing, and scored 35 touchdowns as a senior...twice earned Class 4A first team all-state honors...rated as the No. 21 prospect in Florida and the country's No. 4 fullback by *SuperPrep*...was an honorable mention All-America selection by *USA Today*...earned *Florida Times Union* Player of the Year honors...chose the Seminoles over Alabama.

**Personal:** Born on January 31, 1979...will not declare major until after his junior season...prep teammate of FSU offensive tackle Charron Dorsey.

### McCRAY'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1997	6	22	3.7	0	10
1998	22	73	3.3	2	30
<b>Career</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>30</b>





# #13 MARVIN MINNIS

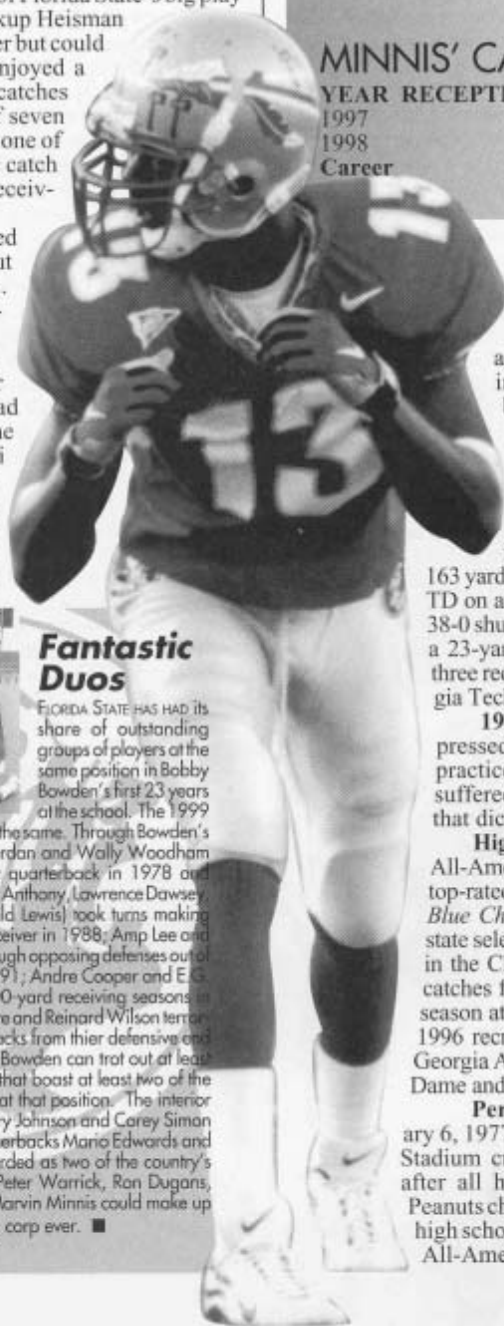
**Flanker, 6-1, 185, Junior  
Miami, FL (Northwestern)**

**At Florida State:** Another in a line of Florida State's big play wideouts who returns in 1999...will backup Heisman Trophy candidate Peter Warrick at flanker but could start in three and four receiver sets...enjoyed a breakthrough season in 1998 with 22 catches which ranked third on the team...one of seven returning lettermen at wide receiver and one of four who averaged at least 15 yards per catch...the emotional leader of the Seminole receiving corps.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Stepped up in his sophomore season to round out FSU's outstanding receiving quartet...appeared in every game and was a part-time starter in multi-receiver sets...finished third on the team with 22 catches for 338 yards...averaged 15.4 yards per reception and had two TD grabs...had catches in nine games...best game of the season came in his hometown of Miami when the Seminoles downed the Hurricanes 26-14...caught four balls for 70 yards and a touchdown in the Orange Bowl...TD came on a 23-yard strike from Chris Weinke...had a highlight

## MINNIS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1997	11	163	14.8	1	23
1998	22	338	15.4	2	43
<b>Career</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>43</b>



reel grab in that contest when he went airborne over two UM defenders for a key 25-yard gain on FSU's first play of the second half...also made four catches against Clemson, totaling 50 yards, including a 15-yard TD...showed signs of his breakout season in the first game of the year when he caught four passes for 35 yards versus Texas A&M.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Made an immediate impact in a deep receiving corps during his redshirt freshman season...played in every game and finished with 11 catches for 163 yards and a touchdown...scored his first collegiate TD on a 20-yard hookup with Thad Busby in FSU's 38-0 shutout of Georgia Tech...season-long catch was a 23-yarder against Miami...posted season-highs of three receptions and 53 receiving yards against Georgia Tech...also ran twice on reverses for six yards.

**1996:** Sat out the season as a redshirt...impressed coaches with his play early in preseason practice and may have seen some game time but suffered a broken arm in a preseason scrimmage that dictated his redshirt.

**High School:** A *USA Today* honorable mention All-American and a *Blue Chip* Dream Teamer...the top-rated wide receiver in the Southeast according to *Blue Chip Illustrated*...a second team Class 6A all-state selection...recorded 109 yards on four receptions in the Class 6A state title game as a senior...had 35 catches for 855 yards and 10 touchdowns in his final season at Northwestern...one of eight members of the 1996 recruiting class selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star Game...chose FSU over Miami, Notre Dame and Florida.

**Personal:** A criminology major...born February 6, 1977...fan favorite of the home Doak Campbell Stadium crowd, who chant his nickname, "Snoop", after all his catches...earned the moniker after the Peanuts character Snoopy...prepped at the same high school as FSU Butkus Award winner and All-American linebacker Marvin Jones.

## Fantastic Duos



FLORIDA STATE HAS HAD its share of outstanding groups of players at the same position in Bobby Bowden's first 23 years at the school. The 1999

season promises more of the same. Through Bowden's tenure at FSU, Jimmy Jordan and Wally Woodham shared starring roles at quarterback in 1978 and 1979; the Fab Four (Terry Anthony, Lawrence Dawsey, Bruce LaSane and Ronald Lewis) took turns making great catches at wide receiver in 1988; Amp Lee and Edgar Bennett sliced through opposing defenses out of the same backfield in 1991; Andre Cooper and E.G. Green both posted 1,000-yard receiving seasons in 1995; and Peter Boulware and Reinard Wilson terrorized opposing quarterbacks from their defensive end spot in 1996. In 1999, Bowden can trot out at least three position segments that boast at least two of the nation's top performers at that position. The interior defensive line duo of Jerry Johnson and Corey Simon is the nation's best. Cornerbacks Mario Edwards and Tay Cody are also regarded as two of the country's best at that spot while Peter Warrick, Ron Dugans, Laveranues Coles and Marvin Minnis could make up Bowden's best receiving corp ever. ■

## SEMINOLE SIDELINE





# #23 TRAVIS MINOR

**Tailback, 6-1, 190, Junior  
Baton Rouge, LA (Catholic)**

**At Florida State:** Candidate for All-America honors as he begins his third season as the starting tailback for the Seminoles...led FSU in rushing last season for the second consecutive year, while being named first-team All-ACC...one of nine returning starters on offense...limited in the middle of the season with a severe ankle sprain...earned starting tailback position prior to the Virginia game of his freshman season...did not run track this spring in order to concentrate on spring football.

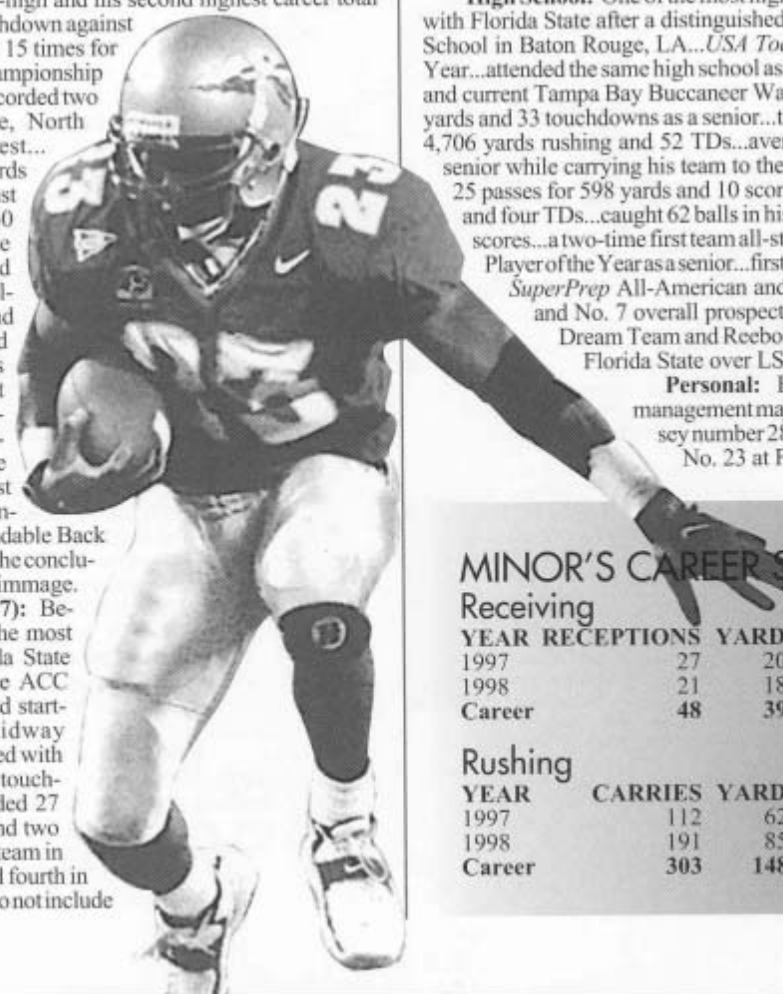
**Sophomore Year (1998):** Named first-team All-ACC after playing in 11 games during the 1998 season...started nine games during the year, while limited in the Miami and Georgia Tech games with an ankle injury...hurt in the first half of the Southern California game, finishing the game with 19 yards on seven carries...rushed for over 100 yards five times, including the final four games of the regular season...set an FSU record with 34 carries in the season opener versus Texas A&M...rushed for a season-high and his second highest career total with 146 yards and one touchdown against the Aggies...carried the ball 15 times for 83 yards in the National Championship game versus Tennessee...recorded two touchdowns against Duke, North Carolina and Wake Forest...rushed 28 times for 130 yards and one touchdown against Virginia...carried the ball 30 times for 127 yards in the victory over Florida...named Dominator of the Game following the Texas A&M and Virginia games...also totaled 21 receptions for 189 yards and one touchdown...caught three passes for a season-high 56 yards at Wake Forest...named ACC Offensive Back of the Week against Texas A&M...named Offensive MVP and Most Dependable Back by the offensive coaches at the conclusion of the 1999 spring scrimmage.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Began the season as one of the most heralded recruits in Florida State history and ended it as the ACC Rookie of the Year...earned starting tailback honors midway through the year and finished with 623 yards rushing and nine touchdowns on 112 carries...added 27 receptions for 207 yards and two more scores...led the team in rushing and finished fourth in receptions...totals do not include

an impressive Sugar Bowl performance in the win over Ohio State...ran for 53 yards on 12 carries and caught a game-high nine passes for 55 yards against the Buckeyes...tied E.G. Green for the team lead with 11 total touchdowns...made the first start of his career at Virginia and responded with 157 yards on 17 carries...scored on an 87-yard run on the first play of that game and added 68 yards receiving...added two more 100-yard rushing games...posted 128 yards on 30 carries at North Carolina...ran for 142 yards on 21 attempts and a score at Florida...started four times and compiled 493 yards rushing (five TDs) and 156 receiving yards (two TDs) in those games...his nine rushing scores tied for the 10th most in a season in school history and his 87-yard run at UVA was the fourth longest from scrimmage in program annals...earned ACC Rookie of the Week honors four times and was a second team all-league selection...also named FSU's top offensive newcomer by the coaching staff.

**High School:** One of the most highly-touted recruits ever to sign with Florida State after a distinguished prep career at Catholic High School in Baton Rouge, LA...*USA Today's* Offensive Player of the Year...attended the same high school as FSU's all-time leading rusher and current Tampa Bay Buccaneer Warrick Dunn...rushed for 2,649 yards and 33 touchdowns as a senior...three-year prep totals included 4,706 yards rushing and 52 TDs...averaged 12 yards per carry as a senior while carrying his team to the state semifinals...also caught 25 passes for 598 yards and 10 scores...amassed 763 return yards and four TDs...caught 62 balls in his career for 1,344 yards and 20 scores...a two-time first team all-state performer and Louisiana's Player of the Year as a senior...first team *Parade* All-American...a *SuperPrep* All-American and their top-rated running back and No. 7 overall prospect...also named to the *PrepStar* Dream Team and Reebok All-America team...selected Florida State over LSU, Notre Dame and Florida.

**Personal:** Born June 30, 1979...a sports management major...wore Warrick Dunn's jersey number 28 in high school but switched to No. 23 at FSU to make his own name.



## MINOR'S CAREER STATS

### Receiving

YEAR	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1997	27	207	7.7	2	42
1998	21	189	9.0	1	31
<b>Career</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>8.25</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>42</b>

### Rushing

YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1997	112	623	5.6	9	87
1998	191	857	4.5	7	38
<b>Career</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>1480</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>87</b>







# #52 ANTOINE MIRAMBEAU

**Center, 6-4, 280, Sophomore  
Miami, FL (Miami Beach)**

**At Florida State:** Begins the fall listed at third team on the depth chart at center behind returning starter Eric Thomas and veteran Jarad Moon...did not play last year in compliance with NCAA regulations...had a solid spring session where he earned the coaching staff's praise for his hard work and toughness...one of just three Seminoles to benchpress 500 pounds during spring testing.

**Freshman Year (1998):** Was allowed to practice with the team but was limited from playing by NCAA regulations.

**High School:** Widely regarded as one of the nation's top center prospects despite missing his senior season at Miami Beach High School...sat out his final prep campaign after reconstructive knee surgery to repair a torn anterior cruciate ligament...finished third in the state heavyweight wrestling championships as a senior...picked the Seminoles over Miami and West Virginia.

**Personal:** Born July 11, 1979...will not declare major until after sophomore season.



# #54 JARAD MOON

**Center, 6-4, 300, Junior  
Panama City, FL (Bay)**

**At Florida State:** Competing with senior Eric Thomas for starting center duties in one of the most hard-fought position battles on the team...started the last three games of the 1998 campaign after subbing for Eric Thomas in the first 10...veteran performer who will see a lot of playing regardless of who starts at center this year...shared backup duties with Thomas behind All-American Kevin Long as a freshman in 1997.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Took over starting center duties for the final three games of the season, including the Fiesta Bowl against Tennessee...also opened against Wake Forest and Florida...backed up Eric Thomas during the first 10 games of the year...named a Dominator of the Week after the Virginia game...member of the Victor's Club after performances against Miami, Virginia and Wake Forest...allowed only one sack on the year.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Saw action with the offense in six games while playing in all games on special teams in his redshirt freshman season...proved to be a very consistent performer...continued to concentrate on learning the offensive blocking schemes and the intricate FSU system.

**1996:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Considered the top center in the state and one of the best in the country while at Bay High in nearby Panama City...first team Class 5A all-state junior performer as a junior and senior...earned All-America honors from *SuperPrep* and was a honorable mention choice by *USA Today*...named to the Florida Super Seniors team...played for Team Florida in the Florida-Georgia All-Star Game...chose FSU over Georgia, Notre Dame and South Carolina.

**Personal:** Born January 21, 1978...an advertising major...talented artist whose sketches were featured in the Tallahassee Arts Festival.





# #19 GREG MOORE

**Flanker, 6-1, 185, Freshman  
Bartow, FL (Bartow)**

**At Florida State:** Backup at flanker as he enters his second season at FSU...will battle for playing time amongst a deep group of receivers...coaches liken his route-running and hands to a young E.G. Green...impressed coaches during his first year in the program despite sitting out as a redshirt.

**1998:** Spent his redshirt season learning the Seminole offense and working with the scout team.

**High School:** Regarded as one of the nation's premier wide receiver recruits despite missing six games as a senior at Bartow High with a broken arm...had 13 receptions for 330 yards in four

games...considered the No. 8 wide receiver nationally and the 10th best prospect in Florida by *SuperPrep*...No. 1 recruit in Florida according to the *St. Petersburg Times*...named the *Florida Times-Union* No. 1 wideout in Florida...recruiting stock soared after a 64-catch, 1,003-yard, 13-TD junior season...picked the Seminoles over Michigan, Ohio State and Tennessee.

**Personal:** Born February 13, 1980...will not declare major until after sophomore season...attended the same high school as former FSU All-American noseguard and current defensive line coach Odell Haggins...recruited to Florida State by Haggins.



# #87 ROBERT MORGAN

**Split End, 6-0, 180, Sophomore  
East Point, GA (Tri-Cities)**

### MORGAN'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1998	6	85	14.2	0	16

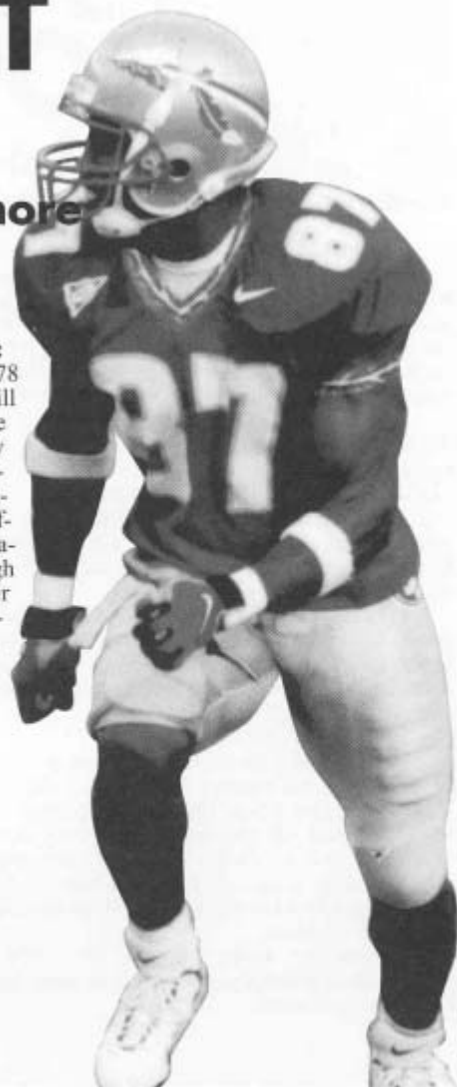
**At Florida State:** Listed at third team split end entering his sophomore campaign...another in a long list of young, talented Seminole receivers...had six catches for 85 yards as a true freshman a year ago...a member of Florida State's 1997 recruiting class but did not enroll at FSU until January of 1998...first caught the coaches' eye during Sugar Bowl workouts two seasons ago...will play a great deal for the Seminoles in 1999.

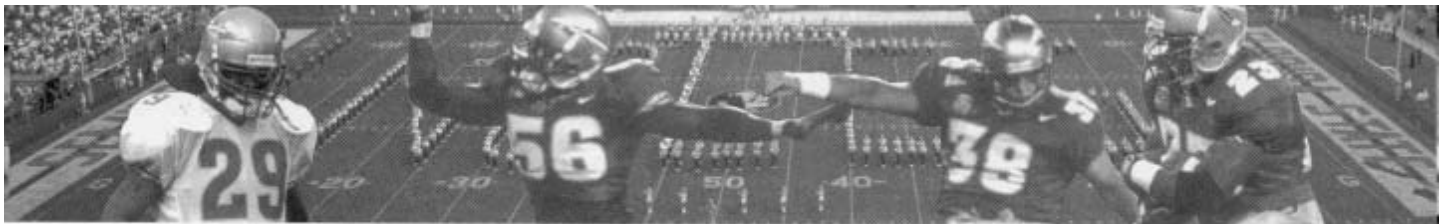
**Freshman Year (1998):** One of four true freshman to letter in 1998 (Chris Hope, Patrick Hughes, and Jared Jones were the others)...had six catches for 85 yards on the year...best game was a three-catch, 46-yard effort in his home state at Georgia Tech...made his first career catch against Clemson and finished with two receptions for 28 yards...also had an 11-yard catch against North Carolina...got an early jump on his classmates by enrolling in school in January.

**High School:** Emerged as one of the South's top receiving prospects during his senior campaign at Tri-Cities High...finished that year with 45 catches for 952 yards and seven TD's...a first team class 4A All-Georgia selection...rated as the No. 5 wideout in the southeast by *PrepStar*...an All-Southeast pick by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...selected the Seminoles over

Florida, Tennessee and Georgia.

**Personal:** Born October 2, 1978 which means he will turn 21 the day the Seminoles play Duke in Jacksonville...will not declare major until after sophomore season...coached in high school by former Florida State All-American offensive lineman Michael Tanks.





# #14 MARCUS OUTZEN

**Quarterback, 6-2, 220, Junior  
Ft. Walton Beach, FL (Ft. Walton)**

**At Florida State:** Stepped in for an injured Chris Weinke to lead the Seminoles to wins over Virginia, Wake Forest and Florida and a berth in the National Championship game...battling for backup quarterback job with sophomore Jared Jones as Weinke is expected to return...ready to lead the Tribe in '99 if Weinke is not available...tough competitor who earned Seminole folk-hero status after his gutsy performance in the win over UF...also serves as the holder on all extra points and field goals...named the most dependable quarterback by the offensive coaches after the spring game.

## OUTZEN'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	ATT-COM-INT	PCT	YARDS	TDS	LONG
1997	No attempts				
1998	60-36-2	.600	464	1	32
YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1997	1	8	8.0	0	8
1998	48	66	1.4	2	16
<b>Career</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>16</b>

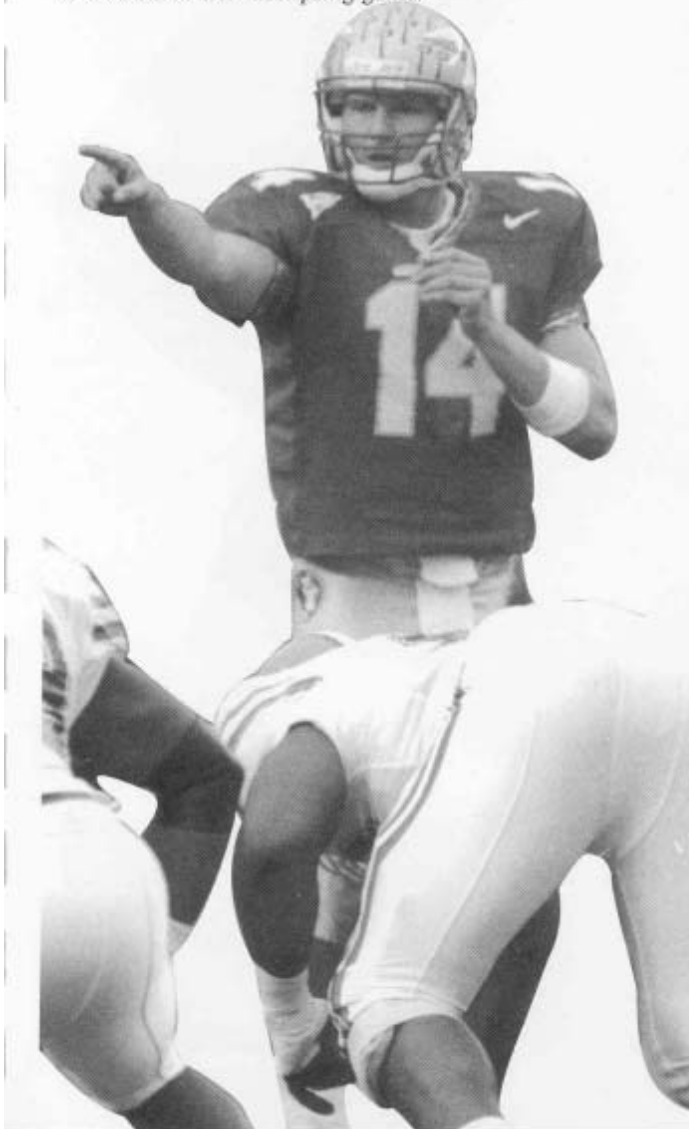
**Sophomore Year (1998):** Played in all 13 games, while starting the final three games of the season at quarterback...pressed into action in the second half of the Virginia game, leading the Seminoles to 24 second-half points...completed 6-of-7 passes in that game for 67 yards...threw his first career touchdown pass of 32 yards to Peter Warrick in leading the Seminoles to a 23-12 victory against Florida...finished the game 13-of-22 for 167 yards and one touchdown...completed 9-of-22 passes for 145 in the National Championship game versus Tennessee...made his first career start against Wake Forest, connecting on 11-of-19 passes for 164 yards and one interception...finished the season 36-of-60 for 464 yards and one touchdown...rushed the ball 48 times for 66 yards and two touchdowns on the season...saw action in the fourth quarter of the NC State game, completing 4-of-8 passes for 42 yards.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Played in all 13 games in the overshadowed role of holder for extra points and field goals...had one rush for eight yards in limited action at quarterback and did not attempt a pass.

**1996:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** Rushed for 18 TDs as he led Ft. Walton Beach High to the Class 5A state championship as a senior...threw for 1,187 yards with 10 touchdowns and just four interceptions...completed 69 of 118 passes (58.5%) as a senior...also ran track and played baseball...a Super 24 honorable mention selection...listed in the *Tallahassee Democrat's* Top 50...received Max Emfinger's rating of 9.5 (highest - 10.6)...attended same high school as former Florida State standout receiver E.G. Green and Heisman Trophy winner Danny Wuerffel...honor student at Ft. Walton Beach...selected FSU over Auburn and South Carolina.

**Personal:** Born February 24, 1978...played at Ft. Walton Beach High under former FSU graduate assistant Mike Owens...a communications major.





# #29 TOMMY POLLEY

**Linebacker, 6-5, 233, Junior  
Baltimore, MD (Dunbar)**

**At Florida State:** The only full-time returning starter at linebacker...will line up again this year at the weakside position where he is one of the best in the ACC...speed and agility make him especially effective in pass coverage...also played strongside last year when Lamont Green was injured...height makes him a threat to block kicks on special teams...outstanding all-around athlete who played briefly on the Seminole basketball team upon his arrival at Florida State before deciding to concentrate primarily on football...played only in the 1996-97 season-opening win over Southwestern Louisiana, but spent a month practicing with the hoops squad.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Started 12 of 13 games at both outside linebacking posts...missed the Wake Forest game with a shoulder injury...ranked fifth on the team with 59 total tackles (37 solo)...had two tackles for loss against UNC and five on the season...intercepted his first career pass at Miami...earned Tomahawk Player of the Game honors against Texas A&M and Miami...recovered a fumble against Texas A&M that set up a Sebastian Janikowski field goal...recorded a team-high 10 tackles against UNC...tallied five knock 'em backs on the year...broke up passes against Miami and Clemson...garnered Victor's Club honors against Texas A&M, Duke, Maryland, Miami, Clemson and Florida.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Totaled 21 tackles with 13 solo stops in first year of action...played in all 13 games and had at least one tackle in eight games...named ACC Rookie of the Week against Duke as he recorded a season-high six tackles and had a sack along with a blocked punt that resulted in a Derrick Gibson touchdown...totaled five tackles in 47-0 win over Miami...named the defense's top newcomer following spring drills...spent some time at tight end before making the permanent move to linebacker.

**1996:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** Hailed as one of the top prep athletes in the nation during his senior year at Dunbar High, which is regarded as one of the top producers of basketball talent in the country...*USA Today's* Player-of-the-Year in Maryland after recording 208 tackles (136 solo), 16 sacks and eight interceptions as a senior...also caught 34 passes for 567 yards and three TDs...considered the state's top football prospect...led his team to back-to-back state championships as a junior and senior...named Baltimore area Defensive Player-of-the-Year after both his junior and senior campaigns...also regarded as one of the country's top 60 basketball prospects...led the Poets to four straight state titles...averaged 20.4 points, 10.7 rebounds and 8.1 assists per game as a senior...chose the Seminoles over Southern Cal, Syracuse, Maryland and Florida.

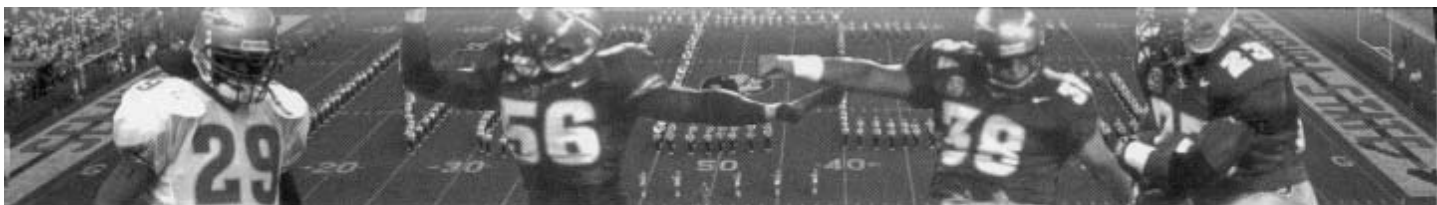
**Personal:** Turned in a 40-yard dash time of 4.52 during spring testing...attended the same high school as former FSU basketball star Sam Cassell...one of the tallest linebackers in school history...born January 11, 1978...a social science major.



### POLLEY'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1997	13	8	21	1	1	0	0	0	0
1998	37	22	59	5	1	2	0	1	1
<b>Career</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>





# #5 THEON RACKLEY

**Linebacker, 6-2, 228, Senior  
Tallahassee, FL (FAMU)**

**At Florida State:** Veteran linebacker who enters the fall behind Brian Allen at strongside linebacker...knows the Seminole defensive system well with three years of playing experience under his belt...totaled 42 tackles last season as a junior ...worked hard in the off-season to prepare for considerable playing time...like most of the linebackers at FSU, has been a key member of special teams units...came to FSU after playing defensive back at nearby FAMU High.

**Junior Year (1998):** Played in all 13 games and registered 42 tackles on the season...backed-up All-ACC linebacker Lamont Green for most of the season...tallied a season-high six tackles against Georgia Tech and Wake Forest...lone tackle for loss came against Clemson...broke up passes versus Clemson and Wake Forest...caused a fumble at Miami...credited with six intimidations and three third-down stops on the year...garnered kicking game Victor's Club honors against Texas A&M, Duke and UNC...received Victor's Club recognition by defensive coaches for the Clemson and Wake Forest games.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Picked up 18 tackles, including nine solo...saw action in 11 of 12 games while backing up Sam Cowart at weakside linebacker...totaled a season-high four tackles versus Miami...recorded three each against Clemson, NC State and Wake Forest...had at least one tackle in nine games.

**Freshman Year (1996):** Spent most of the season as a reserve behind Vernon Crawford and Lamont Green at weakside linebacker...recorded 26 tackles (20 solo) while playing in every game...had a season-high seven tackles at Georgia Tech...picked up six tackles in the season opener vs. Duke...had a tackle-for-loss against Wake Forest...named to the Victor's Club for his special teams performances against Georgia Tech and Wake Forest.

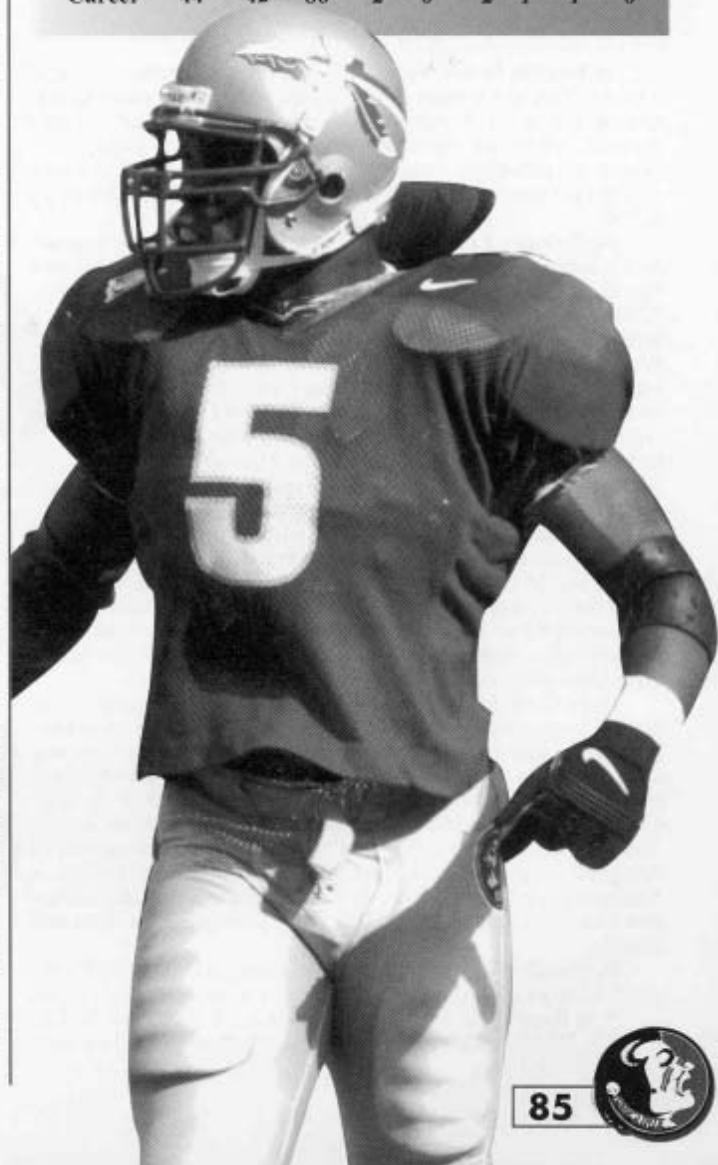
**1995:** Redshirted.

**High School:** One of the nation's most highly-recruited defensive backs as a senior at FAMU High...rated as Max Emfinger's No. 7 strong safety prospect in the country ...*SuperPrep's* No. 44 rated player in Florida...Tom Lemming's No. 55 player in the Southeast and a member of his All-American team...member of *Blue Chip Illustrated's* All-Southeast region team...*Florida Times-Union* ranked him as the state's No. 2 strong safety prospect...registered 111 tackles as a senior...recorded seven interceptions and 14 pass break-ups ...made 135 tackles with eight interceptions as a junior...his high school's career leader in interceptions with 18 and tackles with 349...nine times over his final two years an opponent had to be helped off the field after getting hit by Rackley...also an effective fullback who had 65 carries for 415 yards and three touchdowns...averaged nearly 10 yards per carry as a junior...member of state championship basketball team.

**Personal:** Nicknamed "T-Rack"...born February 8, 1977...social science major...played with FSU wide receiver Ron Dugans in high school.

## RACKLEY'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1996	20	6	26	1	0	0	0	0	0
1997	9	9	18	0	0	0	0	1	0
1998	15	27	42	1	0	2	1	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>





# #58 JAMAL REYNOLDS

**Defensive End, 6-4, 254, Junior  
Aiken, SC (Aiken)**

### REYNOLDS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT
1997	5	7	12	0	0	0	0
1998	27	15	42	7	4.5	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

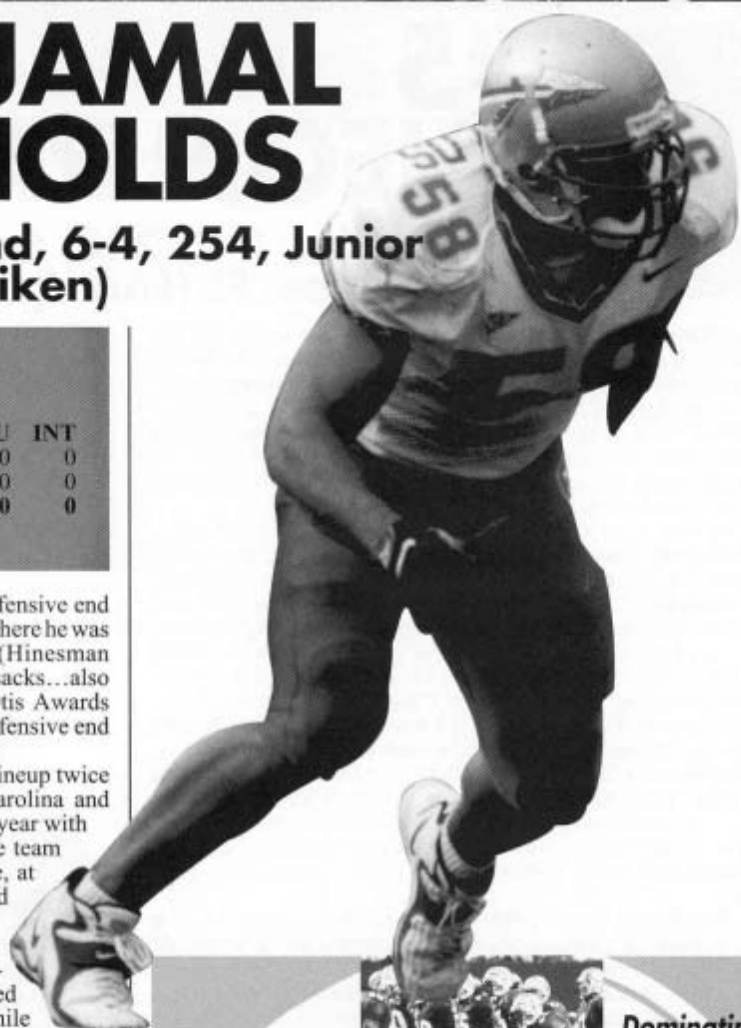
**At Florida State:** Penciled in to start at right defensive end opposite Roland Seymour in 1999 after a huge spring where he was named the most dominant player on the team (Hinesman Award)...made two starts a year ago and had 4.5 sacks...also earned the defense's King of the Boards and Big Otis Awards during the spring...has a chance to be the next great defensive end at FSU.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Cracked the starting lineup twice as a sophomore at defensive end, against North Carolina and Florida, while appearing in every game...finished the year with 42 tackles (27 solo) with seven for loss...third on the team with 4.5 sacks...three of his sacks came in one game, at Wake Forest, when he stepped in for an injured Roland Seymour...had six tackles, a half a sack and a stop for loss in the win over Duke...named Tomahawk Defensive Player of the Game against Clemson after a five-tackle, two-pressure, two-intimidation game...recorded a career-best seven tackles against North Carolina while also recovering fumble...also a standout on special teams.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Played behind Greg Spires and Tony Bryant for the majority of the season at defensive end...credited with 12 tackles (five solo) in eight games...one of 15 true freshmen to see action...saw significant playing time on special teams...had a season-best four tackles in the Wake Forest victory...tallied three stops at Duke...registered his first career tackle versus Maryland in the second game of the season.

**High School:** Widely regarded as one of the country's top defensive ends along with fellow signee David Warren...recorded 174 tackles (six for loss), two sacks and two caused fumbles as a senior at Aiken High...rated as the nation's top defensive lineman by *SuperPrep* and No. 2 national prospect...selected to the *USA Today* All-USA second team...earned first team *Parade* All-American honors...named to the *PrepStar* Dream Team as well as that publication's No. 2 defensive lineman in the ACC region...a *National Recruiting Advisor* All-American and No. 3 rated defensive end nationally...selected FSU over Clemson, Alabama and Florida.

**Personal:** Comes from a football family as two older brothers, Rashad and Diron, played Division I football...Rashad played at Rice while Diron played at Wake Forest...enrolled in FSU's undergraduate studies program...born February 20, 1979.



### Dominating Defense

FLORIDA STATE'S DEFENSE has risen to the top of the national ladder during the 1990's. In

### SEMINOLE SIDeline



fact, the Seminoles have ranked among the nation's top 10 in total defense in six of the last eight years, including a No. 1 national ranking last season. FSU has been in the nation's top 10 in rushing defense in seven of the last eight years (No. 1 in 1996 and 1997 and No. 2 last year). In pass efficiency, the Tribe ranked first nationally last season and has been among the country's 10 best in five of the last six years. Florida State has also ranked in the top 10 in the nation in scoring defense in four of the last six seasons. ■





# #49 BOBBY RHODES

Linebacker, 6-1, 215, Senior  
Eustis, FL (Eustis)

## RHODES' CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1996	2	8	10	1	1	0	0	0	0
1997	8	20	28	3	0	0	0	0	0
1998	22	19	41	4	1	0	1	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**At Florida State:** Experienced senior who can play any of the three linebacking positions although he is listed as the backup on the weakside...started five games last year at strongside linebacker last season...also started at middle linebacker when Daryl Bush was out with an injury in 1997...totaled 41 tackles during junior campaign with four tackles for loss...has seen playing time with improvement since his arrival as a freshman...originally a walk-on who earned a scholarship with hard work and solid play.

**Junior Year (1998):** Registered 22 solo tackles and 41 total on the season...started five games at strongside linebacker due to injuries to Tommy Polley and Lamont Green...made a season-high eight stops versus Miami and Virginia...recorded tackles for loss against North Carolina (2), Miami and Florida...had his only sack of the season at Miami...caused a fumble against UNC that led to a Sebastian Janikowski field goal...credited with 10 intimidations on the year...named to the kicking game Victor's Club against Texas A&M, USC and UNC and was selected as the special teams player of the game versus the Trojans by the coaching staff...earned



Victor's Club honors against Duke, USC, Maryland, Miami, Clemson, Georgia Tech, Wake Forest and Florida.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Totaled 28 tackles (eight solo) and three tackles for loss on the season...made his first career start against Maryland as Daryl Bush sat out with an injury and responded with a career-high 10 tackles and two tackles for loss...earned ACC Defensive Lineman of the Week for his efforts against the Terps...had a pair of four-tackle outings against both Duke and Wake Forest...recorded three tackles (one for loss) at Clemson...closed the season with three tackles and a pass break-up in the Sugar Bowl when Bush re-injured his knee in the first quarter.

**Freshman Year (1996):** Saw action in all 12 games as a reserve linebacker and member of special teams...credited with 10 tackles and one sack on the year...posted a season-high three tackles in FSU's 54-14 win over Southern Miss...lone sack came against Wake Forest.

**1995:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Two-way standout at Eustis...led his team to a pair of playoff appearances...earned FACA All-District 8 honors...also an all-area selection by the *Orlando Sentinel*.

**Personal:** Brother, Billy, was a member of last year's team and played fullback, offensive line and defensive line...father, Bill Sr., was a Hall of Fame offensive lineman at FSU...born January 25, 1977...majoring in sociology.

## SEMINOLE SIDeline



### Killer Schedule In '81 Defined Seminoles

THE 1981 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE WAS called a lot of things:

"Murderer's Row, Octoberfest, The Bataan Death March, Insane!" But the truth is the schedule that lined FSU up in successive weeks on the road at Nebraska, Ohio State, Notre Dame, Pittsburgh, and LSU may have done more to win over fans nationally than anything the Tribe has done to date. FSU was 3-2 over the road slate with wins against Ohio State, Notre Dame and LSU, and the Tribe finished 6-5 on the season. ■





## #30 STANFORD SAMUELS

**Cornerback, 5-10, 180, Freshman  
Miami, FL (Carol City)**

**At Florida State:** Will serve as a backup at left cornerback... was slowed by minor injuries last fall but had an excellent spring... could see immediate playing time in the secondary this season.

**1998:** Sat out as a redshirt.

**High School:** First-team 6A all-state selection following senior season...recorded 31 tackles, five interceptions and three blocked punts while missing six games with a separated shoulder...three-year starter on one of Florida's top programs...led Carol City team to their second consecutive 6A state championship and 15-0 record as a senior...member of the *PrepStar* Dream Team and rated the No. 8 defensive back prospect in the country...No. 2

defensive back in the Southeast by the same publication...selected to the *Orlando Sentinel* Super Senior team...member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100...rated the No. 8 recruit in Florida by *St. Petersburg Times*...member of *Florida Times-Union* Super 75...*National Recruiting Advisor* rated him the seventh best cornerback in the southeast...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game...chose FSU over Georgia Tech, Miami and Northwestern.

**Personal:** Born July 27, 1980...graduated from same high school as teammates Donald Heaven, Octavis Jackson and Bradley Jennings...will not declare major until after sophomore season.



## #56 ROLAND SEYMOUR

**Defensive End, 6-4, 264, Junior  
New Orleans, LA (St. Augustine)**

**At Florida State:** Returning starter at defensive end and one of three returning starters along the defensive front...fourth on the team with 3.5 sacks a year ago and has 9.5 over his career...backed up current NFL starters Andre Wadsworth and Greg Spires as a freshman and posted six sacks...was named most dependable defensive lineman after spring drills along with fellow end Chris Walker...had a pair of sacks in the spring game...hampered by nagging injuries most of last year.

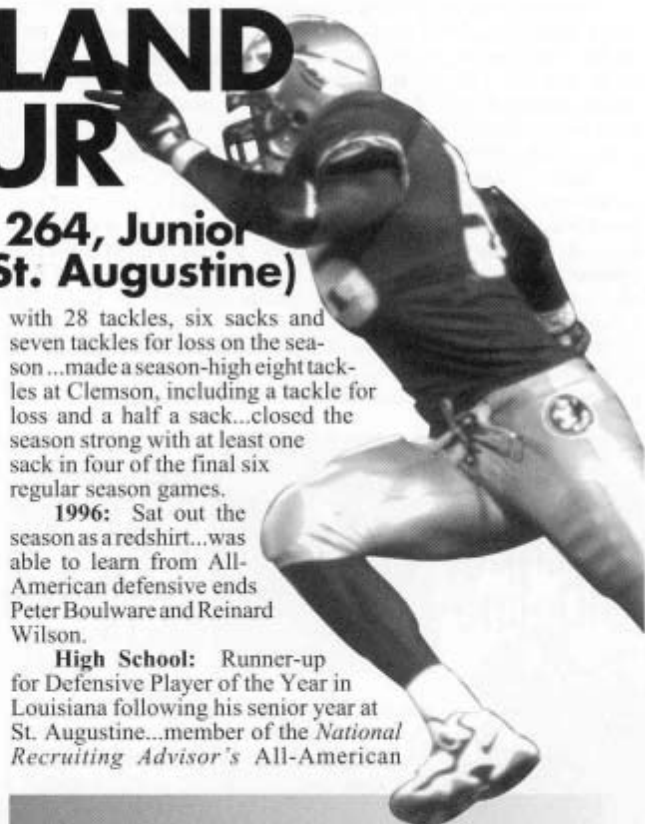
**Sophomore Year (1998):** Youngest starter on the defensive line...appeared in 12 of 13 games...missed only the season-ending win over Florida due to a sprained knee suffered at Wake Forest...tied for sixth on the team with 57 tackles (27 solo)...second on the team to All-American Corey Simon with 12 tackles for loss...forced three fumbles and recovered one...recorded six tackles (two for loss) and a half a sack at NC State...had a career-high 12 tackle outing against Duke...also had a tackle for loss and broke up a pass in that game...totaled seven stops, two for loss, and had a caused fumble that forced a safety at Maryland...had a banner day at Miami with a pair of sacks and a caused fumble that led to another safety...also had a team-high five intimidations in that contest...registered seven tackles and caused and recovered, a fumble at Georgia Tech...made eight stops in the win over North Carolina.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Appeared in every game and split starting duties over the first four with Tony Bryant for an injured Greg Spires...started the first game of his redshirt freshman year at Southern Cal...made three tackles and recovered a fumble in the win...platooned with Bryant over the next three games (Maryland, Clemson and Miami)...played behind All-American Andre Wadsworth the remainder of the season...credited

with 28 tackles, six sacks and seven tackles for loss on the season...made a season-high eight tackles at Clemson, including a tackle for loss and a half a sack...closed the season strong with at least one sack in four of the final six regular season games.

**1996:** Sat out the season as a redshirt...was able to learn from All-American defensive ends Peter Boulware and Reinard Wilson.

**High School:** Runner-up for Defensive Player of the Year in Louisiana following his senior year at St. Augustine...member of the *National Recruiting Advisor's* All-American

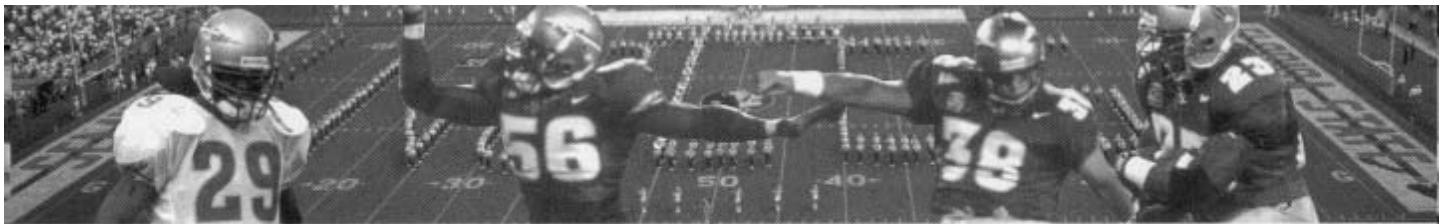


### SEYMOUR'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	SACKS	PBU	INT
1997	8	20	28	7	6	0	0
1998	27	30	57	12	3.5	2	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>







team...Max Emfinger's top rated defensive lineman in the nation...received Jeff Whitaker's highest rating of 10.0...named to the *Orlando Sentinel's* All-Southern Team...selected Florida State over Tennessee, Florida, LSU and Texas.

**Personal:** Born January 22, 1979...majoring in

sociology...uncle, Al Jenkins, was drafted by the Cleveland Browns and played nine seasons in the NFL...Jenkins was a member of the undefeated 1972 Miami Dolphins...hails from the same high school that produced former FSU standouts and NFL Draft picks Sean Jackson and Chris Cowart.



# #53 COREY SIMON

**Noseguard, 6-4, 275, Senior  
Pompano Beach, FL (Ely)**

**At Florida State:** Returning first team Associated Press All-American along the defensive line...burst onto the national scene in the first injury-free season of his career...finished third on the team with 65 tackles...had 16 stops for loss, the second best season figure in school history behind Ron Simmons (17 in 1979) ...first team All-ACC pick and winner of the ACC's Brian Piccolo Award...sat out spring drills with a mild shoulder injury.

**Junior Year (1998):** Split playing time with Larry Smith during the 1998 campaign and proved to be one of the most dominating defensive linemen in the country...was a first team All-ACC selection and a first team AP All-American...also earned second team *Football News* All-American status...third on the team in tackles with 65, including 16 stops for loss...tops on the defensive line in tackles...had 37 solo hits and 28 assists...led all linemen and linebackers with five pass breakups...earned ACC defensive lineman of the week after his performance against Southern California...had five tackles, one sack, another tackle for loss, a pass breakup and recovered a fumble...had a season-high eight tackles at NC State...also had one and a half sacks, a tackle for loss and three pressures in that game...totaled seven stops at Maryland, including two for loss...recorded six tackles, two for loss, with two caused fumbles and a sack at Georgia Tech...had a sack and a half and a tackle for loss against North Carolina...earned the ACC's Brian Piccolo Award for most courageous comeback from an injury.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Finished his sophomore campaign with 37 tackles (19 solo)...shared starting duties at noseguard ...totaled six tackles for loss and two sacks...first collegiate sack came against Virginia...had a season-high six tackles, including two for loss, in the victory at USC...had at least four tackles in nine of his 10 games played...credited with three tackles, two for loss, against Ohio State in the Sugar Bowl...recovered a fumble at Florida that led to a Seminole field goal...forced to miss the Duke and Georgia Tech contests with a neck injury.

**Freshman Year (1996):** Played in three games before suffering a season-ending shoulder injury...played in the Duke, North Carolina and Miami games...suffered a shoulder dislocation in practice prior to



the Clemson game...had surgery to repair the injury the week of the Virginia contest...finished the year with seven tackles (one for loss)...had season-high three tackles against both Duke and North Carolina ...recorded his tackle for loss against Duke.

**1995:** Sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** One of the most sought after defensive linemen in the country as a senior at Ely High in Pompano Beach...*Miami Herald's* Defensive Player of the Year...named to the All-USA squad by *USA Today*...earned Super Seniors honors after recording 22 sacks his senior year at Ely...a *SuperPrep* Dream Team selection...underwent successful rotator cuff surgery after high school career.

**Personal:** Born March 2, 1977...information studies major ...hails from the same high school as former Seminoles and current NFL players Zack and Henri Crockett...avid golfer who picked up the game last summer.

## SIMON'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT
1996	3	4	7	1	0	0	0
1997	19	18	37	6	2	1	0
1998	37	28	65	16	5	5	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>





# #20 RAYMONT SKAGGS

**Tailback, 5-8, 173, Senior  
Los Angeles, CA (Dorsey HS/ West LA JC)**

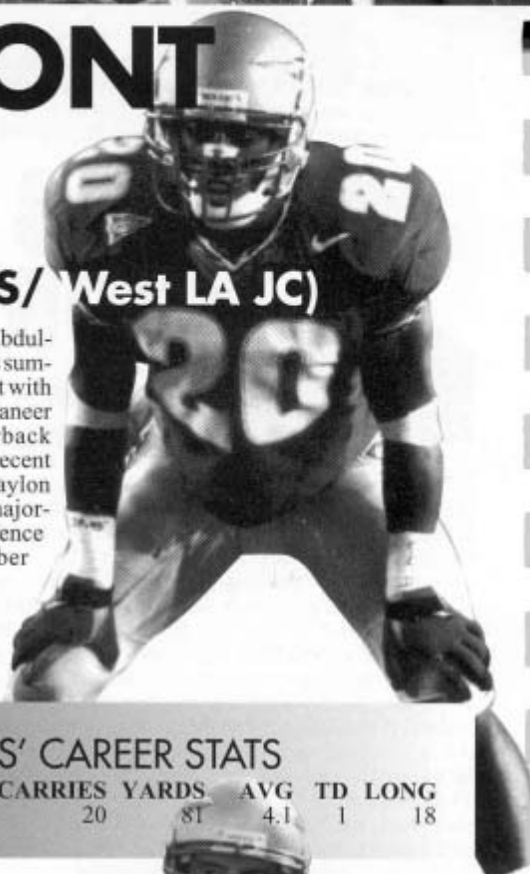
**At Florida State:** Enters his senior season listed as the third-team tailback and is sure to be a key contributor on special teams... missed most of the spring with a severe ankle sprain...played in 11 games in his junior year after transferring to FSU from West Los Angeles Junior College...one of three signees (Nick Franklin and Reggie Durden) to enroll in the spring of 1998 as junior college transfers...one of seven players who entered school last year and saw action in their first year with the Seminoles...outstanding speed and quickness fits FSU's recent tailback profile.

**Junior Year (1998):** Played in 11 games as a backup at tailback for Travis Minor and Jeff Chaney...recorded his first career touchdown on an 18-yard run in the fourth quarter of the Virginia game...finished season with nine carries for 81 yards and a 4.1 yards per carry average...had a season-high five rushes for 10 yards against Clemson...totaled a career-high 20 yards on two carries in the victory over Virginia.

**Junior College:** Played two years at West Los Angeles Junior College in California...caught 24 passes for 297 yards and three touchdowns as a slot receiver in his sophomore year...selected Florida State over Oklahoma, Iowa State and Syracuse.

**Personal:** Hails from the same high school (Dorsey High) as New York Jets receiver Keyshawn Johnson and Miami Dolphins

tailback Karim Abdul-Jabbar...spent his summers working out with Tampa Bay Buccaneer starting cornerback Brian Kelly and recent NFL draftee Daylon McCutcheon...majoring in social science...born September 26, 1977.



### SKAGGS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	CARRIES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1998	20	81	4.1	1	18



# #85 RYAN SPRAGUE

**Tight End, 6-5, 260, Junior  
Augusta, GA (Lakeside)**

**At Florida State:** Former walk-on who earned a scholarship during the 1997 season...enters the fall as Florida State's No. 2 tight end on the depth chart...has also played fullback and center during his FSU career.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Appeared in every game during the Seminoles' 11-2 campaign...saw time on special teams, at tight end and at fullback...did not catch a pass...served as a blocking back and blocking tight end in short yardage formations.

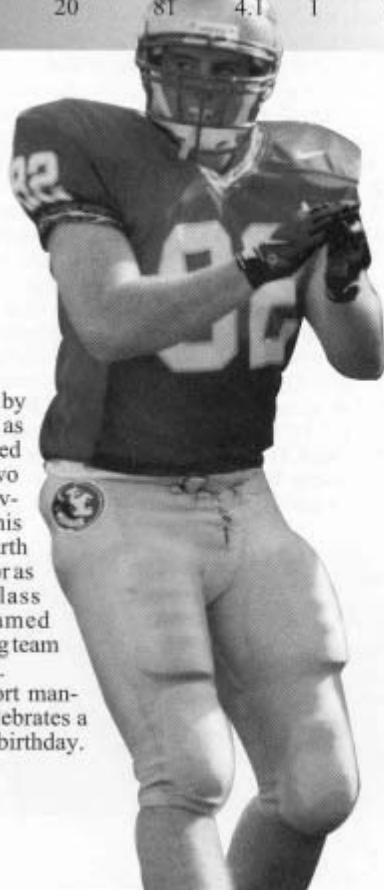
**Freshman Year (1997):** Hard work landed him a scholarship in the preseason...played in every game as a member of special teams...began the year at center before moving to tight end.

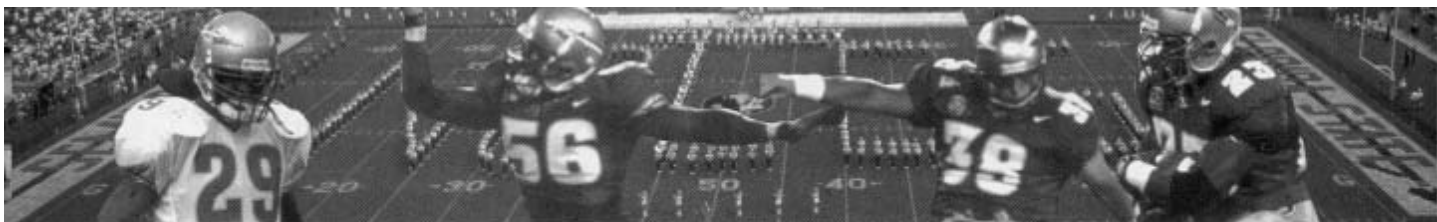
**1996:** Redshirted after walking on...served as a member of the scout team.

**High School:** Played tight end, defensive end and linebacker at Lakeside High School...caught 14 passes for 140 yards during his senior season...earned honorable mention All-Central Savannah River Area in his final year...was honored with

the Captain's Award by the football coaches as a senior...also lettered in wrestling for two seasons...placed seventh in the state in his junior year and fourth in the state as a senior as a 220-pound class wrestler...also named MVP of the wrestling team in his senior season.

**Personal:** Sport management major...celebrates a November 3, 1977 birthday.





# #86 GERMAINE STRINGER

**Flanker, 5-11, 185, Senior  
Atlanta, GA (SW Dekalb)**

**At Florida State:** Enters his final season listed at second team flanker behind Heisman Trophy candidate Peter Warrick...improved consistency in the spring helped him move up the depth chart...should see playing time in multi-receiver sets and as a kick return man.

**Junior Year (1998):** Lacked consistency in catching the football...backed up at flanker and saw time on special teams...did not catch a pass and did not return a kickoff.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Played in every game as a reserve wide receiver and kickoff return man...caught nine passes for 199 yards and two touchdowns...led the Seminoles with a 22.1 yards per reception average...best game of the season was a three-catch, 64-yard game against Wake Forest...also scored on a nine-yard throw from Chris Weinke in that game...had a 31-yard TD catch from Thad Busby in the NC State win...also caught passes of 36 yards (versus Georgia Tech) and 32 yards (at Duke)...led FSU with 13 kickoff returns for 273 yards...averaged 21.0 yards per runback with a long of 38.

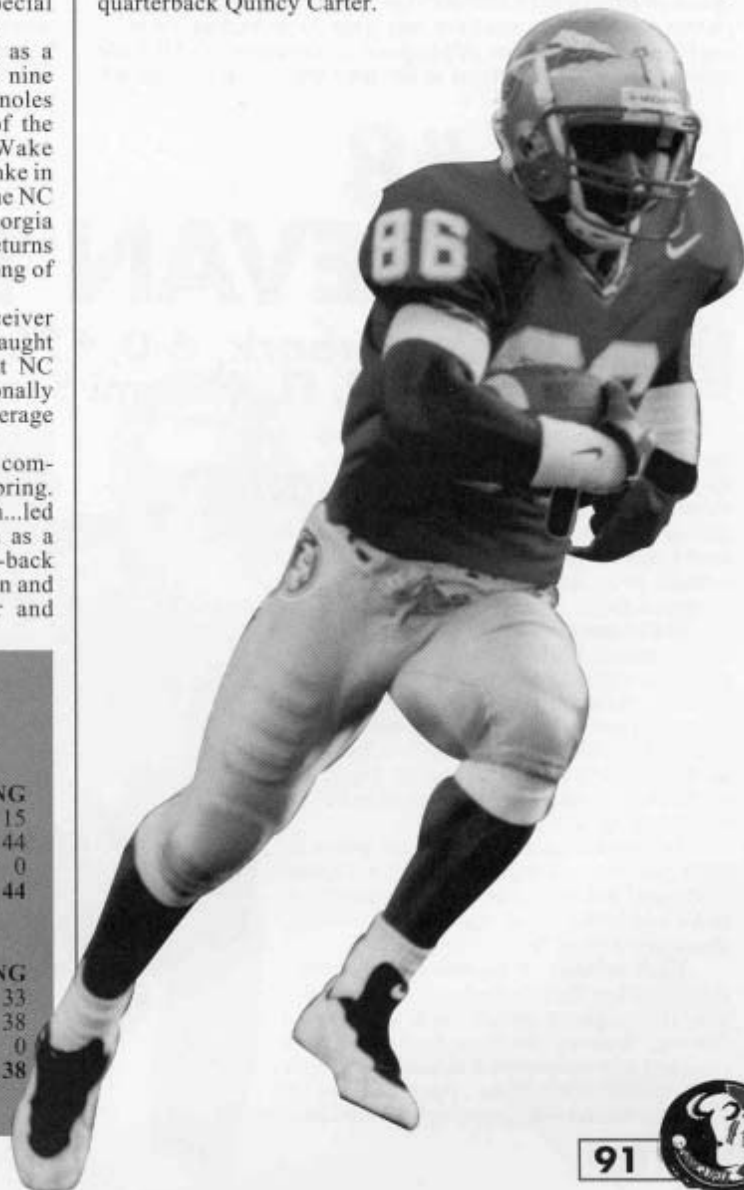
**Freshman Year (1996):** Saw limited time at wide receiver but contributed on special teams as a kickoff return man...caught one pass for 15 yards on the year...that grab came at NC State...helped FSU finish first in the ACC and 15th nationally in kickoff return average...led the team with 28.8 yards average on five returns...also returned one punt for four yards.

**1995:** Sat out the football season as a redshirt...did compete on Florida State's track and field team during the spring.

**High School:** Lettered three years for the football team...led Southwest Dekalb High School to the state semifinals as a junior and senior...selected All-County as a senior wing-back...lettered four years for the track team...all-state selection and state champion in the 100m and 200m as a junior and

senior...second fastest 100-meter time in the nation as a junior (10.18).

**Personal:** Child development major...born January 4, 1976...played last year's Fiesta Bowl on his birthday...second oldest player on the Seminole roster behind 27-year old quarterback Chris Weinke...high school teammate of Georgia starting quarterback Quincy Carter.



## STRINGER'S CAREER STATS

### Receptions

YEAR	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1996	1	15	15.0	0	15
1997	9	199	22.1	2	44
1998	0	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>44</b>

### Kickoff Returns

YEAR	RETURNS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1996	5	144	28.8	0	33
1997	13	273	21.0	0	38
1998	0	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>23.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>38</b>





## #3 MALCOLM TATUM

**Cornerback, 6-1, 170, Freshman  
Miami, FL (Killian)**

**At Florida State:** Will contribute as a backup at the right cornerback position in his first season...emerged as a valuable punt, extra point and field goal blocker during spring drills...potential to be a "Big Play" guy...had a fine spring that should result in playing time.

**1998:** Sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** Defensive back with excellent cover skills and speed...burst onto the Florida high school recruiting scene late during senior year...named the state's top cornerback prospect by the *Florida Times-Union*...also a great punt returner...an All-Dade selection as a senior...named to the third-team all-state Class 6A

squad...the No. 27 rated player in Florida according to the *St. Pete Times*...an All-Southeast selection by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game...chose FSU over Florida and Miami.

**Personal:** Born March 12, 1979...will not declare his major until after sophomore season...joins a long line of Dade County defensive backs to sign with the Seminoles (most recently - James Colzie, Samari Rolle, Shevin Smith, Stanford Samuels)...prep teammate of fellow Seminole defensive back Derrick Gibson.



## #8 CLEVAN THOMAS

**Cornerback, 6-0, 175, Junior  
Miami, FL (Miami Senior)**

**At Florida State:** Emerged as the starter at right cornerback after a strong spring practice, but must fight off talented returning starter Tay Cody in the fall...shared most improved defensive back honors in the spring for the second straight year...also an integral member of special teams units.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Played in all 13 games...backed up Tay Cody at the right cornerback position...contributed 10 tackles...six of his stops were unassisted...deflected a pass in the NC State game...also registered a tackle for loss against the Wolfpack...named to the Victor's Club list against Duke, Miami, Clemson and Florida...also garnered kicking game Victor's Club honors against USC.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Saw action in eight games as a backup as a true freshman...recorded two solo tackles on the season in Duke and Wake Forest games...had a third-down stop against Wake Forest.

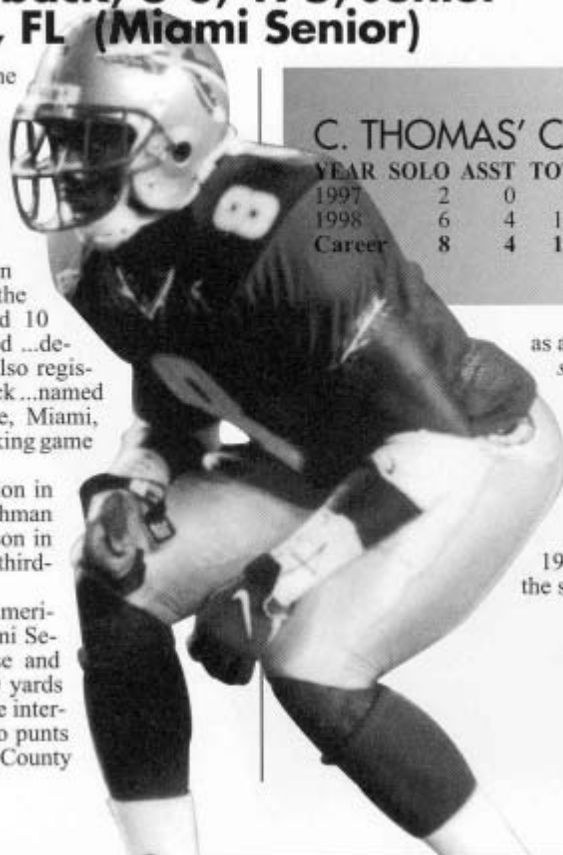
**High School:** A *SuperPrep* All-American following his senior season at Miami Senior High School...played both offense and defense, throwing for more than 1,500 yards and 15 touchdowns and adding five interceptions as a senior...returned two punts for touchdowns...named All-Dade County

### C. THOMAS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	ASST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	FC	FR	INT
1997	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	6	4	10	1	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

as a return man...listed on the *Tallahassee Democrat* Top 50 and *Florida Times-Union* Super 75...listed as the 23rd best prospect in Florida by the *St. Pete Times*...rated as the No. 20 prospect in Florida by *SuperPrep*...chose FSU over Miami, Clemson and Florida.

**Personal:** Born April 6, 1979...will not declare major until after the season.





# #57 ERIC THOMAS

**Center, 6-3, 300, Senior  
Miami, FL (Columbus)**

**At Florida State:** Enters the fall locked in a battle with junior Jarad Moon for the starting center job...came out of spring drills slightly ahead of Moon and is listed at first team on the depth chart entering preseason practice...started the first 10 games of the 1998 campaign before relinquishing the job to Moon...shared backup duties with Moon behind All-American Kevin Long in 1997...started twice for an injured Long as a redshirt freshman in 1996...named the offensive line's most dependable at the conclusion of spring drills by the coaching staff...one of only two returning starters at center in the ACC.

**Junior Year (1998):** Started the first 10 games of the season at center and played in all 13...split time with Jarad Moon at the challenging position...recorded 13 intimidations during the season...named to the Victor's Club after performances against Texas A&M, Duke, Clemson and Wake Forest...most versatile and athletic player on the line.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** A key reserve on a young and talented Seminole offensive front...saw action in every game while playing multiple positions...also provided support with the special teams units...spent some time in the spring working at guard...spent much of the year continuing to learn the offensive

system from veteran leaders.

**Freshman Year (1996):** Proved to be a capable and consistent performer as a redshirt freshman...started twice in place of an injured Kevin Long...opened at North Carolina State and Wake Forest...appeared in eight games during the season...saw most of his action with the second unit...had five pancake blocks on the season.

**1995:** Redshirted.

**High School:** A second team all-state Class 6A selection as a senior at Columbus High in Miami...named first team All-Dade County...*SuperPrep's* No. 28 offensive line prospect nationwide...rated third best offensive guard in state by *Florida Times-Union*...the *National Recruiting Advisor's* No. 10 guard in the Southeast.

**Personal:** A child development major...born November 5, 1977 — the same day that FSU defeated Memphis State 30-9 en route to a 10-2 season.



## The Helmet

FLORIDA STATE'S GOLD HELMETS with garnet and white spears on both sides are the focal point

of a uniform which was named the "best in college football" in a fan poll by *Sports Illustrated*.

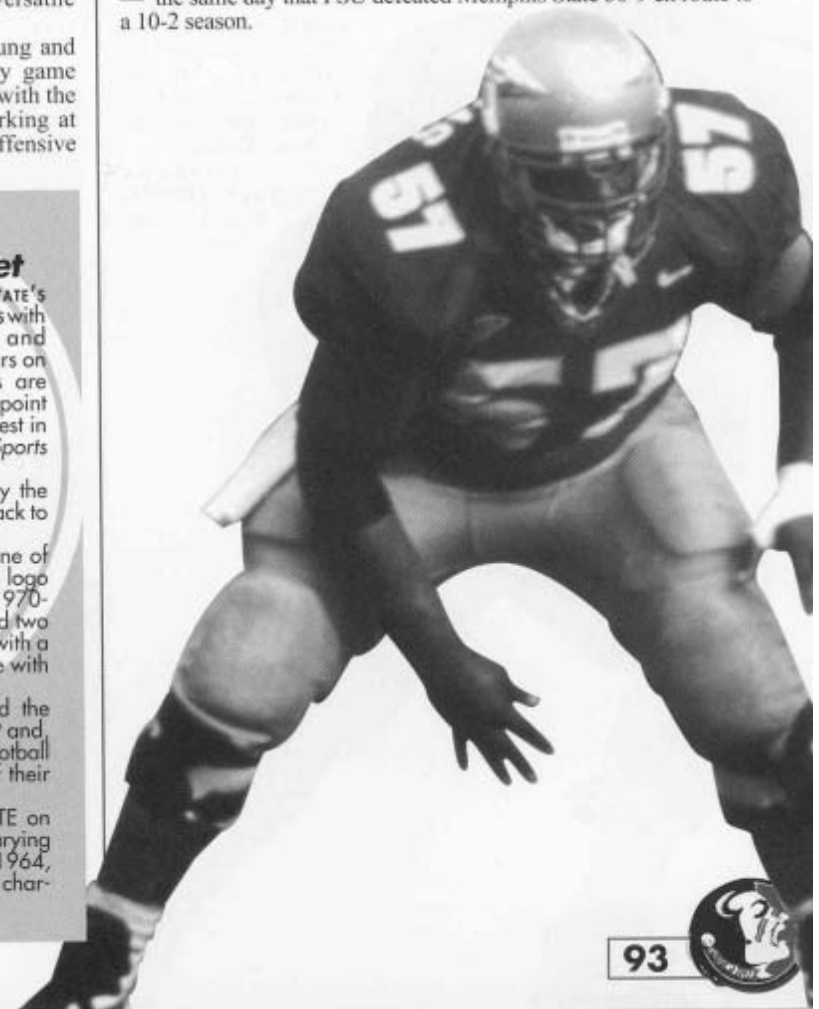
The Seminoles have had virtually the same headgear for 23 years dating back to Bobby Bowden's arrival in 1976.

FSU's 1975 helmet had the outline of the state with a large Seminole head logo where Tallahassee would be. From 1970-74, the helmet had a garnet stripe and two white stripes down the middle, along with a logo of the state of Florida on the side with the word STATE written along it.

The Seminoles' helmets reflected the 100th year of college football in 1969 and, like many schools, the Tribe wore a football with 100 printed on it on the side of their headgear.

Helmets featured the word STATE on the sides of a gold helmet with varying stripes from 1964-68, and prior to 1964, Florida State's helmets had few unique characteristics. ■

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# #60 TARLOS THOMAS

**Offensive Tackle, 6-5, 320, Junior  
Monticello, FL (Jefferson County)**

**At Florida State:** Returns to his starting position at tight tackle, but will have a pre-season battle on his hands to keep the spot...started every game last season as a sophomore...carries experience into the 1999 season after playing all 13 games last year for the third-ranked Seminoles.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Started every game at tight helping the team advance to the national title game at the Fiesta Bowl against Tennessee...one of several young offensive linemen who had to learn on the job in 1998...improved steadily throughout the year...proved durable over the season...named Dominator of the Week after the Virginia game...had 16 intimidations...was named to the Victor's Club after

his performances against Texas A&M, Southern California, Maryland, Miami, Clemson, Georgia Tech, Virginia and Wake Forest.

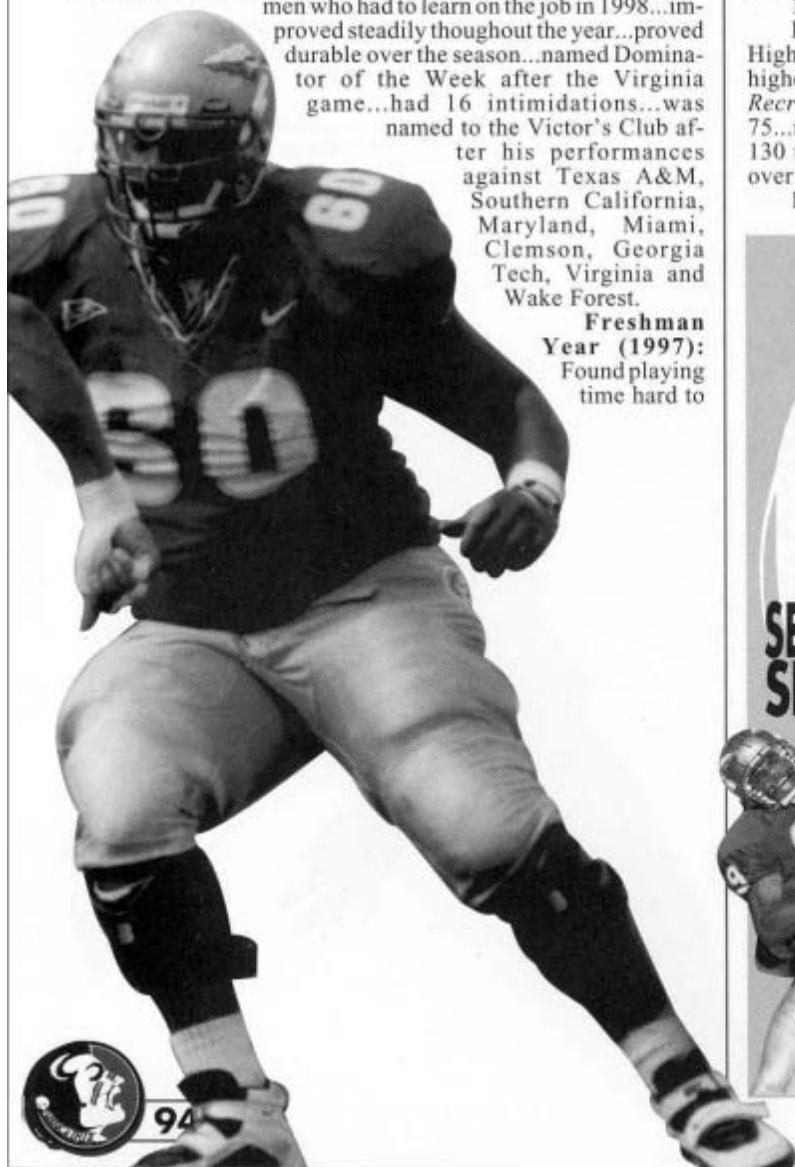
**Freshman Year (1997):**  
Found playing time hard to

come by behind Tra Thomas (no relation) who became the second consecutive FSU tight tackle to be selected in the first round of the NFL draft when he was taken with the 11th pick by Philadelphia (Walter Jones, who started as a rookie in Seattle last year, was the other)...made the Victor's Club after an impressive outing in the second game of his career against Maryland...also earned playing time on field goal and extra point units.

**1996:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Played center at nearby Jefferson County High School...a first team Class 3A selection...received the highest possible rating in *Deep South Football* and the *National Recruiting Advisor*...tabbed a *Florida Times-Union* Super 75...named to Tom Lemming's All-America team...recorded 130 tackles and 16 sacks as a defensive lineman...chose FSU over UCLA, South Carolina, Kentucky and Florida.

**Personal:** A criminology major...born August 23, 1977.



## Football Since 1902

FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE did, in fact, play football during the 1902-1904 school years and played well indeed. The first game in 1902 was a 5-0 win over South Georgia Military on November 21 when touchdowns were worth five points. The NCAA nor the governing body at the time recognizes the early games for FSC, although the school won the state championship in '04. The 1904 season included a 23-0 win over Florida in Lake City. The school then became the Florida State College for Women and would remain one of the nation's top all female institutions until the large number of returning veterans from World War II triggered the state system to open Florida State University to men in 1946. The school resumed football in 1947, taking on Stetson in its first game. ■

## SEMINOLE SIDeline





# #93 CHRIS WALKER

**Defensive End, 6-6, 230, Senior  
Cocoa, FL (Cocoa Beach)**



## WALKER'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	SACKS	PBU	INT
1996	0	4	4	0	0	0	0
1997	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	2	3	5	0	0	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**At Florida State:** Begins his final season at Florida State at second team right defensive end on the depth chart where he will backup Jamal Reynolds...has been a valuable contributor on special teams throughout his career...enjoyed the most productive spring of his career to put himself in position to contribute as a senior...had a pair of sacks in the spring game...was named most dependable defensive lineman after spring drills along with fellow end Roland Seymour...one of the top academic performers on the team.

**Junior Year (1998):** Appeared in every game during the 1998 campaign as a member of special teams and as a reserve at defensive end...made five tackles on the season with two solo stops...notched a career-high when he had three tackles against Duke...added tackles against Miami and Wake Forest...credited with 16 blocks on punt returns.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Saw most of his playing time during his sophomore season on special teams...played in all 13 games...notched his only tackle of the year in the Sugar Bowl win over Ohio State...excellent student who earned the outstanding overall academic achievement award at the annual football banquet.

**Freshman Year (1996):** Played in every game as a redshirt freshman...earned most of his playing time on special teams, while seeing spot duty at defensive end...finished the year with four assisted tackles...had two stops against Duke and one each versus Clemson and Georgia Tech...key performer on special teams...provided a crucial block that led to Dee Feaster's punt return for a touchdown against Duke...earned Victor's Club honors for special teams following that game.

**1995:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Totaled 59 tackles, two sacks, 15 tackles for loss, four fumble recoveries, three fumbles caused and two blocked kicks at Cocoa Beach High...a member of Forrest Davis' second-team All-South squad...*SuperPrep's* No. 21 line-backer in the nation and 14th prospect in Florida... rated as the *National Recruiting Advisor's* No. 6 defensive end in the Southeast...Tom Lemming's No. 72 prospect in the Southeast...member of *Atlanta Constitution's* Super Southern 100...also ran track with a 50.8 400-meter time, 21'7" long jump and 6'4" high jump.

**Personal:** Born August 20, 1976...majoring in criminology.

## SEMINOLE SIDeline



### Doak S. Campbell Stadium Has Grown

THE FOOTBALL HOME for the Seminoles since 1950, Doak S.

Campbell stadium was named after the popular Florida State president who was instrumental in the development of intercollegiate athletics at the new university. In order to help finance the stadium, a five-year season ticket was offered for \$50.00 and FSU players helped paint the stadium at \$1 per hour. FSU's "new" Doak Campbell Stadium seats 80,000 fans and is considered one of the finest facilities in the country. It has been a gradual addition to the 15,000 seats that the original stadium featured which has brought FSU to its proud "new" home. ■





## #99 DAVID WARREN

**Defensive End, 6-5, 250, Junior  
Tyler, TX (John Tyler)**

**At Florida State:** The *USA Today* National Defensive Player of the Year as a high school senior...enters the season listed at second team on the depth chart at left defensive end behind Roland Seymour...coaches consider him a co-starter along with Seymour and Jamal Reynolds...made 30 tackles and three sacks as a sophomore and has four career sacks...has a knack for making big blocks on special teams.

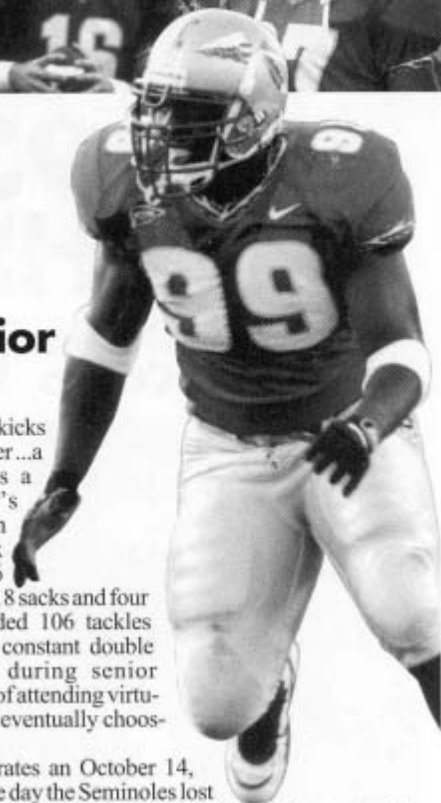
**Sophomore Year (1998):** One of eight sophomores on the Florida State defensive two-deep who saw extensive playing time...finished the year with 30 tackles, including five for loss...also added three sacks and a pass breakup...started the season with three tackles (one for loss) and two quarterback pressures in the Kickoff Classic versus Texas A&M...had a big day in the win over USC with four tackles, one sack, a caused fumble and two pressures...had a season-high five stops and a sack at Maryland...had three tackles and a sack at Wake Forest.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Played in 11 of 12 games as a true freshman...record 16 tackles (eight solo) on the year...notched his first collegiate sack in his first game against Maryland...used rush skills as a special teams contributor...had two or more tackles in seven games...tallied a season-high five tackles in the win at Duke...added two more stops in the Sugar Bowl win over Ohio State.

**High School:** *USA Today's* Defensive Player of the Year following his senior season at John Tyler High...a *Parade* and *SuperPrep* All-American...named to the *PrepStar* Dream Team...also that publication's No. 1 defensive lineman nationally and No. 1 player overall in the Big 12 region...rated as the top rush end nationally and No. 2 player overall by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...the top-rated defensive prospect according to Tom Lemming and ESPN SportsZone...a two-time Texas Defensive Player of the Year...accumulated 31

sacks and 19 blocked kicks during high school career...a standout performer as a sophomore on Tyler's state championship team with 124 tackles and six sacks...piled up 126 tackles as a junior with 18 sacks and four blocked punts...re-corded 106 tackles and 8.5 sacks despite constant double and triple teaming during senior campaign...had option of attending virtually any college before eventually choosing FSU over Texas.

**Personal:** Celebrates an October 14, 1978 birthday...born the day the Seminoles lost 55-27 at Mississippi State...will not declare his major until after sophomore season...relative of former NFL great Earl Campbell, who also attended Tyler High.



### WARREN'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	SACKS	PBU	INT
1997	8	8	16	1	1	0	0
1998	12	18	30	5	3	2	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>



## #9 PETER WARRICK

**Flanker, 6-0, 195, Senior  
Bradenton, FL (Southeast)**

**At Florida State:** Heisman Trophy and Biletnikoff Award candidate who turned down probable NFL Draft top 10 status to return to Florida State for his senior season...has already established himself as one of the finest receivers in Seminole history through just three seasons...his 2,583 career receiving yards ranks fourth in program history as do his 136 all-time catches...has 23 career TD catches that ties for fourth on the all-time list...needs 1,016 receiving yards, 77 catches and seven touchdown grabs to become FSU's career leader in each of the categories...joins former Florida State greats Andre Wadsworth, Warrick Dunn and Derrick Brooks

in turning down an opportunity to head to the NFL early and came back to school for their final year.

**Junior Year (1998):** Earned consensus All-America honors after one of the finest seasons by a wide receiver in Florida State history...finalist for the Biletnikoff Award as well as a first team Associated Press and Walter Camp All-American...also earned first team All-ACC after catching 61 passes for 1,232 yards and scoring 12 touchdowns...reception total ranked eighth on the school season list while his yardage total was third...11 TD grabs tied for fourth on the season list...averaged 20.2 yards per catch and 102.7 per game...ranked





second in the ACC and seventh nationally in receiving yards per game...averaged 127.1 all-purpose yards to rank fifth in the league and 45th in the nation...had seven 100-yard receiving games and 10 with at least 80 yards...top game yardage wise was a seven-catch, 190-yard, one touchdown performance in Florida State's 26-14 win at Miami...made a career-high nine catches for 106 yards and a TD in the season-opener against Texas A&M...had a memorable game in FSU's win over Florida in the regular season finale...caught eight passes for 119 yards, including a 32-yard score...also threw a 46-yard touchdown pass to Ron Dugans on a fake reverse that put the game away...scored at least one touchdown in 10 games...held out of the end zone against just Maryland, Wake Forest and Tennessee in the Fiesta Bowl...was at his best against the nine teams FSU played that spent time in the AP Top 25...averaged 5.4 catches for 110.6 yards and scored 10 touchdowns in those games...also a threat on the reverse and on punt returns...rushed 13 times for 85 yards and a 19-yard TD (at Georgia Tech)...averaged 13.9 yards on 15 punt returns to rank third in the ACC and eighth in the country.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Had a breakout season as a sophomore when he earned second team All-ACC honors...was a semifinalist for the Biletnikoff Award...totaled 53 receptions for 884 yards and eight TDs...averaged 16.7 yards per catch with a long of 80...numbers do not include the Sugar Bowl when he burned Ohio State for 82 yards on three catches...averaged 80.4 receiving yards per game to rank 30th nationally...handled the majority of punt return chores...brought back 29 punts for an average of 13.4 yards to rank 16th in the country...had his national coming out party at Clemson when he caught eight passes for 249 yards and two touchdowns...was just the third player in Florida State history to go over 200 receiving yards in a game and his 249 yards were the third highest total in school annals...also added a 90-yard punt

return for a score in that game, the second longest runback in FSU history...total of 372 all-purpose yards against Clemson was the second best single-game total in ACC history...had 134 yards and a touchdown on five catches at Duke...caught two passes versus Maryland...made seven grabs for 93 yards and a score against Wake Forest...caught six passes twice - at Southern Cal and versus Georgia Tech...finished fourth in the ACC in all-purpose yardage at 116.3 yards per game...averaged 43.4 yards on each of his touchdowns and six of his nine came from 35 yards or longer...punt return numbers would have been even more impressive had three returns for touchdowns not been called back by penalty...earned ACC Offensive Back of the Week after the Clemson game.

**Freshman Year (1996):** Played in every game as a redshirt freshman...averaged 21.2 yards per catch to lead FSU...second on the team in receiving yardage (467) and fourth in receptions (22)...recorded a touchdown catch and a spectacular 36-yard run on a reverse at Georgia Tech...caught four passes for 87 yards to set season bests against Southern Miss...had three catches for 72 yards including a touchdown grab of 42 yards in his first career start against Wake Forest...pulled down a 44-yard touchdown after tipping the ball away from two defenders against Maryland...had three receptions for 76 yards in that game...accounted for 70 of FSU's 134 receiving yards on three catches in a 24-21 win over Florida...returned nine kickoffs for a 20.9 yard average and had a team-best long of 48 yards...totaled 114 yards on 10 punts returns.

**1995:** Sat out the season as a redshirt.

**High School:** Led Southeast High in Bradenton to two consecutive state titles...played wide receiver as a junior with 36 receptions for over 600 yards and nine touchdowns...played quarterback as a senior, rushing for 673 yards and 13 touchdowns while completing 49 of 96 passes for 1,109 yards, 13 TDs...returned four punts for touchdowns during junior and senior seasons...considered by some to be the nation's best wide receiver...*National Recruiting Advisor* No. 1 wide receiver and No. 7 player nationally...Max Emfinger's No. 1 receiver...first team class 5A All-State...*Parade* All-American...Forrest Davis' first team All-South...*USA Today* honorable mention...Tom Lemming's No. 3 player in the Southeast...member of *Blue Chip Illustrated's* Dream Team...*Tampa Tribune's* No. 10 player nationally...state runner-up in the long jump as a junior at 23'4".

**Personal:** A political science major...born June 19, 1977...good friend of the reigning NFL Rookie of the Year, Minnesota Vikings wide receiver Randy Moss...friendship stems from Moss' one season at FSU...voted the team's best dresser in an informal poll of his teammates last season.

## WARRICK'S CAREER STATS

### Receiving

YEAR	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1996	22	467	21.2	4	59
1997	53	884	16.7	8	80
1998	61	1,232	20.2	11	79
<b>Career</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>2,583</b>		<b>23</b>	<b>80</b>

### Rushing

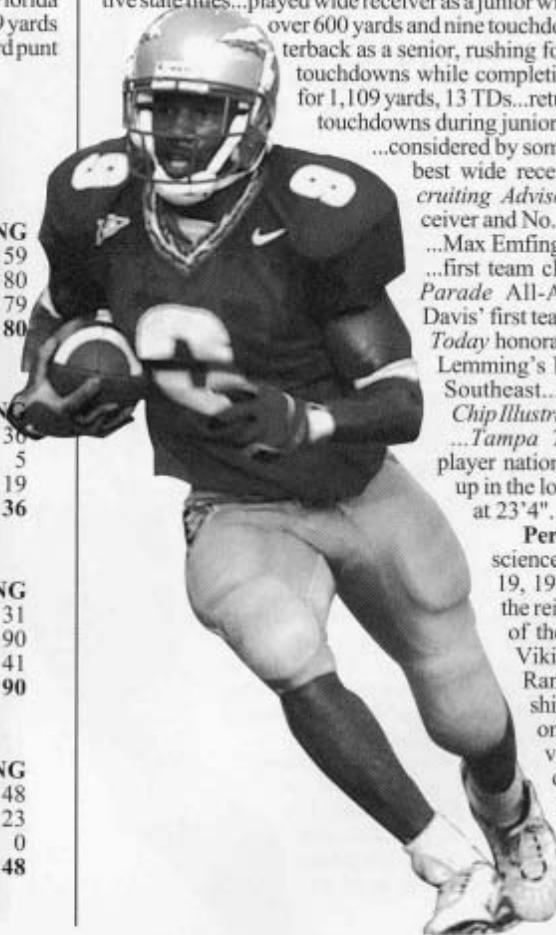
YEAR	RUSHES	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1996	8	20	2.5	0	36
1997	3	-16	-5.3	0	5
1998	13	85	6.5	1	19
<b>Career</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>36</b>

### Punt Returns

YEAR	RETURNS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1996	10	114	11.4	0	31
1997	29	388	13.4	1	90
1998	15	208	13.9	0	41
<b>Career</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>710</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>90</b>

### Kickoff Returns

YEAR	RETURNS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
1996	9	188	20.9	0	48
1997	1	23	23.0	0	23
1998	0	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>21.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>



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# #16 CHRIS WEINKE

**Quarterback, 6-5, 240, Junior  
St. Paul, MN (Cretin-Derham)**

**At Florida State:** One of the nation's top returning quarterbacks, who was one of the most efficient signal-callers in the country before going down with an injury late last season...candidate for All-America and All-ACC honors as he enters his second season as the starting quarterback for the Seminoles...tied the FSU record with nine 200-yard passing games last year...set a new school record in his first season with an average of 17.2 yards per completed pass...played in 10 games over his sophomore season before suffering a severe neck injury in the first half of the Virginia game...underwent major surgery to repair ligament damage, ruptured disc and remove a bone chip that was lodged against a nerve in his neck...currently maintains a streak of 218 pass attempts without an interception...one of nine returning starters on the offensive side of the ball...did not participate in spring drills but spent that time rehabilitating...was able to throw in some drills during the latter stages of spring ball...combines maturity with arm strength and great size to give the Seminoles a classic dropback passer...oldest member of the Seminole team who will be 27 years old by the time the season starts...an excellent student that was named to the ACC All-Academic team last year.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Started the first 10 games of the year before going down with a season-ending neck injury...had a streak of 218 pass attempts without an interception over the last eight games...completed 115 of those passes for 2,037 yards and 17 touchdowns...set a Florida State single-season record for most yards per completion at 17.2 yards per catch...single-season record was 15.6, set by Eric Thomas in 1984...tied an FSU record with nine 200-yard passing games...ranks 10th on the FSU season touchdown list with 19...1998 season ranks 10th on the FSU season passing list with 2,487 yards...led the ACC with a quarterback efficiency rating of 141.5...had at least one touchdown pass in every game...recorded a career-high 338 yards on 15-of-27 passing and two touchdowns against North Carolina...had a season-high four TD passes and completed 18-of-35 passes for 302 yards versus Clemson...led FSU to their fourth straight victory over Miami, throwing two touchdown passes and completing 17-of-32 for 316 yards...Miami victory marked the first 300-yard performance of his career...made his first career start against Texas A&M in the Kickoff Classic, completing 21-of-36 passes for 207 yards and one touchdown...earned Dominator of the Week honors on the offensive side of the ball following the Duke, Miami and Clemson games.

**Freshman Year (1997):** Played in two games, completing 7-of-13 passes for 82 yards and two touchdowns...connected on 5-of-10 passes for 48 yards and touchdown in the win over Maryland...was 2-of-3 for 43 yards and a score in relief work against Wake Forest.

**High School:** The top prep quarterback in the country in 1989 as a senior at Cretin-Derham High School...recruited by more than 70 Division I schools...signed with FSU out of high school and spent four days in August of 1990 on the Florida State campus before signing a professional baseball contract with the Toronto Blue Jays (second round pick)...a *Parade* and *USA Today* first team All-America selection as a senior...named Minnesota's player of the year...completed

288 of 403 passes for 3,956 yards and 24 touchdowns over 21-game high school career...totaled 1,579 yards on 288-of-403 passing (12 TDs) as a senior and 2,377 yards on 127-of-187 passing (12 TDs) as a junior...led team to state title as a junior...also captained Cretin-Derham's hockey squad...attended same high school as former Miami quarterback Steve Walsh...originally chose FSU over Alabama, Arizona State, Illinois, Minnesota and Miami...selected the Seminoles over Arizona, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Washington this time around.

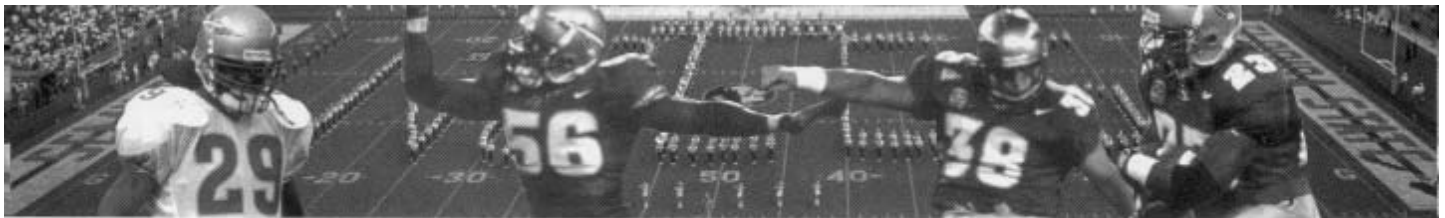
**Personal:** Spent six years in the Toronto Blue Jays organization before returning to Florida State in the spring of 1997...majoring in sport management...born July 31, 1972...actively involved in charities and various youth groups...earned the top football academic award for the sophomore class at the football banquet...selected to the list of Who's Who in American Student-Athletes this past spring...sister, Sarah, will be a senior on the University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire softball team and a three-time All-Regional selection...brother, Derek, is an assistant coach for the Cretin-Derham High School baseball team, annually one of the top 10 high school baseball programs in the country.

## WEINKE'S CAREER STATS

YEAR	ATT-COM-INT	PCT	YARDS	TDS	LONG
1997	13-7-1	.538	82	2	25
1998	288-145-6	.507	2487	19	79
<b>Career</b>	<b>299-145-7</b>	<b>.525</b>	<b>2569</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>79</b>



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# #68 JASON WHITAKER

**Offensive Guard, 6-5, 300, Senior  
Panama City, FL (Mosley)**

**At Florida State:** One of four returning All-Americans for the Seminoles in 1999...also named first team All-ACC along with fellow offensive lineman Ross Brannon last season...the Seminoles return all five starters on the offensive front and Whitaker is the most experienced and the leader of the group...led last year's offensive unit that reached the National Championship game with only two seniors in the starting lineup...has started every game for the Seminoles over the last two seasons and a total of 28 over his career.

**Junior Year (1998):** Joined Peter Warrick, Sebastian Janikowski and Corey Simon as one of four Seminoles named to All-America teams when he was named to the Football Writer's first team...voted a third team Associated Press All-American...one of seven Seminoles named first team All-ACC last year...also named to the All-ACC Academic team last year...started all 13 games at split guard for the Tribe during their run to the National Championship game...named a Dominator of the Week after the NC State and Virginia games...led the offensive line with 36.5 intimidations...did not allow a sack all season...an eight-time member of the Victor's Club.

**Sophomore Year (1997):** Became one of FSU's most dependable players...started all 13 games at split guard and earned second-team All-Atlantic Coast Conference honors...named FSU's Dominator of the Week after the Duke game...was a nine-time member of the Victor's Club...FSU's running game improved steadily throughout last season due in no

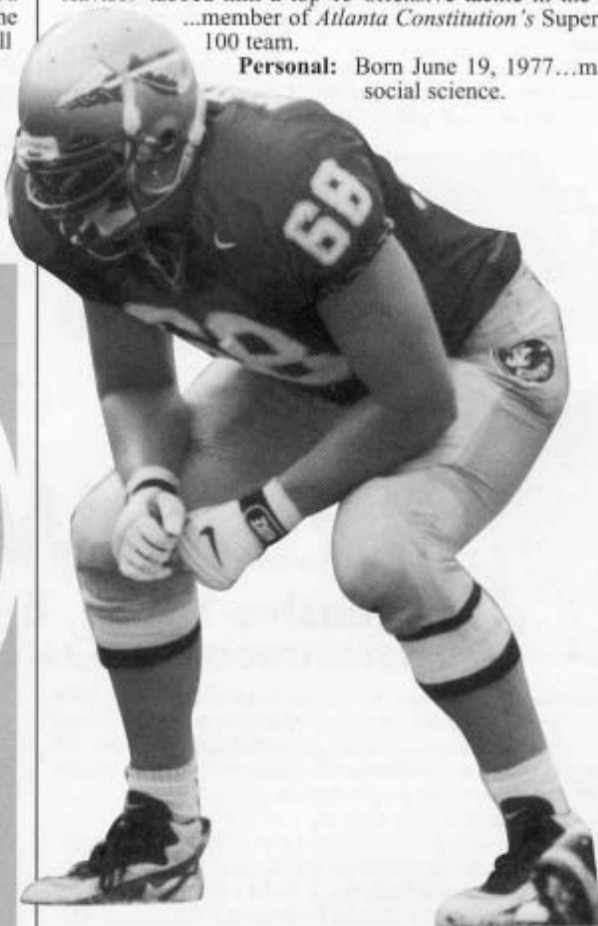
small part to the emergence of Whitaker as a top blocker...provided excellent pass protection and was rarely beaten.

**Freshman Year (1996):** Had a productive season as a red-shirt freshman...was the first FSU offensive lineman since Lewis Tyre in 1992 to start the first game as a true freshman...started the next game, at NC State and against North Carolina, before coming off the bench for the next nine...earned Victor's Club honors following the NC State, Miami and Maryland contests...had 13 pancakes on the season.

**1995:** Redshirted.

**High School:** One of the most accomplished offensive linemen to come out of Mosley High in the last 10 years...second team All-South choice by Forrest Davis...rated the state's No. 4 offensive tackle by *Florida Times-Union*...*National Recruiting Advisor* tabbed him a top 15 offensive tackle in the Southeast...member of *Atlanta Constitution's* Super Southern 100 team.

**Personal:** Born June 19, 1977...majoring in social science.



## Tough Schedule

FLORIDA STATE'S SCHEDULE annually ranks among the toughest in the country. In fact, in the last three

seasons alone, the Seminoles have played at least six games against ranked teams each year. In seven of the last eight years and eight of the last 10, FSU has also played at least six ranked teams each season. Florida State had seven games against ranked teams in 1992 and 1993 and played against six ranked foes in '89, '91, '94, '96, '97, '98. ■

## SEMINOLE Sideline





## #96 RANDY WILKINS

**Noseguard, 6-3, 245, Junior  
Jacksonville, FL (Nease)**

**At Florida State:** Will likely see some playing time along the interior defensive line this fall...hard worker who has seen limited action in his first two seasons after walking on with the FSU program...made progress during the spring and is listed at third team noseguard entering the fall behind Corey Simon and Chris Woods...named FSU's most valuable non-scholarship defensive player by the coaching staff following the spring.

**Sophomore Year (1998):** Appeared in seven games during his sophomore campaign...finished the year with seven tackles...provided depth along the interior defensive front and played on special teams...saw game time against Duke, Miami, Clemson, North Carolina, Virginia, Wake Forest and Florida...had two tackles against both Clemson and Virginia...recorded one against Duke, North Carolina and Wake Forest.

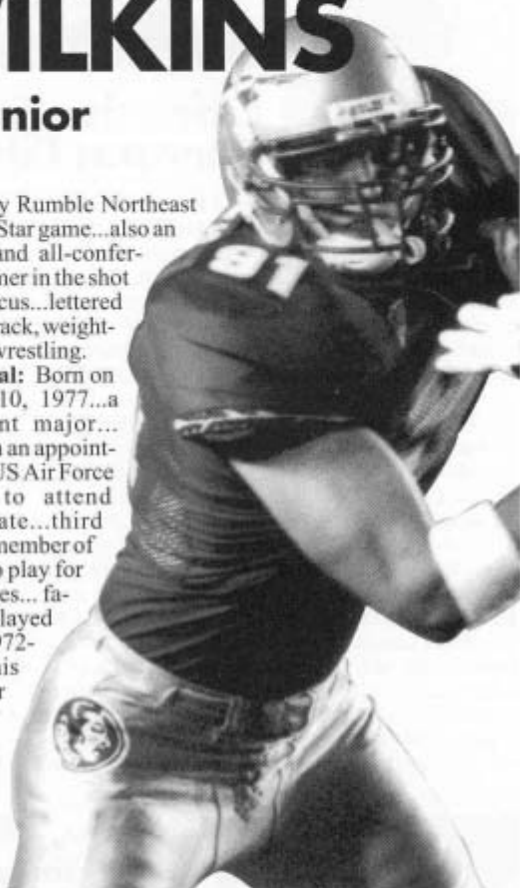
**Freshman Year (1997):** Saw limited action along the defensive line...did not record a tackle...key member of Florida State's scout teams.

**1996:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Selected to all-district, all-conference and all-county teams as a two-way player at Nease High...selected to play

in River City Rumble Northeast Florida All-Star game...also an all-district and all-conference performer in the shot put and discus...lettered in football, track, weightlifting and wrestling.

**Personal:** Born on November 10, 1977...a management major...turned down an appointment to the US Air Force Academy to attend Florida State...third generation member of his family to play for the Seminoles...father Terry played at FSU in 1972-73 while his grandfather Randy played in 1950.



### WILKINS' CAREER STATS

YEAR	SOLO	AST	TOT	TFL	QS	PBU	INT
1997	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	2	5	7	0	0	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



## #78 BRETT WILLIAMS

**Offensive Tackle, 6-6, 320, Freshman  
Kissimmee, FL (Osceola)**

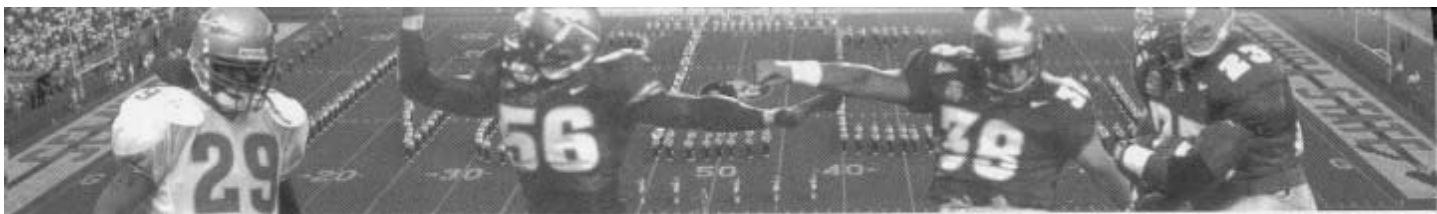
**At Florida State:** Enters the season listed at third team split tackle behind All-ACC performer Ross Brannon and Otis Duhart...will battle Duhart throughout the fall for backup duties...combines great strength with excellent footwork...coaches love his toughness and desire...should have a productive college career.

**1998:** Redshirted along with most of his class.

**High School:** One of the nation's top offensive line prospects after his senior campaign at Osceola High in Kissimmee...the No. 1 guard prospect in the country according to *SuperPrep*...named to the first-team *USA Today All-*

*USA* squad...a *Parade* All-America selection...rated among the top two guards in the country by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...a *Prepstar* Dream Team preseason selection...regarded as the No. 3 offensive lineman nationally by Tom Lemming...a Forrester Davis All-South first teamer...an *Orlando Sentinel* All-Southern pick...the *Tampa Tribune's* No. 20-rated national recruit (No. 4-rated offensive lineman) and state's No. 3 prospect...also tabbed as the No. 3 overall state prospect by the *St. Pete Times*... named to the *Times-Union's* Super 75 team...a member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern





100 team...graded out at 91 percent for the season as a senior and totaled 51 pancakes...has great quickness and upper body strength (4.9 in the 40, 370-pound bench press)...won state titles in the discus as a sophomore and both the discus and shot put as a junior, while also

lettering on the weightlifting team...owns personal bests of 177' in the discus and 60'4" in the shot...selected FSU over Florida and Alabama.  
**Personal:** Born May 2, 1980...will not decide on a major until after his sophomore year.



# #79 TODD WILLIAMS

**Offensive Tackle, 6-6, 300, Freshman  
Bradenton, FL (Southeast)**

Hard-nosed, young line prospect that begins the year listed at third team tight tackle...will backup returning starter Tarlos Thomas and Char-ron Dorsey...should get his feet wet with plenty of playing time...impressed coaches with his toughness during spring drills...owns great strength and surprisingly quick feet...just needs game experience to become a solid college player.

**1998:** Redshirted.

**High School:** One of the state's top offensive line prospects after his senior season at Southeast High in Bradenton...tabbed as the No. 5 offensive tackle in the state by the *Florida Times-Union*...rated

as the No. 27 state prospect by the *Tampa Tribune*...named one of the top seven offensive tackles in the Southeast by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...an *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100 pick...graded out at 85 percent with 24 pancakes during senior season...named to the Class 6A all-state second-team...chose FSU over South Carolina, Southern Mississippi and Michigan State.

**Personal:** Plans to major in criminology...born September 4, 1978... attended the same high school as Seminole wide receiver Peter Warrick.



# #98 CHRIS WOODS

**Noseguard, 6-3, 250, Freshman  
Orlando, FL (Jones)**

**At Florida State:** Enters his second season in Tallahassee with the opportunity to contribute at noseguard...begins the season listed at second team behind All-American Corey Simon...made a nice transition to the college game with an excellent showing this spring...named Florida State's most improved by the Seminole coaching staff following spring drills...also was voted the top defensive newcomer last spring by the coaches.

**1998:** Redshirted.

**High School:** Orange County Defensive Player of the Year after a dominating senior season at Jones High...recorded 128 tackles and six sacks during his final season...also forced six fumbles and recovered five despite nursing a fractured foot...broke his foot in the first game of the year but waited to have surgery until after the year...versatile performer in the prep ranks who played inside and outside linebacker, noseguard, tight end, fullback and deep snapper at Jones...led his team to the state playoffs all three of his years as a starter...All-Central Florida pick by the *Orlando Sentinel*...second team state Class 4A selection...finished as the state runner-up in the discus as a sophomore and junior...selected Florida State over Alabama, Tennessee, Florida and Georgia.

**Personal:** Born January 11, 1980...will not declare his major until after sophomore season.

**SEMINOLE  
SIDeline**

**Big City Visits**

FLORIDA STATE IS CERTAINLY well traveled when it comes to its football schedule. In the last three seasons alone, the Seminoles have played in the metro areas of Miami three times, Atlanta and New Orleans twice, and Los Angeles, New York, Orlando, Phoenix and Washington D.C. once. Dating back to the start of the decade, you can throw in Dallas, Detroit and Chicago as major metro areas the Tribe has been to. ■



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# THE PLAYERS

# FLORIDA STATE SIGNEES

## ANQUAN BOLDIN

QB, 6-2, 205

PAHOKEE, FL (PAHOKEE)

Listed as one of the top prospects in the country by nearly every publication...a *USA Today* All-USA first-team selection and Florida Player of the Year...Florida's Mr. Football...first-team Class 3A all-state player...*SuperPrep's* No. 1 skilled athlete and No. 1 prospect nationally...Gatorade Circle of Champions High School Football Player of the Year for Florida (overall athletic and academic performance)...ranked as the No. 7 prospect nationally by Tom Lemming...No. 1 prospect in Florida by the *St. Petersburg Times* and *Tampa Tribune*...ranked as the No. 1 prospect in Florida by the *Gainesville Sun*...the No. 37 prospect nationally by *The Sporting News*...named to the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100...member of the *Orlando Sentinel's* All-South team and the *Florida Times-Union* Super 75 team...named to the *PrepStar* Dream Team and listed as the No. 2 athlete in the nation...the top rated player in the state of Florida on Bill Buchalter's All-Southern team...as a senior, completed 133-of-233 passes for 2,842 yards and 36 touchdowns...also rushed for 1,497 yards and 20 touchdowns...grabbed four interceptions on defense...set a state record with 11,433 total yards in his career...cousin of current Seminole offensive lineman Ronald Boldin...selected Florida State over Florida and Miami.

## RUFUS BROWN

DB, 5-10, 185

EL PASO, TX (AUSTIN)

A high school option quarterback who will likely play cornerback for the Tribe...an all-district selection at quarterback...also played safety and cornerback at Austin...emerged as one of the top athletes in not only the state of Texas, but the entire country by the end of the recruiting season...*PrepStar's* No. 6 athlete in the country and No. 2 in the Big 12 region...the No. 71 player in the nation according to the *National Recruiting Advisor*...Tom Lemming's No. 62 prospect in the Southwest...quickness and athletic ability have drawn comparisons to Warrick Dunn and Reggie Durden...speed reported at 4.42 in the 40-yard dash...a regional qualifier in the long jump for the track team as a senior...has family in the state of Florida...chose FSU over Texas and Arizona.

## CORNELIUS COLLIER

LB, 6-1, 220

MIAMI, FL (PALMETTO)

Among the nation's best at the weakside linebacker position...earned first-team Class 6A honors following his senior season...rated the top weakside linebacker in the state by the *Florida Times-Union*...the No. 10 prospect in the state of Florida

by the *Gainesville Sun*...*SuperPrep's* No. 8 linebacker nationally...member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution's* Super Southern 100...named to the Super 27 by the *Orlando Sentinel*...No. 28 prospect in Florida according to the *Tampa Tribune*...garnered Florida Super 75 honors from the *Florida Times-Union*...rated among the top 10 weakside linebackers in the country by the *National Recruiting Advisor* and the No. 143 prospect in the Southeast by Tom Lemming...totaled 127 tackles and five sacks as a senior at Palmetto High...selected FSU over Auburn and Florida.

## DARNELL DOCKETT

DL, 6-4, 260

BURTONSVILLE, MD (PAINT BRANCH)

Regarded by many as the top defensive end in the nation...a first-team *USA Today* All-American and Maryland Player of the Year...a *Parade* All-American...1998 Gatorade Circle of Champions High School Player of the Year for Maryland (overall athletic and academic performance)...ranked the No. 2 prospect in the nation by RivalNet...rated the No. 3 prospect nationally by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...*SuperPrep's* No. 2 defensive lineman and No. 25 prospect nationally...No. 17 prospect in the country by *The Sporting News*...Tom Lemming's No. 6 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic region (No. 42 nationally)...ranked No. 13 in the country by the *Tampa Tribune*...named to *PrepStar's* Dream Team...also named the Defensive MVP of the ACC region and co-MVP nationally by the same publication...tallied 171 tackles (109 solo), 15 sacks, two caused fumbles, three recovered and three blocked punts in his senior season...set a school record with 47 sacks in his career...joins Tommy Polley as the second player from the state of Maryland on the roster...selected FSU over Ohio State and North Carolina.

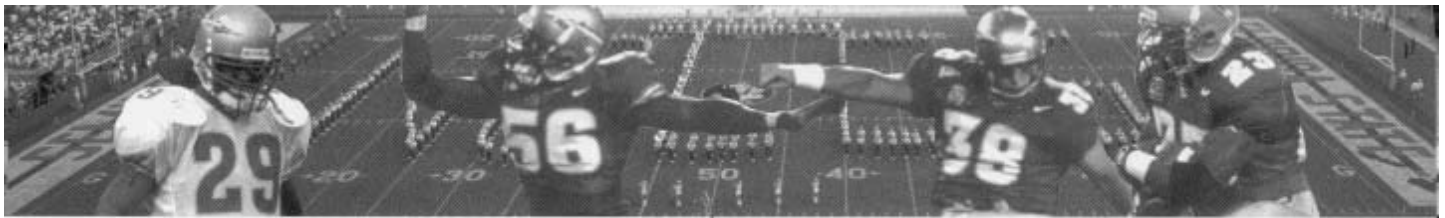
## KEVIN EMANUEL

DL, 6-4, 240

WACO, TX (WACO)

Heralded signee from the state of Texas who was originally a member of the 1998 class...enrolled last spring after meeting academic standards...tallied 71 tackles (29 solo), seven sacks, one interception (for a TD), two fumble recoveries and two fumbles caused in his senior season...had a 310-pound bench press and a 40-yard dash time of 4.83 out of high school...the Central Texas Defensive Player of the Year...David Garvin's No. 1 defensive end in the state of Texas and No. 5 player overall...rated among the top eight rush ends in the nation and tabbed an All-American by the *National Recruiting Advisor*...named as the No. 5 defensive line prospect in the Big 12 region by *PrepStar*...*SuperPrep's* No. 32 defensive lineman in the pre-season...cousin of Tampa Bay Buccaneer wide receiver Bert Emanuel...chose FSU over Texas, Colorado, Oklahoma State and Iowa.





## RANDY GOLIGHTLY

FB/LB, 6-2, 237

TALLAHASSEE, FL

(NORTH FLORIDA CHRISTIAN)

Tough, hard-nosed player who will likely play fullback for the Seminoles...played defense in high school, earning first-team Class 2A all-state honors as a linebacker...rated the No. 63 prospect in Florida by *SuperPrep*...ranked No. 116 in the Southeast by Tom Lemming...recorded 146 tackles (23 for a loss) as a senior...exceptional strength with a bench press of more than 420 pounds...selected FSU over Wake Forest and Southern Miss.

## ALONZO JACKSON

DL, 6-4, 245

AMERICUS, GA

(AMERICUS)

A standout defensive line prospect from the state of Georgia...joins high school teammate Fabian Walker in FSU's signing class...a *USA Today* Honorable Mention All-American...selected as a *SuperPrep* All-American after playing both offense and defense in high school...a first-team Class 2A all-state selection...ranked the No. 24 defensive lineman in the nation by *SuperPrep* and the No. 25 prospect by Dixie...rated the No. 110 player in the Southeast by Tom Lemming...member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution's* Super Southern 100 and Top 50 in Georgia...recorded 116 tackles, 16 sacks and three blocked kicks as a senior...selected FSU over Georgia and Florida.

## NICK MADDOX

RB, 6-0, 190

KANNAPOLIS, NC

(A.L. BROWN)

One of the most sought after running backs in the country...totaled 2,536 yards and 33 touchdowns on 267 carries as a senior (9.5 yards per carry)...had 20 catches for 268 yards and eight scores...added four punt returns for touchdowns of 50 yards or more...finished his career with 6,624 rushing yards and 114 total touchdowns (state record)...a *Parade* All-American and first-team *USA Today* All-USA selection...the *USA Today* Player of the Year for the state of North Carolina...Tom Lemming's No. 1 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic and No. 2 prospect nationally...*SuperPrep's* No. 4 running back (No. 14 player overall) nationally...No. 1 running back in the country by *PrepStar* and offensive MVP of the ACC region...regarded as the No. 8 prospect in the country by *The Sporting News*...listed at No. 22 overall by the *National Recruiting Adviser*...named the 1998 Gatorade Circle of Champions high school player of the year for the Southern region and state of North Carolina (overall athletic and academic achievement)...the No. 1 player in the state according to Bill Buchalter...also ran track and played basketball at Brown...led football team to 13-1 season as a senior...carried 10 times for 102 yards and two scores (12 and 60-yard runs) in the North Carolina/South Carolina Shrine Bowl...reported 40-yard dash of 4.5...chose FSU over Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee and Notre Dame.

## KENDYLL POPE

LB, 6-2, 212

LAKE CITY, FL (COLUMBIA)

Regarded by many as the best defensive player in the state of Florida and one of the top linebackers in the nation...a first-team *USA Today* All-American and *Parade* All-American...earned first-team Class 6A all-state honors...recognized as one of the top five players in Florida by Bill Buchalter...listed as the No. 14 prospect in Florida and No. 63 nationally by the *Tampa Tribune*...No. 32 prospect in the nation according to *The Sporting News*...the No. 5 linebacker in the country by *SuperPrep*...named to the Super 27 by the *Orlando Sentinel*...member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* Super Southern 100...ranked the No. 3 prospect in the state by the *Gainesville Sun*...rated as one of the Super 75 prospects in Florida by the *Florida Times-Union*...named to *PrepStar's* Dream Team and rated the No. 3 linebacker in the country...recorded 175 tackles, seven sacks and four caused fumbles as a senior...hails from the same high school as current FSU player Brian Allen and former FSU All-American Reinard Wilson...selected FSU over Florida, Alabama, Tennessee and Ohio State.

## FABIAN WALKER

QB, 6-2, 205

AMERICUS, GA (AMERICUS)

Talented quarterback who stacks up among the best in the country...set the Georgia state record for career passing yards (8,281 yards) and touchdowns (81)...a *USA Today* All-USA honorable mention selection...named Georgia high school player of the year as well as Class 2A all-state following his senior year...member of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution's* Super Southern 100 and Georgia Top 50 teams...selected to the *Orlando Sentinel's* All-Southern team...rated the No. 16 player in the Southeast and No. 43 nationwide by Tom Lemming...listed as the state of Georgia's No. 3 prospect by Bill Buchalter...ranked the No. 66 recruit nationally by the *Tampa Tribune*...finished his senior season with 3,187 yards passing and 30 touchdowns...totaled over 8,100 yards and 80 TD over his career...speed reported at 4.6 in the 40...joins Americus teammate Alonzo Jackson as a member of this year's FSU signing class...selected FSU over Georgia and Central Florida.

## B.J. WARD

DB, 6-4, 200

DALLAS, TX (KIMBALL)

Hard-hitting safety who emerged as one of the best players in the state of Texas...frame would allow for an additional 20-30 pounds if he made the move to linebacker...named to *PrepStar's* Big 12 region Super 30...rated the No. 3 defensive back prospect in that region by *PrepStar*...named to Bill Buchalter's All-Southern team...recorded 72 tackles and took all three of his interceptions back for touchdowns during senior season...picked off six passes as a junior...reported 40-yard dash times in the 4.4 range...also played basketball and ran track at Kimball...high school has produced college standouts





Delon Washington (USC) and Allen Wilbon (Colorado)...brother of Miami Hurricane cornerback Nick Ward...had pick of almost any school in the country, choosing FSU over Nebraska, Ohio State, Notre Dame and Michigan.

## COREY WHITAKER

OL, 6-4, 290  
PACE, FL (PACE)

Joins Kevin Emanuel as a spring enrollee after meeting academic standards...originally a member of the 1998 signing class...regarded as one of the top offensive linemen in the state two years ago...played tackle in high school, but is athletic enough to play either guard or tackle at the collegiate level...attended the same high school as former Seminole quarterback Thad Busby...graded out at 80 percent or better on his blocks over junior and senior seasons...a *Florida Times-Union* Super 75 selection at guard...recognized as one of the top 50 offensive line prospects in the Southeast by



**Chris Hope (above)** was one of just four members of last year's signing class who played in their first year with the Seminoles. Hope enjoyed great success on the field and even greater success in the classroom as he was the top academic performer among the freshmen.

**Tight End Patrick Hughes (right)** joined Chris Hope, Robert Morgan and Raymont Skaggs as the only members of last year's signing class to see immediate action.

*PrepStar*...tabbed as an All-American by *the National Recruiting Advisor*...selected FSU over Alabama, Syracuse and Florida.

## JEFF WOMBLE

DL, 6-3, 295  
DUNWOODY, GA  
(DUNWOODY)

Listed as one of the top defensive tackle prospects in the nation...a second-team *USA Today* All-American...earned first-team Class 4A all-state honors as a senior...the No. 4-ranked defensive lineman in the country and the No. 29 prospect overall by *SuperPrep*...rated the No. 44 prospect in the country by the *National Recruiting Advisor* and Tom Lemming...listed at No. 29 in the country by the *Tampa Tribune*...recorded 69 tackles (40 solo), 15 tackles for loss, five caused fumbles and tallied 18 quarterback hurries this season...selected FSU over Tennessee, Georgia and Florida.

### Blocked Punts & Kicks In The Bowden Era

LARRY SMITH'S BLOCK of a Maryland field goal attempt in October of '98 marked the first time last season that the Seminoles blocked a kick or punt. The Seminoles blocked two punts in 1997 and a total of four punts and field goal in 1996. A breakdown of blocked kicks and field goals in the 1990's follows:

### SEMINOLE SIDeline

1998	Oct. 3	Maryland	Blocked FG
1997	Nov. 8	North Carolina	Blocked Punt
	Nov. 1	NC State	Blocked Punt
1996	Nov. 30	Florida	Blocked Punt
	Sept. 28	North Carolina	2 Blocked Punts
			Blocked FG
	Sept. 19	NC State	Blocked Punt
1995	Nov. 25	Florida	Blocked Punt
	Nov. 11	North Carolina	2 Blocked Punts
			1 Blocked Extra Point
	Sept. 23	Central Florida	Blocked FG
	Sept. 9	Clemson	Blocked Punt
1994	Sept. 10	Maryland	Blocked Punt
1993		none	
1992	Sept. 5	Duke	Blocked Punt
1991	Oct. 19	Middle Tenn. St.	Blocked Punt
1990	Dec. 29	Penn State	Blocked FG
	Oct. 27	LSU	Blocked Punt
	Sept. 15	Georgia Southern	Blocked Punt

Totals in the 1990's  
1990-1998 15 Blocked Punts 5 Blocked Kicks  
20 TOTAL

Previous Bowden Era  
1976-1989 52 Blocked Punts 14 Blocked Kicks  
66 TOTAL

Totals in the Bowden Era (269 games, 23 years)  
1976-1998 67 Blocked Punts 19 Blocked Kicks  
86 TOTAL

