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FURMAN SIGNS 11 TO NATIONAL LETTER-OF-INTENT

GREENVILLE — Furman University head football coach Bobby Johnson announced today the signing of 11 recruits to national letters-of-intent.

“This was not a big numbers year for us because we didn’t lose many to graduation, but we are extremely pleased with the quality of our signees,” said Johnson on Wednesday. “We had a solid representation at nearly every position, but obviously our emphasis was on defense due to the number of people we lost to injuries in the past year.”

Seven of Furman’s 11 signees are defensive players, including three linemen, three linebackers, and one defensive back. On offense, the Paladins inked one offensive lineman, two running backs, and a quarterback.

Three Palmetto state players are among Furman’s recruits, including Spartanburg High School quarterback Peter White, Orangeburg-Wilkinson linebacker Keito Whetstone, and Irmo defensive end Brandon Poole. White was the starting quarterback in this year’s Shrine Bowl, and Whetstone earned MVP honors in the South Carolina North-South All-Star Game. Poole, meanwhile, is the son of former University of South Carolina Heisman Trophy winner George Rogers.

1999 FURMAN UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL SIGNEES

<u>Player</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Wt.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>High School</u>
Paul Billingsly	FS	6-1	180	College Park, Ga.	Woodward Academy
Andrew Knight	LB	6-2	215	Snellville, Ga.	Brookwood Academy
Matt Mangum	DL	6-3	300	Newnan, Ga.	Woodward Academy
Josh McWhorter	OG	6-3	275	Cartersville, Ga.	Cartersville
Toreico O’Neal	TB	5-7	175	Barnesville, Ga.	Lamar County
Eddie Overdyke	LB	6-2	225	Lilburn, Ga.	Brookwood Academy
Brandon Poole	DE	6-0	230	Columbia, S.C.	Irmo
Lamar Rembert	TB	5-9	177	Ocala, Fla.	Bellevue
Lebryan Sperling	DL	6-2	252	Decatur, Ga.	Southwest DeKalb
Keito Whetstone	LB	6-1	220	Orangeburg, S.C.	Orangeburg-Wilkinson
Peter White	QB	5-11	170	Spartanburg, S.C.	Spartanburg

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