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ELITE JUNIOR CLASSIC ANNOUNCES FIRST WAVE OF PLAYERS

ATLANTA — The Georgia Elite Junior Classic has announced its first group of top players from the 2015 class for the junior all-star game which will take place Dec. 28 at 1 p.m. at McEachern's Cantrell Stadium in Powder Springs. The second and final group will be selected later in the season and has not been identified as of yet, although the selection committee is currently scouting players to consider for invitations. A total of 70 players will play in the game.

While on-the-field talent will be a key factor in choosing participants, that is not the only criteria. Academic performance and overall integrity and leadership ability will also be considered by the selection committee, which is made up of coaches, high school administrators and recruiting experts.

Each individual player will be recognized and featured in a spotlight story which can be found on the Elite Junior Classic website at www.elite-juniorclassic.com. Score Atlanta is releasing bios on each player throughout the season and leading up to the game.

Attached is a roster of players who have been chosen thus far and have accepted invitations to the game.

The head coaches for the event are Walton's Rocky Hidalgo (North squad) and Berrien's Ed Pilcher (South squad). Assistant coaches are as follows: South team - Rance Gillespie (Valdosta), Christian Hunnicutt (Lowndes), Kyle Hockman (McEachern), Kevin Kinsler (Northside-Warner Robins), Franklin Stephens (Lamar County) and Ed Dudley (Ware County).

North team - Tripp Allen (Walton), Paul Standard (St. Pius X), Mark Crews (Brookwood), Jeff Carlberg (Centennial), Corey Jarvis (Mays) and Bob Sphire (North Gwinnett).

The teams will practice at McEachern on Dec. 26 and 27. The players, coaches and families will stay at the Marietta Conference Center and use McEachern's athletics facilities. A banquet will be held the night of Dec. 27 where players will be honored for being chosen to participate in the Elite Junior Classic.

A middle school and high school combine will be held on Dec. 27 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. where players will showcase their abilities for college coaches, the media and recruiting experts from around the nation. And the Elite Junior Classic 8th Grade All-Star Game will take place at 10 a.m. on Dec. 28 just before the Elite Junior Classic kicks off.

The game will be televised by Comcast Sports Southeast (CSS) to 12 southeastern states and an audience of more than 5.5 million subscribers. 92.9 The Game will broadcast the game locally on the radio in Atlanta.

To learn more about the event and its participants, visit EliteJuniorClassic.com and ScoreATL.com. On social media, follow @ScoreAtlanta, @ EliteJRClassic and "like" Score Atlanta and Elite Junior Classic on Facebook.

Principals and organizers of the event are Dave Hunter (Hunter Athletic Consulting), I.J. Rosenberg (Founder and President of Score Atlanta) and Jimmy Dorsey (McEachern Athletics Director) among many others.

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The First Annual GEORGIA ELITE JUNIOR CLASSIC

SATURDAY DEC. 28 2013

NORTH TEAM

NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL
Josh Bettistea	Running Back	Allatoona
Khalil Brooks	Defensive Back	Mays
Almonza Brown	Wide Receiver	North Gwinnett
Kawon Bryant	Running Back	North Oconee
Andrew Butcher	Defensive Line	Alpharetta
Chris Calhoun	Linebacker	Centennial
Daniel David	Quarterback	Mill Creek
Mitch Hyatt	Offensive Line	North Gwinnett
Quentez Johnson	Defensive Line	Cedar Grove
Max Kemper	Offensive Line	Pope
Kaleb Kim	Offensive Line	Mill Creek
Griffin King	Defensive Back	Marist
Malik Makey	Offensive Line	Mays
Chase Middleton	Linebacker	Brookwood
Robert Muschamp	Linebacker	Darlington
Connor Redmond	Tight End	Archer
Luis Sobh	Defensive Line	North Gwinnett
Anree St-Amour	Defensive Line	North Gwinnett
Taquar Stewart	Defensive Back	Walton
Dalton Wilson	Linebacker	St. Pius X
Nick Wilson	Offensive Line	Milton

SOUTH TEAM

POSITION	SCHOOL
Linebacker	Lowndes
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Tight End	Ware
Offensive Line	McEachern
Defensive Line	Valdosta
Running Back	McEachern
Defensive Line	Lamar
Running Back	Northside
Quarterback	Mary Persons
Defensive Line	Whitewater
Defensive Back	Valdosta
Wide Receiver	McEachern
Offensive Line	Lovejoy
Offensive Line	Northside
Defensive Back	Ware
Defensive Line	Ware
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