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## A's Select 20 Players on Third Day of 2011 First-Year Player Draft

**OAKLAND, Calif.** – The Oakland A's selected 20 players on the third day of the 2011 First-Year Player Draft, which concluded with rounds 31 through 50 today. After selecting college players with 27 of their 29 picks over the first two days of the draft, 12 of the A's 20 selections on day three were high school athletes. Overall, the A's drafted 21 pitchers, four catchers, 13 infielders and 11 outfielders.

Notable selections from day three of the draft include catcher Brett Geren (42<sup>nd</sup> round, San Ramon Valley HS), the son of A's manager Bob Geren, and outfielder Jeriel Waller (47<sup>th</sup>, Grossmont College), the nephew of A's first base coach Tye Waller. The A's also selected third baseman Nic Coffman (40<sup>th</sup>, Woodrow Wilson HS) and shortstop Brett Bittiger (41<sup>st</sup>, Pius X HS), the sons of A's scouts Jim Coffman and Jeff Bittiger, along with second baseman Shane Boras (39<sup>th</sup>, USC), the son of agent Scott Boras.

Local selections include second baseman Austin Booker (33<sup>rd</sup>, Univ. of California), shortstop Alex Blandino (38<sup>th</sup>, St. Francis HS) and outfielder Travis Feeney (48<sup>th</sup>, Pinole Valley HS). The A's also drafted shortstop Brenden Farney in the 36<sup>th</sup> round and outfielder C.J. Jacobe in the 45<sup>th</sup> round, both from Vacaville High School.

## Oakland Athletics Selections in 2011 First-Year Player Draft

RND	PLAYER, POS.	YR.	SCHOOL / HOMETOWN	RND	PLAYER, POS.	YR.	SCHOOL / HOMETOWN
1	Sonny Gray, RHP	Jr.	Vanderbilt / Smyrna, TN	27	Derrek Self, RHP	Jr.	Louisville / Cove City, KY
3	Bryan Vollmuth, 3B	Jr.	Southern Mississippi / Biloxi, MS	28	Thomas Girdwood, RHP	Sr.	Elon University / Charlotte, NC
4	Bobby Crocker, CF	Jr.	Cal Poly-SLO/ Aromas, CA	29	Nate Eppley, RHP	Sr.	Rider University / Dillsburg, PA
5	Beau Taylor, C	Jr.	Central Florida / Rockledge, FL	30	Nathan Kilcrease, RHP	Sr.	Alabama / Phenix City, AL
6	Dayton Alexander, CF	JC	Feather River Col / Wailuku, HI	31	Nicholas Kuebel, LHP	HS	St. Louis Univ. HS / St. Louis, MO
7	Blake Treinen, RHP	Sr.	South Dakota St. / Osage City, KS	32	Drew Granier, RHP	Sr.	Louisiana-Monroe / Thibodoux, LA
8	Colin O'Connell, RHP	Jr.	Cal State Fullerton / Riverside, CA	33	Austin Booker, 2B	Sr.	California / Fairfax, VA
9	Jace Fry, LHP	HS	Southridge HS / Beaverton, OR	34	Alfredo Unzue, LHP		No school / Ciego De Avila, Cuba
10	Dusty Robinson, OF	Jr.	Fresno State / Bakersfield, CA	35	Maxwell Perlman, RHP	Sr.	Harvard / Longwood, FL
11	Christopher Lamb, LHP	Jr.	Davidson / Berkeley, CA	36	Brenden Farney, SS	HS	Vacaville HS / Vacaville, CA
12	Xavier Macklin, OF	Jr.	North Carolina A&T St. / Greensboro, NC	37	Eric Wood, 3B		No school / Oshawa, Ontario, CAN
13	Jacob Tanis, 3B	Jr.	Mercer / Peachtree City, GA	38	Alex Blandino, SS	HS	St. Francis HS / San Jose, CA
14	Nicholas Rickles, C	Jr.	Stetson / Loxahatchee, FL	39	Shane Boras, 2B	So.	USC / Newport Coast, CA
15	T.J. Walz, RHP	Sr.	Kansas / Omaha, NE	40	Nic Coffman, 3B	HS	Wilson HS / Portland, OR
16	Tanner Peters, RHP	Jr.	UNLV / Simi Valley, CA	41	Brett Bittiger, SS	HS	Pius X HS / Saylorsburg, PA
17	Sean Jamieson, SS	Sr.	Canisius College / Prince George, VA	42	Brett Geren, C	HS	San Ramon Valley HS / Danville, CA
18	Brent Powers, LHP	Sr.	Sam Houston State / Richardson, TX	43	Adam Frank, LHP	HS	Williams Field HS / Gilbert, AZ
19	Eric Potter, LHP	Sr.	Maryland / Odenton, MD	44	Christopher Bostick, SS	HS	Aquinas Institute / Rochester, NY
20	Kurt Wunderlich, RHP	Sr.	Michigan State / Des Peres, MO	45	C.J. Jacobe, OF	HS	Vacaville HS / Vacaville, HS
21	Brandon Magee, OF	Jr.	Arizona State / Corona, CA	46	Nathan Esposito, C	HS	Granite Bay HS / Granite Bay, CA
22	Rhett Stafford, OF	Jr.	Marshall / Cherau, SC	47	Jeriel Waller, OF	JC	Grossmont College / San Diego, CA
23	Cecil Tanner, RHP	Jr.	Georgia / Waycross, GA	48	Travis Feeney, OF	HS	Pinole Valley HS / Richmond, CA
24	Robert Kuhn, SS	HS	Zionsville Community HS / Zionsville, IN	49	Charles Sheffield, OF	HS	The Pendleton School / Columbus, GA
25	Chad Oberacker, CF	Sr.	Tennessee Tech / Erie, PA	50	Travis Pitcher, RHP	JC	Cypress College / Yorba Linda, CA
26	Sam Roberts, SS	Sr.	Virginia Military Inst. / Prince Georgia, VA				

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