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NCAC Football Special

**ALL-NCAC FOOTBALL SQUAD ANNOUNCED;
NINE REPEAT SELECTIONS ON FIRST TEAM**

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CLEVELAND -- North Coast Athletic Conference champion Allegheny placed five players on the first team to highlight the 2003 All-NCAC football squad, announced today after voting by nine conference head coaches. The Gators compiled a 7-0 record in conference play to earn their eighth NCAC crown and first since 1997. Allegheny fell to Montclair State, 20-19, in the first round of the NCAA Division III playoffs on Nov. 22. The Gators were only the second team ever to start a season 0-3 and still make the NCAA playoffs.

Nine players were repeat first-team selections on the 26-man first team, which includes 14 seniors, nine juniors, two sophomores and one freshman. Wittenberg offensive lineman **Chad Thompson (Fort Thomas, KY/Highlands)**, Wabash defensive lineman **Blair Hammer (Carmel, IN/Carmel)**, Allegheny defensive lineman **Dave Pisanick (Duncansville, PA/Holidaysburg)** and Wooster senior defensive back **Nick Hajjar (Prospect, OH/Marion Pleasant)** each earned a third straight first-team nod. Hajjar earns his fourth All-NCAC nod overall. He was selected to the second team in 2000.

Wabash, which tied for second in the NCAC, had two other players repeat on the first team: junior offensive lineman **Dan Rodriguez (McAllen, TX/McAllen)** and senior defensive back **Stu Johnson (West Lafayette, IN/Harrison)**. The Tigers, who also tied for second, had two other repeat first-teamers as well: senior wide receiver **Skip Ivery (Columbus, OH/Groveport Madison)** and junior offensive lineman **Brad Kassner (Circleville, OH/Circleville)**. Wooster junior **Tony Sutton (Akron, OH/Archbishop Hoban)** also earned his second straight first-team selection.

Allegheny senior return specialist **Brian Woods (Pittsburgh, PA/Avonworth)** returned to the first team after earning first team recognition in 2001.

The NCAC will announce the winners of its individual awards, including the Mike Gregory and Hank Critchfield Awards for Offensive and Defensive Players of the Year, on Tuesday, Nov. 25.

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2003 ALL-NCAC FOOTBALL

CLEVELAND -- The following performers have earned All-North Coast Athletic Conference honors for the 2003 season through balloting by the NCAC football coaches.

FIRST TEAM • OFFENSE

QB	Bubba Smith %\$	Allegheny	Sr.	6-0	165	Doylestown, OH/Chippewa
RB	Tony Sutton *	Wooster	Jr.	5-9	185	Akron, OH/Archbishop Hoban
RB	Aaron Lafitte	Wabash	Fr.	5-8	190	Goodyear, AZ/Ironwood
WR	Jered Glover	Wittenberg	So.	6-1	190	Middletown, OH/Middletown
WR	Skip Ivery *	Wittenberg	Sr.	5-11	188	Columbus, OH/Groveport Madison
TE	Nick Dawson	Wabash	Sr.	6-4	240	LaFontaine, IN/Southwood
C	Matt Jackson	Wooster	Jr.	6-2	265	Cincinnati, OH/LaSalle
OL	Brad Kassner *	Wittenberg	Jr.	6-3	275	Circleville, OH/Circleville
OL	Dan Rodriguez *	Wabash	Jr.	6-1	291	McAllen, TX/McAllen
OL	Phil Huffman	Allegheny	Jr.	6-3	280	Rochester, NY/Irondequoit
OL	Chad Thompson +*	Wittenberg	Sr.	6-2	265	Fort Thomas, KY/Highlands

FIRST TEAM • DEFENSE

DL	Joe Kearney @	Wooster	Jr.	6-4	310	Weymouth, MA/Weymouth
DL	Blair Hammer +*	Wabash	Sr.	6-2	245	Carmel, IN/Carmel
DL	Mike Soltis	Allegheny	Sr.	6-0	220	Albion, PA/Northwestern
DL	Dave Pisanick +*	Allegheny	Sr.	6-2	205	Duncansville, PA/Holidaysburg
OLB	Travis Little @	Ohio Wesleyan	Sr.	6-4	205	Wheelersburg, OH/Wheelersburg
OLB	Josh Foster	Wabash	So.	6-0	163	Indianapolis, IN/Ben Davis
ILB	Tim Cline %@	Wooster	Jr.	6-2	210	Gambier, OH/Mt. Vernon
ILB	Nick Fanelli @	Wabash	Sr.	6-1	217	Crown Point, IN/Lake Central
DB	Nick Hajjar ~+*	Wooster	Sr.	5-9	185	Prospect, OH/Marion Pleasant
DB	Quammie Semper #	Oberlin	Sr.	5-11	175	Houston, TX/Wlatrip
DB	Stu Johnson *	Wabash	Sr.	6-1	202	West Lafayette, IN/Harrison
DB	Kevin Rooker	Wooster	Sr.	6-0	205	Uniontown, PA/Laurel Highlands

FIRST TEAM • SPECIALISTS

K	Richie McNally @	Wooster	Jr.	6-0	170	Westerville, OH/St. Francis deSales
P	Ryan Drews	Oberlin	Jr.	5-10	200	Royal Oak, MI/Kimball
RS	Brian Woods +	Allegheny	Sr.	5-9	168	Pittsburgh, PA/Avonworth

SECOND TEAM • OFFENSE

QB	Ryan Holmes	Wittenberg	Jr.	6-3	220	Oxford, OH/Talawanda
RB	Ray Hampshire \$	Wittenberg	Jr.	6-1	210	Lima, OH/Elida
RB	Jamie Sye	Allegheny	Jr.	6-0	195	Titusville, PA/Titusville
WR	Jon Turner %@	Allegheny	Sr.	6-0	180	Franklin, PA/Franklin Area
WR	Brian Woods	Allegheny	Sr.	5-9	168	Pittsburgh, PA/Avonworth
TE	Matt Ralls @	Wooster	Sr.	6-2	215	Westlake, OH/Westlake
C	Corey Chatman	Wittenberg	Jr.	5-11	230	Mansfield, OH/Senior
OL	Alan Campbell	Earlham	Sr.	6-3	240	Hagerstown, IN/Hagerstown
OL	Rick Drushal	Wooster	Fr.	6-3	295	Lakeville, OH/West Holmes
OL	Justin Sloan	Wooster	Jr.	6-0	260	Dayton, OH/Centerville
OL	Jon Robinson \$	Ohio Wesleyan	Sr.	5-11	260	Clarkston, MI/Clarkston

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2nd team 2001; % honorable mention 2001; ~ 2nd team 2000

SECOND TEAM • DEFENSE

DL	Jarrett Brown	Wittenberg	Jr.	6-1	250	Columbus, OH/St. Charles Prep
DL	Jesus Juarez %	Oberlin	Sr.	5-10	265	Houston, TX/Reagan
DL	Jon Ramsier	Oberlin	Jr.	6-0	245	Avon Lake, OH/Avon Lake
DL	Eric Ross	Denison	Sr.	6-2	255	Columbus, OH/Groveport-Madison
OLB	Vinnie Hachigian	Oberlin	Jr.	6-1	225	Clinton Twp., MI/Chippewa
OLB	Cisco Clervoix	Ohio Wesleyan	So.	6-0	200	Naples, FL/Naples
ILB	Billy Chrisovergis \$	Ohio Wesleyan	Sr.	6-3	230	Dayton, OH/Bellbrook
ILB	Greg Jaquay	Oberlin	Sr.	6-0	205	Salina, KS/Sacred Heart
DB	Mike Freeman	Wittenberg	So.	6-2	175	Huber Hts., OH/Wayne
DB	Artie Montes %*	Wabash	Sr.	5-8	160	Mission, TX/Mission
DB	Tim Herrod	Earlham	Jr.	5-9	180	Gary, IN/Roosevelt
DB	Steve Williams	Allegheny	Jr.	5-10	160	Westover, WV/University

SECOND TEAM • SPECIALISTS

P	Aaron Polack +*	Allegheny	Sr.	6-2	170	Medina, OH/Medina
RS	Nick Hajjar ~+*	Wooster	Sr.	5-9	185	Prospect, OH/Marion Pleasant
K	Conrad Hindert	Wittenberg	Sr.	5-10	190	Terrace Park, OH/Mariemont

HONORABLE MENTION • OFFENSE

QB	Justin Rummell	Earlham	So.	6-2	200	Ingalls, IN/Pendleton Hts.
QB	Justin Schafer	Wooster	Fr.	6-4	210	Bethesda, OH/Union Local
QB	Ryan Sir Louis	Ohio Wesleyan	So.	6-0	200	Hinckley, OH/Highland
RB	Phil Bouwhuis	Denison	Jr.	5-7	190	Grand Rapids, MI/West Catholic
RB	Tyler Harmon	Wittenberg	Fr.	6-1	195	Indianapolis, IN/Perry Meridian
WR	Jeremiah King	Earlham	Sr.	6-3	215	Riverview, FL/East Bay
WR	James Jewell	Earlham	Fr.	6-1	185	Gary, IN/Roosevelt
WR	John Papacostas	Hiram	Fr.	6-0	175	Canton, OH/McKinley
WR	Josh Bronaugh @	Wabash	Sr.	5-11	181	Crawfordsville, IN/W. Montgomery
TE	Frank Roe	Denison	So.	6-1	245	Antioch, CA/Antioch
TE	Shawn Brunner	Oberlin	So.	6-1	240	Avon Lake, OH/Avon Lake
OL	Steve Nemeth	Allegheny	Fr.	6-4	275	Kendall, NY/McQuaid Jesuit
OL	Doug Pryor \$	Denison	Sr.	6-0	250	Columbus, OH/Westerville North

HONORABLE MENTION • DEFENSE

LB	Mike Erkkila	Hiram	So.	6-1	225	Perry, OH/Perry
LB	Vance Murphy \$	Oberlin	So.	6-3	190	Pataskala, OH/Watkins Memorial
LB	Bobby Vega	Wooster	Jr.	6-1	215	Windsor, CT/Pomfret School
LB	Aaron Selby	Wabash	So.	6-2	210	Crawfordsville, IN/Southmont
LB	T.T. Jackson	Wabash	So.	5-11	183	Evansville, IN/Harrison
LB	Kent Weakley	Ohio Wesleyan	Sr.	6-1	210	Plain City, OH/Dublin Scioto
DB	Matt Komar #@	Allegheny	Sr.	5-11	160	Chesterland, OH/West Geauga
DB	Mark Lengel \$	Oberlin	Sr.	6-0	200	Livonia, MI/Orchard St. Mary's
DB	Yusef Abdul-Zahir	Wittenberg	So.	5-11	185	Canton, OH/McKinley
DB	Brian Kight	Wooster	Jr.	5-9	175	Dublin, OH/Fallbrook, CA
DB	Kyle Sherman	Ohio Wesleyan	Fr.	6-2	200	Plain City, OH/Dublin Scioto

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