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Five Liberal Redskins will be making the move to college football next fall, and they won't have to go very far.

All five signed to play with the Garden City Broncbusters next season.

Kedrick Eyle will be competing for a spot on the linebacker corps of the Broncbusters.

"I'm going to Garden for football and for academic reasons," he said. "They just have more to offer, and I feel I have a good opportunity to play." Eyle will be studying business at Garden City Community College.

For Bryce Johnson, playing for the Broncbusters will provide an opportunity to see time as a defensive back.

"I felt I had a good opportunity to get on the field," he said. "I think they can help me out a lot."

Johnson chose Garden City over Hutchinson and was a standout defensive player for the Redskins in 2009.

Michael Cummins also chose the Broncbusters over Hutchinson. He will be playing outside linebacker.

“I like it there,” he said. “The campus visit was real good. I had a real good time there.”

Cummins and Johnson will be working on their general studies while at Garden City Community College.

For Akele Powdrill, the transition from being a Redskin to a Broncbuster was a natural fit.

“They run the same defense that we run here,” Powdrill said. “I liked the coaches. I had fun with them.” Powdrill will be studying astronomy.

Lavondrick Martin is the only Redskins looking to play on the offensive side of the ball for the Broncbusters. He will be competing for a job as a receiver and slot.

“I liked their facilities,” Martin said. “I liked the coaches, and they have a good education program there.” Martin will be studying engineering and will be looking for an opportunity to advance into Div. I after his career at Garden City Community College.

For first-year Redskin coach Wade Standley, sending five to Garden City was the right fit.

“I’m excited for these young men,” he said. “They worked hard. Garden City is a good fit for these guys, and I’m excited because they will be close enough that we will be able to watch them play.”

Standley believed one of the differences was the attention the Garden City head coach gave to the Redskins. "He came down and visited," Standley said. "Not every program did that."