Tech Signs 26 Gridders

BLACKSBURG — The official Virginia Tech signing list was made available Monday, and the Gobblers have signed 26 players all told.

The list did not include the name of Mike Brammer, Patrick Henry guard, who said Sunday he had not signed with anybody although it was originally reported he was going to Tech.

New names on the Tech list included Jim Banks, a lineman from Ashland; Robert Blue, a tackle from Warrenston; Charlie Brown, a running back from Pulaski; Harvey Heath, a lineman from West Point; Danny Ludd, a back from Massanutten; Mike Poole, a receiver from Lord Botetourt.

The other players who have signed with Tech:
Rusty Bailey, back, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mitchell Barnes, back, Southampton; Darrell Bucklen, line, Richlands; Tommy Cooper, back, Stuarts Draft; Moses Foster, back, Massanutten; Keith Gibson, line, Churchill, Tenn.; John Goodwin, back, Elizabethtown, Tenn.

Also, John Groover, back, Culpeper; Eddie Joyce, back, Andrew Lewis; Gary LaClair, line, Richmond; Curt Lowery, line, Massanutten; Otey Mierwether, line, Lynchburg; John Morris, back, Elizabethtown; Dwight Presnell, line, Bluff City, Tenn.; Milton Ross, line, Abingdon; Robert Roberts, line, Louisville, Ky.; Keith Shirley, line, Patrick Henry; Steve Scott, back, Unicoi; Steve Tapp, line, Unicoi, Tenn.; and Richard Widner, line, Bristol.

“I think we have to consider our efforts so far a very good start and it looks as though our total recruiting work will be virtually wrapped up perhaps by the first of the year,” Tech Coach Charlie Coffey said.