



UCLA head coach Jim Mora speaks to the media on National Signing Day (Photo: Katie Meyers)

## Football Team Welcomes 2017 Recruiting Class

Bruins sign 18 players on National Signing Day.

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**LOS ANGELES** - Eighteen outstanding high school seniors from five different states have signed national letters-of-intent, grants-in-aid and/or offers of admission to UCLA, Bruin head football coach *Jim Mora* announced today. Eleven of the student-athletes attended high school in the state of California, three in Arizona, two in Florida and one each in Nevada and Texas. The class is ranked No. 18 nationally by ESPN.com, No. 19 by Rivals.com, No. 21 by Scout.com and **No. 14 by PrepStar**.

### Notes

- **2 Bruins ranked among nation's top-15 players by PrepStar** and Scout.com – DL Jaelan Phillips (5), DB Darnay Holmes (13)
- 9 earned at least a Scout.com four-star ranking – DL Martin Andrus, DB Elijah Gates, DB Darnay Holmes, TE Jimmy Jagers, LB Rahyme Johnson, DL Jaelan Phillips, DL Greg Rogers, DB Jaylan Shaw, OL Stephan Zabie'
- 8 of the new Bruins earned at least four-stars from Rivals.com --- DB Elijah Gates, DB Darnay Holmes, TE Jimmy Jagers, LB Rahyme Johnson, DL Jaelan

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**Martin Andrus – 6-2, 300, Defensive Line, Los Angeles Senior HS in Los Angeles, Calif.; Hometown: Long Beach, Calif.**

Four-star recruit according to Scout.com and listed as the No. 249 player in the nation on the Scout 300 ... Scout's No. 14 defensive tackle prospect in the nation and No. 46 on the West 150 List ... No. 26 recruit on the Scout California 100 List ... Listed as the No. 5 DT in the West by Scout.com ... **PrepStar All-American and No. 155 on the national list** ... CalHiSports.com first-team All-State ... Three-star Rivals.com recruit ... Rivals' No. 44 recruit on the California 100 list ... Rivals' No. 22 strong side defensive end in the country ... As a junior, he was credited with 125 tackles and 16 sacks ... Also attended St. Anthony HS in Long Beach, Calif.

**Austin Burton – 6-3, 203, Quarterback, West Orange HS in Winter Garden, Fla.;**

**Hometown: Winter Garden, Fla.**

Listed as a three-star prospect by Scout and as the No. 7 quarterback prospect in the state of Florida ... Rivals.com three-star recruit ... ESPN.com three-star recruit ... Transferred to West Orange for his senior season after attending Newton, Mass. South HS ... Threw 34 touchdown passes as a junior ... **PrepStar All-Southeast selection** ... Comes from athletic family where dad played football at Northwestern ... Grandfather played for the Boston Patriots ... Sisters played basketball at Lehigh and Villanova.

**Elijah Gates – 5-11, 170, Defensive Back, Buena Park HS in Buena Park, Calif.; Hometown: Pasadena, Calif.**

Listed as a four-star recruit by both Scout.com, ESPN.com and Rivals.com ... Scout's No. 5-ranked cornerback prospect in the West and No. 26 on the West 150 List ... No. 13 on the Scout California 100 List ... No. 111 on the Scout 300 list and the No. 12 cornerback prospect in the nation ... No. 31 recruit on the Rivals California 100 list and the No. 21 cornerback in the nation ... No. 232 on the Rivals 250 list ... **PrepStar All-American and No. 275 on the national list** ... As a senior, he made three interceptions on defense ... Also returned kicks and caught 27 passes for 363 yards and two touchdowns ... As a junior, he caught 33 balls for 747 yards and 10 touchdown passes.

**Darnay Holmes – 5-11, 190, Defensive Back, Calabasas HS in Calabasas, Calif.; Hometown: Pasadena, Calif.**

Listed as a five-star recruit by both Scout.com and Rivals.com ... Scout's No. 13 recruit nationally and the top-rated cornerback in the nation ... No. 5 on the Scout West 150 List ... No. 4 on the Scout California 100 List ... First-team Scout 2017 Class All-American ... Rivals' No. 4 cornerback prospect in the nation and the No. 27 rated player in the nation ... No. 4 on the Rivals California 100 list ... No. 41 on the ESPN 300 list and a four-star recruit ... No. 13 on the si.com National List ... **PrepStar Dream Team selection and No. 10 prospect on the national list** ... CalHiSports.com first-team All-State ... As a senior, he made 30 tackles ... On offense, he caught 69 passes for 1,214 yards and 14 touchdowns ... Totaled 39 receiving touchdowns for his prep career ... Also returned kicks ... Invited to the U.S. Army All-America Bowl Game ... Enrolled at UCLA in January of 2017.

**Igbinoghdua "Odua" Isibor – 6-4, 235, Defensive Line, St. Mary's HS in Phoenix, Ariz.; Hometown: Phoenix, Ariz.**

Listed as a three-star prospect by both Scout.com and Rivals.com ... Scout's No. 10-rated defensive end in the West ... No. 117 on the Scout West 150 List ... Rivals' No. 10 prospect from the state of Arizona and No. 38 weak side defensive end in the nation ... ESPN.com three-star recruit ... Invited to the U.S. Army All-America Bowl Game ... Credited with 110 tackles as a senior ... Made 13 tackles for loss, nine sacks and caused three fumbles ... Totaled 88 tackles as a junior with nine sacks.

**Jimmy Jagers – 6-4, 245, Tight End, Roseville HS in Roseville, Calif.; Hometown: Roseville, Calif.**

Listed as a four-star recruit by Scout.com and Rivals.com ... Rivals' No. 7 tight end prospect in the nation and No. 41 recruit on the California 100 List ... Scout's No. 12 tight end prospect in the nation and No. 71 on the West 150 List ... No. 42 on Scout's California 100 List ... No. 250 on the ESPN 300 list and a four-star recruit ... **PrepStar All-American and No. 253 on the national list** ... Caught 15 passes for 283 yards and two touchdowns as a senior ... Also credited with 27 tackles and 9.0 tackles for loss on defense ... Enrolled at UCLA in January of 2017.

**Rahyme Johnson – 6-4, 210, Linebacker, Bishop Mora Salesian HS in Los Angeles, Calif.; Hometown: Los Angeles, Calif.**

Four-star prospect according to Scout.com and listed No. 294 on the Scout 300 ... Scout's No. 20 outside linebacker prospect in the nation ... No. 55 on the Scout West 150 List ... No. 33 on the Scout California 100 List ... A Four-star recruit by Rivals.com ... Rivals.com No. 20 outside linebacker prospect in the nation and No. 37 recruit on the Rivals California 100 list ... Scout's No. 2-rated outside linebacker in the West ... ESPN.com three-star recruit ... **PrepStar All-West selection** ... As a senior, he was credited with 89 tackles, seven sacks and four interceptions.

**Quentin Lake – 6-1, 180, Defensive Back, Mater Dei HS in Santa Ana, Calif.; Hometown: Santa Ana, Calif.**

Listed as a three-star recruit by both Scout.com and Rivals.com ... No. 84 on the Scout

West 150 List ... Rivals' No. 49 cornerback prospect in the nation and No. 51 recruit on the California 100 list ... Scout's No. 6 safety prospect in the West ... No. 50 on the Scout.com California 100 List ... ESPN three-star prospect ... **PrepStar All-West selection** ... Credited with 28 tackles, two interceptions and nine pass defenses as a senior ... Picked off seven passes as a junior ... Son of Bruin All-America and NFL standout Carnell Lake.

**Morrell Osling III – 6-2, 185, Defensive Back, Antelope Valley HS in Lancaster, Calif.; Hometown: Lancaster, Calif.**

Listed as a three-star recruit by both Scout.com and Rivals.com ... Rated the No. 18 cornerback prospect in the West by Scout.com ... No. 144 on the Scout West 150 List ... No. 88 on the Scout.com California 100 List ... Rival's No. 80 prospect on the California 100 list ... **PrepStar All-West selection** ... As a junior, he made 14 tackles ... Caught eight passes for 125 yards and three touchdowns.

**Jaelan Phillips – 6-6, 250, Defensive Line, Redlands East Valley HS in Redlands, Calif.; Hometown: Redlands, Calif.**

Listed as a five-star recruit by ESPN and No. 3 recruit on the ESPN 300 list ... Five-star prospect according to Scout.com and No. 5 overall recruit in the country ... First-team Scout 2017 Class All-American ... Scout's top-rated DE prospect in the nation ... No. 3 on the Scout West 150 List ... No. 2 on the scout.com California 100 List ... Rivals.com five-star recruit and No. 6 on the Rivals 100 list ... No. 2 on the Rivals California 100 list ... Rivals' No. 2 weak side defensive end in the country ... No. 5 on the si.com National List ... **PrepStar Dream Team selection and No. 13 national recruit** ...

CalHiSports.com first-team All-State ... Invited to the U.S. Army All-America Bowl game ... As a senior, he was credited with 142 tackles and 21 sacks ... Totaled 76 tackles, 10.5 sacks and two interceptions as a junior ... Enrolled at UCLA in January 2017.

**Kanan Ray – 6-4, 275, Offensive Line, Sierra Canyon HS in Chatsworth, Calif.; Chatsworth, Calif.**

A four-star prospect according to Rivals.com and No. 27 offensive tackle in the nation ... Rivals' No. 34 prospect on the California 100 list ... ESPN four-star prospect and No. 279 on the ESPN 300 National List ... Three-star recruit according to Scout.com and No. 3 center in the West ... No. 59 on the Scout.com California 100 List ... No. 98 on the Scout West 150 List ... **PrepStar All-West selection** ... CalHiSports.com first-team All-State Medium Schools ... Team won two straight state championships in 2015 and 2016 ... Invited to the U.S. Army All-America Bowl game.

**Moses Robinson-Carr – 6-5, 260, Tight End, Antelope Valley HS in Lancaster, Calif.; Hometown: Lancaster, Calif.**

Listed as a three-star recruit by both Scout.com and Rivals.com ... Rival's No. 54 prospect on the California 100 list ... Scout's No. 10 tight end prospect in the West ... No. 107 on the Scout West 150 List ... No. 65 on the Scout.com California 100 List ... As a senior, he made 21 catches for 330 yards and three touchdowns ... Credited with 62 tackles, 12 tackles for loss and eight sacks ... Caught 21 passes for 242 yards and six touchdowns as a junior.

**Greg Rogers – 6-3, 305, Defensive Line, Arbor View HS in Las Vegas, Nev.; Hometown: Las Vegas, Nev.**

Rivals.com four-star recruit ... No. 180 on the Rivals 250 list and No. 5 recruit in the state of Nevada ... Rivals' No. 11 defensive tackle prospect in the nation ... Scout.com four-star recruit and No. 87 on the Scout 300 list ... No. 22 on the Scout West 150 List ... Scout's No. 7 defensive tackle prospect in the nation ... No. 81 on the ESPN 300 National List and four-star recruit ... No. 87 on the si.com National List ... **PrepStar Dream Team member ... PrepStar's No. 98 national recruit** ... Invited to the Under Armour All-America game ... As a junior he recorded 17 tackles for loss ... Totaled 111 career tackles.

**Sean Seawards – 6-4, 325 Offensive Line, Saguaro HS in Scottsdale, Ariz.; Hometown: Scottsdale, Ariz.**

Listed as a three-star recruit by scout.com and the No. 17 offensive guard in the West ... Scout's No. 3 offensive guard in the state of Arizona ... Saguaro went 14-0 in his senior season and captured the 4A Conference state championship ... Team won 25 games in a row.

**Jaylan Shaw – 5-11, 170, Defensive Back, Centennial HS in Corona, Calif.;**

**Hometown: Corona, Calif.**

A four-star recruit according to Scout.com and the No. 12 cornerback in the West ... No. 63 on the Scout West 150 List ... No. 38 on the scout.com California 100 List ... Rivals.com three-star prospect and No. 49 recruit on the California 100 list ... Rivals' No. 35 cornerback prospect in the nation ... ESPN.com three-star recruit ... **PrepStar All-West selection** ... As a senior, he was credited with 64 tackles, 3.0 tackles for loss and five interceptions.

**Zack Sweeney – 6-3, 275, Offensive Line, St. Thomas Aquinas HS in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Hometown: Fort Lauderdale, Fla.**

Listed as a three-star recruit by Scout.com ... Rated as the No. 15 offensive guard prospect in the South, No. 7 guard in the state of Florida and the No. 58 offensive guard recruit in the nation ... ESPN three-star recruit ... Team won the Florida 7A state championship the past three seasons.

**Jax Wacaser – 6-5, 260, Offensive Line, Saguaro HS in Scottsdale, Ariz.; Hometown: Scottsdale, Ariz.**

Listed as a three-star recruit by both Scout.com and Rivals.com ... Rated the No. 16 offensive tackle in the West by Scout ... Rivals' No. 11 prospect in the state of Arizona and the No. 64 offensive tackle recruit in the nation ... Saguaro went 14-0 in his senior season and captured the 4A Conference state championship ... Team won 25 games in a row.

**Stephan Zabie' – 6-6, 290, Offensive Line, Westlake HS in Austin, Texas; Hometown: Austin, Texas**

Scout.com and Rivals.com four-star recruit ... Rivals' No. 30 offensive tackle in the nation and No. 38 recruit in the state of Texas ... No. 56 on the Scout Midlands 150 List ... Scout's No. 29 offensive tackle in the nation and the No. 4 offensive tackle prospect in the Midlands Region ... No. 46 player in the state of Texas ... ESPN four-star recruit and No. 207 on the ESPN 300 National List.