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A's Agree to Terms with 17 Players from 2010 First-Year Player Draft

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's have agreed to terms with 17 players from the 2010 First-Year Player Draft held earlier this week, including third baseman Tony Thompson (6th round, Kansas) and first baseman A.J. Kirby-Jones (9th round, Tennessee Tech).

Thompson hit .338 with six home runs and 38 RBI in 40 games with the Jayhawks this year after winning the first Triple Crown in Big 12 history as a sophomore in 2009, when he batted .389 with 21 home runs and 82 RBI in 61 games.

Kirby-Jones was a second team Louisville Slugger All-America selection after hitting .388 with 26 home runs and 71 RBI in 56 games. He also had 58 walks for a .531 on-base percentage and his .859 slugging percentage ranks second in the NCAA.

The other 15 players include shortstop Wade Kirkland (11th round, Florida Southern), right-handed pitcher Matt Thomson (12th, San Diego), right-handed pitcher Drew Tyson (17th, Reinhardt), right-handed pitcher Jose Macias (18th, Franklin Pierce), right-handed pitcher Zachary Thornton (23rd, Oregon), catcher Ryan Lipkin (24th, USF), outfielder John Whitaker (25th, Kennesaw State), left-handed pitcher Jacob Brown (26th, Georgia Southern), right-handed pitcher James Frankoff (27th, UNC-Wilmington), outfielder Zachary Hurley (29th, Ohio State), left-handed pitcher Jeff Urlaub (30th, Grand Canyon), right-handed pitcher Aaron Larsen (34th, Bethany), right-handed pitcher Andrew Bailey (35th, Concord University), catcher Daniel Petitti (37th, North Georgia College and State University) and second baseman Michael Fabiaschi (38th, James Madison).

Oakland Athletics Selections in 2010 First-Year Player Draft

| RND | PLAYER, POS. | YR. | SCHOOL / HOMETOWN | RND | PLAYER, POS. | YR. | SCHOOL / HOMETOWN |
|-----|------------------------------|-----|--|-----|------------------------------|-----|--|
| 1 | Michael Choice, CF | Jr. | Texas-Arlington / Arlington, TX | 27 | James Frankoff, RHP | Sr. | UNC-Wilmington / Raleigh, NC |
| 2 | Yordy Cabrera, SS | HS | Lakeland Senior HS / Lakeland, FL | 28 | Ryan Pineda, 2B | Jr. | Cal St. Northridge / Las Vegas, NV |
| 3 | Aaron Shipman, CF | HS | Brooks County HS / Quitman, GA | 29 | Zachary Hurley, OF | Sr. | Ohio State / Springboro, OH |
| 4 | Chad Lewis, 3B | HS | Marina HS / Huntington Beach, CA | 30 | Jeff Urlaub, LHP | Sr. | Grand Canyon / Scottsdale, AZ |
| 5 | Tyler Vail, RHP | HS | Notre Dame HS / Easton, PA | 31 | Aaron Judge, 1B | HS | Linden HS / Linden, CA |
| 6 | Tony Thompson, 3B | Jr. | Kansas / Reno, NV | 32 | Todd McInnis, RHP | Jr. | Southern Miss. / Brandon, MS |
| 7 | Jordan Tripp, CF | JC | Golden West College / La Palma, CA | 33 | Sean Murphy, RHP | Sr. | Keystone / Philadelphia, PA |
| 8 | Blake Hassebrock, RHP | Jr. | UNC-Greensboro / High Point, NC | 34 | Aaron Larsen, RHP | Sr. | Bethany / Fallbrook, CA |
| 9 | A.J. Kirby-Jones, 1B | Jr. | Tennessee Tech / Knoxville, TN | 35 | Andrew Bailey, RHP | Jr. | Concord Univ. / Christianburg, VA |
| 10 | Josh Bowman, RHP | Jr. | Tampa / St. Petersburg, FL | 36 | Bobby Geren, 3B | HS | San Ramon Valley HS / Danville, CA |
| 11 | Wade Kirkland, SS | Jr. | Florida Southern / Lakeland, FL | 37 | Daniel Petitti, C | Sr. | North Georgia Col & St. / Roswell, GA |
| 12 | Matt Thomson, RHP | Sr. | San Diego / Santa Rosa, CA | 38 | Michael Fabiaschi, 2B | Sr. | James Madison / Torrington, CT |
| 13 | A.J. Griffin, RHP | Sr. | San Diego / El Cajon, CA | 39 | John Nester, C | Jr. | Clemson / Greer, SC |
| 14 | Gerald Menna, RHP | JC | Brookdale CC / Tinton Falls, NJ | 40 | Andrew Smith, RHP | HS | Roswell HS / Roswell, GA |
| 15 | Scott Woodward, 3B | Jr. | Coastal Carolina / Markle, IN | 41 | Andrew Knapp, C | HS | Granite Bay HS / Granite Bay, CA |
| 16 | Ryan Hughes, LHP | Jr. | Nebraska / Pleasanton, CA | 42 | Louie Lechich, OF | HS | St. Mary's HS / Stockton, CA |
| 17 | Drew Tyson, RHP | Jr. | Reinhardt / Woodstock, GA | 43 | Spencer Haynes, SS | HS | Brandon HS / Valrico, FL |
| 18 | Jose Macias, RHP | Jr. | Franklin Pierce / Bronx, NY | 44 | Lonnie Kauppila, SS | HS | Burbank HS / Burbank, CA |
| 19 | Logan Chitwood, RHP | Jr. | Texas-Tyler / Kilgore, TX | 45 | Krey Bratsen, CF | HS | Bryan HS / Bryan, TX |
| 20 | Eric Ramsey, RHP | HS | Chattooga HS / Summerville, GA | 46 | Tyler Skulina, RHP | HS | Walsh Jesuit HS / Strongsville, OH |
| 21 | Michael Anarumo, LHP | JC | Le Moyne College / Levittown, NY | 47 | Tony McClendon, OF | JC | Fullerton College / San Dimas, CA |
| 22 | Michael Strong, LHP | Jr. | Oklahoma State / Afton, MN | 48 | Zach Johnson, 3B | JC | Ohlone College / San Ramon, CA |
| 23 | Zachary Thornton, RHP | Sr. | Oregon / Oak Park, CA | 49 | Nicholas Rosso, OF | HS | Lincoln HS / Stockton, CA |
| 24 | Ryan Lipkin, C | Sr. | USF / Vacaville, CA | 50 | Thomas Walz, RHP | Jr. | Kansas / Omaha, NE |
| 25 | John Whitaker, OF | Jr. | Kennesaw St. / Grovetown, GA | | | | |
| 26 | Jacob Brown, LHP | Sr. | Georgia Southern / Forest Hill, MD | | | | |

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