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## **Firecats Sign Record Five Players From Open Tryout!**

**Estero, FL-** The Florida Firecats set a new franchise record by signing five total players from the second open tryout for the 2005 season. “This was an extremely productive open tryout, we were able to sign some good young talent” says Chris Vallozzi President/General Manager. Highlighting the Firecats signing was a graduate of Port Charlotte High School in 2000, Aaron Weedo. Aaron continued his career in the Naval Academy. Head Coach Kevin Bouis states, “These are the best five guys at the tryouts, and we are looking forward to bringing them into camp.” The Florida Firecats will have one more open tryout on March 5, 2005. “At the final tryout, we are hoping to fill the remaining roster spots for the 2005 season,” proclaims Head Coach Kevin Bouis. The Florida Firecats head to training camp on March 16, 2005. The season opener is April 1 versus the Macon Knights. The Firecats home opener at Germain Arena is April 16 versus the Rio Grande Dorados. Season tickets are on sale now starting as low as \$108.00; contact the Firecats for season tickets at 239.390.CATS (2287).

### **Players Signed:**

- Matt Pell                      FB/LB              6’1      240 lbs. North Lake, Dallas Texas
- Prince Poiter                OL/DL              6’0      300 lbs. Fordham University
- Justin Thomas              DS                  6’0      195 lbs. University of Louisville
- Javarus Dudley              WR/DB              6’0      198 lbs. Fordham University
- Aaron Weedo                WR/DB              5’10     183 lbs. Naval Academy

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