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A's Select 30 Players on Final Day of 2016 First-Year Player Draft

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's selected 30 players on the third and final day of the 2016 First-Year Player Draft, the club announced today. The total included 25 college players and the A's drafted college athletes with 35 of their 41 picks overall. The breakdown includes 19 pitchers, five catchers, eight infielders and nine outfielders.

Notable selections from day three include outfielder Robert Bennie in the 24th round from East Stroudsburg. Bennie is the brother of current A's minor leaguer Joe Bennie and hit .397 with 10 home runs and 54 RBI in 56 games for the Warriors this year. Catcher Collin Theroux, the A's 32nd round pick out of Oklahoma State, is from San Mateo and graduated from Serra HS. The A's next pick was also a catcher, Jarrett Costa from Westmont College. Costa graduated from Washington HS in Fremont and hit .333 with five home runs and 49 RBI in 53 games this year for Westmont. With their final pick in the draft, the A's selected second baseman Brett Bittiger from Pace University in the 40th round. Bittiger is the son of A's professional scout Jeff Bittiger.

Oakland Athletics Selections in 2016 First-Year Player Draft

<u>RND</u>	<u>PLAYER, POS.</u>	<u>YR.</u>	<u>SCHOOL / HOMETOWN</u>	<u>RND</u>	<u>PLAYER, POS.</u>	<u>YR.</u>	<u>SCHOOL / HOMETOWN</u>
1	A.J. Puk, LHP	Jr	Florida / Cedar Rapids, IA	21	Kyle Nowlin, OF	Sr.	Eastern Kentucky / Harrison, OH
L-A	Daulton Jefferies, RHP	Jr.	California / Atwater, CA	22	Roger Gonzalez, C	Sr.	Winthrop / Miami, FL
2	Logan Shore, RHP	Jr.	Florida / Coon Rapids, MN	23	Christian Lindsay-Young, RHP	Fr.	Niagara County CC / Angola, NY
3	Sean Murphy, C	Jr.	Wright State / Dayton, OH	24	Robert Bennie, OF	Jr.	East Stroudsburg / Charlottesville, VA
4	Skylar Szynski, RHP	HS	Penn HS / Granger, IN	25	Jeremiah McCray, CF	HS	Martin Luther King HS / Riverside, CA
5	JaVon Shelby, 3B	Jr.	Kentucky / Lexington, KY	26	Charles Gould, 1B	Sr.	William and Mary / Lake Forest, IL
6	Brandon Bailey, RHP	Jr.	Gonzaga / Broomfield, CO	27	Cole Gruber, CF	Sr.	Nebraska-Omaha / Papillion, NE
7	Tyler Ramirez, CF	Jr.	North Carolina / Suffolk, VA	28	Josh Vidales, 2B	Sr.	Houston / Deer Park, TX
8	William Gilbert, LHP	Sr.	North Carolina St. / Morrisville, NC	29	Matthew Milburn, RHP	Sr.	Wofford / Dallas, TX
9	Dalton Sawyer, LHP	Sr.	Minnesota / Waconia, MN	30	Nick Highberger, RHP	Sr.	Creighton / Rye, CO
10	Mitchell Jordan, RHP	Jr.	Stetson / Longwood, FL	31	Sam Sheehan, RHP	Sr.	Westmont / Bonita, CA
11	Eli White, SS	Jr.	Clemson / Easley, SC	32	Collin Theroux, C	Jr.	Oklahoma State / San Mateo, CA
12	Luke Persico, CF	Jr.	UCLA / Temecula, CA	33	Jarrett Costa, C	Sr.	Westmont / Fremont, CA
13	Nathan Mondou, 2B	Jr.	Wake Forest / Lake Tapps, WA	34	Casey Thomas, SS	Sr.	Texas A&M-Corpus Christi / Phoenix, AZ
14	Nolan Blackwood, RHP	Jr.	Memphis / Southxaven, MS	35	Daniel Rafferty, LHP	Jr.	Bucknell / Chicago, IL
15	Ty Damron, LHP	Jr.	Texas Tech / Gainesville, TX	36	Brady Schanuel, RHP	Fr.	Parkland / Swansea, IL
16	Anthony Churlin, OF	HS	Island Coast HS / Cape Coral, FL	37	Michael Farley, CF	HS	Chico HS / Chico, CA
17	Seth Martinez, RHP	Jr.	Arizona State / Peoria, AZ	38	Matthew Frazier, OF	HS	Clovis North HS / Fresno, CA
18	Skyler Weber, C	Jr.	Georgia / Gainesville, GA	39	Shane Martinez, SS	HS	John W. North HS / Riverside, CA
19	Samuel Gilbert, RHP	Sr.	Kansas / Pittsburgh, KS	40	Brett Bittiger, SS	Sr.	Pace / Saylorburg, PA
20	Brigham Hill, RHP	So.	Texas A&M / Nacogdoches, TX				

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