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BRADENTON, Fla. (April 26, 2013) – Seven IMG Academy trainees were selected in the first round of the 2013 NFL Draft last night in New York City. They included:

- Luke Joeckel (Texas A&M, OT) selected #2 by the Jacksonville Jaguars
- Sheldon Richardson (Missouri, DT) #13 by the New York Jets
- Eric Reid (LSU, S) #18 by the San Francisco 49ers
- Tyler Eifert (Notre Dame, TE) #21 by the Cincinnati Bengals
- Sharrif Floyd (Florida, DT) #23 by the Minnesota Vikings
- Bjoern Werner (Florida State, DE) #24 by the Indianapolis Colts
- DeAndre Hopkins (Clemson, WR) #27 by the Houston Texans

More than 40 prospects traveled to IMG Academy in January to prepare for the annual NFL Scouting Combine and ultimately increase their draft stock. IMG Academy's renowned NFL Combine/Draft Training program presents athletes with education and training in position-specific skills, speed and movement, physical and mental conditioning, sports nutrition and hydration, vision training, communication and more. Former program participants include: 2012 NFL Draft first-round picks Ryan Tannehill (Miami Dolphins, #8) and Luke Kuechly (Carolina Panthers, #9); 2012 later-round gems like Russell Wilson (Seattle Seahawks, #75) and Alfred Morris (Washington Redskins, #173); 2011 first-round selections, Cam Newton (Carolina Panthers, #1) and Anthony Castonzo (Indianapolis Colts, #22); 2004 first-round pick Eli Manning (San Diego Chargers, #1); and 2001's first pick of the second round, Drew Brees (San Diego Chargers, #32).

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IMG Academy is the world-leading provider of academic, athletic and personal development programs. With expert instruction, a proven training methodology, professional-grade facilities and a challenging and motivating learning environment that brings together individuals of all ages and backgrounds, IMG Academy provides the ultimate foundation for future success.

The Bradenton, Fla.-based campus annually attracts nearly 200,000 athletes, coaches, event participants and spectators from 100 countries. IMG Academy offers sports camps and academy programs, in addition to training opportunities for adult, collegiate and professional athletes, as well as teams and leagues. IMG Academy is also the host venue for countless international amateur and professional sporting events.

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