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**NEW JERSEY NATIVE AND NEW ORLEANS SAINTS SAFETY MALCOLM JENKINS COMPLETES FIRST DAY OF YOUTH FOOTBALL CAMP
150 Teens Are Registered for Saturday's Conclusion of Free Football Camp at Piscataway High**

(New Jersey, Piscataway)—June 22, 2012. Today, 200 youth, ages 7-12, arrived at Piscataway High School to participate in New Jersey native and NFL New Orleans Saints Safety **Malcolm Jenkins'** youth football camp. Jenkins returned to his hometown to provide two days of quality, professional, non-contact football activities. Jenkins brought along several of his friends from the NFL to serve as guest coaches for the camp-- players representing the **New York Jets, San Francisco 49ers, Arizona Cardinals, St. Louis Rams,** and his teammates from the **New Orleans Saints.** The football youth camp is presented by **The Malcolm Jenkins Foundation.** A total of 350 youth and teens (200, 7-12 year olds; 150, 13-17 year olds) have registered to participate in the camp this weekend. Tomorrow (Saturday, June 23, 2012) from 9a.m. – 3p.m., kids from ages 12-17 will continue in the final day of the camp held at Piscataway High School, the alma mater of guest coaches Jenkins (Saints), Kyle Wilson (Jets), and Anthony Davis (49ers).

"It is a special honor for me to come home and host a free camp for kids in my community and in the greater New Jersey and New York surrounding areas," said Jenkins. "Sharing the skills and talents that I learned and developed from coaches, teachers, family, and friends with the generation coming behind me is something that I value. It is responsibility that we all have."

Guest Coaches for The Malcolm Jenkins Foundation youth football camp include: **Malcolm Jenkins** (Saints), **Isa Abdul-Qudus** (Saints), **Jonathan Casillas**(Saints), **Kyle Wilson** (Jets), **Roman Harper** (Saints), **Anthony Davis** (49ers), **Chris Wells** (Cardinals), **James Lauranitis** (Rams), and **Larry Fitzgerald** (Cardinals).

"It is so great that Malcolm Jenkins returned home to do something for the kids in Piscataway. One day I hope that my son will go to Piscataway High School and play sports. I am encouraged that he was able to experience an event like this from someone from our hometown. It sets a good example for him about community and giving back," stated Robin Bellamy, a resident of Piscataway, a parent, and a graduate of Piscataway High School.

In addition to the camp's physical activities and coaching, participants also received lunch, giveaways, and awards. After lunch, the kids had an in-door session with the NFL guest coaches to talk about education, perseverance, and hard work. Jenkins served as the moderator of the discussion.

"I am not a 'big' guy in the NFL, but I have always been determined to play football and to play well. So, when I was growing up, I decided that I had to work harder than the next person--physically and mentally. I studied harder and worked out longer. I started playing football with a 'chip' on my shoulder--determined and focused. Always know anything that you put your mind to, you can achieve," said N.Y. Jets Kyle Wilson to the room of over 200 youth.

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ABOUT MALCOLM JENKINS

Jenkins is a graduate of Piscataway High School (2005) and The Ohio State University (2009, B.A. Communications). He is the recipient of the Jim Thorpe Award, which recognizes and awards the nation's best collegiate defensive back. He is the 2nd award winner from The Ohio State University in the 23 years of Thorpe award recipients. In 2009, Jenkins was selected in the first round of the NFL draft (14th overall), by the New Orleans Saints. In his rookie season, he helped to lead the team to a historic Super Bowl win, the first in the franchise's 40-year history.

As a member of the New Orleans Saints, Jenkins has been very active in the local community participating and speaking at various community and public service events that are focused on enriching and enhancing the lives of youth and teens. In the New Orleans community, Jenkins has become known for his passion and commitment in helping youth and teens develop leadership and service skills through mentoring and public service. Jenkins was named the **2011 New Orleans Saints NFL Player of the Year**.

In early May, Jenkins joined President Bill Clinton in recognizing the high school graduates of the Urban League of Greater New Orleans College Track Program. Jenkins awarded scholarships, on behalf of his Foundation, to deserving young people in pursuit of higher learning.

ABOUT THE MALCOLM JENKINS FOUNDATION

Malcolm Jenkins established the Malcolm Jenkins Foundation in 2010, to effect a positive change in the lives of youth, particularly youth living in underserved communities; by providing resources, innovative opportunities and experiences that will help youth succeed in life and become contributing members of the community. The Malcolm Jenkins Foundation is committed to youth development initiatives and programs, which emphasize mentorship, character development, leadership, education, life skills, and recreation. The foundation embraces the values of integrity, responsibility, service, community, and fiscal accountability. These values serve as the building blocks for its youth program initiatives.

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For more information on The Malcolm Jenkins Foundation, visit www.themalcolmjenkinsfoundation.org.

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