

# CLIFF HARRIS AWARD



## 2019

December 23, 2019

### 2019 CLIFF HARRIS AWARD FINALISTS ANNOUNCED Top Small College Defensive Players Recognized

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas - The Little Rock Touchdown Club and Wright Lindsey Jennings announced the finalists for the seventh annual CLIFF HARRIS AWARD. The award is presented to the nation's top small college defensive player representing more than 5,000 defensive players from almost 500 NCAA Division II, Division III and NAIA colleges and universities.

An overall winner will be announced on December 27th and honored at the Little Rock Touchdown Club's annual awards banquet on January 9, 2020 with special guest two time Heisman Trophy Winner Archie Griffin. The winner will receive the \$3,000 Cliff Harris Award trophy presented by Cliff Harris. In addition to the overall winner, the top vote getters from each division will also be announced.

For the story of Cliff Harris go to [www.CliffHarrisAward.com](http://www.CliffHarrisAward.com) and read about his amazing journey from an overlooked high school player from tiny Des Arc, Arkansas, and one scholarship offer to then-NAIA Ouachita Baptist University to five Super Bowls and six Pro Bowls with the Dallas Cowboys.

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#### 2019 Cliff Harris Award Finalists

##### DIVISION II

Brandon	Anderson	SR	DB	Edinboro University
Mercardo	Anderson	SR	LB	Henderson State
Jaquan	Artis	SR	DL	Lenoir-Rhyne University
Blayne	Burnett	JR	DL	Western Oregon University
James	Cesar	SR	DB	Ferris State
Nich	Cicco	SO	DB	Colorado Mesa
Kyle	Duggar	SR	S	Lenoir-Rhyne (N.C.)
Austin	Edwards	SR	DL	Ferris State
Leon	Eggleston	SR	LB	Wayne State University
Keandre	Evans	SR	DB	Ouachita Baptist University
Desmond	Fairrell	SR	DB	Carson Newman (TN)
Julius "JR"	Faulk	JR	DB	Delta State University
Chris	Garrett	JR	DL	Concordia-St. Paul
Billy	Greer	SR	DL	Central Washington
Chauncy	Haney	SR	DL	North Greenville University
Demetrius	Harris	JR	DL	Fort Valley State University
Chris	Hoad	SR	LB	UT Permian Basin
Michael	Junker	SR	DB	Bemidji State University
Vada	King	SR	LB	Delta State
Damon	Lloyd	SR	LB	IUP
Demetrice	Lofton	SO	DL	Morehouse College
CJ	Miller	SR	LB	Saint Anselm College
Demetri	Morsell	SO	DB	Bowie State University
Brandin	Obrecht	SO	LB	Adams State
Sam	Opont	JR	DL	Endicott College
Spencer	Phillips	SR	DL	NW Missouri State
Sam	Reeves	SR	DL	Truman State University
Drew	Seers	JR	LB	Lindenwood University
Clay	Shreve	SR	LB	Ashland
Daryus	Skinner	SR	DB	Winston-Salem State University
Ch'aim	Smith	SR	DL	West Chester (PA)
Pete	Thorbahn	SR	DB	Bentley University
Antonio	Washington	JR	DL	Southern Arkansas University
Jackson	Wibbels	SR	DL	CSU-Pueblo
Maurice	Wright Jr.	SR	LB	Northwestern Oklahoma State

##### DIVISION III

Mackenzie	Balanaganayi	JR	DL	University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
Blaze	Barista	SR	DB	Dubuque (IA)
Scottie	Bobeck	SR	LB	Benedictine University
Cameron	Brown	SR	DL	Case Western Reserve University
Daniel	Campos	SR	LB	George Fox University
Obasi	Dees	SR	DB	California Lutheran University
Mason	Dekker	SR	LB	Hope College
Frankie	Feaster	SR	DL	Muhlenberg College
Kordell	Ford	JR	DB	University of Mount Union
Eddie	Graham	JR	DB	No.Carolina Wesleyan
Raeqwon	Greer	JR	DB	Alfred University
Peyton	Haynes	SR	DB	LaGrange (GA)
Jeff	Hector	SR	DB	Redlands (CA)
Ben	James	SR	DL	Christopher Newport University
Antonio	Johnson	SR	LB	North Carolina Wesleyan College
Tevin	Jones	SR	LB	Mary Hardin-Baylor
Dillon	Keefe	JR	LB	Chapman University
Nate	Keirn	SR	DL	Denison University
Joey	Longoria	SR	DL	University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
Manny	Longoria	SR	DB	Texas Lutheran
Jordan	McInerney	SR	DL	Lake Forest College
Dallas	McRae	SR	DL	Wheaton College (IL)
Matthew	Messner	JR	LB	Salve Regina University
Re'Shaun	Myers	SR	LB	Bridgewater College
*Mark	Niles	SR	LB	Ohio Northern
Michael	Nobile	SO	DL	Delaware Valley University
Joshua	Onujiogu	JR	DL	Framingham State
Tim	Ousley	SR	DL	Muskingum University
Ian	Paulsen	SR	LB	Martin Luther College
Jack	Pistorius	JR	LB	Middlebury College
Chris	Rice	JR	DL	Castleton University
Logan	Rickard	SR	LB	Coe College
Danial	Shelton	SR	DB	Susquehanna (PA)
Kyle	Treber	JR	LB	Hanover College
Mike	Williams	SR	DL	Washington & Jefferson College
Tramon	Wiley	JR	DB	Heidelberg (OH)

##### NAIA

Shaq	Bradford	SR	DL	Kansas Wesleyan University
Kevin	Brown	SR	LB	Dickinson St (N.D.)
Dayton	Bush	SR	DB	Benedictine (KS)
Sage	Chen-Young	SO	DB	Keiser (Fla.) University
Trevon	Clayborne	SR	DB	Siena Heights (MI)
Austin	Collymore	SO	DB	Sterling (KS)
Mac	Cuicchi	SR	LB	Grand View University
Craig	Dutra	SR	DL	Marian (IN)
Seth	Evans	SR	DL	Langston University
Jason	Fallen	SR	DL	Reinhardt (GA)
Dallis	Flowers	JR	DB	University of Montana Western
Jaron	Green	SR	DL	Grand View (IA)
James	Jamicich	SR	DL	Arizona Christian
Landon	Jones	SR	LB	Saint Francis
Joel	Katzer	SR	LB	Southwestern Assemblies of God
Sam	Morton	SR	LB	Morningside (IA)
Klayton	Nordeen	SR	DB	Evangel University
Jeremiah	Pharms	SR	DL	Morningside (IA)
Robert	Robinson	JR	DL	Friends
Starr	Thompson	SR	DL	Briar Cliff University
Dominic	Valentino	SO	DB	Georgetown (KY)
Derick	VandeBossche	SR	DB	Cincinnati Christian
DaMarcus	Wimbush	JR	LB	Dickinson St (N.D.)
				Bluefield College

\*Erroneously omitted from Nominee List Released on December 13, 2019

#### 2019 Selection Committee

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