

**NFL DRAFT TEAM EVALUATIONS**

<b>2009 DRAFT</b>		<b>BUFFALO BILLS B+</b>				
<b>PICK NO.</b>	<b>PLAYER</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>	<b>POS</b>	<b>HEIGHT</b>	<b>WEIGHT</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>AARON MAYBIN</b>	The talk all Spring had been the need for a pass-rush DE for the BILLS' D. So that is what they went for and got in MAYBIN. I doubt he will be able to hold up against he run as a full time player yet, but he should be very valuable on passing downs. He looks to have big time, long term potential, and should be able to add weight with age.	DE	6'4	250	PENN STATE
<b>28</b>	<b>ERIC WOOD</b>	There were no premier OT left when they selected here. WOOD is a hard working, tough, strong and fairly athletic college OC, who I think they will move to OG. He should be an instant starter and play in the NFL for over 10 years. Can you tell I like this guy and the Pick here?!	OC/G	6'4	308	LOUISVILLE
<b>42</b>	<b>JARIUS BYRD</b>	This may have been a bit of a reach here. BYRD had a solid college career, and has fine NFL bloodlines, but his inability to post decent 40-times is a concern. His fit may be as a Dime-back and perhaps a FS over time. Their only reach.	DB	5'10	207	OREGON
<b>51</b>	<b>ANDY LEVITRE</b>	I love this Pick, and like WOOD, I think they have an instant starter here. So despite no OT help they may have filled both OG positions for a decade. He is smart, tough and a bit of a mauler. Having played OT in college means he might slide outside in a pinch, even though he lacks ideal size for an NFL OT. Good Value Pick.	OG	6'3	305	OREGON STATE
<b>121</b>	<b>SHAWN NELSON</b>	The BILLS have one of the deepest, most talented WR corps in the NFL. But they have been subpar at TE for a while. That is about to change. NELSON has great hands and the ability to get downfield. He is a willing blocker who with some pro coaching and another 10 lbs will help in their running game.	TE	6'5	240	SOUTHERN MISS
<b>147</b>	<b>NIC HARRIS</b>	I like HARRIS a lot both on and off the field. He has overcome a lot in his life and is the kind of guy you want in your foxhole. He could provide some help in a Dime Package as a S, and if he can add another 5-10 lbs. he has solid potential as a 3-down OLB.	LB/S	6'2	235	OKLAHOMA
<b>183</b>	<b>CARY HARRIS</b>	Not a stellar athlete, but a fundamentally sound CB who plays the ball well, and is not afraid to be a bit physical despite his modest size. I see him as a great Value Pick for R6, who will earn playing time right away.	CB	5'11	185	SOUTHERN CAL
<b>220</b>	<b>ELLIS LANKSTER</b>	An excellent value in R7. He showed in Mobile that he is a lot more than just a return man. He shows excellent speed and quickness, and some cover ability. For a 7th Rounder he may bring a lot to the able as a Nickel Back, Punt Returner and Special Team cover guy. Very solid Pick.	CB/RS	5'9	190	WEST VIRGINIA

I really like this group of DRAFTEES. It would have been an A, except that some of the Picks came at the cost of JASON PETERS. Nonetheless, every one of these players has a solid chance to make the BILLS' roster and contribute this season. This is how a small-market franchise has to work the DRAFT process to their advantage. Their scouts also pulled together a solid list of prospects to sign on Day 3, but that's a story for another time.