DETROIT COUNTRY DAY’S JONAS GRAY VERBALLY COMMITS TO NEBRASKA FOR FOOTBALL

BEVERLY HILLS, Mich., August 3, 2007 – Detroit Country Day School senior Jonas Gray formally announced his verbal collegiate commitment to attend and play football at the University of Nebraska today.

“I chose the University of Nebraska because of the facilities and the personable attitude of the coaches and players. Also, the University of Nebraska has a fine staff of academic supporters, and a tradition of winning and excellence on and off the field,” said Gray. “In the classroom there were 63 Academic All-Americans that rank among the NCAA all-time best and on the field, they have won five national championships. Nebraska has a tradition of great running backs like Johnny Rogers, Roger Craig, Mike Rozier and Ahman Green and the phenomenal coaching staff at Nebraska consists of mentors that I would love to learn from.”

The 5-foot-10.5-inch running back earned All-State, All-County, All-Area and Army All-American status for football in his junior year while maintaining a 3.2 grade point average. He was also a member of Detroit Country Day School’s 2007 state championship men’s basketball team and garnered All-State, All-County and All-Area with the 2007 track and field state championship team.
Gray feels that his experience at Detroit Country Day has truly prepped him for athletics and academics at the college level.

“Detroit Country Day has prepared me in so many ways. Academically, Ms. Sandoval, and Ms. Keeler have prepared me for the responsibilities of college as a student-athlete. Athletically, Coach MacLean, Coach Keener and Coach Wilson have taught me to be a team player and a leader,” said Gray. “Most of all, the entire staff at Detroit Country Day has prepared me to be competitive at the highest level. I do believe Nebraska is the place for me to continue that tradition.”

Detroit Country Day is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory school offering a liberal arts pre-kindergarten through 12th-grade education. Founded in 1914, the school provides a foundation for lifelong learning within an environment of educational excellence and cultural diversity. Detroit Country Day (www.dcds.edu) serves more than 1,550 students on its four Birmingham/Beverly Hills-area campuses.

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