

## Remaining Recruiting Targets

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Notre Dame has had a dream season in recruiting, 19 commitments and the consensus number one class. Corwin Brown has done an amazing job. While the 19 commitments are actually one more than the Irish brought in last year, there is still room for more. The most Charlie Weis and his staff could take would be 26, but that wouldn't leave any room for 5th year seniors. Most people think that Notre Dame will bring in 22-24 players and I agree.

Running Back is not a major area of concern for the Notre Dame, but the Irish are very much in the running for two very talented backs. Carlton Thomas was in attendance for Notre Dame's humiliating loss to Georgia Tech on Saturday, but came away impressed with the visit. He now has the Irish at the top of his list. Ryan Williams is the other running back Notre Dame is recruiting. Williams is coming for a visit to Notre Dame campus the weekend Notre Dame plays Michigan State. It's a race to commit. Whoever pulls the trigger first gets the spot, as Notre Dame will only be taking one running back this year.

Notre Dame has struck out at Wide Receiver under Charlie Weis, most notably that guy from Washington D.C last year. This year Weis and his staff are in good position to reverse their fortunes. Notre Dame has long been considered the leader for Michael Floyd. Michael has been labeled an imminent commit for months, but the process is really dragging out. Floyd plans to take five official visits before he makes his decision. Floyd is one of two receivers that Notre Dame is pursuing. Jonathan Baldwin is a big physical receiver out of Western Pennsylvania. The 6'6 225 pound specimen was rumored to have been going to Notre Dame Stadium for the Georgia Tech game, but it has not been confirmed. It is also likely that Baldwin will wait a while before making a decision.

Offensive Line recruiting has been very good under Charlie Weis. The idea to recruiting the position is to bring in at least 3 every year. Weis inherited a team that was paper thin along the Offensive Line, but has made considerable strides in recruiting quality talent and depth. Trevor Robinson is a guy that the staff would love to have. They offered him on September first of his junior year. He originally committed Nebraska, but has since reopened his recruitment. A lot of people seem to think Trevor will end up at Nebraska, but recruiting is a little tricky sometimes.

These are the four prospects that Notre Dame has the best shot at landing. Defensively, the Irish were holding a scholarship for Linebacker Etienne Sabino, but Notre Dame has reportedly slipped on his list. Sabino is the last defensive player that Notre Dame would take for the class of 2008.