

Wray, Chisholm To Miss 2011 Season

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Appalachian State University linebacker Justin Wray (Covington, Ga./Eastside) and running back Rod Chisholm (Charlotte, N.C./Independence) will not compete for the Mountaineers in 2011, head coach Jerry Moore announced on Friday.

Wray will undergo shoulder surgery this summer and redshirt during the upcoming season while Chisholm will not participate in game action after falling short of meeting NCAA academic requirements.

Wray originally injured his right shoulder during the 2010 campaign, reaggravated the injury during the offseason and has elected to undergo surgery that will require several months of rehabilitation. Since the junior played as a true freshman in 2009, he will redshirt in 2011 and still have two years of eligibility remaining when he returns to game action in 2012. He will be able to practice with the Mountaineers should he complete his rehabilitation prior to the end of the 2011 season.

Wray ranked second on the team with 73 tackles in 2010 and earned second-team all-Southern Conference recognition from the league's media.

Chisholm redshirted as a true freshman in 2008 and will have one season of eligibility remaining when he returns to game action in 2012. He will remain on scholarship and practice with the squad in 2010.

Chisholm has appeared in 15 games and rushed for 246 yards over two seasons, including 113 yards and two touchdowns in 11 games last fall.

"While we're disappointed that we won't have Justin or Rod on the field this season, we fully expect that both will work hard and be positive influences in the locker room and on the practice field," Moore said. "We have great depth at both positions to make up for their absence this year and look forward to them returning to competition in 2012."