



SANTA MARGARITA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

2024 VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

2 State Championships

1997 Division II
2011 Division I

3 CIF-Southern Section Championships

1996 Division V
1997 Division V
2011 PAC-5

28 CIF-Southern Section Playoff Appearances

1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998,
1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007,
2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017 2019, 2021 (Fall),
2022 & 2023

4 League Championships

1996, 1997, 2000 & 2001

36th Varsity Season

Overall Record: 249-151-3 (.622)
Home: 136-67-3 (.667)
Road: 113-84-0 (.574)

8 Nationally-Ranked Teams

1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2011,
2012, 2017 & 2024

Program Retired Number Honorees: 2 – Minna | 3 – Palmer | 4 – Newman / Stanton | 54 – Frost | 82 – Minardi

2022 California High School Football Hall of Fame Inductees: Carson Palmer (Quarterback) & Harry Welch (Coach)

1 Heisman Trophy Winner • 1 Johnny Unitas Award Winner • 1 Outland Trophy Winner • 1 NFL Walter Peyton "Man of the Year" Award Winner • 3 Elite 11 Quarterbacks • calpreps.com No. 10 Most Dominant Prep Football Program in California -- 2001-2023



Santa Margarita Catholic Eagles (3-1) at Leuzinger Olympians (3-0)

Olympian Football Field - Campus
Friday, September 20, 2024 • 7:00 p.m.

HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST WEEK'S GAME -- OAKS CHRISTIAN

After a chaotic and hectic week of disruption, Santa Margarita Catholic kept its focus and continued its success and extended the team's winning-streak to three-consecutive. The Eagles used what has become their trademarks of this young season -- long-distance plays and stout defense. Visiting Oaks Christian was no match for the quick-strike power of SMC's gifted receiving corps. On defense, the squad wrapped-up the Lions, never letting them gain any traction. Last week the SMC defense limited Liberty to just 120 yards of total offense (53 rush & 67 pass), logged two sacks and collected four interceptions. This game, they were just as stonewalling surrendering 173 yards (49 rush & 124 pass). The offense received contributions from the talented players who man the skill positions.

Sturdy Defensive Streak

The SMC defense has only allowed two offensive touchdowns to the opposition in last three full games.

- 1 touchdown allowed versus Oaks Christian -- late in 4th quarter
- 0 touchdowns allowed versus Liberty
- 1 touchdown allowed versus Centennial -- late 4th quarter

Defensive Leaders

- Ivrick Carrigan collected one sack
- Noah Fifita led the team with eight total tackles and registered two for loss
- Fifita, Siua Holani and Tonga Uhila each logged one-half sack
- Jayden Crowder had three passes defended

Offensive Leaders

- John Gazzaniga took control of the field as he fired for 313 yards passing on 15-for-22 (68.2%) and tossed three touchdowns
- Trent Mosley had seven pass receptions for 113 yards (16.1 average) and outran the defense for an 80-yard touchdown reception
- Mosley also returned a punt 63 yards and a score. Amazingly, it was the first kick return touchdown of his memorable career thus far

- Sean Embree, Jr. also cashed in as he caught five passes for 135 yards (27.0 average). He also flew long-distance with a 72-yard score
- Jack Junker scored two touchdowns. The first when he was wide open in the end zone for a 39-yard play and then on a five-yard rush. In all he had five catches for 65 yards (13.0 average)
- This was the second-consecutive week that the eagles had two receivers collected 100-or-more yards receiving in the same game
- Kicker Ryan Gass continued his accurate work as he successfully booted a 38-yard field goal
- The team enjoyed 466 yards of total offense versus the Lions. That is the most yards tallied since last season's Trinity League loss versus Servite at Cerritos College -- 511
- Two unlikely defensive / special teams players got into the offensive column when they turned a botched snap on a PAT attempt into 2-points. Fifita took the ball and calmly rolled-out to find J.J. Hanne in traffic in the end zone for the successful try

Miscellaneous Notes

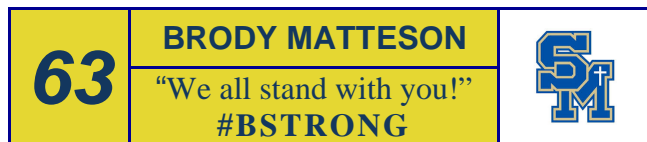
- The Eagles look to extend their winning ways with a road clash at Leuzinger (Lawndale). This closes-out the nonleague portion of the schedule. Then there is the traditional one-week bye before Trinity League play begins. SMC will host Mater Dei to commence regular season
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Players of the Game

Offense: Jack Junker

Defense: Siua Holani

Special Teams: Dash Fifita



“Last season, as a member of the scout team, he would battle,” Eagles coach Anthony Rouzier recalled. Matteson is still inspiring teammates with his fight but the opponent has changed. “He’s tough as nails and has a great spirit about him,” Rouzier added. “He isn’t the biggest guy physically but his heart is as big as anyone’s.”

SANTA MARGARITA CATHOLIC - PLAYER NOTES, HIGHLIGHTS & STATS

0 Dash Fifita | Linebacker | Junior | 5-8 / 180 – Team Captain

- Initiated a successful and unlikely special teams play when he turned a botched snap on a PAT attempt into 2-points - Took the ball and calmly rolled-out to find edge rusher J.J. Hanne in traffic in the end zone versus Oaks Christian. SMC Special Teams Player of the Game
- Has received two Division 1 offers: Utah and Arizona
- Brother Noah, who played quarterback at Servite, is the starting quarterback at Arizona
- PrepRedzone.com Top Defensive Performances of the Week for CIF-Southern Section versus Centennial and Oaks Christian
- In upset win at Centennial (Corona), delivered his second-straight double-digit tackle game with 14 total. Named SMC Special Teams Player of the Game
- Registered a team-high 10 total tackles in first game as an Eagle in defeat at Mission Viejo
- Transfer from Mater Dei (Santa Ana)
- Saw 15 games as a two-year varsity player with the Monarchs
- Tabulated 33 tackles (1 1/2 for loss) and 2 quarterback hurries in that span

1 John Gazzaniga | Quarterback | Senior | 6-7 / 237 – Team Captain

- Team captain took control of the field as he fired for 313 yards passing on 15-for-22 (68.2%) and tossed three touchdowns against Oaks Christian. It was his second career 300-yard passing game, outdone only in his SMC debut last season at Bishop Amat (377). Two scores were on long bombs of 80 and 72 yards

- SBLive/scorebooklive.com: Southern California -- "Top Stars, Best Performances and Passing Performances" selection
- Nominated for the SBLive/scorebooklive.com Southern California High School Athlete of the Week
- PrepRedzone.com Top Passing Performances of the Week for CIF-Southern Section
- Ranked No. 54 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2024
- Ranked the No. 8 senior class quarterback in Orange County by PrepRedzone.com
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Third-Team - Offense
- Named by SBLive/scorebooklive.com as one of the Top Quarterbacks in the CIF-Southern Section for the 2024 season - No. 17
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2025 No. 116 overall state prospect and No. 14 at his position in Fall, 2024
- Lauded by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com prior to the 2024 "Battle at the Beach" 7-on-7
- QB Hit List 2025 Prospect Rankings - Spring 2024:
 - California Overall: 23
 - California - Pro Style QB Position: 9
- Ranked as one of the Top 35 quarterbacks in California and Top 150 in the nation by High School Football America (HSFA -highschoolfootballamerica.com) in Spring 2024
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Offense
- 2023 All-Trinity Honorable Mention - Offense
- 2023 SMC Team - Most Valuable Special Teams Player
- Cited by Steve Fryer of the *Orange County Register* as a solid in-season transfer for player and school
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2025 No. 99 overall state prospect and No. 14 at his position in Spring 2024
- Passed for 277 yards in last-minute win at JSerra Catholic in 2023. Cited by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com for Honorable Mention performance
- Rushed for 82 yards (9.1 average) and one touchdown and passed for 227 yards (15-of-31, 48.4%) and one touchdown in loss versus Orange Lutheran in 2023
- Passed for two touchdowns and rushed for another in win over Leuzinger in 2023
- Spotlighted in online highlight feature by MaxPreps.com: "6'7" Quarterback John Gazzaniga Looks to Make Noise with Santa Margarita Catholic"
- Spotlighted in feature article in the *Orange County Register* by prep football writer Steve Fryer (09/14/23)
- Spotlighted in feature article on 247sports.com by prep football recruiting guru Greg Biggins (09/14/23)
- SBLive/scorebooklive.com Southern California High School Athlete of the Week nominee: Transferred to Santa Margarita Catholic from Orange Lutheran on Monday and led them to a 51-point outing and win over Bishop Amat on Thursday. Completed 20-of-30 passes for 377 yards and four touchdowns
- SBLive/scorebooklive.com: Southern California -- "Top Stars, Best Performances and Passing Performances" in Week 3 in 2023
- *The Los Angeles Times*: Selected a Southland Top Performer for Week 3 in 2023
- Cal-Hi Sports: Southern California - State Stat Star of the Week selection (with teammate Trent Mosley)
- Had the best passing debut of any quarterback in SMC history: 20-of-30 (66.7%), 377 yards and four touchdown passes. Overall, this tied for the twelfth-best single game in school all-time

| Most Passing Yards in First Career Game SMC All-Time | | | | |
|---|------------|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Quarterback | Yards | Opponent | Date | Class |
| John Gazzaniga * | 377 | @ Bishop Amat | September 7, 2023 | Junior (Transfer) |
| Peter Costelli | 325 | Downey | August 16, 2018 | Sophomore (Transfer) |
| Jaxon Potter | 294 | San Juan Hills | August 20, 2021 | Junior (Transfer) |
| K.J. Costello | 243 | @ Bishop Amat | August 30, 2013 | Sophomore |
| Josiah Norwood | 243 | @ Downey | August 25, 2017 | Senior (Transfer) |

* = Did not start game

- Earned All-Orange County Third-Team honors in basketball in 2022-23
- Has Division 1 offers from Arizona, Massachusetts, Miami (Ohio) and Akron

2 Jonah Smith | Wide Receiver | Junior | 6-2 / 184

- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 33 overall state prospect and No. 10 at his position in Fall, 2024
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Third-Team - Offense

- Named the Wide Receiver - Most Valuable Player at the Rivals Camp in Los Angeles (Mid June) -- “Very smooth, especially he is just moving into upper class status. Gets open due to his precision in running routes. Consistency set him above others”
- Rivals Prospect Rankings:
 - National - Overall: 139
 - National - Position: 24
 - California - Overall: 17
- QB Hit List 2026 Prospect Rankings - Spring 2024:
 - National Overall: 54
 - National - Wide Receiver Position: 53
 - California Overall: 7
 - California - Wide Receiver Position: 7
- Named the Rivals Camp Most Valuable Player at the receiver position by PrepRedzone.com in mid-March -- “great route runner with good hands who is a deep threat”
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 22 overall state prospect and No. 7 at his position in Winter 2024
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 20 overall state prospect and No. 6 at his position in Spring 2023
- 2023 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense
- Caught eight touchdowns in 2023 -- second-best mark on the Mater Dei team. Overall, collected 27 catches for 363 yards (13.4 average)
- Best games came versus Creekside (Georgia) with four catches for 81 yards (20.3 average) and two touchdowns and five catches for 64 yards (12.8 average) and a touchdown against JSerra Catholic
- Heavily recruited by UCLA (verbal commit) and is also being pursued by Notre Dame -- Additionally has offers from Central Michigan, Colorado, Georgia, Michigan, Michigan State, Oregon, Southern Methodist and Texas
- Transfer from Mater Dei (Santa Ana) in January, 2024

3 Sean Embree | Wide Receiver | Senior | 6-4 / 170

- Returned to action and cashed in on the success of the air game as he caught five passes for 135 yards (27.0 average) -- one a long-distance play of 72 yards
- Combined with Trent Mosley to both exceed 100 yards receiving in the game -- the seventeenth time in SMC history that a duo has achieved

| Single Game - Two Players with 100-plus Receiving Yards SMC - 2024 Season | | | |
|--|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Players | Opponent | Individual Yards | Combined Yards |
| Jack Junker | Liberty (Bakersfield) | 111 | 243 |
| Trent Mosley | | 132 | |
| Sean Embree | Oaks Christian (Thousand Oaks) | 135 | 241 |
| Trent Mosley | | 106 | |

- Ranked No. 79 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2024
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Third-Team - Offense
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2025 No. 197 overall state prospect and No. 21 at his position in Fall, 2024
- Lauded by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com prior to the 2024 “Battle at the Beach” 7-on-7
- Has accepted an offer to play at Washington State
- QB Hit List 2025 Prospect Rankings - Spring 2024:
 - National Overall: 284
 - National - Wide Receiver Position: N/A
 - California Overall: 52
 - California - Wide Receiver Position: 18
- Registered a maximum mark of 20.89 miles-per-hour on the Catapult measuring system during the 2023 season
- A “Stock Riser” - Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2025 No. 159 overall state prospect and No. 23 at his position in January
- 2023 All-Trinity Honorable Mention - Offense
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2025 No. 216 overall state prospect and No. 32 at his position

- SBLive/scorebooklive.com: “Southern California Top Weekly Receiving Performances”
- In huge win at Bishop Amat in 2023, had eight receptions for 144 yards (18.0 average) and one touchdown -- a 77-yard bomb from quarterback John Gazzaniga
- Had breakout game in win at Liberty (Bakersfield) in 2023, setting career highs with six catches for 124 yards (20.7 average). Also scored one touchdown
- Scored a special teams touchdown when he pounced on a blocked punt in the end zone in win versus West (Salt Lake City) in 2023
- 2022 All-Trinity League Honorable Mention - Offense

4 Trent Mosley | Wide Receiver | Junior | 5-11 / 170 | 

- **Named to the MaxPreps.com Preseason Junior All-America First-Team - Wide Receiver**
- **Ranked No. 2 by Orange County Register of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2024** -- “Mosley emerged last season as arguably the top offensive weapon in the County”
- Scored on two long-distance plays in win over Oaks Christian. The first was on an 80-yard reception and the second on a 63-yard punt return – the first kick return for a score of any kind in his career. Finished with seven catches for 113 yards (16.1 average)
- Collected six receptions for 111 yards (18.5 average) and two touchdowns in rout of Liberty (Bakersfield), 42-3. So far in 2024: 3 games, 27 receptions, 444 yards (16.4) and 4 touchdowns receiving
- Has already established a foothold to break the school record for career receptions:

| Player | Career Receptions |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Brian Finneran | 178 |
| Kyle Sweet | 155 |
| Trent Mosley | 143 |
| Niko Lopez | 121 |
| John Minardi | 116 |

Current

- Week No. 1 Honors:
 - USA Today High School Sports Stars of the Week -- No. 2 in nation
 - Cal-Hi Sports Southern California Offensive Player of the Week nominee
 - Los Angeles Times' Southland Top Performers for the Week
 - SBLive/scorebooklive.com Best Performances of Southern California High School Football
 - Orange County Register Boys Athlete of the Week
 - Orange County Register Top Star of the Week
 - 2024 National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Top 10 High School Football Plays of the Week -- No. 10 in nation
 - PrepRedzone.com Top Receiving Performances of the Week for CIF-Southern Section
 - SMC Offensive Player of the Game
- Delivered another signature game with an outstanding performance -- 11 receptions for 207 yards (18.8 average) and two touchdowns (67 and 51 yards in length) while scoring one rushing also
 - Third-best career game in receptions
 - Sixth career game with 10-or-more catches
 - Fifth career game with 3-plus overall touchdowns
 - Eight career game with at least two touchdowns
 - Seventh and eighth plays with a distance of 50-yards-or-more in his career
- Caught 10 passes for 121 yards (12.1 average) in opening loss at Mission Viejo -- sixth career game with 100-or-more yards receiving and fourth with 10-or-more pass receptions
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 Preseason All-State Team - First-Team Multi-Purpose (WR / KR / RB / Wild / DB)
- Dan Albano of the Orange County Register predicts that Mosley will once again capture the Orange County Offensive Player of the Year award for 2024
- Named by Cal-Hi Sports as the “Most Versatile Player on the Field” in 2024
- Eric Sondheimer asserted that Mosley “is a special talent”
- Selected by SBLive/scorebooklive.com as the No. 2 junior (Class of 2026) wide receiver in the California for 2024
- Selected by SBLive/scorebooklive.com as the No. 2 wide receiver in the CIF-Southern Section for 2024
- Selected to the Preseason All CIF-Southern Section team by SBLive/scorebooklive.com -- “Unguardable”

- Ranked at the No. 1 wide receiver in Orange County by the *Orange County Register* for 2024
- Rated the No. 2 junior class wide receiver in the California for 2024
- Rated the No. 2 wide receiver in the CIF-Southern Section for 2024
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: First-Team - Multi-Purpose
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 14 overall state prospect and No. 4 at his position in Fall, 2024
- “Most likely the top player in Orange County” -- Steve Fryer / *Orange County Register* (June 26)
- Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com flourished Mosley with compliments about his play from every aspect:
 - “Specializes in plays after the catch and SMC gets him the ball anyway they can: fly sweeps, screens and wildcat quarterback. With the additions SMC has made, he won’t always draw the opponent’s top corner (June)”
 - “Was the key target and obvious star at the 2024 “Battle at the Beach” 7-on-7 event. Impressed on defense too and continues making big plays on all levels of the field”
- QB Hit List 2026 Prospect Rankings Spring 2024:
 - National Overall: 13
 - National - Wide Receiver Position: 12
 - California Overall: 1
 - California - Wide Receiver Position: 1
- Featured on school YouTube channel broadcast “Faces of SM” on the May 8, 2024 episode https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=By_fYmHI5o0
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 19 overall state prospect and No. 6 at his position in Winter, 2024
- Registered a maximum mark of 21.63 miles-per-hour on the Catapult measuring system during the 2023 season -- Fastest mark on team
- 2023 SBLive/scorebooklive.com / si.com All-State - Wide Receiver
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports “State Sophomore Player of the Year”
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- Offseason tribute from prep sports guru journalist Eric Sondheimer of *The Los Angeles Times*: “In the 2024 season, Trent Mosley of SM will score touchdowns returning a kickoff, returning a punt, catching a pass, running and throwing a pass -- in a single game”
- 2023 Trinity League Co-Most Valuable Player
- 2023 SMC Team Most Valuable Player
- 2023 MaxPreps.com All-State Second-Team - Offense



- 2023 MaxPreps.com Sophomore All-America First-Team - Offense
- 2023 All-Orange County First-Team - Offense (*Orange County Register*)
- 2023 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California Sophomore Team - Offense
- 2023 SBLive/scorebooklive.com All-Southern Section Team
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 19 overall state prospect and No. 5 at his position
- Snagged a career-high 13 pass receptions for 116 yards (8.9 average) and scored one touchdown in disappointing loss at Mater Dei in 2023. Some super specifics:
 - Reached the end zone for the twenty-fifth time reaching the end zone in 2023.
 - Fifth game with 100-or-more yards receiving
 - Third-consecutive game with 10-or-more receptions
 - In the three-game span: 35 catches for 567 yards (15.8 average) and five scores via the air
 - 13 receptions -- a new career-high and moved into tie for third all-time in school history for a single game
 - 62 receptions for the season placed in top-10 in that category all-time in school history
 - 1,094 pass reception yards reaches the top-5 all-time in school history for a single season
 - 25 total touchdowns scored is good for a four-way tie for second all-time in school history for a single season
- Remarkable assault on the school record book after Servite - Game No. 9 of 2023 -- Cited by several media outlets for his game-winning effort:
 - *Orange County Register* “Boys Athlete of the Week”
 - PrepRedzone.com as one of the “Top Receiving” performances of the week (Michael Huntley)
 - *Los Angeles Times* as one of the “Top Performers” of the week (Eric Sondheimer)

- SBLive/scorebooklive.com nominee for “Southern California High School Athlete of the Week” (Staff)
- Cal-Hi Sports Southern California Offensive Player of the Week nominee
- Tallied 351 all-purpose yards: 16 rushing, 221 receiving and 141 kickoff returns and collected 4 overall touchdowns
 - Receiving total - Tied for sixth in school history in single game
 - Second career 200-plus yard receiving game - Tied for second most for career in school history with Grant Calcaterra. Kyle Sweet leads with four
 - 1,282 receiving yards is already third-most for single season in school history
 - 2,041 all-purpose yards are seventh-best in a single season school-history
 - Eleventh time in school history a receiver has caught 12-or-more passes in a single game
 - Fourth 100-plus yard receiving game of season. School record is six by John Minardi in 1997
 - Scored two-or-more touchdowns in seven of nine games played in 2023
- Exploded in last-minute win at JSerra Catholic as he amassed 425 all-purpose yards -- scored twice on the ground and twice through the air
 - Rushing: 7 / 87 (12.4 average) and 2 touchdowns
 - Receiving: 10 / 230 (23.0 average) and 2 touchdowns (74)
 - Kick Returns: 108 yards
- The all-purpose figure was second-best all-time. The 230 yards receiving were fifth-best in school history. Cited by several media outlets for his game-winning effort:
 - PrepRedzone.com as one of the “Top Receiving” performances of the week (Michael Huntley)
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 - SBLive/scorebooklive.com nominee for “Southern California High School Athlete of the Week” (Staff)
 - *Orange County Register* as one of the “Top Performers” of the week (Staff)
 - Cal-Hi Sports Southern California “Offensive Player of the Week” Nominee

| Trent Mosley @ JSerra Catholic - October 13, 2023 | | | | |
|--|------------------|--------------|----------------|------------|
| Category | Att / Rec | Yards | Average | TDs |
| Rushing | 7 | 87 | 12.4 | 2 |
| Receiving | 10 | 230 | 23.0 | 2 |
| Kickoff Return | 4 | 97 | 24.3 | 0 |
| Punt Return | 3 | 11 | 3.7 | 0 |
| Game Total | 24 | 425 | 17.7 | 4 |

| Most All-Purpose Yards - Single-Game SMC All-Time | | | | |
|--|---------------|---------------------------------|--------------|------------|
| Athlete | Season | Opponent | Yards | TDs |
| Billy Newman | 1996 | @ Trabuco Hills (Mission Viejo) | 439 | 3 |
| Trent Mosley | 2023 | @ JSerra Catholic | 425 | 4 |

| Most Receiving Yards - Single-Game SMC All-Time | | | |
|--|---------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Athlete | Season | Opponent | Yards |
| Kyle Sweet | 2013 | Bishop Gorman (Las Vegas) | 294 |
| Grant Calcaterra | 2016 | Loyola (Los Angeles) | 292 |
| John Minardi | 1997 | @ Fountain Valley | 242 |
| Kyle Sweet | 2014 | Orange Lutheran | 235 |
| Trent Mosley | 2023 | @ JSerra Catholic | 230 |

- Describer as a “one-man wrecking crew” by Eric Sondheimer of the *Los Angeles Times* in his mid-season review (09/24) -- the best wide receiver (and wildcat quarterback, etc.)
- September 21: Cited by Steve Fryer of the *Orange County Register* as one of four probable frontrunners for the Orange County “Offensive Player of the Year”
- Ranked the No. 19 overall prospect in the state for the Class of 2025 by PrepRedzone.com in Fall, 2023
- Led the offensive attack once again with six pass receptions for 94 yards (15.7 average) and a touchdown and also rushed for one in win over Leuzinger. Recognized by PrepRedzone.com in its Southern California “Top Receiving Performances” selection
- Added a rushing and receiving touchdown to give him 16 total scores for the season. Dating back to the final three games of last season, Mosley now has scored at least one touchdown in eight-consecutive games. The SMC record for most consecutive games with a touchdown scored is an amazing 17 contests, held by John Ireland in the 1989-90

seasons. The most touchdowns for a single season is 28, shared by Bryant Wolfsberger (1997) and Ryan Wolpin (2011)

- Followed up memorable performance with another spectacular, record breaking game @ Bishop Amat: Rushing: 6 carries for 33 yards (5.5 average) and three touchdowns / Receiving: 9 receptions for 144 yards (16.0 average) and 3 touchdowns
 - Tied school record for most touchdowns scored in a single game with six (Also Ryan Wolpin in 2012 vs. Carson)
 - Tied school record for most touchdowns accounted for in a single game with six (with 5 others)
 - Tied school record for most 2-point conversions accounted for in a single game with two (Also Ryan Maxwell in 2005 @ Kealakehe (Hawaii))
 - Tied school record for most receiving touchdowns in a single game with three. Held by many and achieved in several instances
 - Mosley and teammate Sean Embree each broke the 100-yard threshold for receiving yards in a game for the second-consecutive week

| Most Touchdowns Scored - Single Game SMC All-Time | | | |
|--|------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Player | Touchdowns | Opponent | Date |
| Trent Mosley | 6 | @ Bishop Amat | September 7, 2023 |
| Ryan Wolpin | 6 | Carson | September 14, 2012 |

| Most Touchdowns Accounted For - Single Game SMC All-Time | | | | |
|---|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Player | Touchdowns Accounted | Opponent | Touchdown Types | Date |
| Trent Mosley | 6 | @ Bishop Amat | 3 rec & 3 rush | September 7, 2023 |
| Jaxon Potter | 6 | @ Los Alamitos | 5 pass & 1 rush | September 15, 2022 |
| K.J. Costello | 6 | Orange Lutheran | 4 pass & 2 rush | October 17, 2014 |
| Ryan Wolpin | 6 | Carson | 6 rush | September 14, 2012 |
| Johnny Stanton | 6 | Bellarmine (San Jose) * | 4 pass & 2 rush | December 16, 2023 |
| Carson Palmer | 6 | Tustin ** | 5 pass & 1 rush | December 13, 1997 |

* = CIF-State Division 1 Championship @ Carson

** = CIF-Southern Section Division V Championship @ Cal-State Fullerton

| Most 2-Point Conversions - Single Game SMC All-Time | | | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Player | 2-Points Conversions | Opponent | Date |
| Trent Mosley | 2 | @ Bishop Amat | September 7, 2023 |
| Ryan Maxwell | 2 | @ Kealakehe (Hawaii) | August 26, 2005 |

| Most Receiving Touchdowns - Single Game SMC All-Time | | |
|---|---------|----------------|
| Receiver | Rec TDs | Times Achieved |
| John Minardi | 3 | 5 |
| Emmett Mosley | 3 | 2 |
| Brad Finneran, Mike O'Garman, Kyle Sweet, Grant Calcaterra Chase Nenad, Reymello Murphy & Trent Mosley (2023) | 3 | 1 |

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- Spotlited in feature article on 247sports.com by prep football recruiting guru Greg Biggins (09/11/23)

- Along with teammate Sean Embree, enjoyed the second game in a row where both attained 100-or-more receiving yards. The 411 combined versus Liberty (Bakersfield) was a school record for a duo -- Mosley (187) and Embree (124)

| Single Game - Two Players with 100-plus Receiving Yards | | | | |
|--|-------------------------|------------------|----------------|---|
| SMC - 2023 Season | | | | |
| Players | Opponent | Individual Yards | Combined Yards | Notes |
| Trent Mosley | @ Liberty (Bakersfield) | 187 | 411 | No. 1 combined yardage all-time in school history |
| Sean Embree | | 124 | | |
| Trent Mosley | @ Bishop Amat | 144 | 288 | No. 3 combined yardage all-time in school history |
| Sean Embree | | 144 | | |
| <i>In total, achieved 15 times in SMC history</i> | | | | |

- Had best game of career to that point in 2023 win at Liberty (Bakersfield) -- three carries for 40 yards (13.3 average) and two touchdowns and nine receptions for 187 yards (20.8 average) and two touchdowns. Received numerous honors and awards
 - SBLive/scorebooklive.com: Southern California "Top Stars & Best Performances" selection
 - *Orange County Register*: "Weekly MVP Swag Chain" selection
 - Cal-Hi Sports: Southern California - "Multi-Purpose/Special Teams Player of the Week"
 - PrepRedzone.com: Southern California "Top Receiving Performances" selection
 - Nominated as the PrepRedzone.com "National Athlete of the Week"
- Was a dynamic presence in win over West (Salta Lake City) as he gained just six yards on four attempts but scored twice, also hauled in eight receptions for 75 yards and gained 54 yards on kick-off returns -- a total of 135 all-purpose yards
- Ranked No. 30 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2023
- Named one of the top players on the team by the *Orange County Register* for Fall 2023
- Named the No. 6 wide receiver / tight end in Orange County for the 2023 season by journalist Dan Albano
- Selected as an Underclass All-American by Lemming Prep Football Report (Tom Lemming) for 2023 season
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Second-Team - Multi-Purpose
- Ranked the No. 11 prospect in the nation and No. 3 in the state by PrepRedzone.com for Class of 2026 in Spring 2023
- Praised by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com for impressive showing at the "Battle at the Beach"
- Praised by Dan Albano of the *Orange County Register* as "Showing His Burst" two long touchdowns at the "Battle at the Beach" in July
- Ranked the No. 26 prospect in the nation and No. 7 in the state by collegefootballnow.org in Winter, 2023 at his position for the Class of 2026
- 2022 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Frosh Watch List
- 2022 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Offense
- 2022 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense
- Has 17 Division 1 offers, including: Alabama, Georgia, Michigan, Oregon, Michigan State, Texas A&M, USC, San Diego State, Stanford, Texas and Notre Dame

5 Logan Hirou | Defensive Back | Junior | 6-1 / 187

- Member of the SMC basketball team
- The "interception machine" was in tune once again with Hirou capturing one in the rout of Liberty (Bakersfield)
- Ranked No. 119 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2024 -- "Hirou became one of the best safeties in the Trinity League last season with five interceptions"
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as a Watch List recruit for the Class of 2026 in Fall, 2024
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Second-Team - Defense
- Lauded by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com prior and following the 2024 "Battle at the Beach" 7-on-7 event
- Named a Top Defensive Player at his position after the Prep Red Zone National Showcase in May
- Registered a maximum mark of 20.36 miles-per-hour on the Catapult measuring system during the 2023 season -- second on the team
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2023 All-Trinity Honorable Mention - Defense
- Registered an interception versus Orange Lutheran in 2023. His fifth of the season led to a tie for third in the CIF-Southern Section and tie for first in Orange County for pass interceptions in with five

- In 2023 win over Leuzinger, notched his fourth interception of the season and returned it for a score (31 yards) -- his second this season
- Registered at least one interception for the second week in a row with a pick in big win at Liberty (Bakersfield) in 2023. Cited as a Top Performer by PrepRedzone.com
- In just second varsity game, notched two interceptions, returning one 76 yards for a touchdown, in loss to Centennial. Cited by the *Los Angeles Times* (Eric Sondheimer) as one of the Top High School Performers for Week 1 and (Corona) in 2023 -- Awarded a Helmet Sticker from Michael Huntley of the *Orange County Register*

6 Hayes Cloutier | Quarterback | Sophomore | 6-0 / 186

- Named a Top Newcomer in the PrepRedzone.com 2027 Rankings for Orange County -- "Impressed at the National Preps Showcase"
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com for the Class of 2027 prospect Watch List
- Lauded by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com prior to the 2024 "Battle at the Beach" 7-on-7
- Enjoyed success at several summer camps and 7-on-7 tournaments. His performance at the Texas Christian Football Camp was highlighted by precision throws, target accuracy and dual-threat capability. Clocked at 4.59 in the 40-yard dash
- Named a Top Offensive Player at his position after the Prep Red Zone National Showcase in May
- Registered a maximum mark of 20.70 miles-per-hour on the Catapult measuring system during the 2023 season
- Saw first action of varsity career in win at Liberty (Bakersfield) in Week 2 and was 1-of-2 passing in 2023

7 Jayden Crowder | Defensive Back | Junior | 5-11 / 165

- Logged three passes defended in win over Oaks Christian
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Third-Team - Defense
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 72 overall state prospect and No. 12 at his position in Fall, 2024
- Lauded by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com prior to the 2024 "Battle at the Beach" 7-on-7
- Rivals Prospect Rankings:
 - National - Overall: - - -
 - National - Position: 25
 - California - Overall: 35
- Named the Defensive Back - Most Valuable Player at the Rivals Camp in Los Angeles (Mid June) -- "Good footwork and ball skills"
- Cited as a Top Offensive Performer at the wide receiver and tight end position at the La Verne University Showcase in late March, 2024
- Named the Rivals Camp Most Valuable Player at the defensive back position by PrepRedzone.com in mid-March. According to rivals.com, Smith "put on a show"
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 40 overall state prospect and No. 8 at his position in Winter, 2024
- A Stock Riser - Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2025 No. 264 overall state prospect and No. 29 at his position in January
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 30 overall state prospect and No. 6 at his position in Spring 2023
- Holds 17 Division 1 offers, including: Arizona, Colorado, California, Oregon State, Penn State, San Diego State, Tennessee, Texas A&M, Central Michigan, Michigan State, UCLA and Miami (Florida)
- 1 career interception -- registered versus Kahuku (Hawaii) in 2023
- Transfer from Mater Dei (Santa Ana) in January, 2024

8 Luke Anderson | Defensive Back | Senior | 6-0 / 190 – Team Captain

- PrepRedzone.com Top Defensive Performances of the Week for CIF-Southern Section
- One week later, Anderson emerged with two interceptions and returned one for a touchdown (60 yards) in win over Liberty (Bakersfield). Selected SMC Offensive Player of the Game
- Enjoyed the first interception of his career in upset win at Centennial (Corona)
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Third-Team - Defense
- Lauded by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com prior and following the 2024 "Battle at the Beach" 7-on-7 event
- Registered a maximum mark of 20.59 miles-per-hour on the Catapult measuring system during the 2023 season
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2023 All-Trinity Honorable Mention - Defense
- Regarded by many observers as the hardest tackler on the club

9 James Johnson | Quarterback | Senior | 6-0 / 175

- Enjoyed the best game of his career as he came off the bench to lead the Eagles to a 42-3 clobbering of Liberty (Bakersfield). Threw five touchdowns passes and became just the sixth quarterback (8 occasions) to reach that plateau in school history
- The Vote: Chosen by a public vote over a five-day span and crowned the SBLive/scorebooklive.com Southern California High School Athlete of the Week

| Most Touchdown Passes - SMCHS - Single Game All-Time | | | |
|---|------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| Quarterback | TD Passes | Opponent | Season |
| Peter Costelli | 6 | Downey | 2018 |
| James Johnson | 5 | Liberty (Bakersfield) | 2024 |
| Jaxon Potter | 5 | Servite (Anaheim) | 2022 |
| Jaxon Potter | 5 | @ Los Alamitos | 2022 |
| K.J. Costello | 5 | @ Corona (Santiago) | 2015 |
| Ryan World | 5 | @ Poway | 2008 |
| Carson Palmer | 5 | Tustin (CIF Playoff) | 1997 |
| Carson Palmer | 5 | @ Corona del Mar | 1997 |

- Week No. 2 Honors:
 - Cal-Hi Sports Southern California Offensive Player of the Week nominee
 - *Los Angeles Times*' Southland Top Performers for the Week
 - SBLive/scorebooklive.com Best Performances of Southern California High School Football
 - PrepRedzone.com Top Passing Performances of the Week for CIF-Southern Section
 - SMC Offensive Player of the Game
- Score SMC's only touchdown of the game with a late rush in the season opener at Mission Viejo
- Lauded by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com prior to the 2024 "Battle at the Beach" 7-on-7
- Registered a maximum mark of 21.19 miles-per-hour on the Catapult measuring system during the 2023 season
- Came on in the fourth quarter at Servite to spark the offense and guide the club to their final two touchdowns -- seeing action for the first time since injury in the first quarter of the first game of the season -- was 8-of-10 (80.0%) for 144 yards and two touchdowns
- Was 4-of-5 for 57 yards in his first start as an Eagle. Suffered an injury on the final play of the first quarter versus West (Salt Lake City)
- Ranked No. 90 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2023
- Named one of the top players on the team by the *Orange County Register* for Fall 2023
- Praised by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com for impressive showing at the "Battle at the Beach"
- Played in a handful of games in 2022 at Servite. Highlight moment was a 77-yard touchdown pass to Tyler McCown, but the Friars fell to Helix (La Mesa), 38-31

10 Jack Junker | Wide Receiver | Sophomore | 5-9 / 175

- Scored two touchdowns in victory over Oaks Christian -- one on a 39-yard pass play and the other on a five-yard rush. Had five catches for 65 yards (13.0 average). SMC Offensive Player of the Game
- PrepRedzone.com Top Receiving Performances of the Week for CIF-Southern Section
- Experienced the best game of his young career with four receptions for 132 yards (33.0 average) and two touchdowns in rout of Liberty (Bakersfield), 42-3
- Joined teammate Trent Mosley to gain 100-plus yards receiving in the same game -- the sixteenth time in SMC history that a duo has achieved -- in win over Liberty (Bakersfield)

| Single Game - Two Players with 100-plus Receiving Yards SMC - 2024 Season | | | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Players | Opponent | Individual Yards | Combined Yards |
| Jack Junker | Liberty (Bakersfield) | 111 | 243 |
| Trent Mosley | | 132 | |

- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com for the Class of 2027 prospect Watch List
- Lauded by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com prior to the 2024 "Battle at the Beach" 7-on-7

- Listed by PrepRedzone.com on the Class of 2027 prospect Watch List in Spring 2024
- Registered a maximum mark of 20.70 miles-per-hour on the Catapult measuring system during the 2023 season
- 2023 All-Trinity Honorable Mention - Offense
- Established a career-high for receptions in a game with six (83 yards) against Orange Lutheran in 2023

11 Jordan Hicks | Defensive Back | Freshman | 6-1 / 170

- Selected SMC Special Teams Player of the Game in win over Liberty (Bakersfield)
- Has a Division 1 offer from Louisville

13 Grant Mosley | Wide Receiver | Freshman | 6-0 / 160

- Became the third Mosley brother to play for the Eagles program. Captured his first varsity reception -- 32 yards -- against Mission Viejo
- Mosley was perhaps the best wide receiver of the Under The Radar: Straight Baller Camp Future Stars (mid May)
- Mosley, who is the brother of Trent and Emmett IV, was absolutely nails catching contested passes all day long. Mosley is a smooth route runner and has extremely good ball skills. Mosley most likely ends up following his brothers at Santa Margarita Catholic

14 Joshua "Siua" Holani | Defensive Back | Junior | 5-10 / 175

- SMC Defensive Player of the Game in win over Oaks Christian
- PrepRedzone.com Top Defensive Performances of the Week for CIF-Southern Section for win at Centennial (Corona)
- Recorded an interception in his first game for SMC in loss at Mission Viejo
- Transfer from Mater Dei (Santa Ana)
- Registered 12 total tackles in 2023

20 Elijah "Eli" Robinson | Running Back | Sophomore | 5-4 / 160

- 2023 All-Trinity Honorable Mention - Offense
- Caught a 38-yard touchdown reception versus Leuzinger -- the first score of his varsity career in 2023

21 Ca'ron Williams | Defensive Back | Freshman | 5-11 / 155

- Enjoyed the first interception of his career in upset win at Centennial (Corona)
- Has a Division 1 offer from Southern Methodist (SMU)

22 Jaion "Duce" Smith - Running Back | Freshman | 5-11 / 190

- Was SMC's leading ball carrier in opening game at Mission Viejo -- 33 yards versus Liberty (Bakersfield) -- 40 yards and Oaks Christian -- 56 yards

26 Ivrick Carrigan | Linebacker | Junior | 6-0 / 213

- Collected one sack in win over Oaks Christian
- Ranked as the No. 8 recruited linebacker for the Class of 2026 from California by si.com
- Ranked No. 96 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2024
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Third-Team - Defense
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 132 overall state prospect and No.9 at his position in Fall, 2024
- Named a Top Defensive Player at his position after the Prep Red Zone National Showcase in May
- At the SoCal National Preps Showcase in May, impressed recruiting guru Greg Biggins at both linebacker and running back: "brings quickness and physicality to the table, no matter where he lines up"
- Cited as one of the Top Class of 2026 Prospects Without an Offer: Defense by PrepRedzone.com on May 13, 2024
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 123 overall state prospect and No. 10 at his position in Winter, 2024
- Had a spectacular performance at the PrepRedzone.com California Showcase in January where he that finished at the top of every testing category among his position, except for the 40-yard dash where finished second. Projected to be a sleeper among Southern California linebackers -- with major upside -- heading into next season
 - 40-Yard Dash: 4.85 (2nd)
 - Shuttle: 4.31 (1st)
 - Broad Jump: 8'-9" (1st)
 - L-Drill: 7.12 (1st)
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 74 overall state prospect and No. 5 at his position in Spring 2023
- All-Sunset League First-Team - Defense

- In 2023, registered 79 total tackles and 10 pass breakups
- Transfer from Los Alamitos in January, 2024

44 Aleki “Leki” Holani | Linebacker | Junior | 6-0 / 218

- Named one of the Top 10 Underclass Linebackers in the entire Southern California area by SBLive/scorebooklive.com (09/10/24)
- Had 11 total tackles and 4 tackles for loss in upset win over Centennial (Corona). Named SMC Defensive Player of the Game
- Transfer from Mater Dei (Santa Ana)
- Registered 5 total tackles in 2023

52 Grant Degulis | Offensive Lineman | Senior | 6-1 / 267

- 2023 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense
- 2022 All-Trinity League Honorable Mention - Offense
- A member of the SMC wrestling team

58 Tonga Uhila | Defensive Tackle | Sophomore | 5-10 / 160

- Finished with the best game of his young career with one interception and one sack versus Liberty (Bakersfield)

71 Elijah Vaikona | Offensive Guard / Tackle | Senior | 6-8 / 372

- Selected by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 3 senior (Class of 2025) offensive lineman in Orange County
- Selected to the Preseason All CIF-Southern Section team by SBLive/scorebooklive.com
- Rated the No. 9 offensive lineman in the CIF-Southern Section for 2024 by SBLive/scorebooklive.com
- Rated the No. 28 interior lineman (offensive / defense) in the California for the Class of 2025 (Senior) by SBLive/scorebooklive.com in August
- Ranked the No. 3 senior class offensive lineman in Orange County by PrepRedzone.com
- Ranked No. 121 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2024
- A Class of 2025 “Rankings Riser” among Orange County offensive lineman by PrepRedzone.com. Described as a run blocker that bullies opponents with his strength and athleticism
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Second-Team - Offense
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2025 No. 110 overall state prospect and No. 18 at his position in Fall, 2024
- 3-Star recruit who received offers from 21 schools including: Washington, UCLA, Arizona State, California, Colorado, Arkansas, San Diego State and Utah has declared his intent to continue his career at USC
- A “Stock Riser” - Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2025 No. 193 overall state prospect and No. 28 at his position in January
- Transfer from Xavier Prep (Palm Desert) in January, 2024 and a native of Indian Wells
- 2023 All-Desert Empire League First-Team - Basketball
- 2023 All-Desert Sun First-Team - Offense - Football
- 2023 All-Desert Empire League First-Team - Offense - Football

77 Ethan “E.J.” Thomas | Offensive Lineman | Senior | 6-5 / 290

- Delivered four pancake blocks in opening game loss at Mission Viejo and leads the team with eight thus far
- Selected by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 9 senior (Class of 2025) offensive lineman in Orange County
- Has received offers from Northern Arizona, Portland State and Montana
- Ranked the No. 9 senior class offensive lineman in Orange County by PrepRedzone.com
- Ranked No. 86 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2024
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2025 No. 272 overall state prospect and No. 48 at his position in Fall, 2024
- 2023 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense
- 2022 All-Trinity League Honorable Mention - Offense

86 Ryan Gass | Senior | Kicker | 5-10 / 154

- Continued his accurate work as he successfully booted a 38-yard field goal versus Oaks Christian
- Was a perfect 6-for-6 on PAT conversions in rout of Liberty (Bakersfield) and is now 11-of-11 for season
- Booted a career-long 42-yard field goal in upset win at Centennial (Corona)
- Ranked the No. 6 placekicker in Orange County by Dan Albano (August 6)
- Success range has increased to reach 45-50 yards

- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Second-Team - Offense
- In 2023, proved to be the difference as he connected for a 25-yard field goal as time expired to earn SMC a victory at JSerra Catholic. Had registered his first career field goal in the first quarter of the same game from 32-yards. Named the Top Special Teams Player of Week 8 by Michael Huntley of the *Orange County Register*
- Was 38-of-41 on PAT / extra-point attempts (92.7%) for the season

87 Fisher Melton | Senior | Tight End | 6-4 / 226

- Is second on the club with four pancake blocks this season
- Tallied the first touchdown reception of his career with an eight-yard connection from James Johnson in win over Liberty (Bakersfield)
- Enjoyed a career-high 3 pass receptions in loss at Mission Viejo
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com for the Class of 2025 prospect Watch List
- Lauded by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com prior to the 2024 "Battle at the Beach" 7-on-7
- Enjoyed the best game of his young varsity career in loss to Orange Lutheran with two pass receptions for 31-yards in 2023

97 J.J. Hanne | Defensive Lineman / Linebacker | Senior | 6-4 / 282 – Team Captain

- For the second-consecutive week, contributed a sack as the SMC defense rolled to dominance
- Contributed his first sack of the season in upset win at Centennial (Corona)
- Unofficially notched four sacks in scrimmage at Chaminade (West Hills) on August 15
- Rated the No. 17 interior lineman (offensive / defense) in the California for the Class of 2025 (Senior) by SBLive/scorebooklive.com in August
- Ranked No. 122 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2024
- Describe by Michael Huntley of PrepRedzone.com as one of the top interior pass rushers in the country
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2025 No. 48 overall state prospect and No. 6 at his position in Fall, 2024
- Received numerous offers, including: Alabama, Arizona, Colorado State, Nebraska, Georgia, Oklahoma, Oregon State, San Diego State, Texas, UCLA, Michigan State and San Jose State but has committed to play at Georgia
- 2023 All-Trinity Honorable Mention - Defense
- Registered eight tackles with 1 1/2 sacks in win over West (Salt Lake City) in 2023
- Full name is Jayden-Jamal and is originally from Nigeria by the way of Germany

98 Joseph Terry | Defensive Lineman | Junior | 6-4 / 281

- Rated the No. 4 defensive lineman in the CIF-Southern Section for 2024 by SBLive/scorebooklive.com
- Rated the No. 12 interior lineman (offensive / defense) in the California for the Class of 2026 (Junior) by SBLive/scorebooklive.com in August
- Recognized by PrepRedzone.com as an elite Class of 2026 Top Newcomer at defensive tackle in California -- "One of the more high upside interior athletes in the state due to length and range -- snaps out of his stance with good hip explosion, gets hands on blockers early and quickly locks out while able to two-gap and create interior pressure with both speed and power rush abilities"
- Ranked by PrepRedzone.com as the Class of 2026 No. 120 overall state prospect and No. 13 at his position in Fall, 2024
- Has received offers from Colorado State, San Jose State, Nebraska, Nevada-Las Vegas and Utah

99 Jason Perez | Defensive Lineman | Junior | 5-11 / 205

- 2023 All-Trinity Honorable Mention - Defense
- Registered five tackles in first career varsity game versus national-ranked Centennial (Corona) in 2023

THIS WEEK'S OPPONENT: AT LEUZINGER



SMCHS Season Game No. 5 / Non League Game No. 5

Game Site: Olympian Football Field - Campus facility

Game Day / Date: Friday, September 20, 2024

School Location: Lawndale, California

Nickname: Olympians

League: Bay League

Head Coach: Jason Miller (First season at school)

2024 Season: 3-0

Last Week: Defeated Loyola (Los Angeles), 40-30

2023 Season: Overall: 6-5 / Ocean League: 4-1 (2nd Place) / CIF-Southern Section Division 3: 0-1

All-Time Series: SMC leads 1-0

Last Game / SMC Win: September 15, 2023, 42-7 at Saddleback College

John Gazzaniga threw for 151 yards on 10-of-17 (58.8%) passing and two touchdowns for Santa Margarita Catholic as they rolled to a 42-7 win. Trent Mosley led the SMC offensive attack once again. The elusive sophomore caught six passes for 94 yards (15.7 average) and a touchdown. He also rushed for one. Gazzaniga and Skylar Lendsey added rushing touchdowns, while freshman Elijah "Eli" Robinson caught a 38-yard touchdown reception, the first of his varsity career. Mosley added a rushing touchdown as well to give him 16 total scores for the season.

Tickets: www.gofan.co

Key Players to Watch:

- Samu Moala - Linebacker (Junior)
- Journee Tonga, - Running Back (Junior)
- Ja'ere Alexander - Quarterback (Senior)
- Maxwell Young - Wide Receiver (Junior)
- Ted Tuimauga - Linebacker (Junior)
- Paul Lepule - Defensive End (Senior)
- Malik Stacy - Defensive Back (Senior)

NEXT OPPONENT: MATER DEI



SMCHS Season Game No. 6 / Trinity League Game No. 1

Game Site: @ Trabuco Hills High School (Mission Viejo), 7:00 p.m.

Game Day / Date: Friday, October 4, 2024

School Location: Santa Ana, California

Nickname: Monarchs

League: Trinity League

Head Coach: Raul Lara (First season at school)

2024 Season: 3-0

Last Game: at Kahuku (Hawaii), Won 38-7

This Week: vs. Saint Frances Academy (Baltimore, Maryland) @ Santa Ana Bowl

2023 Season: Overall: 13-1 / Trinity League: 4-1 (2nd Place) / CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 Champions / CIF Open Division State Champions / National Champions

All-Time Series: Mater Dei leads 19-6-0

Last Game: Monarchs won at Santa Ana Bowl, 35-19

Last SMC Win: 2013 at Santa Ana Bowl, 16-7

Tickets: www.gofan.co

Key Players to Watch:

- Abdull Sanders - Linebacker - Senior
- Chris Henry, Jr. - Wide Receiver - Junior
- Chuck McDonald III - Defensive Back - Senior
- Daryus Dixson - Defensive Back - Senior
- Dash Beierly - Quarterback - Senior
- Jordon Davison - Running Back - Senior
- Kayden Dixon-Wyatt - Wide Receiver - Junior
- Kodi Greene - Offensive Line - Junior
- Marcus Harris - Wide Receiver - Senior
- Mark Bowman - Tight-End - Sophomore
- Shaun Scott - Defensive Line - Junior
- Sione Tohi - Offensive Line - Senior
- Tomuhini Topui - Offensive Line - Junior

TRINITY LEAGUE THIS WEEK



Friday, September 20:

Servite (Anaheim) - Bye

St. Francis Academy (Baltimore, Maryland) vs. **Mater Dei** (Santa Ana) @ Santa Ana Bowl, 7:00 p.m.

JSerra Catholic (San Juan Capistrano) at Damien (La Verne), 7:00 p.m.

Pittsburg at **St. John Bosco** (Bellflower), 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 21:

Lutheran (Orange) at Sierra Canyon (Chatsworth), 7:00 p.m.



LEUZINGER HIGH SCHOOL OLYMPIANS 2024 VARSITY FOOTBALL ROSTER

| No. | Player | Positions | Grade |
|-----|--------------------|------------|-----------|
| 0 | Journee Tonga | RB, FS | Junior |
| 1 | Melik King | WR, DB | Senior |
| 2 | Amare Russell | CB | Senior |
| 3 | Damoni "D-Bo" Lair | LB | Sophomore |
| 4 | Brandon Smith | OLB | Senior |
| 5 | Toa Tu'uholoaki | OLB, DE | Senior |
| 7 | Nick Sandoval | WR, FS | Sophomore |
| 8 | Pakipole Moala | FS, WR | Freshman |
| 9 | Russell Sekona | QB | Freshman |
| 10 | Samu Moala | MLB | Junior |
| 11 | Ted Tuimauga | OLB | Junior |
| 12 | Kingston Uhamaka | ILB | Freshman |
| 13 | Jamaal Fay | WR, SS | Freshman |
| 15 | Kevin Martinez | QB, RB, FS | Junior |
| 18 | Julian Paniagua | K | Sophomore |
| 19 | Kelvin Maduka | WR | Senior |
| 20 | Paul Sekona, Jr. | MLB | Senior |
| 21 | Henry Doherty | TE, DE | Senior |
| 22 | Fulitaunga Moa | DE | Senior |
| 27 | Braylin Spencer | MLB | Sophomore |
| 35 | James Leka | G | Junior |
| 40 | Semaj Robinson | DT | Sophomore |
| 44 | Paul Lepule | DE | Senior |
| 50 | Jordan Tonga | C | Senior |
| 51 | Jaymein Tuitele | G, C | Junior |
| 53 | James Kuenstler | DT, OG | Junior |
| 54 | Blake Graham | T, DT | Junior |

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| 55 | Ceejay Tuimauga | T, G, DT | Freshman |
| 58 | Randle Pollard | G, T | Sophomore |
| 59 | Dominic Mikes Quarles | DE, T | Junior |
| 71 | Godspower Otuonye | T, DE | Senior |
| 72 | Manaola Tupou | OL, DL | Senior |