

GROSSMONT COLLEGE FOOTBALL 2014 SPRING NEWSLETTER

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2005 National Champions



Grossmont College Football has been a power in the state for most of the past 18 years. Since the re-conferencing of Southern California community college football, the Griffins have remained in one of the **top conferences in the state**. This level of competition both attracts **university coaches** and prepares you to compete at the **highest level**. We have had **numerous players** move on to universities from Grossmont College the last two decades. The number of Division 1 scholarships produced would be tough for any community college to match.

A Note to Parents: The college your son chooses will have a great impact on his future. Grossmont, is not only amongst the the best football programs in California, but has also received a great deal of acclaim for its academic programs and its collegiate atmosphere. Grossmont is a solid institution of higher education where students can complete nearly one half of their college education, learning from excellent instructors, and accumulating the required transferable credits needed to transfer to a university. Grossmont College has been voted *“San Diego’s Best Community College”* by the *UT* more than all other San Diego Community Colleges combined.



GROSSMONT
COLLEGE



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Scholarships are what Grossmont Football is all about: Here we go again!

Grossmont College Football continues to be the best proving ground for local athletes who were overlooked coming out of high school few community colleges in the **nation** can match.



THE FOUR NORSEMAN



Ryan Krum

Nick Kurtz

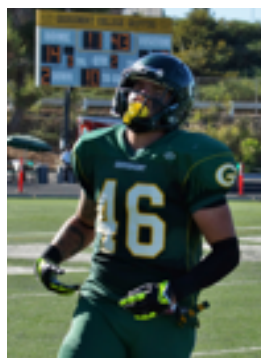
Kweishi Brown

AJ Allen

Valhalla H.S. Produces four big time players for the Griffis. Offensive captain Ryan Krum, a two year starter at center for GC is headed to **San Diego State**. Nick Kurtz, Griff standout WR turns down **USC** and **Texas Tech** to accept a scholarship to **BYU**. JC Grid-wire All American Kweishi Brown has offers from **USC, Washington, Utah, Arkansas and ASU**. AJ Allen is deciding between **Kansas, Kansas State, Arizona, Perdue and Texas Tech**. The amazing thing is none of these athletes had a **single offer** out of high school.



LB Nick Koenig was out of D1 eligibility so he signed with D11 power **Central Oklahoma U**



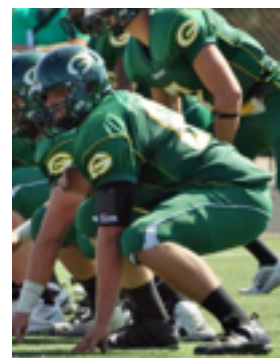
LB and Defensive Captain Chris Collins signs with **Central Methodist U**



RB Treyous Jerrels - First Team all state RB has multiple D1 offers including **Memphis, Idaho State, and Georgia State**



WR Tim Patrick, first team All conference selection ends up the 15th ranked receiver in the nation and is being recruited by both **Oregon and ASU**.



OT Sean Sullivan has an offer from **Illinois** and multiple FCS and D11 offers.

18 of the 21 Griff sophomores from the 2013 team are expected to **scholarship to Universities**.



Grossmont Alumni make headlines again in 2013



The San Diego
Union-Tribune.

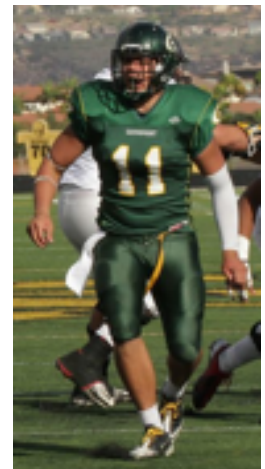
FRONT PAGE OF THE UT DECEMBER 2013 ---“Of course, **DeMartino needed only a season at Grossmont College** to earn a full ride at Utah State. He averaged 5.8 yards per carry on the way to 952 yards and six touchdowns as the Griffins’ offensive MVP. “He was such a big-play back,” **Grossmont coach Mike Jordan said.** “Even if you look at his high school highlight film, it’s amazing how many big plays he made. He’s got great vision, he’s slippery, and he has good size —



Utah State RB **Joey Demartino** is awarded **2013 Poinsettia Bowl MVP.** Like so many others he got his start at **Grossmont College.** Both **Joey DeMartino.** and **Ian Seau** (below) were offered full scholarships after a single season with the Griffin Football Program.



FLORENCE, Ala. (GoThunderWolves.com - Nov. 14, 2013) - CSU-Pueblo junior quarterback **Chris Bonner** (Jr., Grossmont College, San Diego, Calif.) was selected as a candidate for the Harlon Hill Award, honoring the top player in NCAA Division II, the Harlon Hill Award committee announced Thursday.



Reno, NV (Reporter Sept. 2014) ...But on the next play, the 6-foot-2, 227-pound Seau, a sophomore defensive end who played at **Grossmont College in El Cajon, Calif.,** last season, looked more like a 5-9, 160-pound receiver when he faked a move to the inside, got the left tackle off balance and then bolted into the backfield where he read a receiver sweep perfectly and tackled Alex Cannon for a 12-yard loss.





Coaches from the “PAC 10” now “PAC 12” Conference have utilized Griffin talent for years. Amongst other coaching legends from across the nation, college coaching greats like Pete Carroll (USC) Chris Peterson (Boise St) Mike Riley (Oregon State) Bruce Snyder (Arizona State) have all visited Grossmont college personally in their recruiting efforts to land a Griffin.

Another Griffin joins the Pac 12 Conference

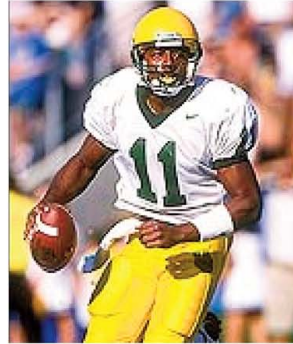


2010 Griffin QB **Ryan Woods** is now at **Arizona State University** competing for a job. Ryan is best remembered at **Grossmont** for his record breaking night when he threw for 7 TD's against Southwestern College.

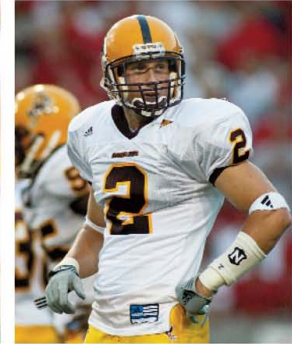
Grossmont has had at least one player in every PAC-12 school



Mozique McCurtis
DB - 2005
St. Augustine HS to Grossmont
USC



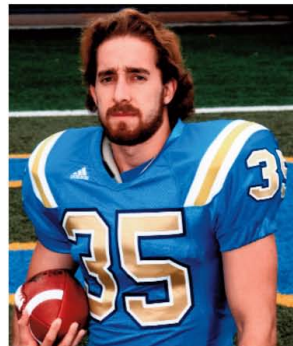
Akili Smith
QB - 1997
Lincoln HS to Grossmont
U. of Oregon



Brett Hudson
DB - 2002
Patrick Henry HS to Grossmont
Arizona State



Chris Johnson
WR - 2006
So. Florida HS to Grossmont
Oregon State



Matt Culver
DB - 2003
Punahau HS to Grossmont
UCLA



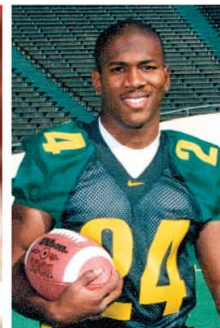
Jared Ballman
K/P - 2006
Patrick Henry HS to Grossmont
U. of Washington



Josh Golden
DB - 2001
West Lake HS to Grossmont
Arizona State



Don Jackson
LB - 2002
Nanchez HS to Grossmont
Washington State



Ryan Mitchell
DB - 1999
Castle Park HS to Grossmont
U. of Oregon



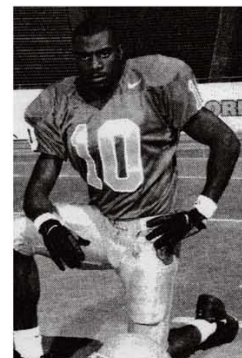
Maurice London
DB - 2003
Creekside HS to Grossmont
Arizona State



Derrell Hutsona
RB - 2005
Helix HS to Grossmont
Washington State



Mike Robertson
DL - 1999
Reno HS to Grossmont
U. or Arizona



Donald Haynes
WR - 1997
Patrick Henry HS to Grossmont
U. or Oregon

**D1 University Coaches look for players who play against the best competition
Grossmont Plays in one of the top conferences in the Nation**

2013

SPRING RECAP



University Coaches invade Griff spring workouts

The word spread fast among recruiters of the wealth of talent Grossmont has to offer. They came in droves to 2013 spring workouts and observed, took photos and filmed videos of prospects for their 2014 recruiting class.

Want Exposure to Major Universities?



**USC,
Arkansas,
Kansas
Kentucky,
Texas Tech,
BYU, Utah
State, Cal**

**Berkley,
Baylor,
ASU,
Colorado
State,
Illinois,
and many**



**more came to see the 2013
Griffins in
early
action**

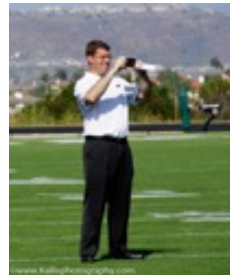


Grossmont Spring workouts where like a who's who of

major universities as these top college programs are in search of the best players in the nation. These coaches know that **Grossmont produces quality players that are well coached and academically prepared to**



succeed at the next level. They have also come to rely on the word of Griff **Head**



Coach Michael Jordan for his accurate and honest evaluation of his players. This spring visits procured scholarship offers to



Griffin players from many of these programs. Wide receiver Nick Kurtz,



DB Kweishi Brown, OL Ryan Krum and OL AJ Allen along with DL Jessee



Cordere and James Triplett all are being highly recruited by many of these top programs. These players had no offers out of high school but after one season with Grossmont College Football are some of the **highest recruited players in the nation at their positions.**

For more Griffin success stories log on to: eastcountysports.com

G-HOUSE HISTORY

From 2000-2006 the Griffin Football Program accomplished unprecedented numbers including a 75-10 overall record a 58-2 conference record, losing only 1 home game (in triple overtime), playing in 15 post season contests, and the state championship game twice. During this stint the Griffins had the top 10 ranked offense 6 of 7 years, the number 1 offense in 2005, and the number one defense in 2006.

Looking Back at Great Seasons

The Grossmont College Football program has accomplished many great feats over the past few decades, but 1998, 2003, and 2005 were three of the very best.

2005 State and National Champs

The Griffins finish the 2005 season with a 13-1 record and a State and National Championship. The Griffins rolled through the So Cal Playoffs beating Glendale, Canyons and El Camino. They capped off the season with a 41-38 victory over San Francisco City College in Fresno CA.



2003 Southern California Champs

In 2003 Grossmont beat Canyons and then powerhouse Fullerton to put them in the State Championship Game against San Francisco City College. This game was an epic battle with SF City driving 95 yards and scoring a 30 yard TD pass with no time remaining



1998 Potato Bowl

Before the Playoff system was installed in 2003, The Potato Bowl was the biggest Community College Bowl game in the nation. The Griffins beat Bakersfield 23-17 in front of the Renegades 10,000 screaming fans.



GROSSMONT FOOTBALL

A WINNING TRADITION

Although the National Conference competition is as tough as it gets in the state, Grossmont will continue to participate in post season play. Either the So Cal Playoffs or one of the National Conferences 5 prestigious Bowl Games.



GRIFFIN TEAMS IN POST SEASON PLAY

1974 State Champs - 1985 Santa Monica Bowl - 1987 San Diego Bowl - 1996 Simple Green Bowl - 1998 Potato Bowl - 2000 San Diego Bowl - 2003 State Playoffs (3 games) 2003 State Championship - 2004 State Playoffs (2 games) - 2005 State Playoffs (3 games) - 2005 State Championship - 2006 State Playoffs (3 games) - 2009 Beach Bowl - 2010 Beach Bowl - 2013 Western States Bowl



We Will Continue To Win!

Academic Support:

Grossmont College has an excellent athletic academic support staff to help guide and assist our athletes in their academics. This office is one of the reasons Grossmont players have had such a great deal of success in the classroom. Call or drop in if you have any questions regarding eligibility or course scheduling.



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THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION AND COLLEGE HALL OF FAME GROSSMONT COLLEGE STUDENT-ATHLETES WE BELIEVE IN ATHLETIC SUCCESS AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Scholar-Leader-Athlete Selections Thanks to those who gave us an example of being students first

The National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame Scholar Athletes are selected from a group of outstanding nominees from San Diego area high schools, colleges and universities. The schools are contacted, and those with recommendations from principals and football coaches, along with grade transcripts, are considered. A scholastic average of 3.0 or better is one of the requirements for consideration for this top award. The student must have also received All-League honors as a football player. Citizenship on and off the campus is a third consideration in the selection process. Grossmont College has had more inductees than all the other CCs in San Diego COMBINED - **We're Proud!**



Greg Giles '92, WR
Christian HS
Louisville
Optometrist, La Mesa



Jason Cheney '93, K
Monte Vista HS
Miami, Ohio



Larry Moore '94, OL
Monte Vista HS
BYU



Todd Hovey '96, DB
Kennedy HS
San Jose



Brian Halsey '98, QB
West Hills HS
SDSU



Kevin McCadam '99, DB
El Capitan HS
Virginia Tech
NFL 5 years



Clint Womack '00, QB
Mira Mesa HS
Northern Arizona



Brett Hudson '01, OB
Patrick Henry HS
Arizona State



Cordell Williams '01, LB
El Cajon HS
Indiana State



Tanner Engstrand '02, QB
West Hills HS
San Diego State
Coaches at USD



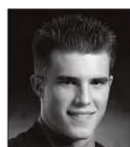
Sam Downs '04, OL
Valhalla HS
Idaho State



Andrew Jilles '04, DL
Embret HS (LA)
Central Missouri



Matt Gaughen '05, OL
Kailua Kona HS
Sacramento State



Adam Cooper '05, DB
Mira Mesa HS
Stoneybrook U. (NY)



Andrew Grimm '06, OL
Palo Verde HS
Ft. Lewis U.



Brett Haase '07, K
Monte Vista HS
SDSU



Luis Villavicencio, DB
Point Loma HS
Delta State

Grossmont College also has had seven community college Academic All-American football players in the last decade.



2009
Homer Mauga, LB
Helix HS
University of Idaho



2010
Patrick Kelley, LB
Christian HS
University - Nebraska



2011
Steffan Mos Punter
Clairemont HS
Cal Berkley



Grossmont Head Coach Michael Jordan pictured with 2011 Grossmont College Punter Stephon Mos at the Annual Awards banquet. This first class affair honors the outstanding performance these student-athletes on the field, classroom and in the community. Stephon is just the latest of many Griffins who have been honored in the past. Stephon is now playing for Cal Berkley.



Meritorious Coaches

- 2009 Rob Gilster
Valley Center High School
- 2008 Sean Doyle
Cathedral Catholic High School
- 2007 Steve Sutton
West Hills High School
- 2006 Ron Hamamoto
Rancho Bernardo High School
- 2005 Rex Johnson
Chula Vista High School
- 2004 **Dave Jordan**
Grossmont Community College
- 2003 John Carroll
Oceanside High School
- 2002 Tom Craft
Palomar College
- 2001 Carl Parrick
Bonita Vista High School
- 2000 Ed Burke
Torrey Pines High School
- 1999 Jim Arnaiz
Helix High School

SCFA DIVISION CONFERENCE ALIGNMENT

2014 & 2015

The Southern California Football Association structured conference alignment to create competitive balance. The powerful “A” division known as the **“National Conference”** compete at the **highest level** as they match up against each other. There are five bowl games as well as the Southern California Playoffs and State Championship for these highly competitive 21 National Division Teams. The lower level “B” league known as the “American Conference” will be allowed only two bowl games amongst the 16 teams and are not eligible for the State National rankings, So Cal playoffs, or the State Championship. Grossmont College has remained in the elite “National Division” since the first realignment in 2006.

**** Teams that have played in at least one State Championship***

	National Southern	National Central	National Northern
“A” Division Teams	*Grossmont	*Mt San Antonio	*Bakersfield
	*Palomar	*Riverside	*Pasadena
	*Saddleback	*El Camino	Cerritos
	*Fullerton	*Long Beach	Canyons
	*Orange Coast	Citrus	Hancock
	Santa Ana	LA Harbor	Moorpark
	Golden West	Chaffey	Ventura

	American Mountain		American Pacific	
“B” Division Teams	San Bernardino	SD Mesa	West LA	LA Valley
	Mt San Jacinto	Compton	LA Pierce	Santa Monica
	East LA	Southwestern	LA Southwest	Glendale
	Victor Valley	Desert	Santa Barbara	Antelope Valley

The 2013 season was very productive for the Grossmont program. The Griff offense broke long standing records and **lead the entire State** in points per game (44.4) , yards per game (551.9) and total passing yards (4,497). The Griffs accomplished this while playing one of the toughest schedules in the nation playing the #1, #3, #4, #6, #7, and #9 ranked teams in So Cal. Ending the season battling Cerritos College in the Western States Bowl. Grossmont ended up with a So Cal ranking of #10. The Griff squad also produced the 4th and 15th ranked WR’s in the country (Nick Kurtz/Tim Patrick). 17th ranked OL man (AJ Allen) and the 25th overall ranked player in the country (CB Kweishi Brown). The program also produced 8 All Conference and three **All State** selections in RB Treyous Jerrels, QB Will Abt, and WR Nick Kurtz.

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