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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, IL--Seven junior college football players have transferred to Eastern
Illinois University and enrolled for spring semester, head coach Al Molde announced.
Four of the seven are offensive linemen. They are Jim Raftis (Jerseyville), 6-2,
270 OT from Eastern Utah CC, Tim Wyatt (Phoenix, AZ), 6-1, 235 center from Phoenix
College, Jim Wisener (Phoenix, AZ), 6-2, 260 OG of Glendale (AZ) CC, and Mike Hurley
(Huntington Beach, CA), 6-0, 230 OG of Santa Ana College.

Three defensive players are Melvin Black (West Haven, CT), a 6-2, 230 linebacker from Santa Ana College, James Boyd (Orange, CA), 6-1, 180 cornerback from Santa Ana College, and John Borchardt (Ft. Lauderdale, FL), 6-4, 240 defensive tackle from Golden Valley Lutheran (MN) CC.

"Rather than bring in a number of transfers and start weeding them out, our philosophy has always been to recruit only those that we feel can definitely play," said Molde.

"We believe all seven fit that category and can contribute here . . . they are good students and should be with us for some time. We plan to bring in five or six more who are finishing their education this spring therefore won't be eligible to transfer until fall."

The Panthers have no starters returning on the offensive line and just one defensive lineman back from the group that started the Indiana State I-AA playoff game on Thanksgiving weekend.

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