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/EINPresswire.com/ -- Elite Talent NCEC National College Evaluation Camp Showcases Rising Prospects as MVP Performances Elevate Recruiting Stock

The latest Elite Talent NCEC National College Evaluation Camp continued its reputation as a proving ground for rising football prospects, bringing together a strong group of middle school and high school athletes from multiple states for elite-level evaluation, development, and recruiting education.

Despite challenging rainy conditions, several prospects elevated their recruiting stock with standout performances in front of trainers, media members, and recruiting analysts. The event emphasized real evaluation, measurable testing, and competitive reps designed to prepare athletes for the college recruiting process.

Elite Talent's NCEC platform has become known for identifying and developing athletes before major recruiting recognition, helping hundreds of prospects gain exposure through structured evaluation, performance testing, and mentorship.

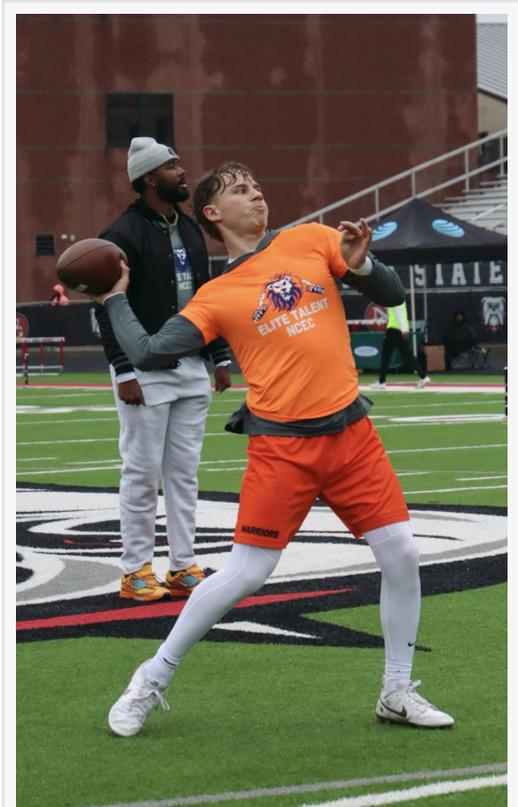
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The Camp where stars are Found!!”

*Derrick Tatum*

“Our mission is to give families clarity in the recruiting process while helping athletes understand exactly where they stand,” said Derrick Tatum, Founder of Elite Talent Football. “We focus on real evaluation, development, and

building relationships that create opportunities at the next level.”



Ben Halevi NCEC MVP

## □ MVP AWARDS

### □ HIGH SCHOOL MVP — BEN HALEVI

(QB | Class of 2028 | North Cobb)

Halevi delivered the most consistent quarterback performance of the day, demonstrating strong decision-making and accuracy in adverse weather conditions. The former Milton (GA) starter continues to build momentum after throwing 21 touchdowns to just one interception last season. Evaluators expect his recruiting trajectory to continue trending upward following this performance.

### □ MIDDLE SCHOOL MVP — DARRON JOHNSON

(WR | Class of 2031 | Grace Snell MS)

Johnson dominated throughout camp competition, showcasing advanced route running and physicality beyond his class level. Competing extensively against high school defensive backs, he consistently created separation and established himself as one of the top young prospects in attendance.

## □ OFFENSIVE STANDOUTS

### QB — HIGH SCHOOL

Davian Johnson (Berkmar | 2026) — Strong command and leadership throughout camp reps.  
Jayden Whiteside (Marietta | 2026) — Showed toughness and execution despite playing with a cast.

### QB — MIDDLE SCHOOL

Sean Cooley (Hebron Middle | 2030) — 6'2 athletic QB with advanced mechanics; early Power 4 projection.

Terrance Bryant Jr (2031) — Young prospect competing well against older athletes.

Hudson Denney (Heritage School | 2030 | @hudsondenney18)

### RB — HIGH SCHOOL

Kruise Buntyn (2029) — Physical downhill runner and returning MVP with early Division I potential. @Kruisebuntyn\_\_8

Greg Payne



Derrick Tatum giving Gary Downs Father of Year Award NCEC

Brennan Ball

RB — MIDDLE SCHOOL

Luke Charles (2033 | @LightningLukeCharles) — Played up in age group and impressed evaluators.

MJ Riley (2030 | Dunwoody HS)

Jaiden White

□□ OFFENSIVE LINE STANDOUTS

HIGH SCHOOL

Milo Wise (Gainesville | 2029 | MVP) — High motor, toughness, and strong fundamentals.

Anel Alic (Duluth | 2027) — 6'6 frame with elite upside and long-term Division I projection.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Weston Priewe (2030 | MVP) — Strong technique and physical presence.

Aiden Walker

Kelton Jolley (2031 | @keltonj\_75)

WR STANDOUTS

HIGH SCHOOL

Dallas Gardner (McCallie | 2028 | @dallas\_gardner2) — Explosive playmaker; WR MVP.

Ricardo "RJ" Walker (Blessed Trinity | 2029 | @ricardo\_walkerjr)

Julian Sease (Walnut Grove | 2027)

Kyman Folkes (McEachern | 2028)

Bubba Langull

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Darron Johnson (Grace Snell | MVP)

Nile Walker (North Cobb | @nilewalker4)

Jermaine Knox (@Mainegoind1)

Kayden Alford (@Certified\_.\_Kay4)

Bryce Fox (@The.Whitemamba32)

□□ DEFENSIVE STANDOUTS

DB — HIGH SCHOOL

Kyle Wise (Red Bank Catholic NJ | 2027 | DB MVP) — Physical leader in deep secondary group.

Roman Hunt Jr (McEachern | 2028)

Jabari Wade (Banneker | 2028) — 6'2 corner with high-level traits.

Michael Pembleton Jr (2027 | Virginia Beach) — P4-level traits.

Alexander Ingersoll (Crestview | 2027)

Orlando Mchgee (2028 Woodard Academy)

#### DB — MIDDLE SCHOOL

Derrick Tatum Jr (Bay Creek | 2031 | @derricktatumjr) — Physical DB with advanced instincts.

MJ Edwards

Jason James

Joshua Anderson (2030 | DB MVP) Long smooth Db.

#### LB — HIGH SCHOOL

Alexavier McDonald (Douglas County | 2027 | @alexmac\_23) — 6'4 linebacker with Division I trajectory.

Jeff Tyler (Seckinger | 2028)

Ehimare Edward (Lanier | 2026)

#### LB — MIDDLE SCHOOL

Josiah Sandridge (Tyner Academy | 2030)

Chase Brotherton (St. Francis | 2030)

Braylen Calhoun (Lumpkin County MS | 2032)

#### DL STANDOUTS

Levi Nelson (Point Vedra FL | 2029)

Jaxson Sims (2031 | DL MVP | @thereal.jaxsonsims)

Gryffan Hornburg (North Cobb Christian | 2030)

#### □ ABOUT ELITE TALENT NCEC

Elite Talent's NCEC National College Evaluation Camps focus on real evaluation, measurable performance testing, and recruiting education. The platform has helped identify and develop numerous Division I prospects before national recognition, providing athletes and families with structure, exposure, and mentorship throughout the recruiting journey.

□ Register for upcoming events: Apr 25-26 At Morgan State University

<https://campscui.active.com/orgs/EliteTalentFootball?season=3715134>

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