

ARIZONA CARDINALS

2021 NFL DRAFT NOTES #CardsDraft

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CARDS 2021 NFL DRAFT SELECTIONS

The Cardinals currently hold six picks in the 2021 NFL Draft: one selection in rounds one, two, five and six, plus two in the seventh round. Arizona acquired a sixth-round pick (223rd overall) from Minnesota and a seventh-rounder (247th overall) from Las Vegas via trades.



Round	Round #	Overall #
1	16	16
2	17	49
5	16	160
6	39	223 (from Min in Mason Cole trade)
7a	16	243
7b	20	247 (from LV in Rodney Hudson trade)

2021 NFL DRAFT - FIRST ROUND

The 2021 NFL Draft will consist of 222 traditional selections in rounds one through seven and 37 compensatory picks with a total of 259 players being selected.

2021 First-Round Selection Order (as of 4/21/21)

Pick	Team	Pick	Team
1.	Jacksonville	17.	Las Vegas
2.	NY Jets	18.	Miami
3.	San Francisco (from Mia via Hou)	19.	Washington
4.	Atlanta	20.	Chicago
5.	Cincinnati	21.	Indianapolis
6.	Miami (from Phi)	22.	Tennessee
7.	Detroit	23.	NY Jets (from Sea)
8.	Carolina	24.	Pittsburgh
9.	Denver	25.	Jacksonville (from LAR)
10.	Dallas	26.	Cleveland
11.	NY Giants	27.	Baltimore
12.	Philadelphia (from Mia via SF)	28.	New Orleans
13.	LA Chargers	29.	Green Bay
14.	Minnesota	30.	Buffalo
15.	New England	31.	Kansas City
16.	ARIZONA	32.	Tampa Bay

THIRD DRAFT FOR KEIM AND KINGSBURY

After the first two drafts produced the 2019 *Associated Press* Offensive Rookie of the Year (QB **Kyler Murray**) and 2020 PFWA All-Rookie team honoree (LB **Isaiah Simmons**), Arizona Cardinals General Manager **Steve Keim** and Head Coach **Kliff Kingsbury** will lead their third draft together in 2021.



The 2021 NFL Draft will mark Keim's ninth as General Manager and 2nd with the Cardinals after initially joining the team as a regional scout in 1999.

Keim earned the 2014 Sporting News Executive of the Year award and is a two-time recipient of Pro Football Talk's Executive of the Year (2013 and '14). In his third year at the helm in Arizona, Kingsbury was selected in the sixth round (201st overall) of the 2003 NFL Draft by the New England Patriots.

In his previous eight drafts as GM, Keim has selected 59 players, including numerous key contributors on the current roster (listed alphabetically):

- **S Budda Baker** (2017, 2nd round, 36th overall) – Team captain, first-team All-Pro and three-time Pro Bowler tied for the NFL lead among DBs with 118 tackles in 2020.
- **RB Chase Edmonds** (2018, 4th round, 134th overall) – Posted career highs in scrimmage yards (850) and total TDs (five) for the NFL's sixth-ranked offense in 2020.
- **OL D.J. Humphries** (2015, 1st round, 24th overall) – Fifth-highest graded OT by PFF, who credited him with 3.0 sacks allowed on 695 pass-blocking snaps in 2020.
- **WR Christian Kirk** (2018, 2nd round, 47th overall) – Registered a career high and tied the team lead (WR DeAndre Hopkins) with six receiving TDs in 2020.
- **QB Kyler Murray** (2019, 1st round, 1st overall) – Named a team captain, Pro Bowler and "NFC Offensive Player of the Week" honoree three times in 2020.
- **CB Byron Murphy Jr.** (2019, 2nd round, 33rd overall) – Fourth Cardinals draft pick since 1999 to record at least 18 passes defensed in his first two NFL seasons.
- **LB Isaiah Simmons** (2020, 1st round, 8th overall) – Earned PFWA All-Rookie team honors with 47 tackles, four tackles for loss, 2.0 sacks and one INT in 2020.

COVERING THE CARDS DURING THE DRAFT

All media availability during the draft will continue to be conducted virtually, and the team will send out daily Zoom information.

Similar to previous years each Cardinals draft pick will be made available to media following the selection, and throughout draft weekend, Cardinals General Manager **Steve Keim** and Head Coach **Kliff Kingsbury** will be available.

Media members should register to follow the @AZCardinalsMR Twitter account to receive up-to-the-minute info on times and participants for these sessions.



2021 NFL DRAFT VITALS

After an entirely virtual draft last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2021 NFL Draft will be held in Cleveland, OH from April 29-May 1.

For the third consecutive year, the draft will be presented across ABC, ESPN and NFL Network, offering a multi-network presentation during all seven rounds. ESPN will again offer the traditional draft telecast, while ABC will present a distinct, prime-time telecast for rounds 1-3 and NFL Network will present exclusive coverage throughout all three days.

Thursday, April 29

Round 1 begins at 5:00 PM (AZ TIME)

Televised live on ABC, ESPN, ESPN App, ESPN Deportes and NFL Network
The first round will conclude by approximately 8:45 PM (AZ TIME)
In 2020, the first round took 3 hours and 54 minutes

Friday, April 30

Round 2 begins at 4:00 PM (AZ TIME)

Televised live on ABC, ESPN/ESPN2, ESPN App, ESPN Deportes and NFL Network
The third round will conclude by approximately 8:30 PM (AZ TIME)
In 2020, the second and third rounds took 4 hours, 49 minutes

Saturday, May 1

Round 4 begins at 9:00 AM (AZ TIME)

Televised live on ABC, ESPN, ESPN App, ESPN Deportes and NFL Network
The draft will conclude by approximately 4:00 PM (AZ TIME)
In 2020, rounds four through seven took 6 hours, 57 minutes

Time Limits

Round 1: **10** minutes per selection

Round 2: **7** minutes per selection

Rounds 3-6 (Including Compensatory Picks): **5** minutes per selection

Round 7 (Including Compensatory Picks): **4** minutes per selection

AZCardinals.com: The team website will provide up-to-date draft coverage and information on all the Cardinals draft picks, including recent stories, blogs, live and archived video of media availabilities and highlight reels.

Social Media: Additional information will be available on the team's mobile app (AZCardinals.com/app) and social media channels – Twitter (@AZCardinals), Instagram (@AZCardinals) and Facebook (/ArizonaCardinals).

Big Red Rage: A special edition of "The Big Red Rage" with Paul Calvisi, Ron Wolfley and special guest Dave Pasch will air Tuesday, April 27 from 6-7 p.m. on ESPN 620 AM.

Media Site: Draft transcripts, notes and information can be accessed on the team's media site – NFL Online Media Guide (www.NFLOMG.com).

CARDS WITH NO. 16 OVERALL PICK

For the first time since 2008 – and the eighth time in franchise history – Arizona is scheduled to select No. 16 overall in the 2021 NFL Draft. The Cardinals have drafted 16th overall in 2008, 1982, 1967, 1952, 1946, 1940 and 1939.

The last time the Cardinals drafted No. 16 overall, the team selected CB Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie out of Tennessee State in 2008. He played 12 seasons in the NFL (2008-2019), earning two Pro Bowl selections (one with AZ) and finishing his career with 30 INTs, six of which he returned for TDs.



Rodgers-Cromartie

A pair of notable picks made by the Cardinals with the 16th overall selection are Luis Sharpe (1982) and Elmer Angsman (1946). Sharpe spent his entire 13-year NFL career with the Cardinals, earning three-consecutive Pro Bowls (1987-1989) and starting all 189 games he played at LT. Angsman was a key piece of the Cardinals' famed "Million-Dollar Backfield" that helped the team capture the NFL championship in 1947.

FIRST ROUND BREAKDOWN

The Cardinals have drafted 53 players in the first round since 1970, selecting 25 offensive players, 27 defensive players and one specialist.

Offensive line and linebacker have been the positions most frequently selected by the Cardinals in the first round since the merger.

Cardinals First-Round Draft Picks By Position (1970-Present)

Position	Most Recent Player	Total Number
Offensive Line	D.J. Humphries, 2015	8
Linebacker	Isaiah Simmons, 2020	8
Cornerback	Patrick Peterson, 2011	7
Defensive Tackle	Robert Nkemdiche, 2016	6
Wide Receiver	Michael Floyd, 2012	6
Quarterback	Kyler Murray, 2019	5
Running Back	Beanie Wells, 2009	5
Defensive End	Calvin Pace, 2003	4
Safety	Deone Bucannon, 2014	2
Punter	Steve Little, 1978	1
Tight End	J.V. Cain, 1974	1

CARDS 2021 PICKS IN THE PAST

Below is a look at the players previously drafted by the Cardinals with each selection they currently hold in the 2020 NFL Draft.

YEAR	PICK	PLAYER	PO.	COLLEGE
2008	16	Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie	CB	Tennessee State
1982	16	Luis Sharpe	T	UCLA
1967	16	Dave Williams	WR	Washington
1952	16	Johnny Karras	B	Illinois
1946	16	Elmer Angsman	B	Notre Dame
1940	16	Lloyd Madden	B	Colorado Mines
1939	16	Alvord Wolff	T	Santa Clara
2002	49	LeVar Fisher	LB	North Carolina State
2014	160	Ed Stinson	DE	Alabama
1972	160	Council Rudolph	DE	Kentucky State
1952	160	Tom Tofaute	C	North Carolina State
1949	160	Tom Murdock	B	Appalachian State
2002	223	Mike Banks	TE	Iowa State
1951	223	Gene Ackerman	E	Missouri
1977	243	Johnny Jackson	DT	Southern
1962	243	Don Donatelli	C	Florida State
1952	243	Wade Musgrove	G	Hardin Simmons
1950	243	Loran Day	B	Northwestern
1945	243	Ardie McClure	T	Georgia
1951	247	Dick Bunting	E	Drake

NOTABLE PICKS AT CURRENT SPOTS

Listed below are notable players recently selected (since 2000) with the Cardinals current picks in the first two rounds.

Rd.	Pick	Players
1	16	Tremaine Edmonds (Bills, 2018), Marlon Humphrey (Ravens, 2017), Zack Martin (Cowboys, 2014), Ryan Kerrigan (Washington, 2011) and Troy Polamalu (Steelers, 2003)
2	49	Chase Claypool (Steelers, 2020), Max Unger (Seahawks, 2009) and DeSean Jackson (Eagles, 2008)

CARDINALS DRAFT CENTRAL

The Arizona Cardinals will produce a live digital special – Cardinals Draft Central, presented by Arizona Ford Dealers – each day of the draft.



Fans can access this digital draft special via the team's website at www.azcardinals.com, the team's YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/azcardinals and on the Cardinals Mobile App.

The streaming will begin when the Cardinals are on the clock with their first-round selection, second-round selection and the first of two seventh-round selections.

Each program will include 30-60 minute live shows and feature special guests from the team after the picks are made.

CURRENT CARDS IN THE DRAFT

The Cardinals current roster features 46 players who entered the league through the draft – 21 were selected by the Cardinals, and 25 were picked by other NFL teams.

Current Cardinals Drafted by the Team

Player	Draft	Rd.	Pick	College
LB Isaiah Simmons	2020	1	8	Clemson
OL Josh Jones	2020	3	72	Houston
DL Leki Fotu	2020	4	114	Utah
DL Rashard Lawrence	2020	4	131	LSU
LB Evan Weaver	2020	6	202	California
RB Eno Benjamin	2020	7	222	Arizona State
QB Kyler Murray	2019	1	1	Oklahoma
CB Byron Murphy Jr.	2019	2	33	Washington
WR Andy Isabella	2019	2	62	Massachusetts
DL Zach Allen	2019	3	65	Boston College
S Deionte Thompson	2019	5	139	Alabama
WR KeeSean Johnson	2019	6	174	Fresno State
OL Lamont Gaillard	2019	6	179	Georgia
OL Josh Miles	2019	7	248	Morgan State
DL Michael Dogbe	2019	7	249	Temple
S Jalen Thompson	2019*	5	--	Washington State
WR Christian Kirk	2018	2	47	Texas A&M
RB Chase Edmonds	2018	4	134	Fordham
S Budda Baker	2017	2	36	Washington
OL D.J. Humphries	2015	1	24	Florida
LB Markus Golden	2015	2	58	Missouri

*Drafted by the Cardinals in the fifth round of the 2019 Supplemental Draft

Current Cardinals Drafted by Other Teams

Player	Draft	Rd.	Pick	NFL Team	College
QB Cole McDonald	2020	7	224	Titans	Hawaii
LB Shareef Miller	2019	4	138	Eagles	Penn State
LB Kylie Fitts	2018	6	181	Bears	Utah
RB James Conner	2017	3	105	Steelers	Pittsburgh
OL Sean Harlow	2017	4	136	Falcons	Oregon State
LB Tanner Vallejo	2017	6	195	Bills	Boise State
RB Khalifani Muhammad	2017	7	241	Titans	California
DL Jordan Phillips	2015	2	52	Dolphins	Oklahoma
TE Maxx Williams	2015	2	55	Ravens	Minnesota
LB Jordan Hicks	2015	3	84	Eagles	Texas
OL Max Garcia	2015	4	133	Broncos	Florida
DL David Parry	2015	5	151	Colts	Stanford
LB Devon Kennard	2014	5	174	Giants	USC
OL Justin Pugh	2013	1	19	Giants	Syracuse
WR DeAndre Hopkins	2013	1	27	Texans	Clemson
CB Robert Alford	2013	2	60	Falcons	SE Louisiana
OL Brian Winters	2013	3	72	Jets	Kent State
S Shawn Williams	2013	3	84	Bengals	Georgia
LB Chandler Jones	2012	1	21	Patriots	Syracuse
OL Kelvin Beachum	2012	7	248	Steelers	SMU
WR A.J. Green	2011	1	4	Bengals	Georgia
DL J.J. Watt	2011	1	11	Texans	Wisconsin
OL Rodney Hudson	2011	2	55	Chiefs	Florida State
QB Colt McCoy	2010	3	85	Browns	Texas
P Andy Lee	2004	6	188	49ers	Pittsburgh

SIMMONS MAKES ALL-ROOKIE TEAM

Selected with the No. 8 pick in the 2020 NFL Draft, Cardinals LB **Isaiah Simmons** made the PFWA All-Rookie team with 47 tackles, four tackles for loss, 2.0 sacks, one INT, two passes defended, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery in 16 games (seven starts) last season.

He turned in perhaps the two best performances of his young career in a pair of primetime matchups against division rival Seattle. In Week 7, Simmons intercepted a Russell Wilson pass with 1:04 remaining in OT, leading to the game-winning drive on SNF in Arizona. Four weeks later, he had a team-high 10 tackles, two tackles for loss, 1.0 sack and a QB hit on TNF in Seattle.



Simmons

The Clemson product became the 35th player in franchise history to receive the honor and the seventh since Steve Keim was named General Manager in 2013. Arizona has had five different players make the All-Rookie squad in the last four seasons.

Cardinals PFWA All-Rookie Team Selections (All-Time)

Year	Player	Year	Player
2020	LB Isaiah Simmons	1996	DE Simeon Rice
2019	QB Kyler Murray		C Aaron Graham
2018	PR Christian Kirk	1994	G Anthony Redmon
	ST Ezekiel Turner	1989	G Joe Wolf
2017	ST Budda Baker	1987	G Todd Peat
2014	S Deone Bucannon		TE Robert Awalt
2013	CB Tyrann Mathieu	1986	PK John Lee
2011	CB Patrick Peterson	1985	S Lonnie Young
	PR Patrick Peterson	1982	T Tootie Robbins
2009	RB Beanie Wells		T Luis Sharpe
	ST LaRod Stephens-Howling		S Benny Perrin
2008	CB Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie	1981	QB Neil Lomax
2004	C Alex Stepanovich		TE Greg LaFleur
	DT Darnell Dockett	1980	DT Rush Brown
2003	WR Anquan Boldin	1979	RB Ottis Anderson
2001	G Leonard Davis	1978	S Ken Greene
1998	DE Andre Wadsworth	1976	DT Mike Dawson
1997	QB Jake Plummer		

ANOTHER AP OFFENSIVE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR IN AZ

The No. 1 overall pick in the 2019 NFL Draft, QB **Kyler Murray** was named AP Offensive Rookie of the Year following a record-breaking campaign.

He became the third player in franchise history to be named AP Offensive Rookie of the Year, joining WR **Anquan Boldin** (2003) and RB **Ottis Anderson** (1979). DE **Simeon Rice** was named AP Defensive Rookie of the Year in 1996.

Highlights from Murray's Rookie Season:

- Became just the sixth QB in NFL history with 3,500+ passing and 500+ rushing yards in a season, joining Cam Newton (2011) as the only rookies to accomplish the feat.
- Set franchise rookie records for wins by a QB (5), passing yards (3,722), TD passes (20), completions (349), attempts (542), games with multiple TD passes (8) and rushing yards by a QB (544).

AWARD-WINNING DRAFT PICKS

The Cardinals have drafted 118 players who have gone on to earn Pro Bowl or NFL All-Star (1938-42) honors. Among the team's all-time draft picks, 44 have garnered first-team All-Pro accolades, and eight had Hall of Fame careers.

Since GM **Steve Keim's** first draft with the Cardinals in 2000, Arizona has picked 15 players who have been selected to the Pro Bowl as Cardinals, and seven of those players also earned first-team All-Pro recognition during their time in Arizona. Four draft picks during Keim's tenure were also named to the NFL's 2010-19 All-Decade Team: WR **Larry Fitzgerald**, DE **Calais Campbell**, CB **Patrick Peterson** and S **Tyrann Mathieu**.

Pro Bowlers Drafted by the Cardinals (Since 2000)

Player	Draft	Rd.	Pick	Pro Bowls	College
QB Kyler Murray	2020	1	1	1	Oklahoma
*S Budda Baker	2017	2	36	3	Washington
*RB David Johnson	2015	3	86	1	Northern Iowa
*S Tyrann Mathieu	2013	3	69	1	LSU
CB Justin Bethel	2012	6	177	3	Presbyterian
*CB Patrick Peterson	2011	1	5	8	LSU
LB Daryl Washington	2010	2	47	1	TCU
DE Calais Campbell	2008	2	50	2	Miami (Fla.)
CB D. Rodgers-Cromartie	2008	1	16	1	Tennessee St.
CB Antrel Rolle	2005	1	8	1	Miami (Fla.)
*WR Larry Fitzgerald	2004	1	3	11	Pittsburgh
DT Darnell Dockett	2004	3	64	3	Florida State
WR Anquan Boldin	2003	2	54	3	Florida State
*S Adrian Wilson	2001	3	64	5	N.C. State
*WR David Boston	2001	1	8	1	Ohio State

*Earned first-team All-Pro honors with the Cardinals

DRAFT-A-THON TO SUPPORT COVID-19 RELIEF

The 2021 NFL Draft will again host Draft-a-Thon, a fundraiser that drives awareness and action to close critical gaps at the intersection of pandemic recovery and our hardest hit communities. Draft-a-Thon will raise funds on behalf of four national nonprofit organizations that are supporting underserved communities in four areas: the Digital Divide in education, health disparities, food insecurity and mental health.



Similar to last year, the Draft-a-Thon will be featured across the live Draft coverage on ABC, ESPN, ESPN Deportes, ESPN Radio and NFL Network April 29-May 1 and will showcase the efforts of the four nonprofit organizations that support pandemic recovery in these areas:

- **Health Disparities – CDC Foundation:** Communities of color, indigenous communities, older and rural Americans have long faced health disparities. This has been exacerbated by the pandemic, where COVID-19 has disproportionately impacted those already experiencing health disparities.
- **The Digital Divide – The Education Trust:** Over this past year, the digital divide – a growing chasm between those who have access to computers and reliable, high-speed Internet and those who do not – has widened due to the pandemic when students needed to work from home without proper resources to do so.
- **Food Insecurity – Feeding America:** Feeding America estimates nearly 42 million people, including 13 million children, could face food insecurity in 2021 due to the ongoing economic fallout from COVID-19. This equates to 1 in 8 people and 1 in 6 children. Feeding America's mission is to feed people facing food insecurity through a nationwide network of member food banks and engage our country in the fight to end hunger.
- **Mental Health – Mental Health America:** Throughout the ongoing pandemic, 4 out of 5 people who took an anxiety or depression screening with Mental Health America reported moderate to severe symptoms. The pandemic has made it clear to everyone that there is a huge need for more mental health services and support, especially in our hardest hit communities.

PROSPECTS TO PARTICIPATE IN PERSON

This year, the draft will return to a more familiar format with some of college football's top prospects participating in-person following an entirely virtual event in 2020.

The league announced that 10 prospects have already accepted their invitations to attend the 2021 NFL Draft in Cleveland, and more are expected to be announced in the coming days. In addition to the in-person participants, some of the top prospects will be involved in the broadcast virtually.

Prospects Confirmed to Attend the 2021 NFL Draft in Cleveland

Player	College
QB Mac Jones	Alabama
QB Trey Lance	North Dakota State
WR Ja'Marr Chase	LSU
WR DeVonta Smith	Alabama
TE Kyle Pitts	Florida
DL Christian Barmore	Alabama
EDGE Gregory Rousseau	Miami
LB Micah Parsons	Penn State
CB Caleb Farley	Virginia Tech
CB Patrick Surtain II	Alabama

PRO DAYS MAP PATH TO THE DRAFT

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the traditional week-long NFL Scouting Combine held annually in Indianapolis, IN was replaced with a college pro day circuit. Beginning March 5 with the University of Kansas, approximately 112 pro days over the course of 35 calendar days were held on campuses across the country.

In early March, the league released the list of 323 prospects invited to participate in the reformatted combine process, including four from in-state programs – Arizona RB Gary Brightwell, Arizona CB Lorenzo Burns, ASU S Aashari Crosswell and ASU WR Frank Darby.

In accordance with health and safety guidelines, teams were limited to three representatives at any pro day, and unlike previous years, draft prospects were prohibited from visiting NFL facilities. Teams are allowed to conduct phone or video interviews with prospects until April 28, the day before the draft.

TRANSACTION SEASON

The Cardinals have been busy this offseason with the acquisition of nine notable veterans through free agency or trade – highlighted by the signing of All-Pro DL **J.J. Watt**.



FACTS ABOUT THE FREE AGENCY ADDITIONS

- The players the Cardinals acquired during free agency have a combined 20 Pro Bowl selections and 11 All-Pro nods. Arizona added six different Pro Bowlers: Watt, WR **A.J. Green**, OL **Rodney Hudson**, K **Matt Prater**, CB **Malcolm Butler** and RB **James Conner**. Watt (5), Green (7), Hudson (3), Prater (2) and Butler (2) have all been named to multiple Pro Bowls.
- Of the nine players acquired by the Cardinals in free agency, eight served as team captains in the NFL or college. Watt, Green, Prater, Hudson and S **Shawn Williams** have all served as team captains in the NFL. QB **Colt McCoy**, OL **Brian Winters** and Conner were captains in college.
- The two defensive backs acquired by Arizona (Butler and Williams) have a combined 145 starts in the NFL. The pair have accumulated 31 INTs and 118 passes defensed.
- Six of the Cardinals new acquisitions played all 16 games last season. Watt, Butler, Hudson, Green and Winters all played 16 games on either offense or defense and made a combined 71 starts.

PRO BOWLERS ACQUIRED IN FREE AGENCY

- **DL J.J. WATT** - A five-time 1st-team All-Pro and five-time Pro Bowl selection, was also named the 2017 Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year. Has been named NFL Defensive Player of the Year three times (2012, '14-'15), tied with Rams DT Aaron Donald and Giants LB Lawrence Taylor for the most in NFL history.
- **WR A.J. GREEN** - Seven-time Pro Bowl selection (2011-'17) and two-time 2nd-team All-Pro designee (2012-'13) who played the past 10 years with Cincinnati and appeared in 127 games (125 starts). Since entering the league as a first-round selection (4th overall) in the 2011 NFL Draft, ranks 5th in the NFL in receiving yards, 6th in TD receptions, 8th in receptions, 5th in 100-yard receiving games and 8th in receiving yards per game.
- **OL RODNEY HUDSON** - Acquired in a trade with the Raiders, Hudson is a three-time Pro Bowl selection (2016-'17, '19) and was named 2nd-team All-Pro in 2019. According to Pro Football Focus, he ranks first among all NFL centers with a 93.6 pass-blocking grade dating back to 2015. The site credits him with just 3 sacks allowed in 3,445 pass-blocking snaps in the last six seasons.
- **K MATT PRATER** - A two-time Pro Bowl selection (2013, '16), Prater is one of the top long-distance kickers in league history. He holds NFL records for the longest FG (64 yards), most career FGs of 50+ yards (59), consecutive made FGs of 50+ yards (14) and consecutive FG conversions of 55+ yards (7). In his career, has connected on all 22 game-winning FG attempts with two minutes or less remaining in the fourth quarter and OT (16-of-16 in regulation and 6-of-6 in OT).
- **CB MALCOLM BUTLER** - A two-time Pro Bowl selection, he was responsible for one of the most memorable plays in Super Bowl history when he intercepted Seahawks QB Russell Wilson in the endzone to seal the Patriots SB XLIX win at State Farm Stadium. He joins Janoris Jenkins and Marcus Peters as the only players in the NFL with multiple INTs in each of the last six seasons (2015-'20) and was the only player in the NFL in 2020 who recorded 100+ tackles and 4+ INTs.
- **RB JAMES CONNER** - Selected to the Pro Bowl in 2018 after rushing for 12 TDs and 973 yards while catching 55 passes for 497 yards a TD in 13 games with Pittsburgh. With the Steelers, he appeared in 50 games (33 starts) and ran for 2,302 yards and 22 TDs on 532 carries (4.3-yard avg.) along with 124 receptions for 963 yards and four TDs.

RE-SIGNING SOME ON THEIR OWN

Another 8 players from Arizona's 2020 roster agreed to new deals to remain with the team – S **Chris Banjo**, OL **Kelvin Beachum**, TE **Darrell Daniels**, OL **Max Garcia**, LB **Markus Golden**, P **Andy Lee**, LB **Tanner Vallejo** and S **Charles Washington**.

DRAFT TRADES

Arizona has made 10 draft-day trades under GM **Steve Keim**, and two current Cardinals – S **Budda Baker** and WR **Andy Isabella** – were acquired in those deals.

ARIZONA DRAFT DAY TRADES UNDER KEIM AS GM (2013-'20)

2019

» Traded QB Josh Rosen to the Dolphins for their 2019 second-round (#62 WR Andy Isabella) and 2020 fifth-round (#153) picks.

2018

» Traded 2018 first-round (#15), third-round (#79) and fifth-round (#152) picks to the Raiders for their 2018 first-round pick (#10 QB Josh Rosen).

2017

» Traded 2017 second-round (#45), fourth-round (#119), sixth-round (#197) and 2018 fourth-round (#115) picks to the Bears for their 2017 second-round pick (#36 S Budda Baker) and seventh-round pick (#221-traded to Raiders).

» Traded 2017 third-round pick (#77) to the Panthers for their 2017 third-round compensatory pick (#98 WR Chad Williams) and fourth-round pick (#115 G Dorian Johnson).

» Traded 2017 seventh-round picks (#221 and #231) to the Raiders for their 2017 sixth-round pick (#208 S Rudy Ford).

2015

» Traded 2015 second-round pick (#55) to the Ravens for their second-round (#58 LB Markus Golden) and fifth-round (#158 LB Shaq Riddick) picks.

» Traded 2015 fourth-round (#123), sixth-round (#198) and seventh-round (#241) picks to the Browns for their fourth-round pick (#116 DT Rodney Gunter).

2014

» Traded 2014 first-round pick (#20) to the Saints for their first-round (#27 S Deone Bucannon) and third-round (#91 WR John Brown) picks.

2013

» Traded 2013 second-round pick (#38) to the Chargers for their second-round (#45 LB Kevin Minter) and fourth-round (#110-traded to Giants) picks.

» Traded 2013 fourth-round pick (#110 acquired from Chargers) to the Giants for their fourth-round (#116 G Earl Watford) and sixth-round (#187 RB Andre Ellington) picks.

DEALING BEFORE THE DRAFT

In March, the Cardinals acquired three-time Pro Bowl OL **Rodney Hudson** and a seventh-round selection (247th overall) in the 2021 NFL Draft from the Las Vegas Raiders in exchange for Arizona's third-round pick (80th overall) in 2021.

Later that month, the Cardinals sent OL Mason Cole to the Minnesota Vikings in exchange for Minnesota's sixth-round selection (223rd overall) in the 2021 NFL Draft.

In addition, two trades made by Arizona in 2020 included picks in the 2021 NFL Draft. The Cardinals trade for WR DeAndre Hopkins sent their '21 fourth-round selection (#122) to Houston and the mid-season trade for LB Markus Golden sent a '21 sixth-round pick (#201) to the Giants.

TRANSACTION OF THE YEAR

The Cardinals acquisition of All-Pro wide receiver **DeAndre Hopkins** received the Alpha Award for "Best Sports Transaction of the Year" from the MIT Sloan Sports Analytics Conference.

In March of last year, the Cardinals agreed to a trade with the Houston Texans that brought Hopkins and a 2020 fourth-round pick to Arizona in exchange for running back David Johnson, a 2020 second-round pick and a 2021 fourth-round pick.



Hopkins

During his first season with the Cardinals in 2020, Hopkins was voted to his fifth Pro Bowl, earned second-team All-Pro honors and established a single-season franchise record with 115 receptions. He tied for second in the NFL in both catches and 100-yard games (seven) while his 1,407 receiving yards ranked third in the league last season. His game-winning TD catch in the closing seconds vs. Buffalo – the unforgettable "Hail Murray" play – was also selected as the 2020 Bridgestone Clutch Performance Play of the Year at NFL Honors in February.

The Alpha Award is presented annually for the previous year's best transaction across all sports as voted upon by the Sloan Sports Conference Board of Directors.

CARDS COACHES IN THE DRAFT

Seven of the Cardinals coaches were selected in the NFL Draft, including head coach **Kliff Kingsbury**, who was picked in the sixth round (201st overall) of the 2003 NFL Draft by the New England Patriots.

D-Line coach **Brentson Buckner** (12 years), Offensive Quality Control coach **Jim Dray** (seven), TEs coach **Steve Heiden** (11), WRs coach **Shawn Jefferson** (13), DBs coach **Marcus Robertson** (12) and RBs coach **James Saxon** (eight) enjoyed long NFL playing careers prior to joining the coaching ranks.



Kingsbury

Coach	Position Played	Team, Round, Year
Brentson Buckner	Defensive Lineman	Steelers, 2nd Round, 1994
Jim Dray	Tight End	Cardinals, 7th Round, 2010
Steve Heiden	Tight End	Chargers, 3rd Round, 1999
Shawn Jefferson	Wide Receiver	Oilers, 9th round, 1991
Kliff Kingsbury	Quarterback	Patriots, 6th Round, 2003
Marcus Robertson	Defensive Back	Oilers, 4th Round, 1991
James Saxon	Fullback	Chiefs, 6th Round, 1988

ODDS & ENDS

In the last 10 years, the Cardinals have had 74 total draft picks (43 on offense and 31 on defense):

Offense	Defense
Offensive Line – 15	Defensive Line – 12
Wide Receiver – 11	Linebacker – 6
Running Back – 8	Cornerback – 7
Tight End – 5	Safety – 6
Quarterback – 4	

The Pac-12 (14) has produced more of Arizona's first-round picks than any other conference since 1970.

Cardinals First-Round Picks – Power Five Conference (1970-Present)

Conference	Picks
Pac-12	14
SEC	12
Big Ten	10
ACC	8
Big 12	5

The Cardinals have selected 39 players from the University of Oklahoma, the most of any school. Second on that list is Notre Dame with 28.

Cardinals Most Draft Picks By College

College	Picks	Most Recent (Year)
Oklahoma	39	QB Kyler Murray (2019)
Notre Dame	28	TE Troy Niklas (2014)
Alabama	23	S Deionte Thompson (2019)
Auburn	23	S Rudy Ford (2017)
Louisiana State	23	DL Rashard Lawrence (2020)
Texas	23	LB Alex Okafor (2013)
Indiana	22	RB Anthony Thompson (1990)
Texas A&M	22	WR Christian Kirk (2018)

Since the 1970 merger, the Cardinals have had 11 transactions involving their first round draft selection.

First-Round Transactions (1970-Present)

Transaction	No.	Years
Traded Down	4	2014, 2003, 1998, 1982
Traded Up	3	2018, 1993 (up from 4th and 20th picks)
Traded for Player(s)	3	1995, 1992, 1977
Supplemental Draft	1	Used 1990 first-round pick in 1989 Supplemental Draft (Timm Rosenbach)

- The Cardinals currently have 46 players on the roster who were selected in the NFL Draft (21 were originally chosen by the Cardinals).

- The Cardinals have drafted a total of 15 players from in-state colleges since the draft began:

ASU - 10 (last player: RB Eno Benjamin, 2020)
 Arizona - 5 (last player: G Yusuf Scott, 1999)
 Northern Arizona - None



Pat Tillman
Seventh Round (226th) in 1998

ROOKIE FREE AGENTS PRODUCE IN AZ

The Cardinals had 22 players who entered the NFL as undrafted rookie free agents combine to play 199 games (31 starts) in 2020. Among them was LB **Dennis Gardeck**, who was named a team captain for the first time in his career and had 7.0 sacks, seven tackles for loss and 10 QB hits in just 93 defensive snaps last season.



Gardeck

In his limited action on defense, the Sioux Falls product established a single-season franchise record for the most sacks by a player who entered the league undrafted.

Also on the Cardinals roster for all 16 games last year was QB **Chris Streveler**, who signed with Arizona after two seasons (2018-19) with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers of the Canadian Football League. He became the 28th undrafted free agent to make the Cardinals Week 1 roster since 2004.

UNDRAFTED ROOKIES ON WEEK 1 ROSTER (2004-2020)

Year	UDFA
2020	1 (QB Chris Streveler)
2019	1 (DL Miles Brown)
2018	4 (LB Zeke Turner, WR Trent Sherfield, CB Deatrick Nichols, LB Dennis Gardeck)
2017	-
2016	2 (LB Lamar Louis, LS Kameron Canaday)
2015	2 (LB Alani Fua, NT Xavier Williams)
2014	2 (LB Glenn Carson, K Chandler Catanzaro)
2013	2 (WR Jaron Brown, S Tony Jefferson)
2012	1 (WR LaRon Byrd)
2011	-
2010	4 (QB Max Hall, CB A.J. Jefferson, WR Max Komar, WR Stephen Williams)
2009	1 (LB Reggie Walker)
2008	1 (LB Ali Highsmith)
2007	2 (FB Tim Castille, C Lyle Sendlein)
2006	1 (DE A.J. Schable)
2005	2 (TE Adam Bergen, TE John Bronson)
2004	2 (RB Larry Croom, TE Eric Edwards)

SMALL-SCHOOL SUCCESS

Since 2010, the Cardinals have selected 16 players from schools outside of the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision, including seven in the last five years.

In 2018, the Cardinals drafted RB **Chase Edmonds** in the fourth round (134th) out of Fordham, and in three NFL seasons, he has scored 12 TDs and totaled 2,034 all-purpose yards on 217 carries (959 yards), 85 receptions (610) and 21 kickoff returns (465) in 45 games.



Edmonds

Edmonds was one of the most accomplished players in Patriot League and NCAA FCS history as a three-time consensus All-American (2014-16) who closed out his career as the league's all-time leader in career rushing yards (5,862), total TDs (74) and rushing TDs (67).

Edmonds became just the second Fordham player selected in the NFL Draft in the last 50 years (1969-2018) joining Cardinals 2010 fifth round pick (155th overall) QB John Skelton.

CARDS DRAFT PICKS FROM SCHOOLS OUTSIDE NCAA FBS (2010-20)

Player	Pos	Year	Round (Pick)	College
Andy Isabella	WR	2019	2nd (62nd)	Massachusetts
Josh Miles	OL	2019	7th (248th)	Morgan State
Chase Edmonds	RB	2018	4th (134th)	Fordham
Chad Williams	WR	2017	3rd (98th)	Grambling State
Marqui Christian	S	2016	5th (167th)	Midwestern State
Cole Toner	G	2016	5th (170th)	Harvard
Harlan Miller	CB	2016	6th (205th)	SE Louisiana
David Johnson	RB	2015	3rd (86th)	Northern Iowa
Rodney Gunter	DL	2015	4th (116th)	Delaware State
John Brown	WR	2014	3rd (91st)	Pittsburg State
Walt Powell	WR	2014	6th (196th)	Murray State
Earl Watford	G	2013	4th (116th)	James Madison
Justin Bethel	S	2012	6th (177th)	Presbyterian
Andre Roberts	WR	2010	3rd (88th)	The Citadel
John Skelton	QB	2010	5th (155th)	Fordham