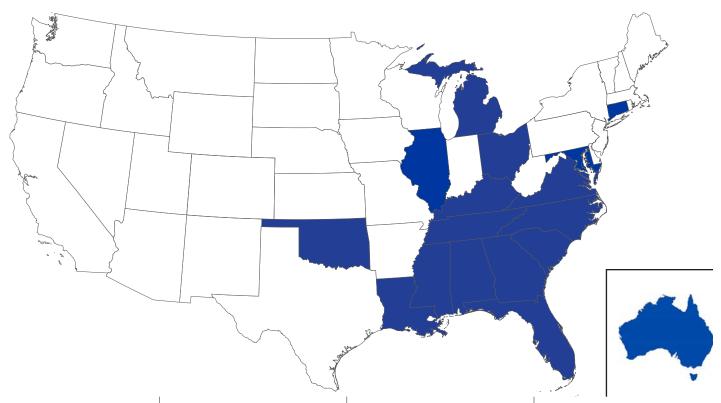


## CATS ON THE MAP

The 2021 football roster is comprised of 16 different states and Australia



Alabama	(5)
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Birmingham	Lucas Padget
Huntsville	Kahlil Saunders
Pleasant Grove	Chris Lewis
Tuscaloosa	Jacquez Jones
Wetumpka	Kavosiey Smoke

Will Levis

# Connecticut (1) Madison

Florida (11)	
Fort Lauderdale	Jake Pope
	Nik Scalzo
	Jordan Wright
Hollywood	Josh Al
Lakeland	Abule Abadi-Fitzgerald
Miami	Sam Anaele
	Clevan Thomas Jr.
Orlando	Rahsaan Lewis
Palm Beach	Cedrick Dort Jr.
Sanford	Kenneth Horsey
Vero Beach	DeMarcus Harris

acoigia (z-i)	
Brunswick	Quandre Mosely
Cartersville	Devonte Ross
Columbus	Josh Jones
Dublin	D'Eryk Jackson
Jesup	Trevin Wallace
Jonesboro	Shawn Lawson
Albany	Chauncey Magwood
McDonough	Yusuf Corker
	Chris Rodriguez Jr.
Rochelle	Martez Thrower
Stone Mountain	Marquez Bembry
Tifton	K.D. McDaniel
Union Grove	Taj Dodson
Valdosta	Travis Tisdale

Illinois (1)	
Lake Forest	Jai William

### Kentucky (38)

Belfry	Austin Dotson
Bowling Green	Jordan Dingle
	Justice Dingle
	Vito Tisdale
Frankfort	Wan'Dale Robinson
Jackson	Braxton Eiserman
Lexington	Beau Allen
	Zac Berezowitz
	Jager Burton
	Dekel Crowdus Jr.
	Trey Dennis
	Davonte Robinson
	Graham Wald
Louisville	Alex Bascom
	Richard Bascom
	Jared Casey
	Tae Tae Crumes
	Izayah Cummings
	Luke Leeper
	Jordan Morrow
	Jack Varga
	J.J. Weaver
	Lavell Wright John Young
Mayfield	Cody Goatley
Nicholasville	Eli Cox
MICHOIASVIIIE	Matthew Napier
Owensboro	Austin Gough
Radcliff	Isaiah Beasley
Nauciiii	Jordan Lovett
	Octavious Oxendine
Richmond	Dillon Wheatley
Science Hill	Jase Bruner
Somerset	Collin Hartmann
	Kaiya Sheron
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Stamping Ground	Jonathan Berry
Upton	Clay Perry
Vine Grove	Darren Green

### Louisiana (3)

Baton Rouge	Joel Williams
Ferriday	Dare Rosenthal
Metairie	William Nalty

### Maryland (2)

Laurel	Naasir Watkins
Prince George's County	Josh Paschal

### Michigan (9)

Beecher	Earnest Sanders IV
Detroit	Deondre Buford
	Jeremy Flax
	Marquan McCall
	Justin Rogers
	DeAndre Square
East Lansing	Conner Long
West Bloomfield	Maxwell Hairston
	Tyler Markray

## Mississippi (2) Horn Lake

Josaih Hayes
Cade Degraw

### North Carolina (1)

Kaleb Cheek Asheboro

### Ohio (22)

Brenden Bates
Zach Johnson
Chris Oats
Carrington Valentine
Quintin Wilson
Matt Ruffolo
Torrance Davis

	Patrick Delahunty
	Colin Goodfellow
Columbus	Jamarius Dinkins
	Rickey Hyatt Jr.
Fairfield	JuTahn McClain
Hilltop	Mike Drennen II
Lima	Keaton Upshaw
Mansfield	Tyrell Ajian
Mason	Paul Rodriguez
Springfield	Moses Douglass
	Isaiah Gibson
Springsboro	Justin Rigg
Stow	David Wohlabaugh Jr.
Sylvania	Luke Fortner
Youngstown	Luke Fulton

### Oklahoma (2)

Jenks	Isaiah Epps
Norman	Darren Edmond

# South Carolina (3)

Andru Phillips
Chance Poore
Jalen Geiger

### Tennessee (3)

Dickson	Tre'Vonn Rybka
Knoxville	Darian Kinnard
Nashville	Adrian Huey

### Virginia (2)

Charlottesville	Ben Drake
Woodbridge	R.J. Adams

### AUSTRALIA (1)

/laribyrnong	Wilson Berry



## 2021 PLAYER BIOGRAPHIES

### Breakdown by Class

### Super Seniors (9)

Josh Ali Luke Fortner Colin Goodfellow Zach Johnson Quandre Mosely William Nalty Justin Rigg **Davonte Robinson** Matt Ruffolo

### Seniors (24)

Abule Abadi-Fitzgerald Tyrell Ajian Marquez Bembry Zac Berezowitz Yusuf Corker Cade Degraw Patrick Delahunty Cedrick Dort Jr. Austin Dotson Darren Edmond Isaiah Epps Collin Hartmann Jacquez Jones Darian Kinnard Shawn Lawson Marguan McCall Matthew Napier Chris Oats Joshua Paschal DeAndre Square Clevan Thomas Jr. **Naasir Watkins** Dillon Wheatley Jordan Wright

### Juniors (20)

Alex Bascom Richard Bascom **Brenden Bates** Justice Dingle\* Ben Drake Braxton Eiserman Jeremy Flax Kenneth Horsey Will Levis Rahsaan Lewis Tyler Markray Jordon Morrow Chance Poore Wan'Dale Robinson\* Chris Rodriguez Jr. Dare Rosenthal Kavosiey Smoke Keaton Upshaw Jack Varga Quintin Wilson

### Sophomores (18)

Beau Allen Jared Casey Eli Cox Tae Tae Crumes Tai Dodson Moses Douglass Luke Fulton\* Jalen Geiger

Isaiah Gibson DeMarcus Harris Josaih Hayes K.D. McDaniel Tre'Von Morgan Octavious Oxendine Jake Pone Nik Scalzo Travis Tisdale J.J. Weaver

### r-Freshmen (25)

R.J. Adams Sam Anaele Isaiah Beasley Jase Bruner Deondre Buford Kaleb Cheek Izavah Cummings **Torrance Davis** Michael Drennen II Cody Goatley Darren Green Rickey Hyatt Jr. D'Eryk Jackson Josh Jones JuTahn McClain Clay Perry Andru Phillips Justin Rogers Tre'Vonn Rybka Earnest Sanders IV Graham Wald Vito Tisdale Carrington Valentine Joel Williams John Young

### Freshmen (24)

Jonathan Berry Wilson Berry\* Jager Burton\* Dekel Crowdus Jr. Trey Dennis Jordan Dingle Jamarius Dinkins Austin Gough Maxwell Hairston\* Adrian Huev Chrisitan Lewis Conner Long Jordan Lovett\* Chauncey Magwood\* Lucas Padgett Paul Rodriguez **Devonte Ross Kahlil Saunders** Kaiva Sheron\* Martez Thrower Trevin Wallace Iai Williams David Wohlabaugh\* La'Vell Wright\*

\* 2021 Mid-year enrollee



### **ABULE**

### **ABADI-FITZGERALD**

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

6-6 • 303 • Senior-2L Lakeland, Fla. (Victory Christian Academy)

#### 2021 - Senior

• CoSIDA Academic All-District First Team

### 2020 - Junior

- Saw action in five games and charted his first career PBU in the win over South Carolina
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

#### 2019 - Sophomore

- Saw action in all 13 games and had four tackles
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2018 - r-Freshman

- · Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Spring 2019)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2017 - Freshman

· Redshirt season

### **High School**

- Recorded 39 tackles, including nine TFL, two sacks and 13 quarterback hurries in 2016 for coach Tommy Lewis at Victory Christian Academy
- Also had two forced fumbles, a fumble recovery and an interception
- Named second-team All-Polk County by the Lakeland Ledger and Florida AP All-State Class 2A honorable mention as a senior in helping the Storm finish 13-2 overall
- Member of the 2014 State Championship team
- Named to the Southeast Super-Region Team by the National Christian School Athletic Association
- Transferred to Victory Christian in 2016 after playing at Dade Christian
- Also a star player on the basketball court and competed in the shot put, discus and 400 meters
- School-record holder and back-to-back regional champion in the shot put
- Named second-team All-Dade as a junior
- Averaging 23.0 points and 13.0 rebounds as a senior, compiling over 1,400 career points
- Chose Kentucky over Florida, Florida Atlantic and Florida International

### **Community Cats**

Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)

### Personal

Name is pronounced "Abule (ah-BOO-lay) Abadi (ah-BODY)"

- Originally from Yenagoa, Nigeria
- Moved to Florida at the age of 12
- Son of Steve and Teri Fitzgerald
- Siblings are Alaowei Talent, Dublin, Aiden, Mackenzie, Jackson, Liam and Austin Fitzgerald
- Brother, Alaowei Talent, played college basketball at Broward College and Southeastern University
- Graduated in May of 2021 with a degree in communication ... Currently pursuing graduate school options

### **Abule Says**

- His nickname is "A.B." or "A-Bizzle"
- He chose Kentucky because he wanted to get out of his comfort zone and Kentucky felt like home
- Three words to describe him are motivated, disciplined, and tough
- The best advice he's ever received is "work so hard so the coaches have no choice but to play you"
- Most people don't know he's Nigerian, he's adopted and he has approximately 40 siblings back in Nigeria

### FITZGERALD'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	Sacks-Y	TFL-Y	PBU	QBH
2018	DT	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	DT	13-0	4	0	0	0	0
2020	DT	5-0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals		18-0	4	0	0	1	0

### FITZGERALD'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC	PBU	Int.	QBH
at Auburn			DNP				
vs. Ole Miss			DNP				
vs. Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee			DNP				
at Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt			DNP				
at Alabama	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Florida			DNP				
vs. South Carolina	0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
vs. NC State			DNP				
Totals	4	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0

### FITZGERALD'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC	PBU	Int.	QBH
vs. Toledo	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Eastern Michigan	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at South Carolina	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. UT Martin	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0





# FITZGERALD'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME s. Louisville 1 0-0 0-0 0 0 0

Totals	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Va. Tech	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0

### **FITZGERALD'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 1,4x, last vs Louisville, Nov 30, 2019
Pass breakup: 1, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020



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REUBEN "R.J."

**ADAMS** 

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-3 • 330 • Freshman-RS Woodbridge, Va. (Woodbridge Senior)

### 2020 - Freshman

· Redshirt season

#### **High School**

- Four-star recruit by Rivals.com and ESPN
- Rivals listed him as the No. 6 prospect in Virginia and No. 12 overall prospect in the nation
- Named an Under Armour All-America and contributed for Coach Deion Sanders' winning squad, Team Pressure, defeat Team Savage, 30-24, in January of 2020
- Three-year starter and two-year captain at Woodbridge Senior High School for Coach Gary Wortham Sr.
- Led Woodbridge to a regional championship, Final Four appearance in 2017 with a school-best 12-2 record
- Allowed zero sacks as a senior and went on to earn 2019 second-team All-District, All-Region and All-Met honors by The Washington Post
- Helped lead the Vikings to a 2018 Class 6A state title
- Winner of the school's prestigious Iron Mad Award for starting every game in three seasons (34 straight), the final 10 games on both sides of the ball
- Also a two-year varsity basketball player at Woodbridge
- Four-year member of the AB Honor Roll
- Chose Kentucky over Alabama and NC State

### Personal

- Born in Arlington, Virginia
- Son of Reuben and Lisa Adams
- Has two sisters, Imani and Nia
- Dad, Reuben, played football at Howard and is a member of Howard's Athletics Hall of Fame
- Major is pre-communication

### R.J. Says

- His nickname is "Big Nasty" or "Big Woo"
- He chose Kentucky because the staff made him feel at home immediately and did not pressure him to commit

- His dream job is to become a teacher
- One word to describe him on the field is "powerful"
- Most people don't know that he was crowned Homecoming King as a senior



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TYRELL AJIAN

**SAFETY** 

6-0 • 190 • Senior-3L Mansfield, Ohio (Madison Comprehensive)

#### 2020 - Junior

- Started at safety in 10 of 11 games played
- Totaled 48 tackles, an interception, a forced fumble, a PBU and a blocked kick
- Blocked a field goal attempt in the second quarter vs. No. 23 NC State in the Gator Bowl, the first blocked kick of his career and UK's second blocked field goal of the season, also Jamin Davis vs. Georgia
- Made a career-high seven tackles vs. the Wolfpack
- Had his third career interception in the win over No. 18 Tennessee

### 2019 - Sophomore

- Played in 12 games with two starting assignments (Florida and Miss. State) at safety
- Totaled 17 tackles, an interception and a PBU
- Recorded a career-high tying three tackles vs.
   Vanderbilt, Eastern Michigan and at South Carolina
- In his first career start, had two tackles and an interception vs. Florida, his second career INT
- Dean's List (Fall 2019)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2018 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in all 13 games
- Finished the season with 10 tackles, three PBUs and one INT
- Made his first career interception and also had a pass breakup in Kentucky's 28-7 win over Mississippi State
- With MSU threatening to tie the game early in the fourth quarter, his third-down pass breakup forced a punt
- On the next possession, with MSU again threatening to tie, he intercepted a pass and returned it 35 yards
- His long return set up a touchdown run on the next play, giving UK a two-TD lead
- Recorded two tackles vs. Murray State, his first career action

### 2017 - Freshman

Redshirt season

### **High School**

- Combination athlete in high school, playing defensive back, wide receiver and quarterback
- Four-star prospect by 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN

- Rivals ranks him the No. 10 overall prospect in the state of Ohio and the No. 23 athlete in the class of 2017
- ESPN has him as the No. 8 safety in the country
- Four-year letter winner and three-year starter for Coach Jamie Masi at Madison Comprehensive
- First-team OCC All-Conference and honorable mention second-team All-Northwest Ohio in 2016 after averaging 9.0 tackles per game
- Nominated for the 2017 U.S. Army All-American Bowl
- Had three interceptions and 54 tackles as a junior, along with 783 receiving yards, 551 rushing yards and 19 touchdowns
- OCC Offensive Player of the Year and first-team Offense All-Northwest Ohio in 2015
- Also excelled on the basketball court, becoming a member of Madison's 1,000-point club during his senior season
- Chose Kentucky over Michigan, Michigan State, and West Virginia

#### Personal

- Name is pronounced "Ajian (a-jun)"
- Born in Ashland, Ohio
- Son of Nikki Ajian and Burton Hester
- On track to graduate in August with a degree in family science and a minor in coaching

### Tyrell Says

- His nickname is "Ty"
- He chose Kentucky because it felt like home
- One word to describe him on the field is "ball hawk"
- The one thing he's looking forward to this season is continuing what the guys started last year
- When he played football as a kid he pretend to be Terrell Owens

### AJIAN'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	Sacks-Y	TFL-Y	FF/FR	INT	PBU	Blk
2018	S	13-0	10	0	0	0/0	1-35	3	0
2019	S	12-2	17	0	0	0/0	1-22	1	0
2020	S	11-10	48	0	0	1/0	1-0	1	1
Totals		36-12	75		0	1/0	3-57	- 5	1

### AJIAN'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks-Y	TFL-Y	FF/FR	PBU	INT	QBH	Blk
at Auburn*	5	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss*	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State*	5	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0	0	0
at Tennessee*	6	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	1	0	0
at Missouri	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia*	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt*	6	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama*	3	0-0	0-0	1/0	0	0	0	0
at Florida*	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0	0
vs. USC*	5	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State*	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1
Totals	48	0-0	0-0	1/0	1	1	0	1



AJIAN'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME												
Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC	PBU	INT	QBH					
vs. Toledo	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
vs. Eastern Michigan	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
vs. Florida*	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	1-22	0					
at Miss. State*	2	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0					
at South Carolina	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
vs. Arkansas	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
at Georgia		DNP										
vs. Missouri	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
vs. Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
at Vanderbilt	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
vs. UT Martin	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
vs. Louisville	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
vs. Va. Tech	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
Totals	17	0-0	0-0	0	1	1-22	0					

AJIAN'S 2018 GAME-BY-GAME											
Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC	PBU	Int.	QBH				
vs. Central Mich.	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0				
at Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0				
vs. Murray State	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0				
vs. Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1-35	0				
vs. South Carolina	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0				
at TAMU	1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0				
at Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0				
vs. Georgia	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0				
at Tennessee	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0				
vs. MTSU	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0				
at Louisville	1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0				
vs. Penn State	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0				
Totals	10	0-0	0-0	0	3	1-35	0				

### AJIAN'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 7, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 Blocked Kicks: 1, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021

Interceptions: 1, 3x, last at Tennessee, Oct 17, 20120 (1-0) Pass breakups: 1, 5x, last at Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020





**JOSH** ALI

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

6-0 • 190 • Senior-4L Hollywood, Fla. (Chaminade-Madonna)

### 2021 - Senior\*

- Elected to return for a fifth year, taking advantage of the NCAA's ruling to grant an extra year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Preseason Second-Team All-SEC Specialist (Phil
- Preseason Fourth-Team All-SEC Specialist (Athlon)
- Has started in 24 straight career games

- · Has caught a pass in 12 consecutive games
- Has 846 receiving yards and needs just needing 154 to become the 31st player in school history with 1,000 or more yards receiving. He also has 90 career receptions.

#### 2020 - Senior (Team Captain)

- UK's leading receiver with 54 catches for 473 yards and a score... Averaged 8.8 yards per catch
- Led the team in receptions with five catches for 11 vards in the win over No. 23 NC State in the Gator
- Caught a 26-yard touchdown pass at Missouri, his first TD of the season and fifth career
- Paced the Wildcats receiving with four catches for 38 yards in the win over No. 18 Tennessee
- · Led the Wildcats in receiving with nine catches for 98 yards, both career highs, at Auburn ... Marked the most receiving yards in a top-10 opponent road game since Chris Matthews at Florida in 2010
- Elected as one of 10 team captains
- Preseason Fourth-Team All-SEC (Phil Steele)

#### 2019 - Junior

- Started in all 13 games at Z receiver
- Second on the team with 23 catches for 233 yards (third on the team) and three TDs (team high)
- · Led the Wildcat wide receivers with four catches for 52 yards in the Belk Bowl, including two huge plays on the final drive - a nine-yard contested catch on 4th-and-7 and what proved to be the game-winning 13-yard touchdown grab
- Led UK with 14 punt returns for 88 yards (6.3)
- · Attempted his first career pass at Georgia
- Changed to uniform No. 6

### 2018 - Sophomore

- Saw action in 12 of 13 games
- Had 10 catches for 115 yards and one TD
- Caught a season-high three passes and his first collegiate TD with a season-long 32-yard reception at Louisville
- Caught two passes for 22 yards in the win at Mizzou
- Wore No. 82

### **2017 - Freshman**

- Saw action in nine games
- · Caught three passes for 25 yards
- Wore No. 82

### **High School**

- Three-star prospect by all major recruiting services
- Scout.com ranks him the No. 32 wide receiver in the talent-rich state of Florida
- · Four-year starter and letter winner for Coach Dameon Jones at Chaminade
- Caught 43 passes for 805 yards and five receiving TDs in 2016 in helping lead the Lions to a 10-5  $\,$ overall record and an appearance in the Class 3A state championship game
- Named first-team All-County and All-State
- · Also had one kickoff return for a touchdown
- Hauled in 56 passes for 896 yards and 15 scores as a junior at University School in Ft. Lauderdale
- · Chose Kentucky over Central Florida and Utah

### **Community Cats**

• Participated in Read Across America and has been a volunteer speaker at local elementary schools (2020)

#### Personal

- Born in Miami, Florida
- · Son of Katrina Gray and Faheem Ali
- Dad, Faheem, was a WR at Louisiana Tech
- Graduated in May of 2021 with a degree in community and leadership development
  - ... Currently working on a second degree in communication

### Josh Says

- · His nickname is "Jayboogie"
- He chose Kentucky because it was away from home, in a great conference and he wanted to help change the program
- One word to describe him on the field is "smooth"
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a real estate agent
- His hidden talent is cooking

	ALI'S CAREER STATISTICS											
Year	Pos.	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long	PR	Yds.	Long	TD	
2017	WR	9-0	3	25	8.3	0	14	0	0	0	0	
2018	WR	12-0	10	115	11.5	1	32	0	0	0	0	
2019	WR	13-13	23	233	10.1	3	25	14	88	19	0	
2020	WR	11-11	54	473	8.8	1	33	6	62	39	0	
Totals		45-24	90	846	9.4	5	33	20	150	39	0	

	ALI'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME										
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long	Att	Yds	TD	Long	TD		
at Auburn*	9	98	0	33	0	0	0	0	0		
vs. Ole Miss*	7	88	0	24	0	0	0	0	0		
vs. Miss. State*	2	22	0	17	0	0	0	0	0		
at Tennessee*	4	38	0	16	0	0	0	0	0		
at Missouri*	4	47	1	3	0	0	0	0	0		
vs. Georgia*	5	35	0	9	0	0	0	0	0		
vs. Vanderbilt*	3	15	0	7	0	0	0	0	0		
at Alabama*	4	52	0	33	0	0	0	0	0		
at Florida*	6	32	0	12	1	15	0	15	0		
vs. USC*	5	35	0	18	0	0	0	0	0		
vs. NC State*	5	11	0	8	0	0	0	0	0		
Totals	54	473	1	33	1	15	0	15	0		

ALI'S	5 202	O GAM	IE-BY-	GAME C	ONT.
Opponent	PR	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TD
at Auburn*	1	6	6.0	6	0
vs. Ole Miss*	1	17	17.0	17	0
vs. Miss. State*	0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee*	1	1	1.0	1	0
at Missouri*	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia*	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt*	2	38	19.0	39	0
at Alabama*	0	0	0	0	0
at Florida*	0	0	0	0	0
vs. USC*	0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State*	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	6	62	10.3	39	0







ALI'S	ALI'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME											
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long	Att	Yds	TD	Long	TD			
vs. Toledo*	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0			
vs. EMU*	1	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	0			
vs. Florida*	2	28	0	18	0	0	0	0	0			
at MSU*	5	61	0	20	0	0	0	0	0			
at USC*	3	18	0	9	0	0	0	0	0			
vs. ARK*	2	13	0	10	0	0	0	0	0			
at UGA*	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	3	0			
vs. Mizzou*	1	9	0	9	0	0	0	0	0			
vs. UT*	1	12	0	12	1	3	0	3	0			
at Vandy*	3	27	1	14	0	0	0	0	0			
vs. UTM*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
vs. Louisville*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
vs. Va. Tech*	4	52	1	25	0	0	0	0	0			
Totals	23	233	3	25	2	6	0	3	0			

ALI'	s 201	9 GAM	E-BY-	GAME C	ONT.
Opponent	PR	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TD
vs. Toledo*	1	6	6.0	6	0
vs. EMU*	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Florida*	0	0	0	0	0
at MSU*	0	0	0	0	0
at USC*	1	9	9.0	9	0
vs. ARK*	2	18	9.0	18	0
at UGA*	2	13	6.5	19	0
vs. Mizzou*	3	29	9.6	18	0
vs. UT*	1	-1	0	0	0
at Vandy*	0	0	0	0	0
vs. UTM*	1	-3	0	0	0
vs. Louisville*	2	7	3.5	7	0
vs. Va. Tech*	1	10	10.0	10	0
Totals	14	88	6.3	19	0

ALI'S	2018	GAME-E	BY-GAM	E
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Central Michigan	1	14	0	14
at Florida	0	0	0	0
vs. Murray State	1	1	0	1
vs. Miss. State	1	6	0	6
vs. South Carolina	1	8	0	8
at TAMU	1	5	0	5
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	2	22	0	13
vs. Georgia	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	0	0	0	0
vs. MTSU		DNP		
at Louisville	3	59	1	32
vs. Penn State	0	0	0	0
Totals	10	115	1	32

ALI'S 2017 GAME-BY-GAME										
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long						
at Southern Miss	0	0	0	0						
vs. E. Michigan	0	0	0	0						
vs. Missouri	0	0	0	0						
at Miss. State	1	6	0	6						

Totals	3	25	0	14
vs. Northwestern	1	5	0	5
at Georgia	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	1	14	0	14
vs. Tennessee	0	0	0	0

#### **ALI'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Receptions: 9, at Auburn, Sept 26, 2020

Receiving yards: 98, at Auburn, Sept 26, 2020 (9 receptions) Receiving touchdowns: 1, 5x, last at Missouri, Oct 24, 2020 Long reception: 33, at Auburn, Sept 26, 2020

Rush attempts: 1, at Florida, Nov 28, 2020 Rush yards: 15, at Florida, Nov 28, 2020 Punt Returns: 3, vs Missouri, Oct 26, 2019 Punt Return Yards: 38, vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020



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BEAU ALLEN

QUARTERBACK

6-2 • 208 • Sophomore-1L Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Catholic)

### 2020 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Mid-year enrollee
- Saw action in two games (Vanderbilt and at Alabama)
- Completed 3-of-7 passes for 40 yards
- Saw his first collegiate action vs. Vanderbilt on Nov.
   14 and completed 3 of 5 passes for 40 yards

### **High School**

- Four-star recruit by Rivals as the No. 13 pro-style quarterback
- Rated a top 500 player in the class by 247Sports and the No. 19 pro-style quarterback
- Named the Paul Hornung Award winner given to the top high school player in Kentucky
- Four-year starter who compiled 11,439 career passing yards and 127 touchdowns, numbers that put him in the top five all-time
- · Coached by Nigel Smith
- Candidate for Kentucky's Mr. Football award
- Completed 248 of 366 passes for 3,682 yards and 38 touchdowns and rushed for a team-high 478 yards and 12 scores
- Three-time first-team All-State
- Named to the 2019 Class of the Commonwealth by the Lexington Herald-Leader
- · Also was a two-year basketball letter winner
- · Academic All-State
- Member of the Beta Club and was named Academic All-State
- Picked Kentucky over Georgia, Washington State, West Virginia, Duke and others

### **Community Cats**

• Volunteered at LexCity Church (2020)

 Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)

### Personal

- Born in Carmel, Indiana
- Son of Bill and Ingrid Allen
- Dad, Bill, also played quarterback at Kentucky from 1984-88
- · Majoring in pre-finance

#### Beau Says

- His nickname is "Beau" his birth name is William
- He chose Kentucky because of the coaches and the relationships he made with team
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to
- One word to describe him on the field is "calm"
- His sports hero is Tom Brady because he wins

### **ALLEN'S CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	G-GS	Rush	Yds	TD	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Long
2020	2-0	2	-9	0	3	7	0	42.9	40	0	20
Totals	2-0	2	-9	0	3	7	0	42.9	40	0	20

### ALLEN'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	CompAttInt.	Yds.	TD	Long	Rush	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Vanderbilt	3-5-0	40	0	20	0	0	0	0
at Alabama	0-2-0	0	0	0	2	-9	0	0
Totals	3-7-0	40	0	20	2	-9	0	0

### ALLEN'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Pass attempts: 5, vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 Pass completions: 3, vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 Pass yards: 40, vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 Long pass: 20, vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 Rush attempts: 2. at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020



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SAM ANAELE

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

6-4 • 265 • Freshman-RS Lagos, Nigeria (McDougle Technical Institute)

### 2020 - Freshman

- Redshirt season as an outside linebacker
- Mid-year enrollee in Jan. 2020
- Moved to the defensive line after the 2020 season
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **High School**

- Four-star recruit by 247Sports Composite and Rivals rankings
- Ranked the No. 96 overall player in the class by Rivals and the No. 5 weakside defensive end
- The No. 16 player in talent-rich state of Florida according to Rivals
- Selected to the 2020 Under Armour All-America Game
- Has been timed at 4.9 in the 40-yard dash



- Had 38 total tackles, 19 tackles for loss and seven sacks as a senior at McDougle Technical Institute Preparatory
- Coached by Norman Richards
- Picked Kentucky over Miami, South Florida, Florida, Colorado and others

#### **Community Cats**

Volunteered at Brenda Cowan Elementary (2020)

#### Personal

- Born in Lagos, Nigeria
- Son of Steven Anaele
- Began athletic career on the basketball court and has only been playing football five years
- Named is pronounced Sam "ah-NEL-lee"
- Majoring in pre-communication

#### Sam Says

- His nickname is "Bax"
- He chose Kentucky so he could to play football at the highest level and get a high-level education
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to work in business management/communications
- One word to describe him on the field is "hard-
- His hidden talent is writing



**ALEX BASCOM** 

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

6-5 • 264 • Junior-SQ Louisville, Ky. (St. Xavier)

### 2020 - Sophomore

- Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2019 - Freshman

· Practiced with the team

### **High School**

- Three-year letter winner for head coach Kevin Wallace
- · Started at defensive end and helped lead the Tigers to 9-4 record as a senior, totaling 54 tackles and 7.0 sacks
- Named All-District as a senior
- Helped St. Xavier go 12-3 and finish as state runner up in 2017
- Also a two-year letter winner as a forward on the basketball team
- Member of the National Honor Society and was named to the President's List for excelling in the classroom
- Chose Kentucky over Butler, Jacksonville, and Louisville

### Personal

- Born in Louisville, Kentucky
- Son of Theresa and Rich Bascom

- Has a twin brother, Richard, also on the team
- · Double majors are in finance and management

### Alex Says

- He chose Kentucky because he's been a fan his whole life and he liked the coaching staff
- · After his football career, he would like to be a financial advisor
- Three words to describe him are respectable, reliable, and funny
- The best advice he's ever received is "always remember, things get better"
- The person he admires the most is his grandpa because he's always been able to make him laugh



**RICHARD** 

**BASCOM** 

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

6-5 • 286 • Junior-SQ Louisville, Ky. (St. Xavier)

### 2020 - Sophomore

- Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2019 - Freshman

Practiced with the team

### **High School**

- Three-year letter winner at Saint Xavier under head coach Kevin Wallace
- Started at defensive end and helped lead the Tigers to 9-4 record as a senior, totaling 68 tackles and 7.0 sacks
- Named All-State honorable mention and was a member of the Courier Journal's All-Metro Louisville football team as a senior
- Helped St. Xavier go 12-3 and finish as state runner up in 2017
- Also played basketball for two seasons
- Member of the National Honor Society
- Chose Kentucky over Butler, Jacksonville and Louisville

### <u>Per</u>sonal

- Born in Louisville, Kentucky
- Son of Theresa and Rich Bascom
- Has a twin brother, Alex, also on the team
- · Double majors are in finance and management

### Richard Says

- He chose Kentucky because he wanted to experience the highest level of football
- After his football career, he would like to be an investment banker
- His sports hero is Justin Thomas because he's from Louisville and he's one of the greatest to ever play golf

- The three people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Robert Herjavec, Donald Trump, and Lebron James
- The best advice he's ever received is "do what you think is right, not what others think is right"



**BRENDEN** BATES

**TIGHT END** 

6-5 • 255 • Junior-2L Cincinnati, Ohio (Archbishop Moeller)

### 2020 - Sophomore

- Has seen action in 21 career games, six in 2020
- Missed five games with injury
- Made his first collegiate catch, a 14-yarder in the third quarter, vs. Mississippi State

#### 2019 - r-Freshman

• Saw action in 13 games, mostly on special teams

### 2018 - Freshman

- Saw action in two games
- Redshirt season
- First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **High School**

- One of the nation's top-20 tight ends by Rivals
- Noted for his receiving ability, a difficult skill to find among tight ends in the high school ranks
- Caught 17 passes for 305 yards with 11 touchdowns as a senior at Archbishop Moeller in Cincinnati
- Totaled 250 yards receiving on 14 catches with five scores as a junior
- Two-time first-team All-Greater Catholic League selection
- Accepted an invitation to the 2018 Team USA Under-19 National Team for International Bowl IX
- · Coached by John Rodenberg
- Three-year letter winner in track in the 200-meters and discus throw and was a power forward/center for two seasons on the basketball team
- Was a member of the Improv Club
- Received offers from the Southeastern Conference, Big Ten, Big 12 and Atlantic Coast Conference, including schools such as Vanderbilt, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, West Virginia, Louisville and Pittsburgh

### Personal

- Born in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Son of Doug and Kelly Bates
- · Has two siblings, Morgan and Doug Jr.
- Comes from a family of athletes as father played football at Indiana, mother played volleyball at Morehead State, brother, Doug, played tight end at Toledo, sister, Morgan currently plays lacrosse at Cincinnati and grandfather, Gene Neff, played basketball at Kentucky under Coach Adolph Rupp from 1951-52







Major is consumer economics and family financial counseling

### **Brenden Says**

- His nickname is "Batesy"
- Most people don't know that he is extremely good at the worm
- A muscular Will Ferrell or Chris Pratt would play him in a movie about his life
- If he could only eat three foods for the rest of his life he would choose spicy chicken sandwiches, carrots with ranch, and Philly cheese steaks
- The best part of being a Kentucky Wildcat is meeting great people and being a part of something special

	BATES' CAREER STATISTICS										
Year	Pos.	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long				
2018	TE	2-0	0	0	0.0	0	0				
2019	TE	13-0	0	0	0.0	0	0				
2020	TE	6-0	1	14	14.0	0	14				
Totals		21-0	1	14	14.0	0	14				

BATES	, 5050	GAME	-BY-GAM	1E
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Auburn	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	0	0	0	0
vs. Mississippi State	1	14	0	14
at Tennessee		DNP	(Injury)	
at Missouri		DNP	(Injury)	
vs. Georgia		DNP	(Injury)	
vs. Vanderbilt		DNP	(Injury)	
at Alabama		DNP	(Injury)	
at Florida	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	0	0	0	0
Totals	1	14	0	14

### **BATES' SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Receptions: 1, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020 Receiving yards: 14, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020 (1 reception) Long reception: 14, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020



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**ISAIAH** 

**BEASLEY** 

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

5-11 • 278 • Sophomore-SQ Radcliff, Ky. (North Hardin)

### 2020 - Freshman

- · Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

#### **High School**

- Three-year letter winner and two-year starter for head coach Brent Thompson at North Hardin High School
- Helped lead the Trojans to a 13-1 overall record in 2019 and take the region and district championship before advancing to the KHSAA Class 6-A state semifinals
- Voted team captain and totaled 39 tackles,
   5.0 sacks, two forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries as a senior
- Earned Select Preps Player of the Year and was a first-team All-Area selection by The News-Enterprise
- · Also a member of the baseball team
- An excellent student who earned a 4.0 grade point average and was named first-team All-Academic by the KHSAA all four years of high school
- Selected as a 2018 University of Kentucky Rising Scholar
- Earned a certificate of nomination for the National Academy of Future Scientists and Technologists Award of Excellence
- Nominated for Congress of Future Science and Technology Leaders
- Active in community service, helping build house frames for the homeless and serving breakfast to senior citizens
- Member of the High School Ministry, the Pep Club and DECA
- High school teammates with fellow Wildcats
   Darren Green and Oxtavious Oxendine
- Chose Kentucky over Western Kentucky, Kentucky Wesleyan, and Liberty

### Personal

- Born in Burglengenfeld, Germany
- Son of Roderick and Tammy Beasley
- Has one brother, Alex
- Major is psychology

### Isaiah Says

- His nickname is "Beaz"
- His dream job is to be a psychiatrist
- One thing people may not know about him is that he writes left-handed and throws right-handed
- His sports hero is Aaron Donald because he has proven that no matter your size as a defensive lineman, you can dominate and be successful
- One word to describe him is "consistent"



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MARQUEZ BEMBRY

**OUTSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-3 • 228 • Senior-1L Stone Mountain, Ga. (Mount Vernon Presbyterian/ Jones County JC)

### 2020 - Junior

- Played in all 11 games with two starting assignments (Vanderbilt and Alabama)
- Totaled 27 tackles
- Made his first collegiate start vs. Vanderbilt and totaled a career-high 10 tackles

### 2019 - Sophomore

- Saw his first action of the season at Vanderbilt and charted one tackle
- Mid-year enrollee
- Did not participate in 2019 spring practice due to knee surgery

### Junior College

- Played for head coach Steve Buckley at Jones County Junior College in Ellisville, Mississippi
- Recorded 36 tackles during his redshirt freshman season in 2018, helping the Bobcats finish 10-2 overall and 6-0 in conference play
- Advanced to the MACJC State Championship ...
  Led Jones to a 27-7 win over Eastern Arizona in the
  Mississippi Bowl on Dec. 2, highlighted by his six
  tackles, including 4.5 TFLs, one QB sack, one forced
  fumble and a fumble recovery
- Graduated from Jones in December of 2018 as a two-time Dean's List member
- Chose Kentucky over Ole Miss and Tennessee

### High School

- Rated a three-star pass-rushing specialist out of high school by each of the major recruiting services
- Played for head coach Wayne Babbs at Mount Vernon Presbyterian High School

### <u>Personal</u>

- Born in Des Moines, Iowa
- Son of Danny Sirmans and Letcia Bembry
- Siblings are Miles Bembry, Malik Bembry, and Mya Sirmans
- Graduated in May of 2021 with a degree in communication ... Currently working on a second degree in kinesiology

### Marquez Says

- His nickname is "Quez"
- If he could only eat three foods for the rest of his life he would choose pineapples, chicken, and meatballs
- Besides being good at football, he's also good at running track
- Taye Diggs would play him in a movie about his life



· The best part of being a Kentucky Wildcat is being around his brothers

### BEMBRY'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	Sacks-Yds.	TFL-Yds.	FC/FR	INT	PBU
2019	ILB	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
2020	ILB	11-2	27	0	0	0	0	0
Totals		12-2	28	0	0	0	0	0

### **BEMBRY'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME**

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC	PBU	Int.	QBH
at Auburn	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Mississippi State	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt*	10	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama*	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0

### BEMBRY'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC	PBU	Int.	QBH
at Vanderbilt	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0

### **BEMBRY'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 10, vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020



ZAC **BEREZOWITZ** 

**DEFENSIVE BACK** 

6-0 • 170 • Senior-1L Lexington, Ky. (Henry Clay)

### 2020 - Junior

- Saw action at Alabama
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2019 - Sophomore

- Saw his first collegiate action vs. UT Martin at
- Dean's List (Fall 2019)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2018 - Freshman

- Practiced with the team
- First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **High School**

- Four-year letter winner and three-year starter at wide receiver and defensive back for Henry Clay
- Helped the Blue Devils win two district championships and two regional championships
- Scored 25 career touchdowns
- Coached by Sam Simpson
- Member of the National Honors Society and graduated in the top one percent of his class

#### Personal

- Born in Austin, Texas
- Son of Dan and Janet Berezowitz
- Siblings are Brayden, Bryan, Jordan and Alexa
- Brayden and Bryan were wide receivers at UK from 2016-18
- Dad and grandfather played quarterback at Wisconsin-Whitewater
- · On track to graduate in December with a degree in economics

### Zac Says

- He chose Kentucky because it was close to home and there was a discount
- The one thing he likes most about football is schemes and finding weaknesses in opponents
- He gets starstruck any time he sees Maria Taylor or Laura Rutledge
- His passion in life is investing
- Sandman would play him in a movie about his life



**JONATHAN BERRY** 

OFFENSIVE LINE

6-5 • 280 • Freshman-HS Stamping Ground, Ky. (Scott County)

### **High School**

- Three-year letter winner and two-year starter at left tackle for head coach Jim McKee at Scott County High School
- Named second-team All-State by the Associated Press in 2020 after helping lead the Cardinals to a 9-1 record with more than 2,000 yards rushing and one of the state's top ground attacks
- As a junior, helped the Cardinals' offense generate 3,736 yards of rushing offense and finish with a 10-2 record and an appearance in the 6th District
- Member of the 6A state runner-up team in 2018
- Chose Kentucky over Georgetown College and University of the Cumberlands

### Personal

- Born in Georgetown, Kentucky
- Son of Kevin and Melissa Berry
- Siblings are Alexandra and Daniel
- Brother, Daniel, was an offensive lineman at the University of the Cumberlands from 2014-17
- Major is pre-social work

### Jonathan Says

- His nickname is "Berry"
- · He chose Kentucky because he wanted to play for his home state school
- His dream job is to be a U.S. Marshal
- Besides football, he's also good at fishing
- The three famous people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are his great grandfather, Vin Diesel and "Stone Cold" Steve Austin



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**BERRY** 

**PUNTER** 

6-4 • 193 • Freshman-HS Maribyrnong, Australia (Maribyrnong College)

#### 2021 - Freshman

• Mid-year enrollee In January 2021

### High School / Australian Rules Football

- Following in the footsteps of UK's two previous Aussie punters – Matt Panton (2017) and Max Duffy (2018-20), the 2019 Ray Guy Award winner as the nation's best punter
- Comes to UK from the auspices of ProKick Australia
- 247sports rated him as the No. 3 player out of Australia and the No. 7 punter in the 2020 recruiting class
- Coached by Nathan Chapman and John Smith at
- · Following high school, played three years of Australian rules football for Essendon's team in the Victorian Football League
- · Prior to footy, attended Maribyrnong College, previously known as Maribyrnong High School, that specializes in sports

### Personal

- Born in Ballarat, Victoria
- Son of Jason and Louise Berry
- · Siblings are Jordan, Lachlan, and Oscar
- Older brother, Jordan, played football at Eastern Kentucky and is currently the starting punter for the Pittsburgh Steelers
- Majoring in kinesiology
- · Currently 24 years old, birthday is in June
- While playing footy, held down a part-time job at Grill'd, a restaurant known for preparing healthy hamburgers ... Started as a waiter before being promoted to the kitchen as a cook and then as an assistant manager

### Wilson Says

- · His nickname is "Bangers"
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be a physical therapist
- One word to describe him on the field is "silky"
- To calm butterflies before a game he watches Max **Duffy highlights**
- The best advice he's ever received is "life's uncertain, eat dessert first"









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JASE

### **BRUNER**

**OUTSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-2 • 244 • Sophomore-SQ Science Hill, Ky. (Somerset)

### 2020 - Freshman

- · Practiced with the team
- · Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **High School**

- Four-year letter winner and starter at linebacker, safety, running back, fullback, and tight end for head coach Robbie Lucas at Somerset High School
- Had a team-high 121 tackles, 6.5 tackles for loss, one forced fumble, two recovered fumbles, and one interception on defense in 2019
- Offensively, charted 434 yards rushing on 55 carries with five touchdowns, in addition to 10 catches for 169 yards
- Helped the Briar Jumpers win the 2019 District 4 championship, the Region 2 championship, and the Class 2A State championship
- Also won the 2018 District and Region championship
- Earned the 2019 Commonwealth Journal Defensive Player of the Year and was on the Lexington Herald-Leader's "Best of the Bluegrass" team
- Twice named honorable mention on The Associated Press All-State team (2018, 2019)
- Three-time first-team All-Conference player (2017, 2018, 2019)
- Named the 2018 AA District 7 Player of the Year
- · Also played baseball and basketball
- Earned a spot on the 2020 12th Region All-Tournament Team and 47th All-District Team as a center
- Excelled in the classroom as a member of the National Honor Society
- Was a Kentucky Governor's Scholar, Rogers Scholar, and Rogers Explorer
- Chose Kentucky over Louisville, Centre, and Furman

### Personal

- Born in Somerset, Kentucky
- Son of John and Beth Bruner
- Siblings are Grace, Kate, Jack, and Josh
- Comes from a family of athletes as dad, John, was a tight end at Centre College; mother, Beth, was a cheerleader at Transylvania; grandfather, Jack Bruner, was a four-sport athlete in basketball, baseball, track, and golf at Union College; uncle,

Teel Bruner, played basketball and football at Transylvania; aunt, Rachel Gaynor, was a basketball player at Western Kentucky; aunt, Margaret Brown, ran track at Centre; aunt, Martha Breeding, played basketball at Transylvania; cousin Jake Bruner, played basketball at the College of Idaho

Major is animal science

#### Jase Says

- His nickname is "Bronko"
- He chose Kentucky because he was born in Kentucky and has been a Wildcat his whole life
- His dream job is to be a dermatologist
- The best advice he's ever received is "don't argue with ignorance"
- The three famous people he would invite to his fantasy dinner Adam Sandler, Jon Gruden, and Ronald Reagan



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DEONDRE BUFORD

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-3 • 290 • Freshman-RS Detroit, Mich. (Martin Luther King)

### 2020 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Mid-year enrollee
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **High School**

- Four-star recruit by 247 Sports Composite rankings
- A Detroit News Blue Chip top-10 recruit
- Ranked the No. 24 offensive tackle in the 2020 class and No. 7 prospect in Michigan by 247Sports
- Coached by Tyrone Spencer
- Helped Detroit King win two Division 2 state titles in his four-year career
- Led Detroit King to the Detroit Public School League championship title in 2019, finishing with an 11-3 overall record
- Named to the Detroit News All-State First Team
- Earned Offensive Lineman of the Year in 2019 by Detroit PSL
- Earned the highest offensive GPA as a junior
- Picked Kentucky over Missouri and Pittsburgh, Purdue and Arizona and held offers from Auburn, LSU, Penn State, Tennessee and Miami

### **Community Cats**

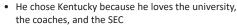
Volunteered to pack food for God's Pantry (2020)

### Personal

- Born in Detroit
- Son of Sianena Taylor
- Siblings are Andre, Adrianna, and Damondre
- Major is family science

### **Deondre Says**

Nickname is "Deon"



- The thing he looks forward to the most this season is learning, growing, and dominating
- His hidden talent is art
- Three words to describe him on the field are physical, smart, and dominant



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JAGER BURTON

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-4 • 302 • Freshman-HS Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)

### 2021 - Freshman

• Mid-year enrollee In January 2021

#### **High School**

- A four-star offensive lineman who was rated as one of the nation's top-10 offensive guard prospects by 247, Rivals and ESPN
- The No. 1 prospect in Kentucky by Rivals and 247sports
- The No. 66 national prospect by 247sports and No. 200 nationally by Rivals
- An all-around talent known for his combination of athleticism, footwork, playing intensity and notable strength for a high school player
- Winner of the 2020 Paul Hornung Award, chosen by the Louisville Quarterback Club, as the top high school player in Kentucky ... Only the third offensive lineman to win the award
- Named Co-Mr. Football in the state of Kentucky in 2020 by The Associated Press ... First Lexington player and first offensive lineman to take the honor since its inception in 1986
- Selected to the prestigious All-American Bowl, held annually in San Antonio, Texas
- A four-year letter winner and three-year starter for head coach Brian Landis and Nathan McPeek
- A two-way player who played both offensive tackle and defensive end
- Helped Frederick Douglass finish 7-2 as a senior, reaching the Class 5A state semifinals
- Anchored a line that helped the Broncos average 38.7 points and 323 yards per game
- As a defensive lineman, had a 33-yard interception return for a touchdown against Ballard
- Named first-team all-state by the AP, Louisville Courier-Journal and Kentucky Sports Radio
- Named to the Lexington Herald-Leader "Class of the Commonwealth" list of the top seniors in KY
- Named a finalist for the 2020 Sports Illustrated All-America team
- As a junior, helped lead the Broncos to a 14-1 record and state runner-up position in Class AAAAA
- Earned a spot on the Courier Journal's All-State First Team in 2019 as well
- In his four-year prep career, Fredrick Douglass totaled a 44-6 overall record







- · Chose Kentucky over Alabama, Clemson, Ohio State and Oregon
- Was an academic honor roll student
- Also lettered one season as a midfielder in lacrosse

#### Personal

- Named pronounced same as "jagger"
- Born in Lexington, Kentucky
- Son of Teresa and Jeff Burton
- Has one brother, Drayden Burton
- Dad, Jeff, played football at Morehead State
- Major is pre-communication

### Jager Says

- His nickname is "Moose"
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to own his own restaurant
- One word to describe him on the field is "aggressive"
- The person he most admires is his dad because he made him a man
- He chose Kentucky because it was home and he wanted to help continue building this program





**JARED** 

**CASEY** 

**INSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-3 • 217 • Sophomore-1L Louisville, Ky. (Ballard)

### 2020 - r-Freshman

- Played in all 11 games, finishing with 20 tackles and 2.0 TFL
- Had five tackles and a TFL at Alabama ... Also had a TFL at Missouri
- Totaled a career-best six tackles vs. Mississippi State
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2019 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Saw action in three games (Missouri, UT Martin and Louisville)
- Charted first career tackle vs. UT Martin
- Mid-year enrollee
- FWAA 2019 Freshman All-American Team and Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year Watch List
- First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **High School**

- A four-star prospect
- Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 15 outside linebacker nationally
- As a senior, totaled 70 tackles, 15.5 TFLs, three sacks and one forced fumble in 11 games for head coach Adrian Morton
- Played two seasons at Trinity before transferring to Ballard
- Chose UK over Oregon and Louisville

#### Personal

- Born in Louisville, Kentucky
- Son of Melissa Gaines and Craig Shively
- Major is community leadership and development

#### **Jared Says**

- He chose Kentucky to play for his home state and because of the coaching staff
- Most people don't know he can cut hair and he can sew clothes
- His sports hero is Muhammad Ali
- · His hidden talent is making a duck noise
- The three famous people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Muhammad Ali, Spider-Man, and Kobe Bryant

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Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	TFL-Yds.	Sacks-Yds.	FC/FR	QBH	PBU
2019	ILB	3-0	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
2020	ILB	11-0	20	2.0-5	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals		14.0	21	205	0.0	0/0		

CASEY'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME										
Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC/FR	QBH	PBU				
at Auburn	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0				
vs. Ole Miss	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0				
vs. Mississippi State	6	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0				
at Tennessee	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0				
at Missouri	1	0-0	1.0-3	0/0	0	0				
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0				
vs. Vanderbilt	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0				
at Alabama	5	0-0	1.0-2	0/0	0	0				
at Florida	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0				
vs. South Carolina	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0				
vs. NC State	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0				
Totals	20	0-0	2.0-5	0/0	0	0				

#### CASEY'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME Opponent Tackles Sacks TFL-Y FC/FR QBH PBU vs. Missouri 0 0-0 0/0 0 0-0 vs. UT Martin 0-0 0/0 vs. Louisville 0 0-0 0/0 0 0 0-0 Totals 1 0-0 0-0 0/0 0 0

### **CASEY'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 6, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020 Tackle for loss: 1.0, twice, last at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020



CHEEK

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

5-10 • 188 • Sophomore-SQ Asheboro, N.C. (Asheboro)

#### 2020 - Freshman

Practiced with the team

### **High School**

- Three-year letter winner and two-year starter as a running back at Asheboro High School for head coach Kevin Gillespie
- Earned All-Conference honors after averaging 99.5 total yards per game (699 total) through seven games as senior before being sidelined with injury
- Scored seven touchdowns, six rushing and one receiving
- Also earned All-Conference in the 100-meters for
- Chose Kentucky over Virginia Military Institute

#### Personal

- Born in Asheboro, North Carolina
- Son of Kimberly Cheek and Domingue Nicholson
- · Has one brother, Kaden Cheek
- · Major is kinesiology

### Kaleb Says

- His nickname is "Cheek"
- · He chose Kentucky because it felt like the right place to grow as a football player and person
- His dream job is to be a pharmacist
- The person he admires the most is his mom because she is a hard worker and has been a positive role model in his life
- Three words to describe him are passionate, driven, and self-reliant



YUSUF CORKER

SAFETY

6-0 • 204 • Senior-3L McDonough, Ga. (Woodland)

### 2021 - Senior

- Preseason second-team All-SEC defense (Phil
- Preseason third-team All-SEC defense (Athlon)
- Lott IMPACT Trophy Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List





 Has played in 37 career games with 24 consecutive starting assignments

### 2020 - Junior (Team Captain)

- Second-Team All-SEC, Safety (Pro Football Focus, Phil Steele)
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- · Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Played in all 11 games, finishing second on the team in tackles with 77
- Also had 2.5 TFL, two interceptions, two PBUs and a forced fumble
- Had an interception in the second quarter in the win over South Carolina, his first pickoff of the season and second of his career
- Also had a pick in the bowl win over NC State and has a two-game streak with an INT
- Led the team in tackles against Alabama with eight
   ... Also caused a fumble in the second quarter,
   recovered by UK to set up a touchdown drive ... his
   first career caused fumble
- Had 10 tackles vs. Vanderbilt, his third doublefigure game of his career
- Posted a career-high 18 tackles at Missouri, along with a career-high two tackles for loss ... Marked the most tackles for a Wildcat since Jordan Jones had 19 stops vs. Southern Mississippi in 2016 ... 16 of the tackles were solo which tied the single-game school record set by Larry Smith vs. Tulane in 1984 and Jeff Zurcher vs. Georgia in 1998
- · Elected as one of 10 team captains
- Preseason Third-Team All-SEC (Coaches)
- Preseason Fourth-Team All-SEC (Athlon Sports)

### 2019 - Sophomore

- Started in all 13 games
- Team's leading tackler with 74
- Also had four PBUs, an interception, a quarterback hurry and a team-high-tying two fumble recoveries
- Had seven tackles (second on the team) vs. Virginia Tech in the Belk Bowl win
- Recovered a bad center snap in the end zone in the first quarter vs. UT Martin, his first collegiate touchdown ... Marked his second consecutive game with a turnover play, as he also had an interception at Vanderbilt ... Also had two tackles, including one-half tackle for loss
- Snagged his first career interception in the third quarter at Vanderbilt, setting up a UK touchdown drive
- Had a career-high 11 tackles at Georgia, marking the fourth consecutive game he tied or broke his career high in stops, totaling 7, 9, 9 and 11 tackles in successive games
- Had a career-best two PBUs at Mississippi State
- Earned first career start vs. Toledo in the season
  opener.

### 2018 - r-Freshman

Saw action in all 13 games, totaling eight tackles

### 2017 - Freshman

Redshirt season

### **High School**

- Four-star defensive back and receiver at Woodland High School in Stockbridge, Ga., where he was coached by Steve Davenport
- The nation's No. 26 cornerback by ESPN and Scout
- Named an ESPN Top 150 player

- The No. 1 cornerback in Georgia by Scout.com
- A four-year starter who totaled 105 tackles, 82 solo, with 15 interceptions and two forced fumbles in his career
- As a senior, made 40 tackles, including 23 solo, along with five interceptions, two fumble recoveries and two blocked punts
- Offensively, had 20 receptions for 447 yards and four touchdowns for a 23.0 yards per reception average
- Helped lead his team to a 10-3 overall record and the 4-5A playoffs as a senior, earning him firstteam All-State honors
- Two-time member of the Atlanta Journal Constitution's All-Metro Team
- Named to the AJC's All-State Defensive Team as senior and was a first-team All-County selection by the Henry Herald
- Also a two-year letter winner in track and field in the 200 and 400-meters
- Chose UK over Tennessee and Michigan State

### Personal

- Name is pronounced "Yusuf (YOU-suf)"
- Born in Atlanta, Georgia
- Got married in February of 2021 to long-time girlfriend, Tarryn Todd-Long, and the couple has one daughter, Amirah
- Son of Robin Meadows-Ragin and Yusuf Corker
- Has two sisters, Brenda and Victoria
- Uncle, Anthony Mitchell, played college football at Tuskegee and went on to spend nine seasons in the NFL, while cousin, Raymond Sanders, was a running back at UK from 2010-13
- Graduated in May of 2021 with a degree in economics and is currently working on a second degree in communication

### Yusuf Says

- His nickname is "Deuce"
- He chose Kentucky because it was the best fit
- One word to describe him on the field is "ballhawk"
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a pediatric surgeon
- His sports hero is Richard Sherman because he's a ballhawk, too

### **CORKER'S CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tkls	IntYds.	Sacks	TFL-Y	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
2018	S	13-0	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
2019	S	13-13	74	1-0	0-0	0.5-2	0/2	1	4
2020	S	11-11	77	2-0	0-0	2.5-6	1/0	0	2
Totals		37-24	159	3-0	0-0	3.0-8	1/2	1	6

#### **CORKER'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME** Tackles Sacks TFL-Y FF/FR QBH PBU Int. Opponent at Auburn\* 0-0 0-0 0/0 0-0 0 vs. Ole Miss\* 0-0 0-0 0/0 0-0 0 4 0 vs. Miss. St.\* 5 0-0 0-0 0/0 n 0-0 0 at Tennessee\* 7 0-0 0-0 0/0 0 0-0 0 at Missouri\* 18 0.0 2 0-6 0/0 n 0-0 Ω vs. Georgia\* 4 0-0 0-0 0/0 0 0 0/0 vs. Vandy\* 10 0-0 0-0 0 0-0 0 at Alabama\* 5 0/0 0-0 0-0 0 0-0 0 0 at Florida\* 8 0-0 0-0 1/0 0 0-0 vs. USC\* 6 0-0 0.5-0 0/0 1 1-0 0 vs. NC State\* 5 0-0 0-0 0/0 0 1-0 0 Totals 77 0-0 2.5-6 1/0 2 2-0 0

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Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC/FR	PBU	Int.	QBH
vs. Toledo*	7	0-0	0-0	0/1	0	0-0	0
vs. EMU*	7	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0-0	0
vs. Florida*	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0-0	0
at Miss. State*	7	0-0	0-0	0/0	2	0-0	0
at USC*	9	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0-0	0
vs. Arkansas*	9	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0-0	1
at Georgia*	11	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0-0	0
vs. Missouri*	6	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0-0	0
vs. Tennessee*	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0-0	0
at Vandy*	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	1-0	0
vs. UT Martin*	2	0-0	0.5-2	0/1	0	0-0	0
vs. Louisville*	5	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0-0	0
vs. Va. Tech*	7	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0-0	0
Totals	74	0-0	0.5-2	0/2	4	1-0	1

CORKER'S	2018	GAM	E-BY	'-G/	AME		
Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC	PBU	Int.	QBH
vs. Central Mich.	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
at Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
vs. Murray State	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
vs. Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
vs. South Carolina	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
at TAMU	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
at Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
at Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
vs. MTSU	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
at Louisville	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
vs. Penn State	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Totals	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0

### CORKER'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 18, at Missouri, Oct 24, 2020 Tackles for loss: 2.0, at Missouri, Oct 24, 2020 Quarterback hurry: 1, vs Arkansas, Oct. 12, 2019 Fumble forced: 1, at Florida, Nov 28, 2020

Fumble recovery: 1, twice, last vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2019 Pass breakups: 2, at Mississippi State, Sept 21, 2019 Interceptions: 1, 3x, last vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021







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ELI **COX** 

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-4 • 301 • Sophomore-1L Nicholsville, Ky. (West Jessamine)

### 2020 - r-Freshman

- Back up at left guard behind Kenneth Horsey
- · Saw action in eight games
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2019 - Freshman

- · Redshirt season
- Saw his first collegiate action vs. UT Martin at left guard
- · Mid-year enrollee

### **High School**

- A three-star recruit by 247sports.com and Rivals. com
- Ranked as the No. 14 Kentucky prospect in the class of 2019 by 247Sports
- Has the versatility to play at either offensive guard or tackle
- Has been instrumental in West Jessamine improving its win total each season of his prep career
- Named to the Blue-Grey All-American Bowl watch list
- Represented West Jessamine at the Louisville vs. Bluegrass Senior All-Star Game
- Coached by John Gilliam
- Chose UK over Cincinnati, Marshall, Ohio and Toledo

### **Community Cats**

- Volunteered at Rosewood Elementary (2020)
- Volunteered at LexCity Church and Florence Baptist Church (2020)
- Volunteered for a weekend of service in Harlan County, Ky., with other UK student-athletes, where he worked with nonprofit organizations Willing Hearts and Club 180 Ministry, and also helped the Harlan County Youth Football League with various projects
- Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)

### Personal

- Born in Nicholasville, Kentucky
- Son of John and Katherine Cox
- Siblings are Avery and Ellie
- Major is integrated strategic communications with a business minor
- One of three representatives for UK football on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)

### Eli Savs

- He chose Kentucky because he wanted to represent his state
- His hidden talent is his photoshop skills

- His dream job is to go into sports broadcasting
- One word to describe him on the field is "aggressive"
- If he could create a holiday he would call it "National Super Bowl Monday" and everyone would have the day off after the Super Bowl



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# DEKEL CROWDUS

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

5-10 • 180 • Freshman-HS Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)

### **High School**

- 247sports ranks him as a four-star prospect, the No. 3 prospect in Kentucky, No. 51 receiver and No. 300 overall player nationally
- Three-star recruit by Rivals and rated the No. 4 player in Kentucky and No. 74 receiver nationally
- Known for his high-end speed and explosiveness who has drawn comparisons in some circles to the NFL's Brandin Cooks
- Frederick Douglass coach Nathan McPeek: "He
  is track fast but he translates that to the field. If
  he touches the ball five times he could score five
  touchdowns ... He's not as big as Lynn (Bowden)
  but he can do some of those things."
- Finished with 91 receptions for 1,505 yards and 22 touchdowns in his prep career
- In 2020, named second-team All-State by the AP and the Louisville Courier-Journal after totaling 25 catches for 331 yards and nine touchdowns
- Averaged 13.0 yards per catch
- Named to the Lexington Herald-Leader "Class of the Commonwealth" list of the top seniors in Kentucky
- Owns the school record for career touchdown receptions (14 before 2020) and in a season 11 (2018), as well as career receiving yards and yards in a season (831, 2018)
- In 2018, had 37 receptions for 831 yards
- Selected the hometown Wildcats over a top 10 that included Louisville, Ohio State, Michigan, Oklahoma, Texas, Baylor, South Carolina and Virginia Tech

### <u>Personal</u>

- Name pronounced "da-KEL CROWD-us"
- · Born in Lexington, Kentucky
- · Son of Shonda Minnifield
- Siblings are Shania Lyvers and Shylah Lyvers
- Uncle, Frank Minnifield, was a defensive back for the Cleveland Browns from 1984-92 and was a four-time pro-bowler; cousin, Chase Minnifield, played for the Washington Football Team from 2012-14
- Major is health promotion

### **Dekel Says**

- His nickname is "Kel"
- He chose Kentucky because it felt like home

- His dream job is to own his own gym and be a personal trainer
- One word to describe him on the field is "unpredictable"
- Besides football, he's also good at drumming, basketball and soccer



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TAE TAE

CRUMES

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

6-1 • 182 • Sophomore-SQ Louisville, Ky. (Butler)

#### 2020 - r-Freshman

· Practiced with the team

#### 2019 - Freshman

- · Redshirt season
- · Saw his first collegiate action vs. UT Martin

### **High School**

- A quality in-state prospect that ranked as one of the top 10 players in the Commonwealth of Kentucky by Rivals.com and 247sports.com
- An incredible senior season at Butler with 42 receptions for 877 yards
- Averaged 73.1 receiving yards per game, which was fourth most among all Class 6A players while his 14 receiving touchdowns were third most in the division
- Had 30 receptions for 779 yards and 14 touchdowns his junior season
- Finished his high school career with 35 touchdowns and 2,021 receiving yards
- Was named to the 2018 Lexington Herald-Leader
  Class of the Commonwealth and was also tabbed
  an all-state honoree and all-Louisville metro
  performer
- Speedy wide receiver that has been timed at 4.3 in the 40-yard dash
- · Coached by Gary Wheeler
- Chose Kentucky over Michigan and Oregon

### Personal

- Born in Louisville, Kentucky
- Son of Tinisha Wilson
- Major is health promotion

### Tae Tae Says

- His nickname is "Tae Tae" is derived from his first name "Demontae"
- He chose Kentucky because he felt a bond like no other school had
- One word to describe him on the field is "fast"
- After his football career he would like to be an athletic trainer
- The best advice he's ever received is "if you can't change the people around you, change the people around you"









### **IZAYAH CUMMINGS**

**TIGHT END** 

6-3 • 230 • Sophomore-1L Louisville, Ky. (Male)

### 2021 - Sophomore

Moved from wide receiver to tight end during fall

### 2020 - Freshman

- Saw action in nine games (Ole Miss, Mississippi State, Tennessee, Missouri, Georgia, Vanderbilt, Alabama, Florida and South Carolina)
- Charted first career tackle on special teams in the win over South Carolina
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

#### **High School**

- Three-star prospect by all three major recruiting services
- · A top-10 prospect in the state of Kentucky and rated the No. 86 wide receiver by 247Sports
- Named Kentucky Football Coaches Association 6A Player of the Year
- Candidate for Kentucky's Mr. Football award
- Named to the 2019 Class of the Commonwealth by the Lexington Herald-Leader
- First-team All-State by the Courier-Journal
- Three-year starter who finished his career with 109 receptions for 1,965 yards and 27 touchdowns
- Had a team-high 57 receptions for 1,100 yards and 15 touchdowns in 2019, helping the Bulldogs go 14-1 overall
- Named Class 6A Player of the Year by the Kentucky Football Coaches Association
- Helped Male advance to back-to-back appearances in the Class 6A State Championship
- Won the title in 2018
- Combined for 23 receiving TDs in his last two seasons of football
- Ranked fifth in Class 6A in receiving yards and sixth in receptions despite playing three fewer games than the state leader
- Coached by Chris Wolfe
- Averaged nearly 20 yards per reception and 96.0 vards per game
- Ranked in the top 20 of all class levels in receptions and receiving yards
- Has a 38-inch vertical leap
- Also an honor-roll student and participated in track and basketball
- Chose Kentucky over Louisville, Indiana, Purdue, Virginia, Cincinnati, Missouri and others

### Personal

- Born in Louisville, Kentucky
- Son of Andra and Natasha Cummings
- Has two sisters, Mia and Nia
- Major is undecided

### Izayah Says

- · He chose Kentucky because it was close to home and because of his relationship with the coaches
- Three words to describe him are smart, quiet, and
- The best advice he's ever received is "someone right now is working to take your spot"
- His dream job is to own his own business and help out the next generation
- Besides football, he's also good at playing basketball and video games



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**TORRANCE DAVIS** 

**RUNNING BACK** 

6-2 • 217 • Sophomore-1L Cleveland, Ohio. (Garfield Heights)

#### 2020 - Freshman

- Saw action in five games (Ole Miss, Mississippi State, Missouri, Georgia and Vanderbilt) as an inside linebacker
- Moved to running back after the season

#### **High School**

- Three-star recruit who ranked as the No. 28 running back in the class of 2020 and the No. 11 player in Ohio by 247sports
- Rivals also listed him as the 37th-best running back and the No. 8 player in Ohio
- Known for his combination of speed and power and the ability to catch the ball out of the backfield
- Rushed 98 times for 924 yards as a running back and added 540 yards on 17 catches when playing wide receiver as a senior at Garfield Heights
- Also had 42 tackles as a linebacker, earning the team's defensive MVP award
- Played at Cleveland Glenville three seasons before transferring to Garfield Heights in 2019
- Played in the 2020 All-American Bowl in Miami
- Participated in basketball, baseball, and track during his prep career
- Chose Kentucky over Bowling Green, Pitt, and Toledo

### Personal

- Born in Cleveland Ohio
- Son of Kamala Penn
- Siblings are Terrance, Loundia, and Kamella
- Major is community and leadership development

### **Torrance Says**

- He chose Kentucky because the coaches talked to him about helping him become a better man, not just football
- His hidden talent is drawing
- One word to describe him on the field is "explosive"
- The best advice he's ever received is "every time you make a decision you're either making money or losing money"

• The person he most admires is his mom because she's his whole world



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CADE

**DEGRAW** 

**LONG SNAPPER** 

5-11 • 206 • Junior-1L Lake Cormorant, Miss. (Lake Cormorant)

### 2020 - Sophomore

- Serves as the team's long snapper after the graduation of four-year starter Blake Best
- Charted one tackle

#### 2019 - Freshman

Practiced with the team

#### **High School**

- Four-year starter and letter winner as a long snapper and defensive end for the Gators
- Rated as a 4.5-star prospect by Rubio Long Snapping
- Earned first-team All-State and All-Conference in both his junior and senior seasons
- Elected team captain as a senior
- Also was a two-year letter winner in archery
- Excelled in the classroom as he was a member of the National Honor Society and was a Graduate of Distinction
- · Played for head coach Nick Nester

### **Community Cats**

Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)

### Personal

- Born in Memphis, Tennessee
- Son of Alisha and Dominic Degraw
- Has one brother, Brandon
- Major is pre-management

### Cade Says

- He chose Kentucky because he loved the
- His hidden talent is being able to play the guitar
- · His hobbies are hunting and fishing
- Chewing gum and listening to music helps him stay focused before a game
- The best advice he's ever received is "don't look back, there's nothing back there to go after"







**PATRICK** DELAHUNTY

**QUARTERBACK** 

6-0 • 197 • Junior-SQ Cleveland, Ohio (Saint Ignatius)

### 2020 - Sophomore

- Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

#### 2019 - Freshman

- Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Fall 2019)

### <u> High</u> School

- Two-year letter winner for head coach Chuck Kyle at Saint Ignatius
- Earned the starting QB position as a senior and accounted for over 2,00 yards and 20 touchdowns
- Earned Saint Ignatius Student-Athlete of the Week, Ohio Catholic Player of the Week
- Named All-District as a senior
- Member of the honor roll

#### Personal

- Born in Cleveland, Ohio
- Son of Pat and Michele Delahunty
- Has three sisters, Meghan, Katie, and Erin
- Member of UK's Sigma Chi fraternity
- Major is pre-accounting

### Patrick Says

- · His nickname is "Delly"
- The three famous people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Drew Brees, Warren Buffett, and the Pope
- Besides playing football, he's also good at playing the guitar and juggling
- One sentence to describe Coach Stoops is "he's a wise football mind"
- His dream job is to be a CFO or COO of a Fortune 500 company



**TREY DENNIS** 

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

5-8 • 150 • Freshman-HS Lexington, Ky. (Sayre)

### **High School**

- Played just one season of high school football as senior in 2020
- · Earned a starting spot at slot receiver for head coach Chad Pennington at Sayre
- Recorded 62 receptions for 776 yards and 11 scores in a COVID-shortened season
- Helped lead the Spartans to an 8-1 overall record which included an undefeated regular season
- Named All-State honorable mention by the Louisville Courier-Journal
- Earned first-team All-City honors by the Lexington Herald-Leader
- · Also a three-time letter winner in basketball at point guard for the Spartans
- Member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Chose Kentucky over scholarship offers from Center, Hanover and Georgetown College

### Personal

- Born in Lexington, Ky.
- Son of Harold and Donna Dennis
- Dad, Harold, was a wide receiver at Kentucky from 1994-96
- Siblings are Jasmine and Kylee
- · Major is chemistry

### Trey Says

- His nickname is "T.D."
- He chose Kentucky because he wanted to continue the legacy his dad started
- His dream job is to work in the medical field
- The best advice he's ever received is "time never stops, so seize the moment"
- Three words to describe him are outgoing, kind and assertive



**JORDAN** 

### DINGLE

**TIGHT END** 

6-4 • 235 • Freshman-HS Bowling Green, Ky. (Bowling Green HS)

### **High School**

- A four-star prospect by ESPN and a three-star recruit by Rivals and 247sports
- Ranked the No. 5 player in the state and a top-25 tight end nationally by Rivals and 247sports
- Four-year letter winner and starter for head coach Mark Spader
- Caught 41 passes for 515 yards (12.6 ypc) with two touchdowns in helping lead Bowling Green to the 2020 Class AAAAA state championship with a 10-2 overall record
- · Caught five passes, ran for a touchdown, and had a quarterback sack in the state finals win
- Named the 2020 4th Region AD Association Player of the Year
- Named to the Lexington Herald-Leader "Class of the Commonwealth" list of the top seniors in Kentucky
- Named first-team All-State by the Courier Journal and AP as a senior
- Named a preseason All-America candidate by Sports Illustrated
- Named honorable mention All-State by the Courier Journal as a junior after catching 35 passes for 474 yards and five TDs
- Three-sport athlete who also was a four-year letter winner in basketball and a three-year letter winner in track and field (shot put and hurdles)
- Led Bowling Green to the 2020 4th region title and an elite eight appearance in basketball
- High school teammate of current UK safety Vito Tisdale
- Chose Kentucky over Purdue, Vanderbilt, Virginia Tech and Ohio State
- Member of the National Honor Society
- Excelled in the classroom, boasting a 4.0 grade point average

### Personal

- Born in Manning, South Carolina
- · Son of Tonya and Justice Dingle
- · Younger brother of teammate Justice Dingle
- · Major is undeclared

### Jordan Says

- His nickname is "The Professor"
- · He chose Kentucky because it had a great family
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be a CEO of a hospital
- · Three words to describe him are hardworking, trustworthy, and intelligent
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he likes to ride four-wheelers









### **JUSTICE DINGLE II**

**OUTSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-3 • 262 • Junior-Tr Bowling Green, Ky. (Georgia Tech/ **Bowling Green HS)** 

#### 2021 - Junior

- Due to COVID-19, every student-athlete was granted an extra year of eligibility, therefore, he will have three seasons of eligibility remaining
- · Transferred to Kentucky after three seasons at Georgia Tech
- Saw action in 19 games with eight tackles, three fumble recoveries and a tackle for loss
- Mid-year enrolle

### 2020 - Sophomore (Georgia Tech)

· Played in four games, recording one tackle

### 2019 - r-Freshman (Georgia Tech)

- Made 11 appearances, including his first college start at defensive end in the home opener against South Florida (Sept. 7)
- The Yellow Jackets' top ball hawk, led the team with three fumble recoveries
- Also finished with six tackles (five solo) on the season, including an 8-yard sack

### 2018 - Freshman (Georgia Tech)

- Redshirted as a true freshman but saw action in four games, vs. Alcorn State (Sept. 1), at USF (Sept. 8), at Pitt (Sept. 15) and vs. Clemson (Sept. 22) and recorded one tackle at USF
- One of 13 true freshmen in 2018 to see game action for the Yellow Jackets

### **High School**

- Rated as a four-star prospect by Rivals coming out of high school
- No. 2-ranked player in his class in the state of Kentucky and the No. 18-ranked inside linebacker in the nation, according to Rivals
- · Listed as the nation's No. 16-ranked inside linebacker by ESPN
- Two-time all-state honoree
- Two-time first-team all-district selection
- Nominated for Army All-America Game, Dick Butkus Award (national high school Linebacker of the Year) and Kentucky's Mr. Football award as a senior
- Selected to participate in Kentucky/Tennessee Border Bowl, Kentucky Best of Bluegrass all-star game and Army All-American Combine
- Helped lead Bowling Green to state championship as a junior in 2016
- Two-time team captain
- Honor roll student
- Coached by Kevin Wallace
- Played first two prep seasons at Oakland H.S. in Murfreesboro, Tenn. (coached by Kevin Creasy and Tommy McDaniel)

- Helped lead Oakland to a pair of district championships as a freshman and sophomore (2014 and 2015)
- Also lettered in track and field and basketball

### Personal

- · Born in Manning, South Carolina
- Son of Tonya and Justice Dingle
- Older brother of signee Jordan Dingle
- Majoring in pre-communication

#### **Justice Says**

- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be a sports commentator
- One word to describe him on the field is "beast"
- Besides playing football, he's also good at riding dirt
- He chose Kentucky because it's home and UK will help develop him into a better player and man
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he's country

### JU. DINGLE'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	Sacks-Yds.	TFL-Yds.	FC/FR	INT	PBU
2020*	DL	4-0	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
2019*	DL	11-1	6	1.0-8	0-0	0/3	0	0
2018*	LB	4-0	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals		19-1	8	1.8-8	0-0	0/3	0	0

\*at Georgia Tech

### JU. DINGLE'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME (GT)

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC/FR	QBH	Int.
vs. Louisville	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Clemson	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Boston College	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Notre Dame	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0

### JU. DINGLE'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME (GT)

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC/FR	QBH	Int.
at Clemson	0	0-0	0-0	0/1	0	0
vs. South Florida*	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. The Citadel	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Temple		DNP				
vs. North Carolina	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Duke	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Miami (FL)	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Pittsburgh	1	0-0	0-0	0/1	0	0
at Virginia	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Virginia Teach	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. NC State	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Georgia	1	1.0-8	0-0	0/1	0	0
Totals	6	0-0	0-0	0/3	0	0

### JU. DINGLE'S 2018 GAME-BY-GAME (GT)

Opponent	iackies	Sacks	I FL-Y	FC/FR	ЦВН	int.
vs. Alcorn State	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at UCF	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Pitt	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Clemson	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0

### JU. DINGLE'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 2, at Duke, Oct 12, 2019 Sacks: 1. vs Georgia, Nov 30, 2019

Fumble recoveries: 1, 3x, last vs Georgia, Nov 30, 2019



**JAMARIUS** 

DINKINS

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

6-5 • 255 • Freshman-HS Columbus, Ohio (Walnut Ridge)

### **High School**

- Rated a three-star recruit by 247sports and Rivals
- Rated a top 25 recruit in talent-rich Ohio and a top 35 strongside defensive end nationally
- Four-year starter on the defensive line for head coach Byron Mattox
- Named Central District D-II Defensive Player of the Year after totaling 43 tackles, 12 tackles-for-loss, eight sacks and four forced fumbles in 2020
- Helped Walnut Ridge win the Columbus City League Championship title
- Also helped the Scots advance to the second round of the Division II, Region 7 playoffs and finish 6-3 after going 11-1 and advancing to a regional semifinal in 2019
- Earned Ohio MaxPreps All-State Second Team
- Named First-Team Division II All-Ohio by the Ohio **Prep Sportswriters Association**
- Chose Kentucky over Michigan State

### Personal

- · First name is pronounced "ja-MAR-ee-us"
- Born in Columbus. Ohio
- Son of Juanita Dinkins
- · Siblings are James Polk-Dinkins and Akilah Stewart
- Major is art studio

### Jamarius Says

- His nickname is "Spider"
- · He chose Kentucky because it was the best fit
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he's a sleep walker
- Three words to describe him are funny, loud, and energetic
- The best advice he's ever received is "keep God first'





DODSON

**SAFETY** 

6-1 • 194 • Sophomore-1L Union City, Ga. (Creekside)

### 2020 - r-Freshman

- Played in five games and had two tackles
- Missed six games with injury
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

#### 2019 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Had three total tackles in three games played
- Had a fumble recovery vs. Florida
- Mid-year enrollee

### **High School**

- A consensus three-star recruit by all the major recruiting services
- Coached by Region 5-6A Coach of the Year Maurice Dixon
- Had 19 returns for 737 yards and two touchdowns, including a 92-yard score
- Named first-team All-Region 5-6A after totaling 86 tackles, 12 PBUs, two interceptions, one sack and once forced fumble in 2018
- Also had seven catches for 106 yards
- Excelled in track and field, earning All-Region 1A State Track honors in 2016 and 2017 as a sprinter and high
- Ran a personal best 10.78 in the 100-meter dash
- Chose Kentucky over Syracuse, Louisville, and Ole Miss

### Personal

- First name is pronounced the same as Taj Mahal
- Born in Atlanta, Georgia
- Son of Terika Dodson and Alex Chapman
- Siblings are India Paulk and Kyle Davis
- Member Omega Psi Phi fraternity
- Major is communication

### Taj Says

- He chose Kentucky because it's a family vibe
- One word to describe him on the field is "calm"
- After his football career he would like to be a stock
- The three famous people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Nipsey Hussle, Kobe Bryant, and **Donald Trump**
- If he could create a holiday he would call it "National Chicken Wing Day" and everyone would get free chicken wings

### DODSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	Sacks-Yds.	TFL-Yds.	FC/FR	INT	PBU
2019	S	3-0	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
2020	S	5-0	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals		8-0	5	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0

### DODSON'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC/FR	QBH	Int.
at Auburn	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Mississippi St.	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Tennessee	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Missouri		DNP	(Injury)			
vs. Georgia		DNP	(Injury)			
vs. Vanderbilt		DNP	(Injury)			
at Alabama		DNP	(Injury)			
at Florida		DNP	(Injury)			
vs. South Carolina		DNP	(Injury)			
vs. Dodson	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0

### DODSON'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC/FR	QBH	Int.
vs. Toledo	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Eastern Mich.	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Florida	1	0-0	0-0	0/1	0	0
Totals	3	0-0	0-0	0/1	0	0

#### **DODSON'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 1, 5x times, last at Tennessee, Oct 17, 2020 Fumble Recovery: 1, vs Florida, Sept 14, 2019



**CEDRICK** DORT JR.

**DEFENSIVE BACK** 

5-11 • 188 • Senior-3L Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. (Dwyer)

### 2021 - Senior

Has seen action in 31 career games with 13 starting nods

### 2020 - Junior

- Played in 10 games with one starting assignment vs. South Carolina in 2020
- Totaled 10 tackles and two PBUs
- Charted a career-best four tackles and a PBU vs. Mississippi State and also had a PBU vs. the Gamecocks

### 2019 - r-Sophomore

- Honorable mention cornerback (PFF) with zero touchdowns allowed
- Played and started in 12 games at corner
- Did not see action vs. Tennessee
- Totaled 16 tackles, five PBU (third on the team) and one forced fumble
- Had a career-high two PBU in the win over Vanderbilt

### 2018 - Sophomore

• Redshirt season

#### 2017 - Freshman

- Played in nine games
- · Totaled six tackles
- · Graduated a semester early and enrolled at Kentucky in January of 2017

#### **High School**

- Rated a three-star recruit by 247sports, ESPN and Scout as the No. 42 cornerback in the 2017 class
- As a senior, named first-team All-Area by the Palm Beach Post and first-team All-County by the Sun Sentinel after recording 40 tackles, 14 pass breakups and six interceptions, returning one for a touchdown
- Played a key role in helping Dwyer finish 10-1 overall in 2016 with its second-straight appearance in the Class 7A regional semifinals
- Did not allow a TD pass, a first down pass or a pass over five yards during the regular season
- · Did not miss a tackle all season and battled against six receivers who were expected to sign Division I scholarships
- Named one of ESPN 106.3's top seniors in Palm Beach County and the Treasure Coast
- Was All-Area honorable mention in 2015 after helping lead the Panthers to an 11-2 overall record, a district championship title and a berth in the 7A regional semifinal
- Helped Dwyer shut out two opponents and held six others to 14 points or less
- A three-year letter winner in basketball as a combo
- Only played two years of high school football
- Coached by Jack Daniels
- Chose UK over Wisconsin, Virginia Tech, Minnesota, Colorado and USF

### Personal

- Born in Palm Beach, Florida
- Son of Clevette Wiggins and Cedrick Dort
- Siblings are Mikyle Dort, Cainaya Green, Keimoni Hunter, Levon Mosley, Michael Mosely, Michaela Mosely and Santonio Obas
- Graduated in December of 2020 with a degree in community and leadership development ... Working on a second degree in communication

### Cedrick Savs

- In one sentence he would describe Coach Stoops as "a thoughtful man who wants you to succeed"
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a sports agent or in real estate
- · What he loves most about football is meeting life-
- Most people don't know he's a snare drummer and only played football in the 11th and 12th grade
- Three words to describe him are funny, intelligent, and caring

	DORT'S CAREER STATISTICS										
Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	Sacks	TFL	FF/FR	Int-Yds	PBU	QBH		
2017	СВ	9-0	6	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0		
2019	СВ	12-12	16	0-0	0-0	1/0	0	5	0		
2020	СВ	10-1	10	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	2	1		
Totals		31-13	32	0-0	0-0	1/0	0	7	1		







DO	DORT'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME										
Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL	FF/FR	PBU	Int-Yds	QBH				
at Auburn	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	1				
vs. Ole Miss	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0				
vs. Miss. St.	4	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0	0				
at Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0				
at Missouri	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0				
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0				
vs. Vandy	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0				
at Alabama	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0				
at Florida	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0				
vs. USC*	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0	0				
vs. NC State			DNP								
Totals	10	0-0	0.0	0/0	2	0	1				

DOR	DORT'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME										
Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FF/FR	PBU	Int-Yds					
vs. Toledo *	0	0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0					
vs. Eastern Mich.*	2	0-0	0-0	1/0	1	0					
vs. Florida*	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0					
at Miss. State*	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0					
at South Carolina*	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0					
vs. Arkansas*	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0					
at Georgia*	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0					
vs. Missouri*	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0					
vs. Tennessee			DNP								
at Vanderbilt*	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	2	0					
vs. UT Martin*	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0					
vs. Louisville*	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0					
vs. Virginia Tech*	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0					
Totals	16	0-0	0.0	1/0	5	0-0					

DORT'S 2017 GAME-BY-GAME									
Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FC/FR	PBU	IntYds			
at Southern Miss	0	0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0			
vs. E. Michigan	0	0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0			
vs. Missouri	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0			
at Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0			
vs. Tennessee	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0			
vs. Ole Miss	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0			
at Georgia	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0			
vs. Louisville	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0			
vs. Northwestern	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0			
Totals	6	0-0	0.0	0/0	0	0-0			

### **DORT'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 4, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020
Pass breakups: 2, at Vanderbilt, Nov 16, 2019
Forced fumbles: 1, vs Eastern Mich, Sept 7, 2019
Quarterback hurry: 1, at Auburn, Sept 26, 2020



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AUSTIN **DOTSON** 

OFFENSIVE LINE

6-6 • 321 • Senior-3L Belfry, Ky. (Belfry)

### 2020 - Junior

- Played in all 11 games with four starting assignments (Vanderbilt, Alabama, Florida and South Carolina)
- · Earned first career start vs. Vanderbilt

### 2019 - Sophomore

- Saw action in nine games
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

#### 2018 - r-Freshman

· Saw action in seven games

#### 2017 - Freshman

Redshirt season

### **High School**

- A three-star prospect by ESPN and 247Sports
- Ranks as the No. 2 offensive tackle in the Commonwealth by ESPN
- A three-year starter for Coach Phillip Haywood, who said, "He's a very physical blocker. He's one of these guys who would really get after you and stay after you until the whistle blows. And if we score a touchdown, he'd be the first one down there in the end zone patting the guy on the back or tossing him in the air. He just loves playing on the line"
- Named to The Courier-Journal's 2016 All-State Football Team as a first-team selection after being a second-team member as a junior
- Also named to the AP All-State First Team
- Member of four straight championship teams (2013-16)
- Played right tackle on a massive offensive line that helped the Pirates finish 14-1 as a senior and average 347.1 rushing yards and 44.1 points per game
- Helped Belfry win its sixth overall, including fourth straight Class 3-A State championship with a 52-31 win over Central in 2016
- Member of the Kentucky squad in the Best of the Bluegrass All-Star Game
- Also a four-year letter winner in baseball as a pitcher and first baseman
- Chose Kentucky over Charlotte, Eastern Kentucky, Florida Atlantic and Marshall

### Personal

- Born in Pikeville, Kentucky
- Son of Sherry and Derrick Dotson
- Siblings are Brandon Blackburn and Paula Dotson
- On track to graduate in December of 2021 with a degree in sociology

### Austin Says

- He chose Kentucky because it's home
- After his football career he would like to be in the Secret Service
- Most people don't know he's a descendant of Devil Anse Hatfield, the patriarch of the Hatfield clan during the infamous Hatfield-McCoy feud
- When he's not on the field, he enjoys fishing, hunting, and eating with friends
- The three people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Dale Earnhardt, Stone Cold Steve Austin, and Popcorn Sutton



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MOSES

**DOUGLASS** 

**SAFETY** 

6-2 • 203 • Sophomore-1L Springfield, Ohio (Springfield)

#### 2020 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in seven games (Ole Miss, Mississippi State, Georgia, Vanderbilt, Alabama, Florida and NC State)
- Got a tackle at Alabama

### 2019 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Saw action in three games (Eastern Michigan, Tennessee and UT Martin)
- Charted his first career tackle vs. UT Martin
- Mid-year enrollee

### High School

- Four-star recruit and one the nation's top-30 safety prospects by Rivals.com and 247sports.com
- The No. 7 prospect in Ohio and one of the nation's top 300 players by Rivals
- As a senior, helped lead Springfield HS to a 9-3 record and second round of the state playoffs
- First-team All-Ohio in Division I (largest classification)
- Coached by his father, Maurice, at Springfield
- Teammate of fellow signee Isaiah Gibson
- Chose Kentucky over Georgia Tech, Louisville, and Michigan State

### **Community Cats**

- Volunteered to pack food for God's Pantry (2020)
- Volunteered at the Catholic Action Center (2020)

### Personal

- Born in Dayton, Ohio
- Son of Camela and Maurice Douglass
- Siblings are Maurice Douglass Jr., Shiloh Douglass, and Christian Douglass-Hall
- Father, Maurice, was a defensive back at Kentucky in 1984-85 and went on to an 11-year NFL career with the Chicago Bears and New York Giants
- · Major is pre-journalism



#### Moses Says

- His nickname is "MoeDoug"
- He chose Kentucky because he liked the vibe and the opportunities that came with it
- Three words to describe him are goofy, chill, and smiley
- Daniel Kaluuya would play him in a movie about his life
- After his football career he would like to be a sports broadcaster and work for the NFL Network



BEN **DRAKE** 

**DEFENSIVE BACK** 

6-1 • 199 • Junior-SQ Charlottesville, Va. (Monticello)

#### 2020 - Sophomore

· Practiced with the team

#### 2019 - Freshman

· Practiced with the team

### **High School**

- Two-year starter at safety and wide receiver for head coach Jeff Lloyd at Monticello
- An all-around athlete as he was also a four-year letter winner in basketball as a small forward and soccer as a center midfielder ... Also played lacrosse one
- Earned Monticello's Male Athlete of the Year in 2019
- Honorable mention in the Jefferson district for basketball and football
- Member of the student council
- Chose Kentucky over James Madison and Virginia

### **Community Cats**

- Volunteered at Athens Chilesburg Elementary (2020)
- Visited sick children at the Kentucky Children's Hospital (2020)

### Personal

- Born in Charlottesville, Virginia
- Son of David Drake and Malissa Drake
- Siblings are Emarie, Lauren, and Will
- Uncle, Richard Shadwick, played football at Morehead State from 1988-92
- Major is communication

### Ben Says

- His nickname is "Drizzy"
- · After football, he would like to work or coach in sports
- Three words to describe him are funny, attentive and committed
- His sports hero is Michael Jordan because he taught him to never stop working
- One sentence to describe Coach Stoops is "he's a great leader'



MIKE

### **DRENNEN II**

**RUNNING BACK** 

5-11 • 194 • Sophomore-1L Hilltop, Ohio (Coffman)

### 2021 - Sophomore

Switched from wide receiver to running back during fall camp

### 2020 - Freshman

- Saw playing time in eight games (Mississippi State, Tennessee, Missouri, Georgia, Vanderbilt, Alabama, Florida and South Carolina)
- Had three catches for 26 yards
- Got his first career catch for six yards in the win over Tennessee
- Also had a catch for 14 yards vs. Vanderbilt and a six-yard reception vs. South Carolina
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **High School**

- Consensus four-star prospect
- · Considered the No. 6 all-purpose back in the nation by 247Sports
- No. 3 overall recruit in Ohio by Rivals and 247Sports
- Four-year starter for head coach Mark Crabtree
- Helped lead the Rocks to the state playoffs all four years of his prep career and two straight regional
- Won the 2018 Class 6A State championship
- Was limited as a senior due to injury
- Earned a spot on the All-America Future 50 game
- Earned second-team All-Ohio honors as a junior in 2018 after rushing for 801 yards on 162 carries, making 30 receptions for 464 yards, and scoring 16 touchdowns in helping the Shamrocks (11-2) to a regional final
- Earned the 2019 Buckeye Blue Chip Award, given by the Touchdown Club of Columbus ... Excelled in the classroom with a 3.7 grade point average
- Had 43 scholarship offers but ultimately chose Kentucky over Southern California

### Personal

- Born in Hilltop, Ohio
- Son of Mike Drennen and Carmaleah Pritchett
- Siblings are Michea Drennen, Myka Drennen, and Armané Cotton
- Major is pre-computer science

### Mike Says

- His nickname is "Donut"
- He chose Kentucky because he loved it from the beginning and UK had the best plan for him to accomplish his goals
- After football, his dream job is to become a pro skatehoarder

- Three words to describe him are goofy, intelligent, and abnormal
- The best advice he's ever received is "be comfortable being uncomfortable"

	DRENNEN'S CAREER STATISTICS									
Year	Pos.	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long			
2020	WR	8-0	3	26	8.7	0	14			
Totals		8-0	3	26	8.7	0	14			

Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Auburn		DNP		
vs. Ole Miss		DNP		
vs. Miss. State	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	1	6	0	6
at Missouri	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	1	14	0	14
at Alabama	0	0	0	0
at Florida	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	1	6	0	6
vs. NC State		DNP		
Totals	3	26	0	14

### DRENNEN'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Receptions: 1, 3x, last vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 Receiving yards: 14, vs Vanderbilt, Nov. 14, 2020 Long reception: 14, vs Vanderbilt, Nov. 14, 2020



**DARREN** 

**EDMOND** 

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

5-11 • 207 • Senior-SQ Norman, Okla. (Paul Laurence Dunbar - KY)

### 2020 - Junior

Practiced with the team

### 2019 - Sophomore

- Saw his first collegiate action vs. UT Martin
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2018 - Freshman

· Practiced with the team

### High School

- A three-year starter at wide receiver for head coach Chris Mullins at Paul Laurence Dunbar
- Led the Bulldogs in receiving as a senior with 156 yards and three touchdowns on 20 catches
- Also ran for 63 yards and a score

### **Community Cats**

Volunteered at William Wells Brown Elementary (2020)





#### Personal

- Born in Norman, Oklahoma
- · Son of Laurie and Corey Edmond
- Has one sister, Leah
- Dad, Corey, is the director of performance for UK Football ... Sister, Leah, was a four-time All-American outside hitter for UK's volleyball team from 2016-19
- · Major is digital media and design

### Darren Says

- Hidden talents are singing and playing the piano
- The person he most admires is his dad because he pushes him to be great
- · His dream job is to be a sports photographer
- If he could create a holiday he would call it
   "National Coach Ed Day" and everyone would wear
   black and no one would smile
- The best part of being a Kentucky Wildcat is the support of the Big Blue Nation



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BRAXTON EISERMAN

**INSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-1 • 218 • Junior-SQ Jackson, Ky. (Breathitt County)

### 2020 - Sophomore

- Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2019 - Freshman

Practiced with the team

### **High School**

- Four-year letter winner and three-year starter for head coach Kyle Moore, playing linebacker and center
- Totaled 107 tackles, 12.0 TFL and six sacks as a senior
- Also lettered four years in track and field as a discus thrower
- Named salutatorian of his graduating class
- President of SkillsUSA a career and technical student organization and Technology Student Association, an organization that helps develop skills in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics as well as business education ... Also a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes

### **Community Cats**

 Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)

### Persono

- Born in Lexington, Ky.
- Son of Lea and Al Eiserman
- Has one brother, Zach
- Major is art studio

### **Braxton Says**

- His nickname is "Diesel" because he runs over people like a diesel
- His dream job is to be an architect and design houses
- One word to describe him on the field is "determined"
- When he played football as a kid he pretended he was lack Lambert
- His favorite movie is Remember the Titans



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ISAIAH **EPPS** 

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

6-2 • 188 • Senior-3L Jenks, Okla. (Jenks)

#### 2021 - Senior

• Has played in 32 career games with three starts

#### 2020 - r-Junior

- Totaled eight catches for 63 yards in six games
- Earned his first career start in the Gator Bowl vs.
   NC State
- Saw action at Auburn in the season opener then missed three games with a thumb injury ... Dressed vs. Missouri and Georgia but did not see action in the game
- His catch for eight yards vs. Vanderbilt was his first catch since the 2018 season
- Had a career-high-tying three catches for 23 yards in the win over NC State

### 2019 - Junior

- Redshirt season
- Missed the season due to injury in his left foot suffered during fall camp that required surgery

### 2018 - Sophomore

- Played in all 13 games with two starts vs. Georgia and Tennessee
- Caught eight passes for 76 yards
- Had a career-high three catches vs. MTSU

### 2017 - Freshman

- Played in all 13 games
- Totaled four catches for 55 yards
- One of seven true freshmen to see action in the season opener at Southern Miss

### **High School**

- A big, talented wide receiver who had a breakout senior season for Coach Allan Trimble at Jenks
- Set a Jenks receiving record with 1,209 yards in 2016 with 59 catches and 12 touchdowns, along with 10 rushes for 76 yards and a score
- Helped lead the Trojans to an 11-1 overall record with their only loss coming in the 6Al semifinal playoff game
- Earned District 6A-1 Offensive Player of the Year
- Named third-team All-State by The Oklahoman

- Rivals listed him as a three-star wide receiver and ranked him as the 21st-best receiver in Oklahoma
- Also lettered in basketball (2014-16) and track & field (2015) at Jenks
- Excelled in the classroom, earning a spot on the Principal's Honor Roll
- Chose Kentucky over offers from Tulsa, Southern Methodist, Illinois and Western Michigan

### Personal

- Born in Tulsa, Oklahoma
- Son of Michael and LaQuisha Epps
- · Siblings are Carson and Michael
- Older brother, Carson, and cousin, Denver Johnson, were wide receivers at Iowa State
- On track to graduate in December of 2021 with a degree in psychology

### Isaiah Says

- His nickname is "Zay"
- After his football career he would like to be a sports psychologist at a university
- One thing most people don't about him is that he likes to shop
- His passion in life is helping others
- The best advice he's ever received was "never quit, always finish what you've started and stay grounded"

	EPPS' CAREER STATISTICS										
Year	Pos.	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long				
2017	WR	13-0	4	55	13.8	0	28				
2018	WR	13-2	8	76	9.5	0	18				
2020	WR	6-1	8	63	7.9	0	21				
Totals		32-3	20	194	9.7	0	28				

EPPS	, 5050	GAME-	BY-GAM	E
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Auburn	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss		DNP	(Injury)	
vs. Mississippi St.		DNP	(Injury)	
at Tennessee		DNP	(Injury)	
at Missouri		DNP		
vs. Georgia		DNP		
vs. Vanderbilt	1	8	0	8
at Alabama	2	24	0	21
at Florida	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	2	8	0	5
vs. NC State*	3	23	0	10
Totals	8	63	0	21

EPPS' 2018 GAME-BY-GAME									
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long					
vs. Central Mich.	0	0	0	0					
at Florida	0	0	0	0					
vs. Murray State	1	8	0	8					
vs. Miss. State	0	0	0	0					
vs. South Carolina	1	11	0	11					
at TAMU	0	0	0	0					
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0					
at Missouri	0	0	0	0					
vs. Georgia*	2	29	0	18					



EPPS' 2018 GAME-BY-GAME								
at Tennessee*	1	4	0	4				
vs. MTSU	3	24	0	14				
at Louisville	0	0	0	0				
vs. Penn State	0	0	0	0				
Totals	Q	76	0	10				

EPPS' 2017 GAME-BY-GAME										
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long						
at Southern Miss	1	6	0	6						
vs. EKU	0	0	0	0						
at South Carolina	0	0	0	0						
vs. Florida	0	0	0	0						
vs. E. Michigan	1	18	0	18						
vs. Missouri	0	0	0	0						
at Miss. State	0	0	0	0						
vs. Tennessee	0	0	0	0						
vs. Ole Miss	2	31	0	28						
at Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0						
at Georgia	0	0	0	0						
vs. Louisville	0	0	0	0						
vs. Northwestern	0	0	0	0						
Totals	4	55	0	28						

#### **EPPS' SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Receptions: 3, twice, last vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 Receiving yards: 31, vs Ole Miss, Nov 4, 2017 (2 receptions) Receiving TDs: n/a Long reception: 28, vs Ole Miss, Nov 4, 2017



**JEREMY FLAX** 

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-6 • 338 • Sophomore-RS Detroit, Mich. (Independence CC/Robichaud)

### 2020 - Sophomore

- Redshirt season
- Saw his first collegiate action vs. Vanderbilt and also played vs. South Carolina

### High School/JUCO

- Considered a four-star recruit by Rivals
- · 247Sports listed him as the top JUCO offensive tackle and the No. 8 overall JUCO prospect
- Rivals rated him as the No. 2 offensive tackle prospect nationally and the 20th overall JUCO prospect
- Three-year starter at Dearborn Heights Robichaud for head coach Jason Mallov
- Played both sides of the ball and recorded 40 tackles, 10 TFL, two sacks and a forced fumble as a defensive lineman during his senior season
- Earned a spot on The Free Press' All-West Prep Football Team
- Also played basketball

- · Signed with UK over Auburn and Texas Tech
- Has three years of eligibility remaining

#### Personal

- Born in Detroit
- · Son of Sandra Flax
- Has one brother, Isaiah
- Major is community leadership and development

### Jeremy Says

- His nickname is "Big Jerm"
- · He chose Kentucky because it felt like home and
- After his football career he would like to be a coach
- Three words to describe him are funny, caring, and
- If he could eat three foods for the rest of his life he would choose pizza, soul food, and eggs



### **LUKE FORTNER**

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-6 • 297 • Senior-4L Sylvania, Ohio (Sylvania Northview)

### 2021\* - Senior

- Elected to return for a sixth year, taking advantage of the NCAA's ruling to grant an extra year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Preseason third-team All-SEC (Athlon)
- CoSIDA Academic All-District First Team
- · Has seen action in 42 career games and started in 23 consecutive games played

### 2020 - Senior

- **Wuerffel Trophy Semifinalist**
- **Campbell Trophy Semifinalist**
- **SEC Community Service Team**
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- One of 11 FBS players named to the Allstate AFCA Good Works Team, UK's second straight member of the prestigious team (Landon Young in 2019)
- Started in 10 games played
- Graded out at 82.9 percent with 26 knockdowns and 146 blocks at the point of attack
- Preseason Second-Team All-SEC (Pick Six Previews)
- Preseason Third-Team All-SEC (Athlon Sports)

### 2019 - Junior

- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- · Inducted into the Frank G. Ham Society of Character which honors Wildcats who have shown an extraordinary commitment to academic excellence, athletic participation, personal development, career preparation and serving as a
- · A mechanical engineer major who, along with Toyota Motor Manufacturing Kentucky and other engineering students, helped design a specially built push cart vehicle to provide a Kentucky Children's Hospital patient the chance to both

- accompany the Wildcats on the Cat Walk and attend a game at Kroger Field in a project called "Lift Them Un"
- Started in all 13 games at right guard
- Part of the "Big Blue Wall" who helped four Wildcats rush for at least 500 yards, only the second time in school history that has happened, also 1976
- Helped Lynn Bowden Jr. become the first player in college football history with at least 1,400 rushing yards, 300 passing yards and 300 receiving yards in the same season
- Totaled 27 knockdown blocks
- Had no missed assignments, allowed only one sack, and had only one penalty in 646 plays

### 2018 - Sophomore

- Played in 11 of 13 games
- Blocked for All-SEC running back, Benny Snell Jr., UK's all-time leading rusher and the first player in school history to rush for 1,000 yards in three straight seasons
- Dean's List (Spring 2019)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2017 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in eight games
- Blocked for All-SEC running back, Benny Snell Jr., the first player in school history to rush for 1,000 yards in consecutive seasons
- · Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2016 - Freshman

- · Redshirt season
- Dean's List (Fall 2016, Spring 2017)
- SEC First-year Academic Honor Roll (2016-17)

### **High School**

- A three-star offensive tackle by ESPN, Rivals and 247sports
- Rated as the 69th best offensive lineman nationally and the 36th best prospect in Ohio by 247sports
- Also played guard and center
- Four-year starter for Coach Doug Downing
- Named team captain as a senior
- Earned third-team All-Ohio for Division II
- Named second-team All-Northwest Ohio in 2014 and 2015
- Dual-sport athlete as he also was a center on the Northview basketball team
- Honor-roll student and member of the National Honor Society
- Earned President's Education Award
- Chose UK over Akron, Cincinnati, Marshall, Maryland, Toledo and Western Michigan

### Personal

- Born in Cleveland, Ohio
- Son of John and Nancy Fortner
- Siblings are Matt and Sarah
- Uncle, Don Svec, played football at Youngstown St.
- Graduated in December of 2019 with a degree in mechanical engineering ... On track to graduate in the summer of 2021 with a master's degree in mechanical engineering ... Recently was accepted into the MBA program at UK

### **Community Cats**

Along with other UK engineering students and a team of Toyota Manufacturing engineers, Fortner







worked for months to help design, test and manufacture a specially-built push cart vehicle through a project called "Lift Them Up" ... The push cart vehicle provided a Kentucky Children's Hospital patient the chance to both accompany the Wildcats on the Cat Walk and attend a game at Kroger Field (2019)

- Volunteered with other engineering students at UK's 2020 "Engineers Day" to celebrate engineering and showcase the "Lift Them Up" cart
- Has volunteered at Kentucky Children's Hospital weekly since September of 2019 as part of the "Tuesdays with the Wildcats" program, created by former Wildcat C.J. Conrad
- When COVID19 hit in March of 2020, Fortner and teammate Max Duffy set up a program with the KCH called "In the Huddle with KCH" where for eight weeks, they taped a video of themselves from their homes answering questions from kids who submitted through the KCH Facebook Page. The video was posted to Facebook every Tuesday morning to replace what would have been their in-person visit
- In addition to "In the Huddle with KCH," Fortner and Duffy took it one step farther by volunteering each week to make Zoom calls with patients at KCH to offer words of encouragement
- Volunteer at Urban Impact at the Woodhill Community Center, an organization that strives to enable youth to grow, succeed and lead (2020)
- Volunteer reader at Athens-Chilesburg Elementary (2020)
- Volunteer for Read Across America at Fayette County public schools (2020)
- Volunteer for Habitat for Humanity (2016)

### Luke Says

- He chose Kentucky because he loved the atmosphere
- One word to describe him on the field is "dependable"
- His sports hero is Joe Thomas because he's consistent and good at what he does
- If he had to be stranded on an island with a teammate he would choose Drake Jackson
- His passion in life is football



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LUKE **FULTON** 

**INSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-4 • 229 • Sophomore-Tr Youngstown, Ohio (Michigan State/ Cardinal Mooney)

### 2021 - Sophomore

- Due to COVID-19, every student-athlete was granted an extra year of eligibility, therefore, he will have four seasons of eligibility remaining
- Mid-year enrollee

### 2020 - r-Freshman (Michigan State)

• Did not play in 2020

### 2019 - Freshman (Michigan State)

- Redshirt season
- Played in one game and was named Scout Team Special Teams Player of the Week vs. Rutgers

### <u>High</u> School

- A four-star linebacker who came out of traditional powerhouse Cardinal Mooney High School in Youngstown, Ohio
- Ranked among the best players in Ohio by 247Sports (No. 9), Rivals.com (No. 15) and ESPN. com (No. 19)
- Also listed as one of the top overall prospects in the nation by 247Sports (No. 280) and one of the top overall prospects in the Midwest (No. 51) by ESPN.com
- Three-year starter for head coach P.J. Fecko
- · Cardinals' leading tackler as a junior and senior
- Totaled 98 tackles, 16.0 TFL and three sacks in 2018 as a senior
- Named to the 2018 Ohio Prep Sportswriters
   Association All-State Third Team in Division IV
- Two-time Ohio All-Northeast Inland District First-Team selection
- Named to the Butkus Award preseason watch list as one of the top 50 linebackers in the country
- Landed a spot on the WKBN Big 22 list
- Honorable mention all-state choice by OPSWA (Division IV) as a junior in 2017 after recording 135 tackles, including six sacks, and eight forced fumbles
- An all-around athlete who also participated in basketball, basketball and track at Mooney
- Excellent in the classroom as he was a member of the National Honor Society and ranked in the top 10 in his class with over a 4.00 GPA
- Named the WYTV "33 Student-Athlete of the Week" on Sept. 13, 2018
- Chose UK over Cincinnati, N.C. State and West Virginia

### Personal

- Born in Youngstown, Ohio
- Son of Tina and Jeff Fulton
- Has two younger brothers, Jack and Cole
- Dad, Jeff, played baseball at Pitt
- Majoring in pre-management

### Luke Says

- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be a sports agent
- He chose Kentucky because of his strong relationships with the coaching staff
- In one sentence he describes Coach Stoops as "not only a great coach but a great man"
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he can play the piano
- The best advice he's ever received is "no one cares, work harder"



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JALEN **GEIGER** 

**SAFETY** 

6-1 • 200 • Sophomore-1L Columbia, S.C. (Spring Valley)

### 2020 - r-Freshman

- Saw in action in six games (Georgia, Vanderbilt, Alabama, Florida, South Carolina and NC State) and totaled three tackles
- Had a career-high two tackles at Alabama and also charted a tackle vs. NC State

#### 2019 - Freshman

- · Redshirt season
- Saw action in three games (Missouri, Vanderbilt and UT Martin)
- Charted his first pass breakup in the win at Vanderbilt and got a tackle vs. UT Martin
- First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **High School**

- A three-star defensive back by 247Sports.com
- Considered the No. 9 overall recruit and No. 2 corner in the state of South Carolina by Rivals.com
- Competed in the 82nd Annual Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas and finished with four tackles
- Recorded 71 tackles, including 60 solo, eight PBUs, and three interceptions as a senior
- Named defensive back MVP
- Two-time All-State First Team selection
- Helped the Vikings finish 11-2 with a playoff berth as a junior in 2017
- Coached by Robin Bacon
- Transferred to Spring Valley after playing two seasons at Cardinal Newman
- · Also a talented basketball player
- Chose UK over South Carolina, Virginia, and UNC

### Community Cats

- Volunteered to pack food for God's Pantry (2020)
- Volunteered at the Catholic Action Center (2020)

### Personal

- Last name is pronounced "GI-ger"
- Born in Columbia, South Carolina
- Son of Tony and Ramona Geiger
- Siblings are Erique and Ja'nia
- Brother, Erique, played football at Bowling Green from 2009-12
- · Major is health, society and populations

### Jalen Says

- He chose Kentucky because of the great coaching staff and the family feel
- Most people don't know he lived in Korea from age 5 to 9
- The people he admires most are his parents because of their work ethic
- Three words to describe him are humble, quiet, and competitive







• His favorite thing about football is competing against the best in big games

### GEIGER'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	Sacks-Yds.	TFL-Yds.	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
2019	DB	3-0	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	1
2020	DB	6-0	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals		9-0	4	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	1

### GEIGER'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Alabama	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. NC State	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0

### GEIGER'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
vs. Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	1
vs. UT Martin	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	1

### **GEIGER'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 2, at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020
Pass breakup: 1, vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2019



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ISAIAH

**GIBSON** 

**DEFENSIVE END** 

6-3 • 319 • Sophomore-1L Springfield, Ohio (Springfield)

### 2020 - r-Freshman

- Totaled five tackles and a QBH in nine games
- Had a career-high two tackles at Missouri
- Charted his first career quarterback hurry vs.
   Mississippi State and first tackle vs. Tennessee

### 2019 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Saw his first collegiate action vs. UT Martin
- Mid-year enrollee in January 2019

### **High School**

- Consensus choice as one of the nation's top-50 defensive tackles and one of the top 33 players in Ohio by all the major recruiting services
- Rated as high as the No. 32 DT by 247sports.com and No. 17 in Ohio by ESPN.com
- As a senior, helped lead Springfield HS to a 9-3 record and second round of the state playoffs

- First-team All-Ohio in Division I (largest classification)
- Coached by Maurice Douglass
- Teammate of fellow signee Moses Douglass
- Maurice was a defensive back at Kentucky in 1984-85 and went on to an 11-year NFL career with the Chicago Bears and New York Giants

### **Community Cats**

 Volunteered to pack food at God's Pantry (2019 and 2020)

### Personal

- Born in Springfield, Ohio
- Son of Amy Gibson and Fred Almon
- Has one brother, T'Shaun Bridgeforth
- Has a son, Isaiah James Gibson Jr.
- Major is community and leadership development with a communication minor

### Isaiah Says

- His nickname is "Big Zae"
- After his football career, he would like to be in business or broadcasting
- His hidden talent is golf
- One word to describe him on the field is "different"
- · Best advice he's ever received is "be great"

### GIBSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	Sacks-Yds.	TFL-Yds.	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
2020	DT	9-0	5	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0
Totals		9-0	5	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0

### GIBSON'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
vs. Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Tennessee	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Missouri	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0
vs. Georgia	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Alabama	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. NC State	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals	5	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0

### GIBSON'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 2, at Missouri, Oct 24, 2020 Quarterback hurry: 1, at Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020



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CODY

**INSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-2 • 234 • Sophomore-SQ Mayfield, Ky. (Graves County)

#### 2020 - Freshman

- Practiced with the team
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

#### **High School**

- Ranked as one of the top 35 prospects in Kentucky for the class of 2020 by 247Sports
- · Four-year starter at Graves County High School
- · Coached by Nick Kemp
- A four-time member of the All-Western Kentucky Conference Football First Team
- Earned AP first-team All-State honors as a senior linebacker after totaling a team-high 139 tackles, including 55 solo ... Also had 4.0 tackles for loss
- His 11.6 tackles per game ranked sixth in the state in 2019
- Owns Graves County's career tackles record with 386
- As a junior, led the team with 502 rushing yards and nine touchdowns as the starting running back
- Named a second-team All-State performer by the Courier-Journal
- Also participated in basketball as a freshman and sophomore and was on the track team as a junior and senior ... His 100-meter time of 11.62 in 2019 ranks fourth in school history
- Excelled in the classroom, graduating cum laude
- A four-year member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Future Farmers of America
- Chose Kentucky over Air Force and Southern Illinois

### Personal

- Born in Mayfield, Kentucky
- Son of Jason and Christina Goatley
- Siblings are Cade and Carli
- Comes from a family of athletes as father, Jason, and mother, Christina, both played basketball at Freed-Hardeman, and an uncle, Jody Goatley, played football at Purdue
- Major is agricultural economics

### Cody Says

- His nickname is "Goat "
- He chose Kentucky because of the staff and the program is about developing players
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to own a business that trains athletes in speed and strength & conditioning
- His sports hero is Luke Keuchly because he plays linebacker, is a fantastic leader, and has great knowledge for the game
- Besides playing football he's also good at duck hunting









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# COLIN GOODFELLOW

**PUNTER** 

6-2 • 233 • Senior-1L Cleveland, Ohio (Saint Ignatius)

#### 2021 - \*Senior

 Elected to return for a fifth year, taking advantage of the NCAA's ruling to grant an extra year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic

#### 2020 - Senior

- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Starting punter vs. Vanderbilt and Alabama and totaled 10 punts for 477 yards with a 47.7 yards per punt average
- Saw his first collegiate action vs. Vanderbilt, punting three times for a 46.3-yard average, and there were no return yards
- Punted seven times for 48.3 yards per kick at Alabama ... Nailed a career-long 55-yarder and placed two inside the 20

### 2019 - Junior

- Practiced with the team
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Dean's List (Fall 2019)

### 2018 - Sophomore

- · Practiced with the team
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Dean's List (Fall 2018)

### 2017 - Freshman

- Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Fall 2017)

### **High School**

- Three-year letter winner and starter at punter for St. Ignatius in Cleveland
- Averaged 41.1 yards per punt as a senior, helping the Wildcats finish 13-2
- Kept nine punts inside the 20-yard line and allowed only three touchbacks
- $\bullet \;\;$  Also handled kickoffs, sending 61-of-87 to the end zone
- Named to Cleveland.com's 2016 all-star football team
- Was a two-time first-team All-County and two-time All-State selection
- Coached by Chuck Kyle

- Also a two-year letter winner as a guard on the basketball team
- · Member of the National Honor Society
- 1st Honors (2016 and 2015), 2nd Honors (2014 and 2013)
- Chose Kentucky over Penn State and Pittsburgh

#### Personal

- Born in Cleveland, Ohio
- Son of Kathy and Don
- Siblings are Alex, Christina, Eric, and Julianne
- Father, Don, played basketball at Case Western and sister, Christina, played soccer at Duquesne
- Graduated in May of 2021 with a nursing degree and is currently working on a second degree in kinesiology and health promotion

### Colin Says

- His nickname is "Goody "
- He chose Kentucky because it would allow him to study nursing and play football
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a certified registered nurse anesthetist
- When he played football as a kid he pretended to be Phil Dawson
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he's in nursing school

### **GOODFELLOW'S CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	G	Punts	Yds.	Avg.	TBs	FC	Inside 20	Long	50+
2020	2	10	477	47.7	2	3	1	55	3
Totals	2	10	477	47.7	2	3	1	55	3

### GOODFELLOW'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Punts	Yds.	Avg.	Long	Inside 20
3	139	46.3	51	1
7	338	48.3	55	0
10	477	47.7	55	1
	3	3 139 7 338	3 139 46.3 7 338 48.3	3 139 46.3 51 7 338 48.3 55

### **GOODFELLOW'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Punts: 7, at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020 Punt Yards: 338, at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020 Single-game Avg: 48.3, at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020 Long: 55, at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020



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AUSTIN GOUGH

**INSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-0 • 208 • Freshman-HS Owensboro, Ky. (Owensboro)

### **High School**

- Four-year starter and letter winner at linebacker for head coach Jay Fallin at Owensboro High School
- Totaled 112 tackles, including 41 solo and three tackles for loss in helping the Red Devils finish 12-1

- and advance to their first KHSAA Class 5A State Championship since 2014
- Named first-team All-State by the Associated Press and was the Owensboro Times Defensive Player of the Year in 2020
- Selected second-team All-State as a junior, despite missing eight games due to injury
- Broke Owensboro's single-season tackles mark as a sophomore with 141 and the all-time tackles record with 413
- Also named first-team All-State by the AP in 2018, one of only two sophomores selected to the team
- Chose Kentucky over Southern Illinois, Austin Peay, and Southeast Missouri State
- An all-around athlete also lettering three years in baseball as a catcher and one season as a shot put and discus thrower on the track & field team
- · Four-time Academic All-State member
- Elected class president as a freshman and sophomore

#### Personal

- Name is pronounced Austin "Goff"
- Born in Owensboro, Kentucky
- · Son of Greg and Tin Gough
- Siblings are Hunter, Isaac, Mary Katherine, and Ethan
- Major is human health sciences

### **Austin Says**

- His nickname is "A.G."
- He chose Kentucky because it's home and was the best fit to help him reach his goals
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be in medical sales
- Most people don't know that he participated in ballet as a kid
- · Besides football, he's also good at drawing



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DARREN GREEN

**INSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-1 • 231 • Sophomore-SQ Vine Grove, Ky. (North Hardin)

### 2020 - Freshman

· Practiced with the team

### High School

- Four-year starter at inside linebacker for head coach Brent Thompson at North Hardin High School
- First-team all-district and all-state linebacker who helped lead the Trojans to a 13-1 overall record in 2019 and take the region and district championship before advancing to the KHSAA Class 6-A state semifinals
- · Also won the 2018 district championship
- Participated in weightlifting and in track at North Hardin



- Was the 2019 weightlifting state champion in the 220-weight class
- Honor roll student
- High school teammates with fellow Wildcats Isaiah Beasley and Octavious Oxendine
- Chose Kentucky over Murray State and Tennessee

#### Personal

- Born in Kaiserslautern, Germany
- Son of Marlene Rogers and David Green
- Siblings are Makayla Green, C.J. Rogers, and Christian Rogers
- Major is psychology

#### Darren Says

- His nickname is "D"
- He chose Kentucky because it was close to home with great fans and atmosphere, and he could get a great education
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a mental health therapist
- One word to describe him on the field is "quick"
- If he could only eat three foods for the rest of his life he would choose boneless wings, burritos, and chicken alfredo



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MAXWELL HAIRSTON

**DEFENSIVE BACK** 

6-1 • 165 • Freshman-HS West Bloomfield, Mich. (West Bloomfield)

### 2021 - Freshman

Mid-year enrollee In January 2021

### High School

- Rated a three-star prospect by 247sports
- Ranked the No. 19 prospect in Michigan and No. 65 cornerback nationally by 247sports
- A two-way player at defensive back and wide receiver for head coach Ron Bellamy at West Bloomfield
- Voted team captain as a senior
- Totaled 23 tackles, 16 pass breakups, three interceptions and three forced fumbles on defense and 500 receiving yards and eight scores on offense in 2020
- Led the Lakers to the 2020 Division I state championship title
- Named first-team All-State by the Detroit Free Press and the Detroit News
- Named to the All-Oakland Athletic Association Team in 2020
- Helped West Bloomfield to a 10-2 record as a iunior in 2019
- Current UK running back Tyler Markray also hails from West Bloomfield
- Picked Kentucky over offers from Arkansas, Minnesota, Purdue, Rutgers, Virginia Tech

- and others due to "the coaching staff and the relationship we built."
- Also lettered in track and basketball
- · Honor roll student
- Member of the school's choir

### Personal

- · Born in West Bloomfield, Michigan
- Son of Robin and Marvin Hairston
- Has three older siblings Alexandria, Madison, and Marvin
- Cousin Jaylin Bannerman played football two seasons at UK; cousin, Taiwan Jones, played football at Michigan State and with the New York Jets; cousin Lyndsey Hairston played basketball at Michigan State and later in the NBA and overseas
- Major is undecided

### Maxwell Says

- His nickname is "Mad Max"
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be a businessman or coach
- He chose Kentucky because he saw an opportunity he couldn't resist
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he can sing
- One word to describe him on the field is "greedy"



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DEMARCUS **HARRIS** 

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

6-1 • 180 • Sophomore-1L Vero Beach, Fla. (Vero Beach)

### 2020 - r-Freshman

- Started in seven of 11 games played
- Fourth on the team in receptions with 14 catches for 87 yards, averaging 6.7 yards per catch
- Tied his career high with four catches and had a career-best 33 yards vs. Vanderbilt
- Earned his first career start vs. Mississippi State
- Caught a career-high four passes for 25 yards at Auburn

### 2019 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Saw action in three games (Toledo, Eastern Michigan, and UT Martin)
- Totaled a tackle on special teams vs. Toledo
- Mid-year enrollee In January 2019

### **High School**

- Considered one of the nation's top 150 receivers
- A three-star recruit according to 247sports.com and ESPN.com
- Became Treasure Coast's career record holder with 2,864 receiving yards
- Only Treasure Coast player to register back-to-back 1,000-yard receiving seasons
- Had 1,582 receiving yards with 73 receptions and 16 touchdowns as a senior

- Had eight games with at least 100 receiving yards, including a season-high 238 receiving yards on five catches vs. Treasure Coast High School on Oct. 12
- Averaged 131.8 receiving yards per game for the Indians in 2018, helping them finish 11-1 with the loss coming in the 8-A regional final
- Recorded 43 catches for 1,001 yards and 11 scores in 2017 and led Vero Beach to the regional finals
- Earn first-team all-area and all-state honors
- 2017 Class 8A Player of the Year candidate
- An all-around athlete who also excelled in basketball and track and field
- Chose Kentucky over Syracuse, Purdue and UCF

### Personal

- Born in Seaford, Delaware
- Son of Marc and Takeisha Harris
- Siblings are Kyra Isler, Kourtney Harris, and Pashence Harris
- Father, Marc, played minor league baseball for the Chicago White Sox from 1991-93; Served as DeMarcus' wide receivers coach in high school
- · Major is communication

### **DeMarcus Says**

- His nickname is "Dee"
- The thing he's looking forward to the most this season is getting better everyday
- After his football career, he would like to be a sports commentator
- One word to describe him on the field is "explosive"
- The best advice he's ever received is "be patient and work hard"

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Year	Pos.	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long
2019	WR	3-0	0	0	0	0	0
2020	WR	11-7	14	87	6.2	0	12
Totals		14-7	14	87	6.2	0	12

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Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Auburn	4	25	0	12
vs. Ole Miss	1	5	0	5
vs. Mississippi St.*	1	4	0	4
at Tennessee*	1	5	0	5
at Missouri*	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	3	15	0	8
vs. Vanderbilt*	4	33	0	10
at Alabama*	0	0	0	0
at Florida*	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina*	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	0	0	0	0
Totals	14	87	0	12

HARRIS' 2019 GAME-BY-GAME									
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long					
vs. Toledo	0	0	0	0					
vs. Eastern Mich.	0	0	0	0					
vs. UT Martin	0	0	0	0					
Totals	0	0	0	0					







### HARRIS' SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Receptions: 4, twice, last vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 Receiving yards: 33, vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 (4 receptions)

Receiving TDs: n/a

Long reception: 12, at Auburn, Sept 26, 2020



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COLLIN HARTMANN

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

6-4 • 264 • Senior-SQ Somerset, Ky. (Somerset)

### 2020 - Junior

- Practiced with the team
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2019 - Sophomore

 Saw his first collegiate action vs. UT Martin and charted a quarterback hurry

#### 2018 - Freshman

- Practiced with the team
- First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **High School**

- Rated a three-star prospect by 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN
- Two-year starter at defensive end for head coach Robby Lucas
- Totaled 240 tackles and 25 sacks in two seasons for the Briar Jumpers
- Named AP and Courier-Journal All-State honorable mention in 2017
- Earned Kentucky Defensive Player of the Game after totaling 10 tackles and three sacks in the 2017 Best of the Bluegrass All-Star game, which matches some of Kentucky's top high school players against each other
- Also invited to play in the Kentucky/Tennessee All-Star game
- Didn't start playing football until his junior year of high school because he was a basketball player and didn't know if he would like football
- · Chose Kentucky over Western Kentucky

### Personal

- Born in Somerset, Kentucky
- Son of Von and Jon Mick and Randy Hartmann
- Siblings are Hadlee, Hudson, and Rachel
- Major is management

### Collin Says

- His dream job is to be the President of the United States
- The person who has most influenced him in his life is his mother
- Most people don't know he only played football two years in high school
- Chris Hemsworth would play him in a movie about his life
- Besides football, he's also good at making TikToks



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JOSAIH **HAYES** 

**NOSE GUARD** 

6-3 • 305 • Sophomore-1L Horn Lake, Miss. (Horn Lake)

### 2020 - Freshman

- Played in five games vs. Mississippi State, Tennessee, Missouri, Georgia and South Carolina
- · Totaled two career tackles
- Notched his first career tackle vs. the Vols

#### **High School**

- Four-star prospect by all of the major recruiting services
- Regarded as the No. 2 prospect in Mississippi and a top-15 defensive tackle nationally according to Rivals.com
- Named to the 6A Coaches All-State First-Team Defense in 2019 after a second-team selection as a junior
- Totaled 26 tackles during his senior year
- Helped lead Horn Lake to its first MHSAA Class 6A state football title in 2018
- Played in the 2019 Mississippi/Alabama All-Star Game
- · Coached by Brad Boyette
- Chose Kentucky over Auburn and Ole Miss

### Personal

- Born in Cleveland, Mississippi
- Son of Thomosa Roger and Wilson Hayes
- Siblings are Nema Hendrix, Savanna Hawkins, and Isaiah Haves
- Major is undecided

### Josaih Says

- His nickname is "Pooh"
- He chose Kentucky because it was the best fit for him
- His sports hero is Ray Lewis because of his energy
- One word to describe him on the field is "aggressive"
- His dream job is to be a physical therapist



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HORSEY

OFFENSIVE LINE

6-3 • 302 • Junior-2L Sanford, Fla. (Sanford Seminole)

### 2021 - Junior

Has played in 12 career games with eight starts

- Allstate AFCA Good Works Team nominee
- Wuerffel Trophy Watch List

### 2020 - Sophomore

- One of the three winners of the 2020 Mayo Clinic Comeback Player of the Year Award ... Honored after having open-heart surgery in 2018 and returning to start on the offensive line for UK
- Started in all eight games played in 2020
- Earned first career start at left guard in the season opener vs. Auburn
- Did not dress vs. Vanderbilt, Florida or South Carolina

### 2019 - r-Freshman

 Saw action in four games at left guard (Eastern Michigan, Vanderbilt, UT Martin and Virginia Tech)

### 2018 - Freshman

Redshirt season

### High School

- Rated a three-star recruit by 247Sports and Rivals
- Ranked as the No. 58 offensive guard in the nation
- Helped lead his team to a 9-3 record and district championship as a senior
- Coached by Don Stark
- · Also a two-year letter winner in the shot put
- Excelled in the classroom as he touted a 3.6 GPA and scored 1220 on his SAT
- Chose Kentucky over Mississippi State, South Florida and Central Florida

### **Community Cats**

- Has become an advocate for heart health after having open heart surgery in 2018
- Participated in American Heart Month and National Wear Red Day (2020 and 2021)
- Participated in the 2021 Central Kentucky Heart Walk Digital Experience (2021)
- Coordinated and planned a hands-only CPR training for the UK Football team and staff (2021)
- Helped plan a Hands-Only CPR media availability on June 14 that promoted Hands-Only CPR awareness to the media for CPR Awareness Month (2021)
- Spoke at Central Kentucky Heart Walk kick-off event (2020)
- Spoke at UK Healthcare Heart Walk kick-off event (2020)
- Dedicated his 2020 football season to Finn Collier, a seven-year-old who lost his life to heart disease
- Volunteered at Brenda Cowan Elementary and Cassidy Elementary (2020)

### Personal

- Born in Orlando, Florida
- Son of Shari and Ken Horsey
- Siblings are Kenyse Horsey and Ora-Monet Hughes
- Major is communication

### Kenneth Says

- He chose to play football at UK because he loved the school on his visit and wanted to play in the SEC
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a football coach
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he participated in martial arts for 14 years and had open-heart surgery in April of 2018
- If he had a hashtag to describe himself it would be
  #COUNTY

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ADRIAN **HUEY** 

**DEFENSIVE BACK** 

6-0 • 180 • Freshman-HS Nashville, Tenn. (Hillsboro)

### **High School**

- Three-star recruit by Rivals and 247sports
- Ranked the No. 23 player in Tennessee and the No. 72 cornerback nationally by the 247Sports Composite
- Named 2020 Preseason Second-Team All-Tennessee by MaxPreps.com
- In seven games in 2020, charted 17 total tackles, five pass breakups, and zero touchdowns allowed
- Did not allow a touchdown reception during the 2019 season
- Four-year letter winner and three-year starter at cornerback for head coach Maurice Fitzgerald
- Had offers from Arkansas, Georgia, Mississippi State, South Carolina and Tennessee before selecting the Wildcats
- · Also lettered in track one season as a sprinter

### Personal

- Born in Nashville, Tennessee
- Son of Antonio Huey and La'Keyda Wakefield
- Has one brother, Kodi Crawford
- Major is art studio

### Adrian Says

- His nickname is "Huey"
- He chose Kentucky because of the coaching staff
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he is a rapper known as "Lu Huey"
- His dream job is to be a YouTube star
- One word to describe him on the field is "aggressive"



RICKEY

**HYATT JR.** 

SAFETY

6-2 • 202 • Freshman-RS Columbis, Ohio (Central)

### 2020 - Freshman

- · Redshirt season
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### High School

 One of the nation's top 40 safeties by ESPN and Rivals.com

- Rated as high as the No. 18 prospect in the state of Ohio by 247sports
- Three-year starter for head coach Brent Morrison at Westerville Central
- As a running back and defensive back in 2019, he made 28 tackles with an interception; also showed his versatility by rushing for 736 yards on 117 carries and nine touchdowns, while also catching two TDs
- Earned first-team all-district, second-team All-OCC-Buckeye Division and third-team all-state honors by the Ohio Sportswriters Association as a senior
- Helped lead the Central Warhawks to a 7-4 record and the first-round of the state playoffs in 2018
- Totaled 94 tackles, three interceptions and caused four fumbles in his junior season
- A two-sport standout as he also excelled on the track team
- Placed third in the Division I state meet in the 300 hurdles (38.15), the indoor long jump (21-8), and the indoor 60 hurdles (8.07)
- Holds Central's outdoor records in the 300 hurdles (38.01) and long jump (23-8 1/4) and helped set the program record in the 1,600 relay (3:19.18) ... Also ranks second in the 110 hurdles (14.69) in program history
- Also holds the program's indoor records in the 60 hurdles (8.07) and long jump (21-11) and helped set the program record in the 800 relay (1:28.26)
- · Named a scholar athlete three straight years
- Recruiting finalists included Ohio State, Michigan State, Cincinnati and North Carolina

#### Personal

- Born in Libertyville, Illinois
- Son of Rickey and Stacy Hyatt
- Siblings are Tre and Morghan
- Sister, Morghan, ran track at Duquesne, while an uncle, Rodney Hyatt, played point guard on the basketball team at NC Chapel Hill
- Major is sociology

### Rickey Says

- His nickname is "Slick Rick"
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he's ambidextrous
- His dream job is to be a therapist
- One word to describe him on the field is "fast"
- The best advice he's ever received is "someone who worries about the past can't truly see what's waiting for them in the future"



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D'ERYK JACKSON

INSIDE LINEBACKER

6-1 • 241 • Sophomore-1L Dublin, Ga. (West Laurens)

### 2021 - Sophomore

• Suffered a torn achilles tendon in spring practice and his return in TBA

### 2020 - Freshman

- Mid-year enrollee in January 2020
- Played in nine games and totaled four tackles and one interception for a five-yard return
- Did not see action at Alabama or at Florida
- Had a career-high three tackles vs. Vanderbilt
- Earned his first career tackle at Auburn
- Snagged his first career interception on the final play of the game vs. Mississippi State
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

#### **High School**

- Three-star prospect by all three major recruiting services
- Rated the No. 47 inside linebacker in the country by 247Sports
- Three-time All-Region 2AAAA selection
- Led the team in tackles three straight seasons as a starter
- Tallied 129 total tackles, 12.0 tackles for loss, nine sacks, four quarterback hurries and an interception as a senior, earning Region 2AAAA Defensive Player of the Year by the Atlanta Journal-Constitution
- Had 96 tackles, 14 TFL and four sacks as a junior
- West Laurens Defensive Player of the Year as a junior
- Two-time Georgia Athletic Coaches Association Junior All-Star Game participant
- Ranked 20th in the state of Georgia among all classifications in total tackles
- Helped lead the Raiders to the Region 2AAAA championship title
- Coached by Kagan McClain
- Also played power forward on the basketball team
- Chose Kentucky over Mississippi State, Ole Miss and Purdue

### **Community Cats**

- Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)
- Visited sick children at Kentucky Children's Hospital (2020)

### Personal

- First name pronounced "dee-ERIC"
- Born in Dublin, Georgia
- Son of Shamika and Eric Jackson
- Has one sister, Dezhune
- Major is undecided

### D'Eryk Says

- · He chose Kentucky because it felt like family
- When he played football as a kid, he pretended to be Ray Lewis
- One word to describe him on the field is "physical"
- His favorite movie is *Friday*
- His sports hero is Ray Lewis

	JACKSON'S CAREER STATISTICS										
Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	Sacks	TFL	FF/FR	INT	PBU	QBH		
2020	ILB	9-0	4	0-0	0-0	0/0	1-5	0	0		
Totals		9-0	4	0-0	0-0	0/0	1-5	0	0		

JA	JACKSON'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME									
Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL	FF/FR	PBU	Int-Yds	QBH			
at Auburn	1	0-0	0.0	0/0	0	0	0			
vs. Ole Miss	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0			







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vs. Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	1-5	0
at Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
at Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
at Alabama				DNP			
at Florida				DNP			
vs. USC	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. NC Stae	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
Totals	4	0-0	0.0	0/0	0	1-5	0

#### **JACKSON'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

**Tackles:** 3, vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 **Interceptions:** 1, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020



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## ZACH JOHNSON

**SAFETY / KICK RETURNER** 

5-10 • 195 • Senior-4L Cincinnati, Ohio (Colerain)

### 2021 -\* Senior

- Elected to return for a fifth year, taking advantage of the NCAA's ruling to grant an extra year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- · Kentucky's primary kickoff returner

### 2020 - Senior

- Burlsworth Trophy nominee, an award given to the most outstanding football player in America who began his career as a walk-on and has shown outstanding performance on the field
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Has played in 44 career games, including 10 in 2020
- Missed his first game since 2017 when he didn't dress vs. South Carolina due to COVID protocol
- Totaled 11 returns for 228 yards, averaging 20.7 yards per return, also had a tackle

### 2019 - Junior

- Saw action in all 13 games mostly as a kick returner
- Had six kickoff returns for 164 yards (27.3)
- Had a 58-yard return, the longest of his career, at Georgia
- · Also had four tackles
- Got his first career PBU vs. Vanderbilt
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2018 - Sophomore

- Had eight tackles in 13 games on special teams, most of them highlight-reel worthy
- · Earned a full scholarship in the 2018 fall camp
- Dean's List (Fall 2018)

#### 2017 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in eight games on special teams
- · Had two kick returns for 35 yards

#### 2016 - Freshman

Redshirt season

### **High School**

- A two-year starter and three-year letter winner at Colerain for head coach Tom Bolden
- Helped the Cardinals compile a 44-8 overall record and four conference championships in his four seasons, including a 12-2 record as a senior
- Averaged 8.0 yards per carry
- Named first-team All-Conference as a senior
- · Honor-roll student
- Chose UK over Georgetown Univ., Navy and Army

#### Community Cats

 Volunteered at Athens-Chilesburg Elementary and Rosa Parks Elementary (2020)

#### Personal

- · Born in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Son of Aubrey Johnson and the late Cindy Johnson
- Siblings are Brittany, Kirt, and Madison
- Got married in March of 2021 to long-time girlfriend, Sydney Fannin
- Graduated in December of 2020 with a degree in health promotion ... Currently working on a master's degree in sport leadership

### Zach Says

- He chose Kentucky because it's been his favorite school since he was young
- After football he would like to pursue a career working in a hospital
- When he played football as a kid he pretended to be Reggie Bush
- His sports hero is Marshawn Lynch because of his work ethic
- Best advice he's ever received is "remain humble and work for everything you get"

### JOHNSON'S KOR CAREER STATISTICS

Year	KOR	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long
2017	2	35	17.5	0	20
2019	6	164	27.3	0	58
2020	11	228	20.7	0	33
Totals	19	427	22.5	0	58

### **JOHNSON'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME**

Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Rec.	Yds.	TD	KR	Yds	TD	Long
at Auburn	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	72	0	28
vs. Ole Miss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	62	0	33
at Alabama	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	81	0	31
at Florida	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	13	0	13
vs. USC				DNP						

VS	s. NC State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Т	otals	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	228	0	33

### JOHNSON'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Rec.	Yds.	TD	KR	Yds	TD	Long
vs. Arkansas	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	48	0	26
at Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	58	0	58
vs. Tennessee	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	19	0	19
vs. Va. Tech	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	39	0	21
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	164	0	58

### JOHNSON'S 2018 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Rec.	Yds.	TD	KR	Yds	TD	Tkls
vs. Central Mich.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Florida	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
vs. Murray State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
vs. USC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
at TAMU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
vs. MTSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Louisville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Penn State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8

### JOHNSON'S 2017 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Rec.	Yds.	TD	KR	Yds	TD
vs. E. Michigan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Miss. State	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	15	0
vs. Tennessee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Northwestern	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	0
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	35	0

### **JOHNSON'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Kickoff returns: 3, twice, last vs Vanderbilt, Oct 14, 2020 Kickoff return yards: 72, at Auburn, Sept 26, 2020 Long kickoff return: 58, at Georgia, Oct 19, 2019 Tackles: 2, vs Central Michigan, Sept 1, 2018 Pass breakups: 1, vs Vanderbilt, Nov 16, 2019





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JACQUEZ JONES

INSIDE LINEBACKER

6-0 • 235 • Senior-Tr Tuscaloosa, Ala. (Ole Miss/Hillcrest)

#### 2021 - Senior

- Transferred to Kentucky after playing in 33 career games with 19 starts at Ole Miss
- Totaled 182 tackles in three seasons with the Rebels

### 2020 - Junior (Ole Miss)

- · Three-year letter winner at Ole Miss
- Started in nine of the Rebels' 10 games, leading the team with 75 total tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss and three quarterback hurries
- Recorded a career-high 13 tackles in the win over Indiana in the Outback Bowl

### 2019 - Sophomore (Ole Miss)

 Saw action in all 12 games with nine starts at inside linebacker, finishing second on the team with 71 tackles, including 7.5 tackles for loss and two forced fumbles

### 2018 - Freshman (Ole Miss)

- Appeared in every game as a true freshman
- Earned one starting spot vs. Southern Illinois
- Named to the SEC All-Freshman team after charting 36 tackles with 2.5 tackles for loss in his debut season
- Named to the Athletic Director's Honor Roll in the fall of 2018 for his work in the classroom

### **High School**

- Four-star prospect by ESPN and a three-star recruit by 247Sports and Rivals
- Ranked the No. 15 player in the state of Alabama by ESPN and No. 22 by Rivals
- Rated as the No. 10 inside linebacker nationally according to ESPN.

### Personal

- Born in Decatur, Alabama
- Son of Kendrick and Lakeshia Jones
- Siblings are Chris and Shea
- Majoring in sociology with a minor in criminology

### Jacquez Says

- Nickname is "Quez"
- He chose Kentucky so he could take his game to the next level
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he's terrified of snakes
- After football he would like to own a training facility
- One word to describe him on the field is "hunter"

### **JONES' CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	Sacks-Yds.	TFL-Yds.	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
2020*	ILB	9-9	75	0.0	2.5-2	0/0	3	0
2019*	ILB	12-9	71	2.0-16	7.5-35	2/0	2	1
2018*	ILB	12-1	36	0.5-2	2.5-6	1/0	2	0
Totals		33-19	182	2.5-18	12.5-43	3/0	7	1

\*at Ole Miss

### JONES' 2020 GAME-BY-GAME (OLE MISS)

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
vs. Florida*	8	0-0	0.5-0	0/0	0	0
at Kentucky*	7	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Alabama			DNP			
at Arkansas*	9	0-0	1.0-1	0/0	1	0
vs. Auburn*	10	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Vanderbilt*	6	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. South Carolina*	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
vs. Mississippi St.*	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
at LSU*	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0
vs. Indiana*	13	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	75	0-0	2.5-2	0/0	3	0

### JONES' 2019 GAME-BY-GAME (OLE MISS)

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
at Memphis	1	0-0	1.5-8	0/0	0	0
vs. Arkansas	9	0.5-4	1.5-3	0/0	0	0
vs. SLU*	6	0-0	0-0	2/0	0	0
vs. Cal*	6	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
at Alabama*	4	0-0	0.5-1	0/0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt*	9	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	1
at Missouri*	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
vs. Texas A&M	6	0-0	0.5-3	0/0	0	0
at Auburn*	6	0-0	1.0-4	0/0	0	0
vs. New Mexico St.*	7	0-0	1.0-4	0/0	1	0
vs. LSU*	8	0.5-4	0.5-4	0/0	1	0
at Mississippi St.*	9	1.0-8	1.0-8	0/0	0	0
Totals	71	2.0-16	7.5-35	2/0	2	1

### JONES' 2018 GAME-BY-GAME (OLE MISS)

Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
4	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
4	0.5-2	0.5-2	1/0	1	1
9	0-0	0.5-1	0/0	0	0
1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
2	0-0	0.5-0	0/0	0	0
5	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
2	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0
0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
5	0-0	0.5-0	0/0	0	0
36	0.5-2	2.5-6	1/0	2	0
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### **JA. JONES' SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 13, vs Indiana, Jan 2, 2021
Tackles for loss: 1.0, last at Arkansas, Oct 17, 2020
Sacks: 1.0, vs Mississippi State, Nov 28, 2019
Forced fumbles: 2, vs SLU, Sept 14, 2019
Quarterback hurries: 2, at LSU, Dec 19, 2020
Pass breakups: 1. vs Vanderbilt. Oct 5, 2019



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**JONES** 

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-6 • 305 • Freshman-RS Columbus, Ga. (Central-Phenix City, Ala.)

#### 2020 - Freshman

- · Redshirt season
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

#### **High School**

- Three-star prospect by all three major recruiting services
- Rated the No. 32 overall prospect in the state of Alabama for the Class of 2020
- Four-year starter who helped Central advance to the Alabama 7A state championship game in 2019 and finish with a 12-2 record
- Named to the 33rd annual Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Football Game roster
- Two-time first-team Class 7A All-State selection
- Led the Red Devils to a state title in 2018 after defeating Thompson in the Super Seven Championship game, finishing 14-0
- Coached by Jamey DuBose
- Had 14 Division I offers before choosing Kentucky over LSU

### Personal

- Born in Columbus, Georgia
- Son of Quinnita and Deforest Jones
- Has one brother, Joseph Jones
- Major is undecided

### Josh Says

- Nickname is "Bugg"
- He chose Kentucky because of the coaching staff and it's a great place
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he's quiet
- His sports hero is LeBron James
- Besides being good at football, he's also a good basketball player







DARIAN

KINNARD

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-5 • 338 • Senior-3L Knoxville, Tenn. (St. Ignatius - Ohio)

#### 2021 - Senior

- Graded by PFF as college football's top runblocking tackle for 2021
- · Outland Trophy Watch List nation's top interior lineman offense or defense
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Preseason First-Team Offense All-SEC (Athlon, Phil Steele, Walter Camp)
- Preseason First-Team All-American (Athlon, Walter Camp, PFF, USA Today)
- Preseason Second-Team All-American (Phil Steele)
- Has played in 33 career games with 26 consecutive starts at tackle

### 2020 - Junior

- Second-Team All-American (Sporting News, CBS/247sports)
- Third-Team All-American (AP)
- Fourth-Team All-American (Phil Steele)
- First-Team All-SEC (AP, Phil Steele, PFF)
- Second-Team All-SEC (Coaches)
- Has played in 33 career games with 26 consecutive starts at tackle
- Started in all 11 games ar right tackle
- Graded at 87.4 percent with 47 knockdowns and 142 blocks at the point of attack
- Outland Trophy Watch List
- Preseason Second-Team Offense All-American (Athlon Sports)
- Preseason Fourth-Team All-American (Phil Steele)
- Preseason First-Team All-SEC (Athlon Sports, Coaches, Phil Steele, Pick Six Previews)

### 2019 - Sophomore

- Second-team offensive tackle (Pro Football Focus)
- Started in all 13 games at right tackle
- Had 32 knockdowns during the season
- Had only one penalty in 706 snaps
- Helped set single-season school records with 3,624 rushing yards, 36 rushing touchdowns, and 6.3 yards per carry
- Against UT Martin, graded at 93 percent in helping lead Kentucky to two single-game school records -- 462 rushing yards and 10.3 yards per rushing attempt ... Had 13 blocks at the point of attack, including four plays that were touchdown runs ... Did not allow any quarterback sacks and did not have any penalties or missed assignments

### 2018 - Freshman

- Played in nine games, starting two of the last three at left tackle
- Helped lead a Kentucky offensive line that blocked for numerous season highs vs. Louisville

UK set season highs with 56 points, 601 yards total offense, 29 first downs and 340 rushing yards at Louisville ... Graded at 84 percent ... Had no penalties or missed assignments and did not allow any quarterback sacks ... Credited with 16 blocks at the point of attack, including three long touchdown runs - Benny Snell's 24-yard TD, A.J. Rose's 75-yard untouched TD dash, and Kavosiey Smoke's 37-yard TD

### **High School**

- Rated the 101st best player in the country and No. 16 offensive tackle as a four-star recruit by 247Sports
- Rated a four-star by ESPN and a three-star by Rivals
- Rivals rated him the No. 21 recruit in prospectladen Ohio
- 247Sports rated him one of the Top 20 offensive tackles in the country
- Played at the powerhouse St. Ignatius program in Cleveland, which has won 11 state championships and three national championships under the direction of legendary coach Chuck Kyle
- Selected to play in the U.S. Army All-American game
- All-State honoree in Ohio
- Was the first offensive lineman to join Kentucky's 2018 recruiting class
- Chose Kentucky over Penn State, UCLA and UT

### Personal

- Born in Youngstown, Ohio
- Son of Mandy Headrick
- · Major is kinesiology

### **Community Cats**

Frequent visitor at Lexington VA Hospital (2019)

### Darian Says

- His nickname is "D.K."
- The best part of being a Kentucky Wildcat is the love and family bonds he has with the Big Blue Nation and his teammates
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to train athletes
- If he could eat only three foods for the rest of his life he would eat steak, chicken alfredo and kettle corn
- Most people don't know that he is related to Dolly Parton



**SHAWN LAWSON** 

**OUTSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-3 • 228 • Senior-SQ Jonesboro, Ga. (Jonesboro)

### 2020 - Junior

- Practiced with the team
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Named to the Frank G. Ham Society of Character for commitment to academics, athletic

participation, career preparation and being a role model

#### 2019 - Sophomore

- Saw his first collegiate action vs. UT Martin and charted a tackle
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

#### 2018 - Freshman

- Practiced with the team
- First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

#### **High School**

- A two-way player as an offensive lineman and defensive end for head coach Detimothy Floyd at Jonesboro
- Named to the All-Clayton County Football Second Team in 2017 as a top-graded offensive lineman for run-first offense
- Earned the Chick-Fil-A Leadership Award as a
- Two-year letter winner in wrestling and basketball
- Finished first in the area and 10th in sectionals as a senior wrestler
- **National Honor Society**
- Graduated in the top 10 percent of his class, earning a Red Cross Scholarship
- Chose Kentucky over Georgia State and Mississippi

### Community Cats

- Volunteered to pack food at God's Pantry (2019 and 2020)
- · Volunteered at LexCity Church
- · Volunteered at Brenda Cowan Elementary
- Boxed food for families as the Belk Bowl soup
- Donated food to UK Food Pantry and clothes to the **UK Closet**
- Volunteered as a peer advocate, reaching out to students to check on their mental health

### Personal

- Born in Atlanta, Georgia
- Son of Christine Lawson and John Lawson
- Siblings are Latasha Lawson Calloway and John Lawson
- · Major is sociology

### Shawn Says

- He chose Kentucky because the people were kind and helpful
- His hidden talent is playing the trombone
- One word to describe him on the field is "progress"
- After his football career, he would like to go into astronomy and astrophysics
- The one thing he loves about football is the discipline it builds







## LEVIS

**QUARTERBACK** 

6-3 • 232 • Junior-Tr Madison, Conn. (Penn State/Xavier HS)

#### 2021 - Junior

- Graduate transfer who played three seasons at Penn State
- In 15 career games, completed 61-of-102 passes (59.8) for 644 yards and three scores, with just two interceptions
- Often used as a running quarterback, also had 133 carries for 473 yards and six touchdowns
- His 473 career rushing yards rank 10th all-time by a Penn State quarterback
- Two-time Academic All-Big Ten selection at Penn
- As a graduate transfer, is eligible for the 2021 season and because of COVID-19, every studentathlete has been granted an extra year of eligibility, therefore, he will have three seasons of eligibility remaining

### 2020 - Sophomore (Penn State)

- Played in eight games with one starting assignment
- Completed 33-of-55 passes for 421 yards and a score
- On the ground, had 82 rushes for 260 yards and three touchdowns
- Completed 14-of-31 passes for a career-high 219 yards, including a 74-yard completion in his first starting assignment of the season vs. lowa
- At Michigan, rushed for 25 yards on six carries and had a two-yard rushing TD, helping the Nittany Lions win 27-17 in "The Big House"

### 2019 - r-Freshman (Penn State)

- Appeared in seven games with one start
- Completed 28-of-47 passes for 223 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions
- Totaled 213 rushing yards on 51 carries with three scores
- Earned the team's High Academic Average (cumulative GPA), along with teammate Black Gillikin

### 2018 - Freshman (Penn State)

Redshirt season

### **High School**

- Three-year letter winner for head coach Andy Guyon at Xavier High School in his hometown of Madison, Connecticut
- As a senior captain, earned second-team Walter Camp All-Connecticut honors
- Selected to the Connecticut High School Coaches Association (CHSCA) Top 25 list, after breaking Xavier's records for passing yards (2,793), passing touchdowns (27) and completions in a season

- Named the Hartford Courant's Offensive Player of the Year
- All-Courant first-team selection
- Earned All-Southern Connecticut Conference (SCC) Tier 1 accolades
- SPARQ MVP for The Opening Elite 11 event in New Jersey in 2017
- Registered 1,972 passing yards with 19 passing touchdowns and six rushing touchdowns as a
- Had 676 passing yards and nine scores in six games as a sophomore
- Carried a 4.0 grade-point average during his prep career, winning the Brother Celestine Academic
- Also chosen as an All-SCC Tier 1 academic athlete in 2017
- Member of the National Honor Society and was a Ryken Scholar
- Three-star recruit by all three major recruiting outlets - 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals
- Ranked as the No. 2 player in Connecticut and No. 24 pro-style quarterback by 247Sports, was the No. 35 pro-style quarterback, No. 2 recruit in Connecticut and No. 61 prospect in the region by ESPN and the No. 30 pro-style quarterback and No. 2 player in Connecticut by Rivals
- · Also lettered in baseball at Xavier

#### Personal

- Born in Newton, Massachusetts
- Son of Michael and Beth Levis
- Siblings are Kelley, Jillian and Claire
- · Comes from a family of athletes as his greatgrandfather, Alva Kelley, was an All-America football player at Cornell University and won a National Championship in 1939 ... Went on to be the head football coach at Colgate University, Hobart College and Brown University ... Father, Mike, was a tight end at Denison University ... Mother, Beth Kelley Levis, was two-time All-America soccer player at Yale and has been inducted into the Connecticut Girls' Soccer Association Hall of Fame... Uncle, David Kelley, also was an Academic All-America football player
- Graduated in May of 2021 from Penn State's Smeal College of Business in three years with a degree in finance ... Currently working on a master's degree in finance from UK's Gatton School of Business and **Economics**

### Will Says

- He chose Kentucky because he felt very connected to the coaches and their collective vision for the program, and for a chance to compete for a conference and national championship
- After football, his dream job is to be stay-at-home dad with a wife who earns six figures
- He calms butterflies before a game by going through visualization and breathing exercises as well as listening to pre-2012 Justin Bieber
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he is a very good singer, but he only sings in the shower (there are prime acoustics in the shower)
- The best advice he's ever received was from his late grandfather who would end almost every conversation with "never give up"

### **LEVIS' CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	G-GS	Rush	Yds	TD	Lg	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lg
2019*	7-0	51	213	3	49	28	47	2	59.6	223	2	44
2020*	8-1	82	260	3	14	33	55	0	60.0	421	1	74
Totals	15-1	133	473	6	89	61	102	2	59.8	644	3	74

\*at Penn State

### LEVIS' 2020 GAME-BY-GAME (PSU)

Opponent	Comp AttInt.	Yds.	TD	Long	Rush	Yds.	TD	Long
at Indiana	0- 0-0	0	0	0	1	-2	0	0
vs. Ohio State	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	3	0	3
at Nebraska	14-31-0	219	0	74	18	61	0	14
vs. Iowa*	13-16-0	106	0	22	15	34	0	11
at Michigan	0-0-0	0	0	0	6	25	1	6
vs. Rutgers	0-0-0	0	0	0	17	65	0	14
vs. Michigan St.	3-3-0	54	0	36	15	36	1	9
vs. Illinois	3-5-0	42	1	23	9	38	1	13
Totals	33-55-0	421	1	74	82	260	3	14

### **LEVIS' 2019 GAME-BY-GAME (PSU)**

Opponent	Comp AttInt.	Yds.	TD	Long	Rush	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Idaho	11-14-0	62	1	11	5	21	0	12
vs. Buffalo	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Maryland	3-8-0	23	0	15	6	38	2	8
vs. Purdue	0-0-0	0	0	0	2	7	0	7
vs Indiana	0-0-0	0	0	0	3	5	0	3
at Ohio State	6-11-1	57	0	22	18	34	1	10
vs. Rutgers	8-14-1	81	1	44	17	108	0	49
Totals	28-47-2	223	2	44	51	213	6	49

### **LEVIS' SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Pass attempts: 31, vs Nebraska, Nov 14, 2020 Pass completions: 14, vs Nebraska, Nov 14, 2020 Pass yards: 219, vs Nebraska, Nov 14, 2020 Pass TDs: 1. 3x. last vs Illinois. Dec 19, 2020 Long pass: 74, vs Nebraska, Nov 14, 2020 Total offense plays: 49, vs Nebraska, Nov 14, 2020

(18 rush, 31 pass)

Total offense yards: 280, vs Nebraska, Nov 14, 2020

(219 rush, 61 pass)

Rush attempts: 18, vs Ohio State, Nov 23, 2019 Rush yards: 108, vs Rutgers, Nov. 30, 2019 (17 carries) Long rush: 49. vs Rutgers, Nov. 30, 2019

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**WIDE RECEIVER** 

5-11 • 195 • Sophomore-SQ Louisville, Ky. (Christian Academy of Louisville)

### 2020 - Freshman

- Practiced with the team
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll





### **High School**

- Four-year letter winner and two-year starter at the Christian Academy of Louisville
- Helped the Centurions finish 7-5 and a spot in the Class 3A District Four final as a senior, the school's first season in Class 3A
- Caught a team-high 63 passes for 747 yards and nine touchdowns as a senior
- Earned first-team All-District as a wide receiver and kick returner
- Key contributor on the 2016 and 2018 Class 2A state championship teams
- · Coached by Stefan Lefors and Hunter Cantwell
- Also on the basketball team
- Kentucky was his first choice of schools

#### Personal

- Born in Paducah, Kentucky
- Son of John and Melissa Leeper
- · Has one brother, Alex
- · Major is kinesiology

### Luke Says

- His nickname is "Leep"
- He chose Kentucky because it's his dream school
- After football, his dream job is to be a physical therapist
- Three words to describe him are active, patient, and hard working
- His sports hero is Adam Thielen because he went from undrafted to WR1



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CHRIS **LEWIS** 

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

6-4 • 190 • Freshman-HS Pleasant Grove, Ala. (Pleasant Grove)

### **High School**

- A four-star recruit by 247sports and rated as one of Alabama's top 10 players
- Finished his senior season with 70 receptions for 1,235 yards and 19 touchdowns in helping Pleasant Grove finish 12-3 overall
- Averaged 17.6 yards per catch
- Helped lead the Spartans to back-to-back Class 5A state title games (2019 and 2020)
- Led the Spartans with six catches for 111 yards and two scores in the state title game in 2020
- Earned first-team Birmingham All-Region by AL.com
- Named a 2020 Sports Illustrated First-Team All-American
- Earned honorable mention All-State honors by the Atlanta Journal Constitution
- Caught four passes for 57 yards and two scores in the Mississippi-Alabama All-Star Classic in 2020
- Named Birmingham Area Athlete of the Week after finishing with six catches for 84 yards and two scores in the Spartans' win over Ramsay to

- advance to the AHSAA 5A state championship
- Totaled 75 catches for 1,398 yards and 20 touchdowns as a junior
- Two-year starter for head coach Darrell LeBeaux
- Also played basketball at Pleasant Grove, averaging 15 points, 11 rebounds, three blocks and three assists per game as a small forward in 2020-21
- Earned second-team All-State in basketball and was named the 2021 Birmingham Athlete of the Year by AL.com
- Inducted into the PGHS Hall of Fame which is an award voted on by teachers
- Had more than 47 offers but ultimately chose Kentucky over Texas A&M, Ole Miss and Notre Dame

### Personal

- Born in Pleasant Grove, Alabama
- Son of Camilla and Detrick Lewis
- Siblings are Erica Johnson and Detrick Lewis II
- Major is kinesiology

### Chris Says

- He chose Kentucky because he felt at home and wanted to help change the offense
- After football, his dream job is to be an NFL coach
- Three words to describe him are outgoing, funny, and determined
- The best part of being a Kentucky Wildcat is that he gets to play in the best conference (SEC), for the best head coach in Mark Stoops



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RAHSAAN **LEWIS** 

WIDE RECEIVER

5-11 • 184 • Junior-SQ Orlando, Fla. (FAU/Central Fla./Windermere Prep)

### 2020 - Sophomore

· Practiced with the team

### 2019 - r-Freshman (at FAU)

- Saw action in four games
- Added to the team's 41-31 Ball State victory
- Had an eight-yard kick return in the Wagner victory
- Contributed in FAU's 45-27 C-USA win over Charlotte
- Saw action in the Owls' Middle Tennessee win
- Redshirt season

### 2018 - Freshman (at UCF)

- Appeared in seven games as a defensive back and totaled four tackles
- Made his collegiate debut vs. SMU on Oct. 6
- Recorded his first collegiate tackle vs. Temple on Nov. 1

#### **High School**

- Helped guide Windermere Prep to the Sunshine State Championship Game as a senior in 2017, his lone season of football
- Rushed for 359 yards and six touchdowns, while recording 306 yards receiving and three scores
- Posted 154 kick return yards and 156 punt return yards with one touchdown as a senior
- Made 83 tackles with three sacks, one interception and two fumble recoveries, including a fumble recovery for a touchdown as a senior
- Took the Lakers to the state semifinals
- Two-sport athlete (football and basketball)
- Played two seasons of basketball

### Personal

- Born in Orlando, Florida
- Son of Tatyana McCall and Ray Lewis
- Siblings are Diaymon, Ray, Rayshad, Rayven, and Ralin
- Father, Ray, played 17 seasons in the NFL and was a 13-time Pro Bowler, 10-time All-Pro, two-time NFL Defensive Player of the Year, a member of the NFL 2000s All-Decade Team, two-time Super Bowl champion and Super Bowl XXXV MVP, as well as a two-time All-American at the University of Miami
- Major is community and leadership development

### Rahsaan Says

- His nickname is "Fat"
- He chose Kentucky because it was a great opportunity
- Three words to describe him are funny, purposedriven, and real
- His sports heroes are his dad and Kobe Bryant because of their mentality and love of the game
- The three famous people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Kobe Bryant, Bob Marley, and Steve Jobs

LEWIS' CAREER STATISTICS											
Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tkls.	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long			
*2018	DB	7-0	4	0	0	0	0	0			
#2019	WR	4-0	-	0	0	0	0	0			
2020	WR	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Totals		11-0	4	0	0	0	0	0			

\*at UCF

# at FAU

LEWIS' 2	2019	GAME	-BY	GAN	1E (F#	(U)	
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long	KR/Yds	TD	Long
at Ball State	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0
vs. Wagner	0	0-0	0-0	0	1/8	0	8
at Charlotte	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0
vs. Middle Tenn.	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0
Totals	0	0-0	0-0	0	1/8	0	0

LEWIS'	2018	GAI	ME-BY	-GAI	ME	(U	F)	
Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	INT	FF	FR	PBU	QBH
vs. SMU	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Temple	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Navy	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Cincinnati	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at USF	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0



# LEWIS' 2018 GAME-BY-GAME (UCF)

Totals	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. LSU	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Memphis	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0



**CONNER** LONG

**OUTSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-3 • 210 • Freshman-HS East Lansing, Mich. (East Lansing)

### **High School**

- A dual-sport standout (football and track & field) at East Lansing High School
- Two-year starter at outside linebacker for head coach Bill Feraco
- Helped the Trojans win three straight Capital Area Activities Blue Conference championship titles
- Led the conference with 65 tackles, 15 sacks and three fumble recoveries in nine games as the Trojans finished 8-1 in a COVID-shortened 2020 season
- Earned first-team All-Conference, All-Region and All-State as a senior
- Selected to play in the 2020 Xenith Senior All-Star Game and the 2021 Offense-Defense All-American
- Also an all-state performer in track in the 200-meter and 400-meter dash
- Choose to play football at UK over scholarship offers to run track
- Member of the National Society of High School Scholars and the Black Student Union
- Chose Kentucky over Michigan State

### Personal

- Born in Lansing, Michigan
- Son of Octavis and Lynette Long
- Has one sister, Nia
- Father, Octavis, was a wide receiver at Michigan State from 1995-97, while his mother, Lynette ran track for the Spartans
- Major is political science

### **Conner Says**

- He chose Kentucky because of the coaches, the fanbase and it's a great program
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a lobbyist
- Besides football, he's also good at track and public
- One word to describe him on the field is "relentless"
- His sports hero is Lebron James



**JORDAN** LOVETT

**SAFETY** 

6-2 • 200 • Freshman-HS Radcliff, Ky. (North Hardin)

#### 2021 - Freshman

• Mid-year enrollee In January 2021

### **High School**

- Three-star prospect by ESPN, Rivals.com and 247sports.com
- Rated as high as the No. 38 safety nationally by 247 and No. 4 prospect in the commonwealth of Kentucky
- Rangy defensive back with an interesting progression in high school
- Did not play safety until his junior season, then made 15 interceptions and 21 tackles in his first campaign at the position ... Ranked second nationally in interceptions
- Ranks second in KSHAA history for interceptions in a single season (15 in 2019)
- Tied for third in KSHAA history for interceptions in a game with four vs. Barren County (11/8/19)
- Followed that with another impressive season as a senior, totaling 60 tackles and three interceptions for 55 total yards
- Named first-team all-state, the AP, the Louisville Courier-Journal and Kentucky Sports Radio in 2020
- Helped take North Hardin to a 9-1 record and a berth in the state quarterfinals in 2020
- As a junior, earned first-team all-state honors from The Associated Press and Louisville Courier-Journal
- Helped lead North Hardin HS to a 13-1 record, reaching the state semifinals in Class AAAAAA in 2019
- High school teammates of current UK defensive lineman Octavious Oxendine and fellow signee La'Vell Wright
- Coached by Brent Thompson
- Also a two-year letter winner in basketball
- Named academic all-state as a junior
- Chose Kentucky over Cincinnati, Louisville, Missouri and West Virginia

### Personal

- Born in Atlanta, Georgia
- Son of Tameka Herriot and Rodney Lovett
- Mom, Tameka, is a Sergeant Major in the U.S.
- Siblings are Caleb Walls and Lex Lovett
- Major is undecided

### Jordan Says

- His nickname is "J Love"
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be
- He chose Kentucky because it was the best fit for him

- · Besides playing football, he's also good at basketball, video games and swimming
- One word to describe him on the field is "lit"



**CHAUNCEY** 

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

**MAGWOOD** 

6-0 • 190 • Freshman-HS Albany, Ga. (Lee County)

### 2021 - Freshman

• Mid-year enrollee In January 2021

### **High School**

- Three-star prospect who ranks as one of the nation's top-100 receivers by ESPN and Rivals.com
- Rated as high as No. 48 in Georgia by Rivals
- Started every game in his four years at Lee County High School (58 straight), helping lead the Trojans to a 52-6 overall record with four straight 1-AAAAAA Region championship titles with three state championship appearances and two state titles
- Played wide receiver his first three seasons, switched to quarterback as a senior and guided his team to the state runner-up finish with a 12-2 record in 2020
- Named Athlete of the Year for Region 1-AAAAAA in 2020
- Earned All-State honorable mention in 2020 as an athlete by the Atlanta Journal Constitution in Class 6A
- Threw for 938 yards with 12 touchdowns and only three interceptions in 2020, while rushing for 643 yards on 120 carries with six TDs
- Named a Sports Illustrated All-America nominee
- Spent some time at receiver, with 11 catches for 141 yards and two TDs
- First-team all-state as a sophomore, junior and senior by the Georgia Coaches Association
- Caught 53 passes for 700 yards and 10 TDs as a junior
- Sophomore season featured 68 catches for 958 yards and seven TDs in helping the Trojans win their second straight state title
- Team won state championship as a freshman when he had 33 receptions for 388 yards
- Played for head coach Dean Fabrizio
- Narrowed his choices to Arkansas, Florida State, Louisville, Nebraska and South Carolina before picking Kentucky

### Personal

- · Born in Albany, Georgia
- Son of Shontay Magwood and Khamal Magwood
- Siblings are Vincent Spurling, Jala Spurling, Jalen Spurling and Kaden Magwood
- Major is pre-civil engineering

### Chauncey Says

Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be an engineer





- · He chose Kentucky because he saw a better future
- If he could only eat three foods for the rest of his life he would choose burgers, hibachi grill food, and chicken
- One word to describe him on the field is "versatile"
- The best advice he's ever received is "never look back"



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MARKRAY

**RUNNING BACK** 

5-10 • 223 • Junior-SQ West Bloomfield, Mich. (Walled Lake Central)

### 2020 - Sophomore

Practiced with the team

#### 2019 - r-Freshman

 Saw his first collegiate action vs. UT Martin and had two carries for 52 yards, including a 45-yard touchdown run

### 2018 - Freshman

Redshirt season

### High School

- Transferred to Walled Lake Central in Walled Lake,
   Mich., for his senior season, playing both RB and LB
- In just five games, totaled 79 carries, 720 yards and 10 touchdowns before a knee injury sidelined him for the remainder of the season
- Won three state titles at St. Mary's High School
- 2017 Detroit Free Press' All-North honorable mention
- A three-year starter at running back
- Coached by Bob Meyer
- Chose Kentucky over Oregon
- Also a four-year letter winner in basketball as a point guard
- · Honor Roll student

### Personal

- Born in Detroit, Michigan
- Son of Terri Markray and Triando Markray
- Siblings are Tiffany and T.J.
- Father, Triando, was a wide receiver at Michigan from 1983-84
- On track to graduate in August of 2021 with a degree in communication ... After graduation will work on a master's degree in sport leadership

### Tyler Says

- His nickname is "Ty"
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to own his own sports agency
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he used to play ice hockey
- One word to describe him on the field is "ferocious"
- He chose Kentucky because it felt like home



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MARQUAN **MCCALL** 

**NOSE GUARD** 

6-3 • 344 • Senior-3L Detroit, Mich. (Oak Park)

#### 2021 - Senior

- Preseason third-team All-SEC (Phil Steele)
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List

#### 2020 - Junior

- Played in 10 games, starting three at nose tackle (Missouri, Georgia and South Carolina)
- Totaled 22 tackles, a TFL, a fumble recovery and a half-sack
- Made his first collegiate start at Missouri and had a career-high six tackles

### 2019 - Sophomore

- Saw action in all 13 games
- Had 21 tackles, along with 4.0 TFL, a fumble recovery, a quarterback hurry and a PBU
- Charted a career-best 2.0 TFL vs. UT Martin to go along with a career-high four tackles and a QBH

#### 2018 - Freshman

- Saw action in eight games and totaled five tackles,
   1.5 TFL and a forced fumble
- Totaled three tackles, a quarterback sack, another one-half tackle for loss, and a forced fumble vs. Murray State
- His QB sack caused a fumble
- Combined on a one-yard tackle for loss in a series that ended with a punt

### **High School**

- One of Kentucky's highest-rated recruits in the 2018 class
- A four-star recruit by 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN
- Rivals rated him the No. 4 offensive guard in the nation
- 247Sports also listed him as the No. 4 offensive guard in the nation, as well as the top player in Michigan and No. 135 overall player in the Class of 2018
- Named first-team All-State by the *Detroit Free*Press and the Associated Press
- Helped Oak Park reach the Division 2 regional final
- All-State player and rated the No. 1 offensive guard in the Midwest
- Regarded as a tremendous technician on the offensive line
- Played for Greg Carter at Oak Park High School in Oak Park, Mich.
- Carter said "For a guy his size, 325 pounds, he's extremely quick and athletic and has great hands"
- Chose Kentucky over Michigan, Michigan State, Ole Miss, Penn State, Pitt, Wisconsin, Missouri and Minnesota

### **Community Cats**

 Volunteered at William Wells Brown Elementary (2020)

#### Personal

- Born in Detroit, Michigan
- · Son of Marenthia McCall
- · Siblings are Julius, Marquezy, and Nuavia
- Major is community and leadership development

### Marquan Says

- His nickname is "Bully"
- He chose to play football at Kentucky because it felt like home from the start
- After his football career, he would like to travel
- One thing people might not know about him is that he loves dogs
- His passion in life is traveling

#### MCCALL'S CAREER STATISTICS G-GS Tackles TFL-Yds. Sacks-Yds. PBU FF FR QBH 2018 8-0 5 1.5-2 1.0-1 1 0 2019 13-0 21 4.0-7 0 0-0 2020 10-3 22 1.0-3 0.5-2 0 0 0 1 Totals 31-3 48 6.5-12 1.5-3 1 2 1

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Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF	FR	Int.	QBH
at Auburn	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	1	0.5-2	0.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Mississippi St.			DNP					
at Tennessee	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0
at Missouri*	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia*	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Florida	2	0.5-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina*	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	22	1.0-3	0.5-2	0	0	1	0	0

MCCALL'S 2019 GAME-RV-GAME

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Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF	FR	Int.	QBH
vs. Toledo	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Eastern Mich.	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Florida	1	1.0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
at Miss. State	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at South Carolina	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Georgia	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0
at Vanderbilt	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. UT Martin	4	2.0-5	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
vs. Louisville	2	1.0-10	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Virginia Tech	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	21	4.0-7	0-0	1	0	1	0	1



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Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF	FR	Int.	QBH
at Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Murray State	3	1.5-2	1.0-1	0	1	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. MTSU	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Louisville	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	5	1.5-2	1.0-1	0	1	0	0	0

### **MCCALL'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 6, at Missouri, Oct 24, 2020 (5-1 Sacks: 1.0, vs Murray State, Sept 15, 2018 (1 yard) Tackles for loss: 1.5, vs Murray State, Sept 15, 2018 (2 yards) Forced fumble: 1, vs Murray State, Sept 15, 2018 Fumble recovery: 1, twice, last vs Tennessee, Oct 17, 2020 Pass breakups: 1, vs. Florida, vs. Florida, Sept 14, 2019 Quarterback hurry: 1, vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2019



**JUTAHN MCCLAIN** 

**RUNNING BACK** 

5-9 • 187 • Sophomore-1L Fairfield, Ohio (Fairfield)

### 2020 - Freshman

- Mid-year enrollee in January, 2020
- Played in all 11 games
- Totaled 16 carries for 62 yards, also had one kick return for 26 yards and two tackles on special
- Had a career-high seven carries for 23 yards in the win over Tennessee
- Charted a tackle in his first collegiate game at Auburn

### **High School**

- Four-star prospect by ESPN
- Three-star prospect by 247Sports
- Rated the No. 8 all-purpose back by 247Sports
- In three seasons at Fairfield, rushed for 4,406 yards and 53 touchdowns while catching 48 passes for 680 yards and seven scores
- As a senior, rushed for 1,947 yards and 21 touchdowns
- Voted 2019 Offensive Player of the Year and First-Team Offense on the Division I All-Ohio team as voted on by the Ohio Prep Writers Association
- In 2018, he totaled 1,754 yards with 25 touchdowns in addition to catching 24 passes for 415 yards and five scores and returning a kick-off 92 vards for a touchdown
- Coached by Jason Krause
- Krause said, "Not only does he have that high-class level of speed that you've got to have to play in the Power Five, but he gets to that top speed in two or

- three steps. He's a guy that can go the distance any time he touches it."
- Chose Kentucky over Ohio State, Penn State, Purdue, Michigan, Michigan State and Nebraska
- · Also was a four-year letter winner as a sprinter and long jumper on the track team

#### **Community Cats**

Volunteered at Brenda Cowan Elementary (2020)

#### Personal

- First name pronounced "juh-TAWN"
- · Born in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Son of Qulita Glover and Robert McClain
- Siblings are Juwan Glover, Qiersten McClain, and Jumahl McClain
- Major is undecided

#### JuTahn Says

- · His nickname is "Tahn"
- He chose Kentucky because he loves it
- His hidden talent is doing back flips
- The thing he looks forward to the most this season is growing mentally, physically, and creating bonds
- One word to describe him on the field is "patient"

### MCCLAIN'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G-GS	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2020	11-0	16	62	3.9	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	11-0	16	62	3.9	0	17	0	0	0	0	0

### MCCLAIN'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Long	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Auburn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State	1	17	0	17	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	7	23	0	7	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	4	7	0	7	0	0	0	0
at Alabama	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Florida	1	9	0	9	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	1	6	0	6	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	16	62	0	17	0	0	0	0

### **MCCLAIN'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Rush attempts: 7, at Tennessee, Oct 17, 2020 Rush yards: 23, at Tennessee, Oct 18, 2020 (7 carries) Long rush: 17, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020 Tackles: 1, twice, last vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 Kick returns: 1, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 Kick return yards: 26, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 All-purpose yards: 26, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021



# **MCDANIEL**

**OUTSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-2 • 225 • Sophomore-1L Tifton, Ga. (Tift County)

### 2020 - r-Freshman

· Saw action in five games this season and totaled one tackle

#### 2019 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Saw action in four games (Missouri, Tennessee, UT Martin and Virginia Tech) and totaled three tackles and two quarterback hurries
- Charted a career-high two tackles and two QBH vs. **UT Martin**
- Saw his first collegiate action vs. Missouri and charted a tackle

### **High School**

- Consensus pick as one of the nation's top-40 outside linebackers and one of the top-61 players in Georgia by Rivals, 247sports and ESPN
- First-team all-region as a junior and senior
- Helped lead Tift County to the state playoff quarterfinals in Class AAAAAA (largest classification) as both a junior and senior
- Totaled 66 tackles, 7.0 TFL, two PBUs, two fumble recoveries and one forced fumble as a senior
- Had 84 tackles, six sacks, three TFL and 12 QB hurries in 2017 a first-team all-region performer
- Coached by Ashley Anders
- Chose Kentucky over Ole Miss, Tennessee and South Carolina

### Personal

- Born in Tifton, Georgia
- · Son of Regina Burse
- · Has one sister, Denikwa
- Major is community and leadership development

### K.D. Says

- He chose UK because it felt like a second home
- After his football career, he would like to be a fire fighter
- His sports hero is Josh Allen because he models his game like him
- The best advice he's ever received is "be humble and be patient"
- Kevin Hart would play him in a movie about his life

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Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	TFL-Yds.	Sacks-Yds.	FF/FR	QBH	PBU
2019	OLB	4-0	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	2	0
2020	OLB	5-0	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0
Totals	OLB	9-0	4	0-0	0-0	0/0	2	0







### MCDANIEL'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	INT	FF	FR	PBU	QBH
vs. Mississippi St.	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0

### MCDANIEL'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	INT	FF	FR	PBU	QBH
vs. Missouri	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. UT Martin	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
vs. Virginia Tech	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2

### MCDANIEL'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 2, vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2018 (0-2)
Quarterback hurries: 2, vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2018



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# TRE'VON MORGAN

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

6-6 • 218 • Sophomore-TR Massillon, Ohio (Michigan State/Massillon Washington)

### 2021 - Sophomore

- Is eligible immediately after the passing of NCAA one-time transfer legislation
- Will have four seasons of eligibility remaining as each student-athlete was granted an extra year due to COVID-19

### 2020 - r-Freshman (Michigan State)

- Saw action in three of Michigan State's seven games during a COVID-shortened 2020 season
- Totaled two catches for 46 yards and a score, his first collegiate catch coming on a 26-yard TD at Penn State

### 2019 - Freshman (Michigan State)

Redshirted in 2019

### High School

- Ranked as the No. 1 wide receiver in the state of Ohio by Rivals.com and ESPN.com coming out of Massillon Washington High School in 2018
- Listed among the top wide receivers in the nation by Rivals.com (No. 44) and 247Sports (No. 73) and ranked one of the best overall prospects in Ohio by Rivals.com (No. 9), 247Sports (No. 23) and ESPN. com (No. 27)
- As a senior under head coach Nate Moore, helped lead Massillon Washington post an impressive 14-1

- overall record and average 44.7 points per game and 416.3 yards of total offense
- Led Tigers to a berth in the Ohio Division II state championship game vs. Akron Archbishop Hoban, in which he hauled in two receptions for 29 yards, including a 25-yard catch
- Had 37 catches for 691 yards and 12 touchdowns on the season and totaled 12 punt returns for 147 yards and one TD on special teams
- Defensively, charted nine tackles, including one for a 1-yard loss
- Named to the 2018 Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association All-State Third Team in Division II
- Named the North Offensive Player of the Game after snagging five catches for 93 yards and a touchdown in the annual Ohio North-South All-Star Classic on April 27, 2018
- Collected 36 receptions for 489 yards and two TDs as a junior in 2017
- Helped Massillon Washington to a 10-4 record in 2017 and a berth in the Ohio Division II state semifinals
- Caught a season-best five passes for 49 yards in the regional title game victory over New Albany, Washington's first regional championship since 2009

#### Personal

- Born in Massillon, Ohio
- Son of Eboni Richardson and Christian Morgan
- Siblings are Kennedy, Kingston, Knia, Shantel, and Brooklyn
- Cousin, Brandon Jackson, was an offensive lineman at Kentucky from 1994-95
- Major is pre-communication

### Tre'Von Says

- His nickname is "T-Mo"
- His dream job is to be a sports analyst
- Three words to describe him are tough, happy, and outgoing
- The person he most admires is his mom because of her strength
- · Meditating helps calm butterflies before a game

### **MORGAN'S CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long
2020*	WR	3-0	2	46	23.0	1	26
Totals		3-0	2	46	23.0	1	26

\* at Michigan State

### MORGAN'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Michigan	0	0	0	0
vs. Ohio State	0	0	0	0
at Penn State	2	46	1	26
Totals	2	46	1	26

### **MORGANS SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Receptions: 2, at Penn State, Dec 12, 2020
Receiving yards: 46, at Penn State, Dec 12, 2020 (2 receptions)
Receiving touchdowns: 1, at Penn State, Dec 12, 2020
Long reception: 26, at Penn State, Dec. 12, 2020



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### **MORROW**

**LONG SNAPPER** 

6-1 • 226 • Junior-SQ Louisville, Ky. (St. Xavier HS)

### 2020 - Sophomore

- · Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2019 - Freshman

· Practiced with the team

### **High School**

- Versatile player who saw action at linebacker, H-back, tight end and long snapper
- Lettered two years and was the team's starting starting long snapper as a junior and senior
- Helped the Tigers total a 38-14 overall record during his prep career, including a 12-3 mark as a junior
- Played for head coach Kevin Wallace
- Won a regional Emmy award by the Ohio Valley Broadcasting Association for broadcasting with a public service announcement on texting and driving
- Chose Kentucky over Louisville and Central Michigan

### Community Cats

 Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)

### Personal

- Born in Louisville, Kentucky
- Son of Jeff and Julie Morrow
- Dad, Jeff, played football at Kent State and is the current director of player personnel for the Carolina Panthers
- Major is communication

### Jordan Says

- He chose Kentucky because it was home away from home and the best fit for him
- $\bullet \;\;$  His dream job is to work in an NFL front office
- Three words to describe him are reliable, respectful, and loyal
- The best advice he's ever received is "you can't control how tall you are or how fast you are but you can control your attitude, effort, and preparation"
- The three people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Walter Camp, Luke Kuechly, and Emilia Clarke





**QUANDRE** 

**MOSELY** 

**DEFENSIVE BACK** 

6-2 • 192 • Senior-2L Brunswick, Ga. (Glynn Academy/Eastern Arizona CC)

### 2021 - \*Senior

- Elected to return as a "Super Senior," taking advantage of the NCAA's ruling to grant an extra year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Has seen action in 23 career games with two starts

#### 2020 - Senior

- Played in 10 games in 2020 and had 19 tackles and two pass breakups
- Had a career-high six tackles at Alabama along with a career-best two PBUs

#### 2019 - Junior

- Played in all 13 games with two starts vs. Miss. State and South Carolina
- Totaled 24 tackles with three PBUs, one sack, one TFL and one interception
- Had a career-best five tackles in the wins over Arkansas and UT Martin
- Earned his first career start at Mississippi State ... Made his first UK interception in the second quarter, with a 39-yard return
- · Mid-year enrollee

### **Junior College**

- Signed with Eastern Arizona Community College out of high school in 2017
- As a sophomore in 2018, totaled 50 tackles, a league-high six interceptions, one for a touchdown, and a fumble recovery as a safety for the Monsters
- Earned 2017 All-WSFL All-League honors
- Helped Eastern Arizona win the Salt City Bowl game
- · Chose Kentucky over Utah and Oregon

### High School

- Former wide receiver in high school
- Helped Glynn Academy go 11-2 as a senior in 2017, including undefeated in region play
- Named GHSA Region 2-6A All-State Honorable Mention as a wide receiver
- Played for head coach Rocky Hidalgo

### Personal

- First name pronounced "QUAN-dray"
- · Born in Brunswick, Georgia
- Son of Karen and Andre Mosely
- Siblings are Shae Culpepper, Amiya Mosely, Andre Mosely and Antonio Mosely
- Major is community and leadership development

### Quandre Says

· His nickname is "Q"

- · He chose Kentucky because it was the best fit for him to become a man
- The thing he's looking forward to the most this season is playing and fulfilling his dreams
- After his football career, he would like to help kids have a better life
- If he had a hashtag to describe himself it would be #DontSleeponQ
- His sports heroes are Michael Vick and Cam Newton

### **MOSELY'S CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	FF/FR	QBH	PBU	INT
2019	DB	13-2	24	1.0-1	1.0-1	0/0	0	3	1-39
2020	DB	10-0	19	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	2	0
Totals	DB	23-2	43	1.0-1	1.0-1	0/0	0	5	1-39

### **MOSELY'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME**

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	INT	FF	FR	PBU	QBH
at Auburn	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Mississippi St.	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri			DNP					
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0
at Florida	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	19	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0

### **MOSELY'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME**

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	INT	FF	FR	PBU	QBH
vs. Toledo	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Eastern Mich.	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Miss. State*	4	0-0	0-0	1-39	0	0	0	0
at South Carolina*	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
vs. Arkansas	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
vs. Tennessee	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
at Vanderbilt	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. UT Martin	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville	2	1.0-1	1.0-1	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Virginia Tech	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	24	1.0-1	1.0-1	1-39	0	0	3	0

### **MOSELY'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 6, at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020 Interceptions: 1, at Mississippi State, Sept 21, 2019 Pass breakups: 2, at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020 Sacks: 1.0 vs Louisville, Nov 30, 2019 Tackles for loss: 1.0, vs Louisville, Nov 30, 2019



**WILLIAM** 

NALTY

INSIDE LINEBACKER

6-0 • 222 • Senior-1L Metairie, La. (Metairie Park Country Day)

#### 2020 - Senior

- · Practiced with the team
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

#### 2019 - Junior

- Saw his first collegiate action vs. UT Martin
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

### 2018 - Sophomore

- · Practiced with the team
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

#### 2017 - Freshman

Practiced with the team

### **High School**

- Three-year letter winner and starter at linebacker for head coach Joe Chango at Metairie Park Country Day
- Totaled 63 tackles, including 10 sacks as a senior, helping the Cajuns compile a 9-4 overall record
- Also had one forced fumble and a fumble recovery
- · Earned All-District honors
- Member of the United States Saddle Seat Team who captured the Gold Medal in the 2014 US Saddle Seat Equitation World Cup
- Also a member of the junior team from 2012-13
- · Competed in his first equestrian show at the age of five
- Chose UK over North Carolina

### Personal

- Born in Metairie, Louisiana
- Son of Donald J. Nalty Jr. (dad) and Holly (mom); and James Nichols (stepdad)
- Dad, Donald, played football at Tulane from 1982-86
- On track to graduate in December of 2021 with a degrees in marketing and management

### William Says

- His nickname is "Nalty"
- · He chose Kentucky because it's a great area with great people
- When he's not on the field he enjoys riding horses and meeting new people
- One word to describe him on the field is "determined"
- The best advice he's ever received is "don't count the days, make the days count"









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MATTHEW NAPIER

OFFENSIVE LINE

6-6 • 346 • Senior-SQ Nicholasville, Ky. (East Jessamine)

#### 2020 - Junior

Saw his first action of the season at Florida

## 2019 - Sophomore

Saw his first collegiate action vs. UT Martin

#### 2018 - Freshman

Practiced with the team

#### **High School**

- Four-year letter winner and starter at left tackle for head coach Mike Bowlin at East Jessamine
- Helped lead the Jaguars to a 7-3 overall record in both his junior and senior season
- Earned All-State honorable mention honors in 2017 by the Courier Journal
- Participated in the 2017 Blue-Grey All-American Bowl in Dallas
- Also a member of the basketball and track & field teams

## **Community Cats**

Volunteered at Dunbar High School

## Personal

- Born in Lexington, Kentucky
- Son of Angel and DeWayne Napier
- Siblings are Elizabeth, Emily, Kaitlynn, Linzey, and Stacey
- Major is family sciences with a minor in communication

## **Matthew Says**

- His nickname is "Big Napes"
- He chose Kentucky because it's home
- Besides playing football, he loves fishing on the weekends and working with kids
- The most famous person he's ever met is Anthony
  Davis



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CHRIS OATS

**LINEBACKER** 

6-3 • 232 • Junior-2L Cincinnati, Ohio (Winton Woods)

#### 2020 - Junior

Missed the season due to a medical issue

## 2019 - Sophomore

- Played in 12 of UK's 13 games, with two starting assignments (Miss. State and Missouri)
- Did not see action vs. UT Martin
- Totaled 46 tackles (fifth on the team)
- Also had 2.5 tackles for loss, one PBU and one forced fumble
- Had five tackles, including two for loss (a career high), in the win over Virginia Tech in the Belk Bowl
- Led the team with eight tackles (six solo) and also caused a crucial fumble in Kentucky's 29-7 win over Missouri
- Spearheaded a defense that held Missouri to season lows of seven points and 289 yards total offense ... On 4th-and-1 from the UK 49, Oats' tackle knocked loose a fumble that was recovered by the Wildcats ... Two of his eight tackles came on third down, one forcing a punt and the other preceding a UK stop on fourth down
- Also totaled a career-high eight tackles at South Carolina
- Had seven tackles and 0.5 TFL at Georgia
- Started vs. Mississippi State and had five tackles
- Had five tackles in the season opener vs. Toledo
- Sat out the first half of the Eastern Michigan game
   ... Had one tackle in the second half

## 2018 - Freshman

- Totaled 27 tackles, 3.0 TFL, 2.0 sacks, a forced fumble and two fumble recoveries in 13 career games
- Posted a career-high five tackles and had his second quarterback sack of the season at Louisville
- Earned his first collegiate start at Texas A&M, charting his first collegiate sack in the second quarter ... Ended the game with four tackles, including 1.5 for loss
- Also had four tackles in the win over South Carolina
- Made the game-clinching fumble recovery on the final play of the VRBO Citrus Bowl win over Penn State
- Recorded his first career tackle in the win over No. 14 Mississippi State

## **High School**

- Four-star linebacker by all the major recruiting services
- Ranked the No. 22 outside linebacker in the 2018 class by 247sports
- Led Winton Woods to a 13-2 overall record and an appearance in the Division II state championship game as a senior

- · Coached by Andre Parker
- Named the Division II Defensive Player of the Year and first-team All-Ohio by the Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association
- Totaled 79 tackles during the regular season and in five playoff games, had 60 tackles, including three interceptions and two touchdowns
- Also a four-year letter winner in basketball as a center
- Chose Kentucky over Ole Miss, Oklahoma, Michigan State and Ohio State

#### Personal

- Born in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Son of Kemberly Gamble
- Siblings are Aliyah, Ke'airra, Kelain, Willie and Mikele
- Major is community and leadership development

## Chris Says

- His nickname is "Deuce Deuce"
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a sports analyst
- Three words to describe him are kind-hearted, hardworking, and determined
- One thing people might not know is he likes to play the piano
- One sentence to describe Coach Stoops is "he wants the best out of his players"

	OATS' CAREER STATISTICS											
Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tkls.	TFL-Yds.	Sacks-Yds.	PBU	FF/FR	QBH				
2018	LB	13-1	27	3.0-11	2.0-9	0	1/2	0				
2019	LB	12-2	46	2.5-4	0-0	1	1/0	0				
Totals		25-3	73	5.5-15	2.0-9	1	2/2	0				

OATS' 2019 GAME-BY-GAME									
Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF/ FR	PBU	Int.	QBH	
vs. Toledo	5	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
vs. Eastern Mich	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
vs. Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
at Miss. State*	5	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
at USC	8	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
vs. Arkansas	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
at Georgia	7	0.5-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
vs. Missouri*	8	0-0	0-0	0	1/0	0	0	0	
vs. Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	1	0/0	0	0	0	
at Vanderbilt	2	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
vs. UT Martin			DNP						
vs. Louisville	4	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
vs. Virginia Tech	5	2.0-4	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
Totals	46	2.5-4	0-0	1	1/0	0	0	0	

OATS' 2018 GAME-BY-GAME									
Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF/FR	PBU	Int.	QBH	
vs. Central Mich.	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
at Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
vs. Murray State	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
vs. Miss. State	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
vs. South Carolina	4	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
at TAMU*	4	1.5-3	1.0-2	0	0/0	0	0	0	
vs. Vanderbilt	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0	



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at Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	3	0.5-1	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	4	0-0	0-0	0	1/1	0	0	0
vs. MTSU	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
at Louisville	5	1.0-7	1.0-7	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Penn State	3	0-0	0-0	0	0/1	0	0	0
Totals	27	3.0-11	2.0-9	0	1/2	0	0	0

## **OATS' SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 8, twice, last vs Missouri, Oct 27, 2019
Tackles for loss: 2.0, vs Virginia Tech, Dec 31, 2019 (4 yards) Sacks: 1.0, twice, last at Louisville, Nov 24, 2018 (7 yards) Forced fumble: 1, twice, last vs Missouri, Oct 26, 2019 Fumble recovery: 1, twice, last vs Penn State, Jan 1, 2019 Pass breakups: 1, vs Tennessee, Nov 9, 2019



**OCTAVIOUS** 

OXENDINE

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

6-1 • 302 • Sophomore-1L Radcliff, Ky. (North Hardin)

## 2020 - Freshman

- Mid-year enrollee in January 2020
- Redshirt season
- Played in three games (Mississippi State, Tennessee and Alabama)

## **High School**

- Four-star prospect by Rivals
- · Considered one of the top recruits from Kentucky and a top-25 defensive tackle in the country for the class of 2020
- Named to the Kentucky All-State first team
- Named to the 2019 Class of the Commonwealth by the Lexington Herald-Leader
- Produced 62 tackles, including 17 tackles for loss
- Also recovered two fumbles, one for a 25-yard touchdown during his senior season
- Important piece of North Hardin's defense, who finished the season 13-1 and won the region and district championship before advancing to the KHSAA Class 6-A state semifinals
- Played for head coach Brent Thompson
- High school teammates with fellow Wildcats Isaiah Beasley and Darren Green
- Picked the Wildcats over Tennessee and Texas

## **Community Cats**

- Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)
- Volunteered at LexCity Church (2020)
- Volunteered to pack food for God's Pantry (2020)
- Volunteered at William Wells Brown Elementary (2020)

## Personal

- Born in Fort Polk, Louisiana
- · Son of Mary and Kirk Oxendine

- Dad, Kirk, is a retired U.S. Army Sergeant First Class
- Major is pre-social work

## Octavious Says

- His nickname is "Ox" or "Double O"
- He chose Kentucky because it's a great school and he loves the people
- · His hidden talent is drawing
- His dream job is to be a NFL business owner
- Hobbies are drawing and fishing



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**LUCAS PADGETT** 

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-4 • 320 • Freshman-HS Birmingham, Ala. (La Cueva - N.M.)

## **High School**

- Moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico for his senior season but only played in three games due to a COVID-shortened 2020
- Prior to moving to New Mexico, was a two-year starter at center for head coach Ben Bergusen at Homewood High School in Birmingham, Alabama
- Rated one of the top 10 centers in Alabama for the spring of 2020 by Playmakers Elite Sports
- Named second-team 6A All-State in 2019 by the Alabama Sports Writers Association
- Earned a spot on the 2019 All-South Metro Team
- Named to the Over The Mountain Journal's All-OTM High School Football Team in 2019
- Participated in the 2021 Blue-Grey All-American Bowl
- An all-around athlete who also letterd in basketball (center) and track & field (shot put)
- **National Honor Society**

## Personal

- Born in Salt Lake City, Utah
- Son of Scott and Cynthia Padgett
- · Siblings are Logan and Lavla
- Comes from a family of athletes as father, Scott, played basketball at Kentucky from 1995-99, helping the Wildcats advance to two Final Fours, including a national title in 1998 ... Went on to play eight years in the pros ... Mom, Cynthia, was a four-year letter winner on UK's volleyball team from 1994-97 ... Older brother, Logan, currently plays basketball at Shelton State Community
- · Major is undecided

## Lucas Says

- He chose Kentucky because it has great academic programs and he likes the culture around the entire athletic department
- After football, his dream job is to be a coach
- Three words to describe him are smart, funny, and
- The best advice he's ever received is "don't change who you are to impress others"

• One thing most people don't know about him is that he's a huge superhero fan



**JOSHUA PASCHAL** 

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

6-3 • 275 • Senior-3L Prince George's County, Md. (Our Lady of Good Counsel)

#### 2021 - Senior

- Preseason Second-Team All-SEC (Athlon)
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- · CoSIDA Academic All-District First Team
- Has played in 40 career games with 25 starts

## 2020 - Junior (Team Captain)

- All-SEC Honorable Mention (PFF)
- Fourth-Team All-SEC (Phil Steele)
- Semifinalist for Witten Collegiate Man of Year Award
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Played in all 11 games with 10 starting assignments
- Totaled 32 tackles, 6.5 TFL, 1.0 sacks, one QBH and one INT
- Has 21.5 career TFL
- Made his first career interception in the second quarter with Mississippi State threatening to score and returned it 76 yards to the two-yard line, setting up Chris Rodriguez' two-yard TD
- Marked the longest interception return by a Kentucky player since Josh Forrest on Nov. 28, 2015 against UofL, which was 81 ... Kentucky's longest interception return at home against an SEC opponent in Kroger Field history (since 1973)
- Career-high seven tackles and at TFL vs. Ole Miss
- · Elected as one of 10 team captains, his second straight season to be named a captain by his peers

## 2019 - r-Sophomore (Team Captain)

- Named to the inaugural 2019 Uplifting-Athletes Rare Disease Champion Team
- One of six who were named honorable mention for CoSIDA's 2019 Mayo Clinic Comeback Player of the Year Award
- Nominee for the FWAA-Orange Bowl Courage Award
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Dean's List (Fall 2019)
- Named N4A's Student-Athlete of the Month for February
- Started in all 13 games
- Totaled 34 tackles (eighth on the team), including 9.5 tackles for loss (tied for second on the team with Calvin Taylor Jr.), 3.5 sacks (third on the team), one PBU, two forced fumbles, one PBU and one blocked kick (vs. UT)
- Totaled a career-high two tackles for loss in the win over Louisville and Eastern Michigan
- Had an impressive 2019 debut vs. Toledo with four tackles, one sack, one TFL and one forced fumble







## 2018 - Sophomore

- Redshirt season
- Dean's List (Spring 2019)
- Named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Played in three games with one starting assignment vs. Middle Tennessee
- In July of 2018, was diagnosed with malignant melanoma ... underwent three surgeries, followed by ongoing monthly immunotherapy treatments
- Recovered sufficiently to play against Middle Tennessee ... started the game and saw occasional action throughout
- · In the second quarter, made a tackle on a third down play that forced a punt ... When his name was called as the tackler, the Kroger Field crowd gave him a rousing ovation while his teammates swarmed him with congratulations
- Named SEC co-Defensive Player of the Week (11/19)
- Had two tackles and a TFL at Louisville

#### 2017 - Freshman

- Played in all 13 games with one start
- Earned his first career start vs. Northwestern in the Music City Bowl
- Totaled 17 tackles, 4.5 TFL, 3.5 sacks, 3 QBH and 1 blocked kick
- Named SEC Special Teams Player of the week for his game-changing blocked punt vs. EMU
- First UK player to block a punt since Josh Forrest vs. Alabama State in 2013
- With UK clinging to a 17-14 lead in the fourth quarter, Paschal deftly broke through the line and punter shield, also deducing the correct place and time to block a running rugby punt
- The blocked punt went for an 18-yard loss back to the EMU 12-yard line, setting up Benny Snell's 12yard TD run on the next play
- Athlon Sports Preseason SEC All-Freshman Third Team

## **Community Cats**

- Frequent speaker at local churches, sharing his faith and how it helped him overcome cancer (2018-2020)
- Volunteered at Winburn Middle School (2020)
- Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)

## Personal

- Born in Washington, D.C.
- Son of Clayton and LaTauna Paschal
- Has one sister, Kristian, and an older brother, Travaughn, who was a linebacker for the Wildcats from 2011-14
- Graduated in May of 2021 with a degree in family science and a minor in health promotion ... Currently working on a second degree in communication
- One of three representatives for UK football on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) and is UK's rep on the SEC's Football Leadership Council
- Completed a year-long immunotherapy treatment plan for melanoma found on the bottom of his right foot on Aug. 7, 2018

## Josh Says

- Nickname is "J.P."
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a coach or counselor

- The last time he was starstruck was when he saw Jennifer Lopez in person at the Today Show
- His passion in life is serving others
- Three word to describe him are vibe, quiet and thoughtful

## **PASCHAL'S CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tkls	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	Blks	Int	FF/FR	QBH
2017	LB	13-1	17	4.5-26	3.5-23	0	1	0	0/0	3
2018	LB	3-1	3	1.0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0/0	0
2019	LB	13-13	34	9.5-36	3.5-18	1	1	0	2/0	0
2020	DE	11-10	32	6.5-25	1.0-6	0	0	1-76	0/0	1
Totals		40-25	86	21.5-89	8.0-47	1	2	1-76	2/0	4

## PASCHAL'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tkls	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF/FR	Blks	Int	QBH
at Auburn*	4	1.5-10	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss*	7	0.5-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State*	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	1-76	0
at Tennessee*	1	0.5-1	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
at Missouri*	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	4	1.0-1	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt*	3	0.5-2	0.5-2	0	0/0	0	0	0
at Alabama*	4	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
at Florida*	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	1
vs. USC*	2	2.0-7	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	1
vs. NC State*	4	0.5.4	0.5.4	0	0/0	0	0	0
Totals	32	6.5-25	1.0-6	0	0/0	0	1-76	1

## **PASCHAL'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME**

Opponent	Tkls	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF/FR	Blks	Int	QBH
vs. Toledo*	4	1.0-10	1.0-10	0	1/0	0	0	0
vs. EMU*	5	2.0-7	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Florida*	1	0-0	0-0	1	0/0	0	0	0
at Miss. State*	4	1.0-4	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
at USC*	3	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas*	2	1.0-3	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
at Georgia*	4	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri*	3	1.0-1	1.0-1	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee*	2	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	1	0	0
at Vanderbilt*	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. UT Martin*	2	1.5-7	1.5-7	0	1/0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville*	3	2.0-4	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Virginia Tech*	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
Totals	34	9.5-36	3.5-18	1	2/0	1	0	0

## **PASCHAL'S 2018 GAME-BY-GAME**

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF/FR	Blks	Int	QBH
vs. MTSU*	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
at Louisville	2	1.0-2	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Penn State	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
Totals	3	1.0-2	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0

## PASCHAL'S 2017 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF/FR	Blks	Int	QBH
at Southern Miss	1	1.0-3	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. EKU	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
at South Carolina	1	0.5-2	0.5-2	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Florida	1	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. E. Michigan	1	0.5.2	0.5.2	0	0/0	1	0	1
vs. Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
at Miss. State	2	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee	3	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0/0	0	0	1
vs. Ole Miss	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	3	1.0-7	1.0-7	0	0/0	0	0	0
at Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville	2	0-0	0-0	0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Northwestern*	3	1.0-9	1.0-9	0	0/0	0	0	1
Totals	17	4.5-26	3.5-23	0	0/0	1	0	3

## **PASCHAL'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 7, vs Ole Miss, Oct 3, 2020

Sacks: 1.5, vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2019
Tackles for loss: 2.0, 3x, last vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 (7 yards) Quarterback hurry: 1, 4x, last vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020

Blocks: 1, last vs Tennessee, Nov 9, 2019 (punt)

PBUs: 1, vs Florida, Sept 14, 2019 Forced fumble: 1, twice, last vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2019

nterceptions: 1, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020





CLAY **PERRY** 

LONG SNAPPER

6-0 • 187 • Sophomore-Sq Upton, Ky. (Central Hardin)

## 2020 - Freshman

Practiced with the team

## **High School**

- Three-year starter at Central Hardin High School for head coach Tom Mattingly as a long snapper and outside linebacker
- Finished with 45 tackles, including 6.0 tackles for loss, in helping Central Hardin go 9-3 and finish in the second round of the 2019 Class 6A playoffs
- Earned first-team All-District as a senior
- Excellent in the classroom as an honor roll student all four years of high school
- Also on the track and field team
- Earned Ray Guy Prokicker.com Top Prospect Award as a long snapper

## Personal

- Born in Elizabethtown, Kentucky
- Son of Ginger and Matthew Perry
- Comes from a family of athletes as father, Matthew, played football at Western Kentucky, uncle, Mark Perry, played football at Northwestern, uncle, Todd Perry, is a former Wildcat who played from 1988-92 and went on



to an 11-year career in the NFL with the Chicago Bears (eight years) and the Miami Dolphins (three years) as a guard

Major is pre-civil engineering

## Clay Says

- · He chose Kentucky because it's close to home, it has an amazing campus and college life, and his family members attended UK
- After football, his dream job is to be a surveyor
- One thing most people don't know about him is that his first name is Remington
- Three words to describe him are hard-working, dedicated, and witty
- Besides playing football he also loves to fish



**ANDRU PHILLIPS** 

**DEFENSIVE BACK** 

6-0 • 182 • Freshman-RS Mauldin, S.C. (Mauldin)

## 2020 - Freshman

- Mid-year enrollee
- Redshirt season
- Saw his first collegiate action vs. Mississippi State and also played vs. Vanderbilt, Florida and South
- · Got his first career tackle vs. the Gamecocks

## **High School**

- Three-star recruit who has been rated the No. 8 overall player in South Carolina by 247Sports and
- As a senior, had 38 total tackles, eight pass breakups, two interceptions and a fumble recovery under head coach Harris Cabaniss
- Earned 5A first-team All-State by the South Carolina Football Coaches Association
- Selected to the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas
- Also a three-year letter winner in track and field as a triple jumper, ranking No. 1 nationally in 2020
- Two-time All-State and three-time All-Region selection for the triple jump
- Won the 2019 spring state championship title with a jump of 49'4"
- Picked Kentucky over Tennessee, Virginia Tech, Louisville, N.C. State and Georgia

## **Community Cats**

- Volunteered at Catholic Action Center (2020)
- Volunteered to pack food at God's Pantry (2020)
- Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)

## Personal

- Born in Birmingham, Alabama
- Son of Carlos and LaTonya Phillips
- Siblings are C.J., Ben and Shelby
- Comes from a family of athletes as father, Carlos, played linebacker at Kentucky under Jerry

- Claiborne; mom, LaTonya, was a standout athlete at Danville High School; brother, C.J., played football at Morehead State in 2015
- Originally from Louisville, Kentucky
- Major is pre-integrated strategic communication

#### Andru Says

- His nickname is "Dru"
- He chose Kentucky because it's felt like home
- One word to describe him on the field is "explosive"
- When he played football as a kid, he pretended to be Tyrann Mathieu
- The thing he looks forward to the most this season is making plays



CHARLEY "CHANCE" **POORE** 

**KICKER** 

6-2 • 219 • Junior-2L Anderson, S.C. (Westside High School)

## 2020 - Sophomore

- Handled kickoffs for the Wildcats
- Named Special Teams Player of the Week after his performance vs. Vanderbilt ... Enjoyed a perfect day, making a 28-yard field goal on the final play of the first half, along with all five extra points
- · Has a streak of three straight made FGs
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

## <u> 2019 - r</u>-Freshman

- Hit 5-of-9 field goals with a career long of 46 vs. Toledo
- Hit 24-of-26 extra points
- Totaled 39 points
- · Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

## 2018 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Saw action in three games, his first collegiate game was at Missouri
- Hit 2-of-4 field goal attempts

## **High School**

- Rated as the No. 1 punter/kicker in the 2018 class by Prokicker.com
- Named South Carolina 5A Specialist of the Year after hitting 8 of 11 field goals and 26 of 27 PATs as
- Prokicker.com's Rick Sang said "A very talented athlete who dominates his position and has shown great work ethic. He is already capable of launching NFL caliber kickoffs and punts"
- As a junior, converted 16 of 20 field goals with a long of 48, made all 44 extra-point attempts and had 63 percent of his kickoffs go for touchbacks
- Earned the top prospect award for 2017 at the Ray Guy Prokicker.com Kicking Camp

- · Selected to play in the prestigious Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas game, pitting the top seniors from North and South Carolina against one another
- Member of two regional title teams coached by Scott Earley
- Also a lettered in soccer and tennis
- Picked Kentucky early and never really considered other offers

## **Community Cats**

Volunteer speaker at Cardinal Valley Rehabilitation Hospital (2020)

#### Personal

- Born in Anderson, South Carolina
- · Son of Lewis and Jodi Poore
- Siblings are Kara Poore and Kinsley Bailey
- Major is consumer economics and family financial counseling

## **Chance Says**

- Nickname is "Chance"
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a mortage broker
- The person who has most influenced him in life is his dad because he pushed him to be the man he
- The three people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Lebron James, Alex Caruso and Adam Sandler
- His sports hero is Chandler Catanzaro

	POORE'S CAREER STATISTICS							
Year	FG	Points	Long FG					
2018	2-4	9	34					
2019	5-9	39	46					
2020	1-1	8	28					
Totals	8-14	56	46					

#### **POORE'S FIELD GOALS BY DISTANCE** 1-19 20-29 30-39 40-49 2018 0-0 0-0 2-3 0-0 0-1 2-4 34 2019 0-0 4-6 0-0 46 1-1 1-2 6-10 Totals 8-14 46

## **POORE'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Points scored: 8, 3x, last at Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 Points by kicking: 8, 3x, last at Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 Field goals made: 1, 8x, last at Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 Field goal attempts: 2, 3x, last at Mississippi State, Sept 21, 2019 Longest field goal: 46, vs Toledo, Aug 31, 2019 Consecutive FGs made: 3, Nov. 9 vs. Tennessee - Present







**JAKE** POPE

OFFENSIVE LINE

6-7 • 301 • Sophomore-Sq Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (St. Thomas Aquinas)

#### 2020 (r-Freshman)

· Practiced with the team

## 2019 (Freshman)

- Redshirt season
- · Practiced with the team

## **High School**

- A three-star tackle by the major recruiting services
- Listed as one of Florida's top 100 players
- · Helped lead perennial powerhouse St. Thomas Aquinas to a 13-2 overall record, a district championship and the 7A state championship runner-up title in 2018
- Selected to play in the Blue-Grey All American Bowl on Jan. 5, 2019 in Tampa, Florida
- · Didn't start playing football until his freshman year of high school
- Coached by Roger Harriott
- Chose Kentucky over Florida State, Louisville, Pittsburgh, Purdue and Virginia

## Personal

- Born in Plantation, Florida
- Son of John and Michelle Pope
- Has one sister, Madelyne
- · Major is pre-finance

## Jake Says

- His nickname is "Jake" as his real name is John, like his dad
- · He chose Kentucky because he truly loves it
- One thing people might not know about him is he loves the ocean and fishing
- One word to describe him on the field is "determined"
- His hidden talent is spearfishing



JUSTIN RIGG

TIGHT END

6-6 • 261 • Senior-3L Springboro, Ohio (Springboro)

#### 2021 - Senior\*

- Elected to return for a sixth year, taking advantage of the NCAA's ruling to grant an extra year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Has played in 50 career games with 22 starts, including four in a row
- Career totals include 30 catches for 358 yards and two scores, averaging 11.9 yards per catch

#### 2020 - Senior

- · Played in nine games with eight starts
- Fifth on the team in receptions with 12 for 145 yards and a score ... Averaged 12.1 yards per catch
- Caught three passes for a career-high 79 yards in the win over South Carolina on Senior Day
- Caught a 15-yard TD pass on UK's first offensive possession vs. Vanderbilt, his first career TD reception ... It was his second career TD after a fumble recovery for a score in 2019

## 2019 - Junior

- Started in 12 of 13 games played
- Had at least one catch in six games, totaling 11 catches for 128 yards
- Integral blocker for UK's explosive running game which led the SEC and ranked fourth nationally with 278.8 rushing yards per game
- Had a career-high five receptions for 50 yards vs. UF
- Scored his first collegiate touchdown on a fumble recovery in the end zone on the first play of the second quarter vs. Toledo

## 2018 - Sophomore

- Played in all 13 games with two starts vs. MTSU and Louisville
- Had four catches for 45 yards
- Earned his first career start vs. MTSU and had a 29-yard catch, the longest of his career

## 2017 - r-Freshman

- Played in all 13 games
- · Caught three passes for 40 yards, including a career-high two catches for 34 yards vs. Northwestern in the Music City Bowl

## 2016 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Played in two games before suffering a rib injury during the third week of the season
- Returned to practice for the bowl game but did not see action
- SEC First-year Academic Honor Roll (2016-17)

## **High School**

- A 3-star tight end rated the No. 47 tight end and No. 43 player in Ohio by 247sports
- Voted team captain as a senior and hauled in 35 catches for 394 yards and a touchdown
- Helped Springboro finish 11-3 and advance to the second round of the Division I, Region 2 playoffs
- Named Greater Western Ohio All-Conference
- Earned an invitation to the 2016 Ohio High Football Coaches Assoc. North-South All-Star Classic
- · Coached by Ryan Wilhite
- Also a letter winner and team captain on the basketball team, averaging 9.4 points and 8.0 rebounds per game as a senior
- Excelled in the classroom as he was a three-time Basketball Scholar Athlete and earned the United States Marine Corps' Distinguished Athlete Award
- Picked UK over Bowling Green, Cincinnati, West Virginia, Eastern Michigan, Miami (Ohio), Ohio, Pittsburgh, Toledo and Wake Forest

#### Personal

- · Born in Dayton, Ohio
- · Son of Jay and Robin Rigg
- Has two brothers, Jake and Jordan
- Grandfather, Joe Miko, played football at Ohio, while brother, Jordan, played at Miami (Ohio) and brother, Jake, played at Walsh University
- Graduated in December of 2020 with a degree in agricultural economics and is currently working on a second degree in communication

## **Justin Says**

- His nickname is "Rigg"
- · He chose Kentucky because it felt like family
- When he played football as a kid he pretended to be Shaun Alexander
- One word to describe him on the field is "focused"
- His hidden talent is card tricks

	R	IGG'S	CARE	ER S	TATIS	TICS	
Year	Pos.	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long
2016	TE	2-0	0	0	0	0	0
2017	TE	13-0	3	40	13.3	0	18
2018	TE	13-2	4	45	11.2	0	29
2019	TE	13-12	11	128	11.6	1	31
2020	TE	9-8	12	145	12.1	1	36
Totals		50-22	30	358	11.9	2	36

RIGG'	5 2020	GAME-	BY-GAI	ME
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Auburn*	1	3	0	3
vs. Ole Miss*	2	20	0	14
vs. Miss. State*	1	12	0	12
at Tennessee*	1	8	0	8
at Missouri	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia*	2	7	0	5
vs. Vanderbilt*	1	15	1	15
at Alabama		DNP		
at Florida		DNP		
vs. South Carolina*	3	72	0	36
vs. NC State*	1	8	0	8
Totals	12	145	1	36

RIGG	's 2019	GAME-	BY-GAN	1E
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Toledo*	0	0	1	0
vs. Eastern Mich.	1	9	0	9
vs. Florida*	5	50	0	23
at Miss. State*	0	0	0	0
at USC*	1	5	0	0
vs. Arkansas*	2	43	0	31
at Georgia*	0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri*	0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee*	1	5	0	5
at Vanderbilt*	0	0	0	0
vs. UT Martin*	0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville*	0	0	0	0
vs. Virginia Tech*	1	16	0	16
Totals	11	128	1	31

RIGG'S	5 2018	GAME-	BY-GAN	1E
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Central Michigan	0	0	0	0
at Florida	0	0	0	0
vs. Murray State	1	5	0	5
vs. Miss. State	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	0	0	0	0
at TAMU	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	1	7	0	7
vs. Georgia	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	0	0	0	0
vs. MTSU*	1	29	0	29
at Louisville*	1	4	0	4
vs. Penn State	0	0	0	0
Totals	4	45	0	29

RIGG	'S 2017	GAME-	BY-GAN	1E
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Southern Miss	0	0	0	0
vs. EKU	0	0	0	0
at South Carolina	0	0	0	0
vs. Florida	0	0	0	0
vs. E. Michigan	0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri	0	0	0	0
at Miss. State	0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0
at Georgia	0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville	0	0	0	0
vs. Northwestern	2	34	0	18
Totals	3	40	0	18

RIGG'S 2016 GAME-BY-GAME											
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long							
Southern Miss	0	0	0	0							
New Mexico State	0	0	0	0							
Totals	0	0	0	0							

## **RIGG'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Receptions: 5, vs Florida, Sept 14, 2019

Receiving yards: 72, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 (3 receptions) Long reception: 36, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 Touchdowns: 1, twice, last vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020





# DAVONTE ROBINSON

**SAFETY** 

6-2 • 210 • Senior-3L Lexington, Ky. (Henry Clay)

## 2021 - Senior\*

- Elected to return for a sixth year, taking advantage of the NCAA's ruling to grant an extra year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Has played in 37 career games with eight starting assignments
- Career totals include 88 tackles, 5.0 tackles for loss, four pass breakups and two fumble recoveries

#### 2020 - Senior

- Played in all 11 games with five starts
- Totaled 27 tackles and 2.0 TFL
- Had a season-high six tackles in the win over South Carolina

## 2019 - Junior

Missed the season with a quadriceps injury

## 2018 - Sophomore

- Saw action in all 13 games with three starts at safety
- Totaled 42 tackles, 3.0 TFL, four PBUs and two fumble recoveries
- Recorded a career-best nine tackles vs. Georgia, including a two-yard tackle for loss
- Totaled seven tackles with 1.0 TFL and one PBU in the win over Vanderbilt
- Had three tackles and a PBU in the win over No. 14 Mississippi State
- Recovered a Feleipe Franks fumble after he was sacked by Josh Allen and returned it 30 yards for a touchdown on the final play of the game at Florida sealing the win

## 2017 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in all 13 games
- Totaled 19 tackles, including a career-high five tackles in the win over Vanderbilt

## 2016 - Freshman

Redshirt season

## **High School**

- On top of being one of the best cornerbacks in the state as a senior, he also was a running back, using his speed to score seven touchdowns (four rushing, two receiving and one 91-yard kickoff return)
- As a junior he rushed for 492 yards on 35 carries and six touchdowns, while recording 32 tackles

- and two interceptions, including one for a touchdown on defense
- Led the team in tackles three straight seasons, including a team-high 100 tackles and one interception in 2015
- Named Defensive Player of the Year and first-team all-city by the Lexington Herald-Leader as a senior
- A 2015 Herald-Leader "Class of Commonwealth" honoree
- Helped the Blue Devils advance to the second round of the playoffs with a 7-5 record in 2015
- Four-year letter winner in track, helping the Blue Devils win the 2015 and 2016 state title
- Class 3A state track champion in the 100 meters (10.85) as a sophomore
- Finished second in the state in 2015 in the 4x400 relay
- Winner of the 400-meter dash and second in the 100 meters at the 2015 Fayette County Public Schools Track and Field Championships
- Picked UK over Georgia, Louisville, Notre Dame and Ohio State

### Personal

- Born in Lexington, Kentucky
- Son of Tara Lancaster and Derek Robinson
- Siblings are Brandon, Derek Jr., Delmar, Dequan, Destiny, Detoria and Dorian
- Grandfather, Tony Lancaster, played football at Murray State
- On track to graduate in the summer of 2021 with a degree in health promotion and a minor in coaching and family science

## Davonte Says

- His nickname is "D-Rob."
- He chose Kentucky because it's in his hometown and he bleeds blue
- One word to describe him on the field is "fearless"
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a coach and real estate investor
- The three people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Will Smith, Ed Reed, and Kevin Hart

	D. ROBINSON'S CAREER STATISTICS												
Year	G-GS	Tackles	TFL-Yds.	Sacks-Yds.	PD	FF	FR	QBH					
2017	13-0	19	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0					
2018	13-3	42	3.0-5	0-0	4	0	2	0					
2020	11-5	27	2.0-3	0-0	0	0	0	0					
Totals	37-8	88	5.0-8	0-0	4	0	2	0					

D. ROBIN	ISON	l'S 20i	20 G <i>l</i>	ME-	BY-	GAN	1E
Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Yds.	Sacks	PBU	FR	FF	QBH
at Auburn	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss*	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State*	2	1.0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee*	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri*	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	1	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Florida	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	2.0-3	0-0	0	0	0	0





#### D. ROBINSON'S 2018 GAME-BY-GAME Tkls. TFL-Yds. FR Sacks PBU FF QBH Opponent vs. Central Mich. 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 0 0 at Florida 0-0 0-0 0 1-30 0 1 0-0 vs. Murray State 1 0-0 1 0 0 0 vs. Miss. State 3 0-0 0-0 1 0 0 0 vs. South Carolina n 0-0 0-0 n n Ω Ω at TAMU 0-0 0 0 0 vs. Vanderbilt 0 1.0-1 0-0 1 0 0 0 at Missouri 1 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 0 0 vs. Georgia\* 9 1.0-2 0-0 0 0 at Tennessee\* 4 1.0-2 0-0 1 0 Ω 0 vs. MTSU 0-0 0 1-0 0 0 at Louisville 2 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 0 vs. Penn State\* 5 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 0 42 4 2-30 0 0 **Totals** 3.0-5 0-0

D. ROBIN	ISON	'S 201	.7 GA	ME-	BY	-G <i>P</i>	ME
Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Yds.	Sacks	PBU	FR	FF	QBH
at Southern Miss	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. EKU	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at South Carolina	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. E. Michigan	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Georgia	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Northwestern	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals	19	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0

## D. ROBINSON'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 9, vs Georgia, Nov 3, 2018 (5-4)
Tackles for loss: 1.0, 5x, last vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 (2)
Fumble recovery: 1, twice, last vs MTSU, Nov 17, 2018 (0 yds)
Touchdowns: 1, at Florida, Sept 8, 2018 (FR)
Pass breakups: 1, four times, last at Tennessee, Nov 10, 2018



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WAN'DALE ROBINSON

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

5-10 • 183 • Junior-Tr Frankfort, Ky. (Nebraska/Western Hills)

## 2021 - Junior

- Preseason Third-Team Offense All-SEC (Athlon, Phil Steele)
- Paul Hornung Award Watch List
- Returns to the Bluegrass after playing two seasons at Nebraska
- Has three seasons of eligibility remaining

- Chose Kentucky over Alabama, Ohio State, and Purdue
- Career totals include 580 rushing yards, 914 receiving yards and 1,725 all-purpose yards

## 2020 - Sophomore (Nebraska)

- · Started in all eight games played
- Led the Huskers with 51 catches and 461 receiving yards despite playing only eight games and splitting duties at running back
- Led Nebraska with 696 all-purpose yards
- Fourth on the team with 240 rushing yards
- Named to the Paul Hornung Award Watch List for the nation's most versatile athlete
- Earned honorable-mention All-Big Ten honors from the conference coaches
- Ranked fourth in the Big Ten and 23rd nationally with 6.4 receptions per game, the fourth-highest average in the country for an underclassman

## 2019 - Freshman (Nebraska)

- Played in 10 games with four starting assignments
- Key member of the Husker offense, playing in 10 games and earning three starting assignments at receiver and one at running back
- Named a second-team freshman All-American, an honorable-mention All-Big Ten selection, and was a two-time Big Ten Freshman of the Week
- One of four national finalists for the Paul Hornung Award, given to the nation's most versatile player
- Caught 40 passes for 443 yards and two touchdowns while rushing for 340 yards and three scores ... 40 catches and 443 receiving yards were the most by any true freshman in Nebraska history
- Ranked second on the team in receptions, receiving yards and receiving touchdowns, while ranking third in carries, rushing yards and rushing touchdowns
- Totaled 1,029 all-purpose yards as a true freshman, which ranked second on the team and was the third-highest total ever by a Husker true freshman
- Ranked fourth nationally among all FBS freshmen in all-purpose yards per game in 2019 with the second-highest total among Power Five freshmen
- One of only two FBS players to total 400 receiving yards, 300 rushing yards and 200 kickoff return yards in 2019

## **High School**

- State's consensus top player as a senior at Western Hills High School in Frankfort, Kentucky
- Totaled career 8,582 yards from scrimmage with 118 offensive touchdowns
- Gained 6,795 yards, averaging more than 11 yards per carry while scoring 97 rushing touchdowns
- Caught 102 passes in his career for 1,787 yards and 21 touchdowns
- Totaled 781 career points, which ranks No. 2 alltime in Kentucky history
- Won the Paul Hornung Award, as the state's player of the year
- Kentucky's Mr. Football
- Gatorade Kentucky Player of the Year
- One of five finalists for the 2019 All-American Bowl Player-of-the-Year award, which is presented annually to the nation's most outstanding high school senior
- A consensus four-star recruit coming out of high school, ranked as the nation's No. 2 all-purpose back and was the top player in Kentucky by 247Sports

· Played for head coach Don Miller

#### Personal

- Born in Frankfort, Kentucky
- Son of Victoria Davis and Dale Robinson
- Dad, Dale, played football at Western Kentucky
- Has one younger sister, Eliza
- Major is communication

## Wan'Dale Says

- His nickname is "Dale"
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to work for himself
- He chose Kentucky to get closer to home and closer to his dream
- The best advice he's ever received is "do what's hest for you"
- One word to describe him on the field is "electric"
- The best thing about being a Kentucky Wildcat is being back home to play in front of friends and family

## W. ROBINSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long	Att	Yds.	Long	TD
2019	WR	10- 4	40	453	11.3	2	49	88	340	42	3
2020	WR	8-8	51	461	9.0	1	38	46	240	47	1
Totals		18.12	91	914	10.0	3	49	134	580	47	4

CAREER ALL-PURPOSE STATISTICS	CAR	EER	ALL-PI	JRP0:	SE ST	ATISTI	CS.
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Year	KR	Yds.	TD	Long	Avg/R	PR	Yds.	TD	Long	Avg/R
2019	11	236	0	39	21.5	0	0	0	0	0
2020	0	0	0	0	0	1	-5	0	0	-5.0
Totals	11	236	0	39	21.5	1	-5	0	0	-5.0

## W. ROBINSON'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long	Att	Yds	TD	Long	Avg.
at Ohio State	6	49	0	21	-	-	-	-	-
at Northwestern	4	32	0	14	-	-	-	-	-
vs. Penn State	5	11	0	5	16	60	0	14	3.75
vs. Illinois	6	60	0	31	7	60	0	32	8.57
at Iowa	9	75	0	28	6	42	0	13	7.00
at Purdue	9	114	0	25	2	5	0	4	2.50
vs. Minnesota	6	41	0	10	8	58	0	47	6.12
at Rutgers	6	79	1	38	7	24	1	8	3.43
Totals	51	461	1	38	46	240	1	47	5.22

## W. ROBINSON'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME CONT.

Opponent	PR	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TD
at Ohio State	0	0	0	0	0
at Northwestern	0	-5	0	0	0
vs. Penn State	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Illinois	0	0	0	0	0
at Iowa	0	0	0	0	0
at Purdue	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Minnesota	0	0	0	0	0
at Rutgers	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	1	-5	0	0	0



# W. ROBINSON'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long	Att	Yds	TD	Long	Avg.
vs. South Alabama	3	33	0	15	4	21	0	10	5.25
at Colorado	3	35	0	25	2	9	0	5	4.50
vs. Northern III.	3	48	0	30	2	0	0	1	0.00
at Illinois	8	79	2	27	19	89	1	21	4.68
vs. Ohio State	1	8	0	8	9	27	0	6	3.00
vs. Northwestern	7	123	0	49	7	44	1	42	6.29
at Minnesota	2	10	0	8	6	24	0	11	4.00
vs. Indiana	6	71	0	31	22	83	1	12	3.77
at Purdue	7	46	0	12	14	29	0	9	2.07
vs. Wisonson				DNP					
at Maryland				DNP					
vs. Iowa	0	0	0	0	3	14	0	0	7
Totals	40	453	2	49	88	340	1	47	4.33

## W. ROBINSON'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME CONT.

Opponent	KR	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TD
vs. South Alabama	3	77	25.7	39	0
at Colorado	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Northern III.	0	0	0	0	0
at Illinois	1	18	18.0	18	0
vs. Ohio State	3	51	17.0	18	0
vs. Northwestern	1	19	19.0	19	0
at Minnesota	1	23	23.0	23	0
vs. Indiana	0	0	0	0	0
at Purdue	2	48	24.0	18	0
vs. Iowa	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	236	21.5	39	0

## W. ROBINSON'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Receptions: 9, twice, last at Purdue, Dec 5, 2020
Receiving yards: 123, vs. Northwestern, Oct 5, 2019
Receiving touchdowns: 2, at Illinois, Sept 21, 2019
Long reception: 49, vs. Northwestern, Oct 5, 2019
Rush attempts: 22, vs. Indiana, Oct 26, 2019
Rush yards: 89, at Illinois, Sept 21, 2019
Rush touchdowns: 1, 3X, last at Rutgers, Dec 18, 2020
Punt Returns: 3, vs. Missouri, Oct 26, 2019
Long rush: 47, vs. Minnesota, Dec 12, 2020
Kickoff return yards: 77, vs. South Alabama, Aug 31, 2019

Long kickoff return: 39, vs South Alabama, Aug 31, 2019



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CHRIS
RODRIGUEZ

JR.
RUNNING BACK

5-11 • 224 • Junior-2L McDonough, Ga. (Ola)

## 2021 - Junior

- Preseason Second-Team All-SEC (Athlon)
- Preseason Third-Team All-SEC (Phil Steele)
- Preseason All-America Honorable Mention (PFF)
- Maxwell Award Watch List
- Doak Walker Award Watch List

- Has 1,361 career rushing yards, good for 27th place in school history
- · Has six 100-yard games in his career

## 2020 - Sophomore

- First-Team All-SEC (Pro Football Focus)
- Fourth-Team All-SEC (Phil Steele)
- · Played in nine of 11 games
- Team's leading rusher with 785 yards on 119 carries along with a team-high 11 touchdowns
- Averaged an SEC-high 6.6 yards per carry (17th nationally)
- Ranked fifth in the SEC in rushing (87.2 ypg)
- Had four 100-yard games with a career-best 149 yards vs. Vanderbilt
- Carried the ball 17 times for 84 yards, including both of UK's touchdowns, in the win over NC State in the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl
- Rushed 14 times for 139 yards and a career-high three touchdowns in the win over South Carolina ... His 79-yard touchdown run clinched the game in the fourth quarter and marked his career long run and the fifth-longest run in school history against an SEC opponent
- Became just the second player in school history, also Mark Higgs, to have two runs of at least 74 yards in the same season (had a 74-yard run vs. Vanderbilt)
- Also had a career-high 151 all-purpose yards vs.
   South Carolina
- Rushed 13 times for a career-high 149 yards and a career-high-tying two touchdowns vs. Vanderbilt
- Averaged 11.5 yards per attempt, best for a UK rusher against an SEC opponent (min. 10 carries) since Randall Cobb averaged 17 yards (10 for 170) vs. Vanderbilt in 2010
- Rushed a career-high 20 times for 108 yards vs. No. 5 Georgia
- Led the Wildcats on the ground in the win over Tennessee with 13 carries for 73 yards, including a two-yard touchdown run that closed the scoring
- Rushed 17 times for 133 yards, along with two touchdowns vs. Ole Miss

## 2019 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in all 13 games
- Totaled 71 carries for 533 yards and six scores, ranking fourth on the team in all categories
- Averaged 7.5 yards per carry (second on the team behind Lynn Bowden's school record 7.9 ypc)
- His 41.0 yards per game average ranked ninth among SEC freshmen
- Ranked tied for eighth with teammate Kavosiey Smoke in scoring (TDs) among SEC freshmen (2.8)
- Had two 100-yard rushing games
- Rushed six times for 18 yards in the Belk Bowl win over Virginia Tech ... Had a two-yard TD run late in the second quarter, his sixth TD of the year
- Rushed nine times for 125 yards, including a career-long 64-yard touchdown in UK's 45-13 win over Louisville
- Rushed 15 times for a career-high 129 yards and two touchdowns in the win over Vanderbilt
- Led the team in rushing with six carries for 65 yards and a touchdown at South Carolina ... Had a 44-yard run that sparked the drive for his own 2-yard touchdown run

## 2018 - Freshman

Redshirt season

- · Saw action in three games
- Appeared in his first collegiate game vs. Murray State and bulldozed two carries for 43 yards

#### High School

- A three-star prospect by all the major recruiting services
- Played on both sides of the ball as a running back and strong safety
- Ran for 1,669 yards on 233 carries with 25 touchdowns as a senior
- Averaged 7.2 yards per carry
- Named Henry County Offensive Player of the Week in November after running for 236 yards and five touchdowns in a win over Union Grove
- Rushed for 1,401 yards and 15 touchdowns with eight separate games of 100-plus yards rushing as a sophomore
- Increased his numbers to 1,660 yards rushing and 26 touchdowns as a junior
- Earned All-State, All-Region and All-County honors
- Named the Ola 2015 Player of the Year by MaxPreps
- · Coached by Jared Zito
- Also lettered in basketball and track
- Chose UK over offers from Ole Miss and Mississippi State

#### Personal

- Born in Riverdale, Georgia
- Son of Stephanie Thornton and Chris Rodriguez
- Siblings are Chyna Thornton and Gabbi Rodriguez
- Major is community and leadership development

#### Chris Says

- His nickname is "C-Rod"
- Most people don't know he likes country music
- The three people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Chance the Rapper, Drake, and Odell Beckham Jr.
- When he played football as a kid he pretended to be Marshawn Lynch
- Michael B. Jordan would play him a movie about his life

## RODRIGUEZ'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G-GS	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2018	3-0	2	43	21.5	0	27	0	0	0	0	0
2019	13-0	71	533	7.5	6	64	1	2	2.0	0	6
2020	9-0	119	785	6.6	11	79	1	12	12.0	0	12
Totals	25-0	192	1361	7.1	17	79	2	14	7.0	0	12

## RODRIGUEZ'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Long	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Auburn	9	13	0	5	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	17	133	2	22	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State	7	38	1	12	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	13	73	1	25	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	9	48	0	17	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	20	108	0	23	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	13	149	2	74	0	0	0	0
at Alabama				DNP				
at Florida				DNP				
vs. South Carolina	14	139	3	79	1	12	0	12
vs. NC State	17	84	2	26	0	0	0	0
Totals	119	785	11	79	1	12	0	12







#### **RODRIGUEZ'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME** Yds. TD Long Rec. Yds. TD Long Att. Opponent vs. Toledo 34 0 21 0 6 0 0 0 vs. EMU 0 0 0 0 0 vs. Florida 0 0 0 0 Ω 0 0 0 at Miss. State 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 at USC 6 65 1 44 n Ω n Ω vs. Arkansas 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 at Georgia 6 19 0 6 0 0 13 4 0 0 0 vs. Missouri 6 0 0 0 0 0 vs. Tennessee 12 81 0 23 0 at Vanderbilt 15 129 2 27 0 0 0 0 vs. UT Martin 6 26 0 0 0 vs. Louisville 9 125 1 64 0 0 0 0 vs. Virginia Tech 6 18 6 0 0 0 0 71 533 64 2 0 6 **Totals**

RODRIGUEZ'S 2018 GAME-BY-GAME											
Att.	Yds.	TD	Long	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long				
2	43	0	27	0	0	0	0				
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## **RODRIGUEZ'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Rush attempts: 20, vs Georgia, Oct 31, 2020 Rush yards: 149, vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020 (13 carries) Long rush: 79, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 Rushing TDs: 3, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 Receptions: 1, twice, last vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 Receiving yards: 12, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 Long reception: 12, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 Kickoff returns: 1, vs Toledo, Aug 31, 2019 Kickoff return yards: 20, vs Toledo, Aug 31, 2019 Long kick return: 20, vs Toledo, Aug 31, 2019 All-purpose yards: 151, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020



**PAUL RODRIGUEZ** 

**OFFENSIVE LINEMAN** 

6-5 • 330 • Freshman-HS Mason, Ohio (William Mason)

## **High School**

- A three-star recruit, who is considered a top-60 offensive tackle nationally by 247sports and Rivals
- Touts a 100.25-inch standing reach and an 81-inch wingspan
- Three-year letterwinner and starter for head coach Brian Castner at William Mason
- Helped lead the Comets to a 5-3 overall record, including a 4-2 mark in the Greater Miami Conference (GMC) in 2020
- Also played on the defensive line as a defensive tackle
- Named first-team All-Conference by the GMC
- Earned a spot on the Enquirer's Greater Cincinnati/ Northern Kentucky 2020 Fall Sports All-Stars First Team

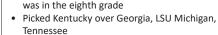
- Named a preseason All-America candidate by Sports Illustrated
- Earned 2020 Preseason All-TriState Football First-Team Offense recognition
- Chose Kentucky over Duke, Iowa State, Purdue, and Maryland

#### Personal

- Born in Lebanon, Missouri
- Son of Wendy Rodriguez and the late Abel
- Siblings are Nick, Victoria, Abel Jr. and Maria
- Mother, Wendy, played softball and basketball at Davis & Elkins College from 1985-89
- Majoring in natural resources and environmental sciences

## Paul Says

- He chose Kentucky because it felt like home and he would have the opportunity to play in the SEC
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he lost his dad when he was in the eighth grade
- Three words to describe him are loving, hardworking, and friendly
- In one sentence he would describe Coach Stoops as "one of the nicest people I've ever met and real with me and my family"
- The Rock would play him in a movie about his life



Personal

McCall

- Born in Detroit
- Son of Jova Townsel
- Siblings are Jeremiah Townsel and Raychard White
- · Major is undecided

## Justin Says

· He chose Kentucky because he felt an instant connection

· Totaled 22 TFL, seven sacks and four forced

Division championship as a junior

One of seven boys in his family

fumbles to help Oak Park win the OAA White

Reconnects with high school teammate Marquan

His first college offer came from Kentucky when he

- The person he most admires is his mom because of her strength and how she deals with five sons
- Besides being good at football, he's also a good
- Three words to describe him are team player, reliable, and trustworthy
- In one sentence he would describe Coach Stoops as "an amazing person who has a heart of gold for his players"



JUSTIN **ROGERS** 

**NOSE GUARD** 

6-3 • 328 • Sophomore-1L Detroit, Mich. (Oak Park)

## 2020 - Freshman

- Saw action in seven games and totaled nine tackles and a TFL
- Got his first career TFL in the win over South Carolina
- Recorded a career-high three tackles at Alabama
- Saw his first collegiate action vs. Mississippi State and charted two tackles in his debut

## **High School**

- Elite five-star prospect and the No. 10 overall prospect by Rivals
- Ranked the No. 1 player in the state of Michigan by 247Sports Composite
- Considered the second-best defensive tackle in the 2020 class by Rivals
- Four-year starter who dominated both sides of the ball — offensive tackle and defensive end - for head coach Greg Carter
- As a senior, did not give up a sack offensively, while defensively he charted six sacks, forced three fumbles and recovered two fumbles
- Named to the Detroit News Football Dream Team and the All-North Football Team in 2019



DARE

ROSENTHAL

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-7 • 327 • Junior-Tr Ferriday, La. (Ferriday)

## 2020 - Sophomore (LSU)

Played in seven of the LSU's 10 SEC-only games with five starting assignments vs. Mississippi State, Missouri, Alabama, Florida and Ole Miss.

## 2019 - r-Freshman (LSU)

- Appeared in five games with three starting nods
- Helped the Tigers go undefeated at 15-0 and win the CFP National Championship
- Started at left guard in wins over Northwestern State, Utah State and Mississippi State
- Played a total of 229 snaps with career-high 92 snaps coming against Utah State
- In the three games he started, the Tigers outscored their opponents 143-33

## 2018 - Freshman (LSU)

Redshirt season

## **High School**

- Top-rated defensive tackle prospect in Louisiana
- Nation's No. 18 overall defensive tackle
- Consensus four-star recruit who helped lead his team to the semifinals of the 2A state playoffs as a senior in 2017



- A two-way player who also played on the offensive line for head coach Stanley Smith at Ferriday High School
- Senior season totals were eye-popping as he charted 60 tackles, 30 tackles for loss, six sacks, five quarterback hurries, recovered four fumbles (two for TDs), blocked a field goal and registered an interception
- Participated in the New Orleans Regional for The Opening in both 2016 and 2017
- First-team All-State selection for Class 2A by the Louisiana Football Coaches Association as a senior

#### Personal

- Born in Ferriday, Louisiana
- Son of Latasha Rosenthal and Chad Ellis
- Siblings are Zamarion Rosenthal, Chasity Ellis, Chad Ellis, Tristan Ellis and Cydney Ellis
- Major is community and leadership development

## Dare Says

- He chose Kentucky because it was the best opportunity to get to the next level and improve as a man off the field
- Three words to describe him are honest, kind, and respectful
- After football, his dream job is to host a talk show
- One word to describe him on the field is "nasty"
- The best advice he's ever received is "don't ever give up, alway keep pushing"



**MATT** RUFFOLO

KICKER

5-11 • 210 • Senior-2L Centerville, Ohio (Archbishop Alter)

## 2021 - Senior\*

- Elected to return for a fifth year, taking advantage of the NCAA's ruling to grant an extra year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Career totals include 16-of-19 field goals and 40of-43 extra points for 88 total points
- Has a streak of six consecutive field goals made
- Lou Groza Award Watch List nation's top place kicker

## 2020 - Senior

- Hit 22-of-23 extra points and 12-of-14 field goal attempts, totaling 58 points, UK's second-leading
- Set a UK bowl record with three field goals, from 25, 26 and 20 yards, in the win over NC State in the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl
- Made all of his kicks in the win over South Carolina, including field goals of 22 and 41 yards, along with all five extra points
- Connected a 50-yard field goal in the second quarter at Missouri, tying his career long set last season vs. Arkansas

- Scored 10 points in Kentucky's 34-7 win at No. 18/17-ranked Tennessee ... Made a then-careerhigh 2-of-2 field goals, from 30 and 27 yards ... Also made all four extra points
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

#### 2019 - Junior

- Hit 4-of-5 field goals and 18-of-20 PATs
- Totaled 30 points
- Nailed a career-long 50-yard field goal in Kentucky's 24-20 win over Arkansas
- His field goal came on the first drive of the second half, keeping UK's momentum going after trailing 13-0 early in the game ... Also made all three extra points
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Dean's List (Fall 2019)

## 2018 - Sophomore

- Practiced with the team
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

#### 2017 - Freshman

- · Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Fall 2017)

#### **High School**

- Two-year starter and letter winner at kicker for Archbishop Alter
- Coached by Ed Domsitz
- Did not miss an extra point for two straight seasons (2016 and 2015)
- Ranks second all-time in Ohio for consecutive PATs made with 103
- Hit 4 of 5 field goals, 79 of 79 PATs, 73 of 85 kicks were touchbacks and averaged 40.0 yards per punt as a senior
- Helped the Knights finish as conference champs and state runner-up with a 13-1 record in 2016
- Named to the All-Greater Catholic League First Team and was named to the Miami Valley Football Coaches Association (MVFCA) All-Star Team
- Honorable mention Southwest Ohio
- Member of the National Honors Society, graduating with honors
- Member of the Student Council, Key Club, University Club and German Club
- Chose UK over Dayton, Ball State and Toledo

## Personal

- · Born in Dayton, Ohio
- Son of John and Susie Ruffolo
- Sister, Kara, played soccer at Loyola, while brother, Michael, was a kicker at Dayton
- Graduated in May of 2021 with a degree in finance .. Currently working on his MBA at UK's Gatton College of Business and Economics

## Matt Says

- His nickname is "Big Foot"
- Other than playing for the NFL, his dream job is to be a CFO of a company
- The three people he would invite to his fantasy dinner are Peyton Manning, Donald Trump and Pat
- If he could create a holiday he would call it "National Spicy Italian Meatball Day" and everyone would eat meatballs

	RUFFO	LO'S CARE	ER STATIS	TICS
Year	FG	Long FG	PAT	Points
2019	4-5	50	18-20	30
2020	12-14	50	22-23	58
Totals	16-19	50	40-43	88

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Year	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Total	Long
2019	0-0	1-1	0-0	2-3	1-1	4-5	50
2020	0-0	6-6	4-4	1-3	1-1	12-14	50
Totals	0-0	7-7	4-4	3-6	2-2	16-19	50

## **RUFFOLO'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Points scored: 11, twice, last vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 Points by kicking: 11, twice, last vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 Field goals made: 3, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 Field goal attempts: 3, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021

Longest field goal: 50, twice, last at Missouri, Oct 24, 2020 Consecutive FGs made: 6 - Florida, Nov 28, 2020 - Present



TRE'VONN RYBKA

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

6-4 • 301 • Freshman-RS Dickson, Tenn. (Dickson County)

## 2020 - Freshman

- · Redshirt season
- Saw his first collegiate action vs. Mississippi State

## **High School**

- Highly recruited defensive lineman who drew national attention
- Consensus top-50 defensive tackle recruit, as high as No. 28 by Rivals.com
- Four-star recruit by Rivals, which listed him the No. 10 recruit in Tennessee
- 247sports has him as the No. 40 defensive tackle in the US, ESPN has him at No. 44
- Totaled 170 tackles, including 25 for loss, during his career at Dickson County HS
- Named to the 2019 All-Dickson County football team by The Dickson Post and was on the Region 6-6A All-Region team
- Played in the Tennessee East-West All-Star game and tied for the team lead with eight total tackles, including five solo tackles, and a fumble recovery
- · Also participated in track and field in the shot put
- Four-year starter for head coach Randy Murphree
- · Decided on Kentucky over Oregon

- First name pronounced "TREY-vee-on"
- Born in Nashville, Tennessee
- Son of Ricky and Elaine Newsom
- Siblings are Maya Rybka, Toni Dunn, Malachi Rybka, Nehemiah Joiner, Nazare Battiste







- · A cousin, Demonta Daniel, played football at Memphis and Tennessee Martin
- Major is undecided

## Tre'Vonn Says

- His nickname is "Chunky"
- He chose Kentucky because he loved the atmosphere and the vibe of the coaching staff
- Other than playing for the NFL, his dream job is to be a collegiate football coach
- One thing most people may not know about him is that he was adopted by his grandparents
- Besides football he's also good at tennis, fishing and longboarding



**EARNEST** 

**SANDERS IV** 

**WIDE RECEIVER** 

6-1 • 218 • Freshman-RS Beecher, Mich. (Beecher)

#### 2020 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Saw his first collegiate action at Auburn and also saw action vs. Vanderbilt
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

## **High School**

- Explosive, all-round athlete who excelled in football, basketball and track
- One of the top 20 recruits in Michigan as evaluated by ESPN and 247sports
- Also one of the nation's top-100 wide receivers by the same two services
- First-team all-state as a senior by The Associated Press and Detroit News after catching 19 passes for 522 yards and seven touchdowns
- Also first-team all-state as a junior when he caught 42 passes for 1,047 yards and 15 touchdowns, rushed for six touchdowns, returned two kickoffs and one punt for TDs
- A four-year starter who helped lead Beecher HS to state playoff berths each of his last two seasons
- Coached by Courtney Hawkins
- Also a two-time all-state basketball player as a iunior and senior
- Averaged a double-double in 2019 with 15.5 points and 10.2 rebounds per game ... Added 3.3 assists and 3.3 steals per game
- Averaged 17.5 points and 11 rebounds per game for a team that advanced to the final eight of the state tourney
- Candidate for Michigan Mr. Basketball
- Competed in the 200-meter dash, high jump and long jump for the track team, earning All-State
- Chose Kentucky over Michigan State

## Personal

- Born in Flint, Michigan
- Son of Danielle Kelly and Ernest Sanders III
- His seven siblings are JaQualyn Kelly, Malik Wilbanks, Jacoby Sanders, Emiyah Sanders, Jamari Sanders, Emelia Sanders and JaCaylah Sanders
- Father, Earnest, played football as a strong safety at Michigan (1993-95)
- · Major is undecided

## **Ernest Says**

- His nickname is "E"
- He chose Kentucky because it felt like home and UK was a place he could better himself as a person and as a student-athlete
- Three words to describe him are fun, cool, and loving
- One thing most people may not know about him is that he can't swim
- After football his dream is to be his own boss and run his own business



**KAHLIL** 

# **SAUNDERS**

**DEFENSIVE LINE** 

6-5 • 270 • Freshman-HS Huntsville, Ala. (Grissom)

## **High School**

- A three-star recruit by all the major recruiting
- Considered a top 50 strong-side defensive end by 247sports
- A two-way player at Grissom High School also playing on the offensive line
- A three-year starter for head coach Chip English
- Totaled 80 tackles, including 14.0 tackles for loss, 8.0 sacks and 17 quarterback hurries as a senior at Grissom
- Helped lead Grissom to the AHSAA High School Football Class 7A playoffs for the first time since 2004
- Named to the 2020 Alabama Sports Writers Association All-State football Class 7A Second Team
- Earned 7A Region 4 first-team honors ... Also an all-city first-team member
- Named a preseason All-America candidate by Sports Illustrated
- Chose Kentucky over Indiana, Virginia, and Virginia Tech

## **Personal**

- Born in Huntsville, Alabama
- Son of Toshiba Burton
- Major is undecided

## Kahlil Says

- He chose Kentucky because it would give him the best opportunity to go to the NFL
- After football his dream is to be an exotic animal veterinarian

- · Three words to describe him are chill, goofy, and competitive
- The person he admires the most is his mom because she's a strong, independent woman
- · One thing most people may not know about him is that he draw



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NIK **SCALZO** 

**QUARTERBACK** 

6-0 • 195 • Sohomore-Sq Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Cardinal Gibbons)

## 2020 - r-Freshman

· Practiced with the team

#### 2019 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Did not see action in any games due to a torn ACL suffered in fall camp
- Dean's List (Fall 2019)
- First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

## **High School**

- A three-star prospect by all of the major recruiting services
- Rated one of Florida's top-10 quarterbacks
- A dual-threat passer who led Cardinal Gibbons to a combined 32-6 record in his three seasons as a
- Completed 59.6 percent of his passes (522 for 876) for 6,471 yards with 74 touchdowns to only 23 interceptions in three seasons
- Also rushed for 613 yards on 147 carries with four scores in his career
- Helped lead the Chiefs to their first Florida 5A state championship as a senior, completing 173-of-279 passes for 2,185 yards and 24 touchdowns before injury sidelined him in the regional semifinal
- Earned first-team All-State and first-team All-County honors by the Sun Sentinel
- As a junior, completed 175-of-307 passes for 2,065 yards and 23 touchdowns in leading the Chiefs to an 11-2 overall record and his second straight FHSAA Class 5A playoff appearance
- As a sophomore, threw for 2,221 yards and 27 touchdowns in leading the Chiefs' Air-Raid offense to a 9-2 season and regional semifinal appearance
- High school teammate of fellow signee Nik Ognenovic
- The pair teamed together to win the Adidas 7-on-7 National Championship with South Florida Express in the spring of 2018
- Coached by Matt DuBuc
- Chose Kentucky over Harvard and Georgia State

## **Community Cats**

Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)



#### Personal

- Born in Fort Lauderdale, Florida
- Son of Amber and Jerry Scalzo
- Has one sister, Jensen, who is a sophomore on the Arkansas gymnastics team
- Dad, Jerry, was a wide receiver at Clemson in 1993
- · Major is pre-marketing

## Nik Says

- He chose Kentucky because it felt like home the minute he stepped on campus
- Most people don't know he's a dare devil
- When he played football as a kid he pretended to be Johnny Manziel
- One word to describe him on the field is "leader"
- His sports hero is Baker Mayfield because he paved the way for smaller quarterbacks



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KAIYA SHERON

**QUARTERBACK** 

6-3 • 203 • Freshman-HS Somerset, Ky. (Somerset)

## 2021 - Freshman

• Mid-year enrollee In January 2021

## **High School**

- Three-star prospect who ranked as one of the top-10 players in the commonwealth as evaluated by 247, Rivals.com and ESPN
- Ranked as the nation's No. 21 pro-style quarterback by 247sports.com
- A four-year letterwinner and three-year starter for head coach Robbie Lucas at Somerset
- Guided team to a 9-3 record as a senior and the second round of the state playoffs
- Completed 111 passes for 2,016 yards and threw 15 touchdown passes ... Also rushed for 465 yards and scored 10 rushing touchdowns
- Two-time Class AA Player of the Year as chosen by the Kentucky Football Coaches Association (2019 and 2020)
- First-team all-state by Kentucky Sports Radio, named to the Lexington Herald-Leader "Class of the Commonwealth" list of the top seniors in Kentucky
- Named 2020 Commonwealth Journal Offensive Player of the Year
- Nominated for the Lexington Herald-Leader's 2020 Kentucky Sports Figure of the Year
- AP All-State honorable mention
- As a junior, led Somerset (Ky.) High School to a 14-1 record and the 2019 state championship in Class AA
- Most Valuable Player of the state title game as he guided the Briar Jumpers on a five-play, 86-yard TD drive in the game's final 28 seconds
- Overall, threw for 3,218 yards and 28 touchdowns while rushing for 959 yards and nine TDs

- Named second-team all-state by The Associated Press and honorable mention by the Louisville Courier-Journal
- 2019 Commonwealth Journal Football Player of the Year
- · Strong arm paired with good mobility
- · Also played basketball, earning three letters
- · Member of the student council
- An early commitment to Kentucky, he selected the Wildcats over Arizona State and Cincinnati

## Personal

- Name is pronounced "Ki-yah Sharon"
- Born in Cincinnati, Ohio
- · Son of Melissa and Kevin Sheron
- · Has one sister, Kallie Sheron
- Major is pre-communication

## Kaiya Says

- His nickname is "K.B."
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be a coach
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he throws with his right hand but kicks with his left foot
- Besides playing football, he's also good at ping pong
- The best advice he's ever received is "nothing good happens after midnight"



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KAVOSIEY **SMOKE** 

**RUNNING BACK** 

5-9 • 202 • Junior-2L Wetumpka, Ala. (Wetumpka)

## 2020 - Sophomore

- Has totaled 820 career rushing yards on 152 carries
- Played in seven of 11 games
- Had 47 carries for 229 yards and one score ... Also had five receptions for 25 yards
- Totaled 45 yards on nine attempts in the win over NC State in the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl
- Led the Wildcats with seven carries for 62 yards, including a 35-yard touchdown run on UK's first possession at Auburn
- Had five carries for 29 yards vs. Ole Miss before leaving the game with injury

## 2019 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in all 13 games
- UK's third-leading rusher with 616 yards on 101 attempts and six scores
- Averaged 6.1 yards per attempt
- Had two receptions for 26 yards
- Ranked in the top 10 among SEC freshman leaders in the following categories: fifth in rushing (47.47), ninth in all-purpose yards (50.7) and 10th in total offense (47.4) and scoring (2.8)
- Rushed twice for 75 yards in UK's 45-13 win over Louisville ... His 70-yard run in the second quarter

- was a career-long and the longest by a Wildcat of the season
- Ran 15 times for a career-high 95 yards in the win over Vanderbilt

## 2018 - Freshman

- · Redshirt season
- Saw action in two games vs. Louisville and Penn State and totaled four carries for 45 yards and a score
- Got his first collegiate carries at Louisville, rushing four times for 45 yards, including a 37-yard scoring dash

### **High School**

- A three-star recruit by all the major recruiting services ... Ranked the 29th-best running back in the nation by Rivals
- Four-year starter for the Indians
- Selected to play in the 31st annual Alabama-Mississippi Football All-Star Classic
- Helped Wetumpka advance to the 6A Alabama state championship game for the first time in the school's 115-year history
- Finished his senior season with 1,508 rushing yards and 28 touchdowns
- Earned Class 6A second-team All-State honors by the Alabama Sports Writers Association
- Chose UK over offers from South Carolina, Auburn, North Carolina, Georgia Tech, Missouri, Florida and Virginia Tech
- Also a four-year starter as a small forward/power forward on the basketball team
- · Coached by Tim Perry

## Personal

- Name is pronounced "kah-VAH-see-ay"
- Born in Montgomery, Alabama
- Son of Helen Smoke
- Siblings are Iesha, Miranda, Nadia and Tay
- Major is community and leadership development

## Kavosiey Says

- His nickname is "Smoke"
- Most people don't know he's part Native American
- He chose to play football at Kentucky because it felt like home
- After his football career, he would like to be a coach
- His sports hero is Bo Jackson

	SMOKE'S CAREER STATISTICS											
Year	G-GS	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	
2018	2-0	4	45	11.2	1	37	0	0	0	0	0	
2019	13-0	101	616	6.1	6	70	2	26	13.0	0	28	
2020	7-0	47	229	4.9	1	35	5	25	5.0	0	9	
Totals	22-0	152	890	5.9	8	70	7	51	7.3	0	28	

SI	MOK	Œ'S	202	O GAI	ME-BY	/-GA	ME	
Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Long	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Auburn	7	62	1	35	2	10	0	8
vs. Ole Miss	5	29	0	19	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. St.				DNP				
at Tennessee				DNP				
at Missouri				DNP				
vs. Georgia	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	6





SI	MOK	(E'S	202	O GAN	1E-B	Y-GA	ME	
vs. Vandy	3	20	0	15	1	9	0	9
at Alabama	9	26	0	8	1	0	0	0
at Florida	14	47	0	13	0	0	0	0
vs. USC				DNP				
vs. NC State	9	47	0	18	0	0	0	0
Totals	47	229	1	35	5	25	0	9

SI	MOK	(E'S	201	.9 GAN	1E-B\	/-GAI	ME	
Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Long	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Toledo	7	78	1	40	0	0	0	0
vs. EMU	11	92	1	32	0	0	0	0
vs. Florida	16	81	0	16	1	-2	0	0
at Miss. State	10	25	1	12	0	0	0	0
at USC	2	7	0	7	0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas	11	45	0	25	0	0	0	0
at Georgia	1	5	0	5	0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri	3	8	1	4	0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee	8	58	1	22	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	15	95	1	21	1	28	0	28
vs. UT Martin	11	40	0	9	0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville	2	75	0	70	0	0	0	0
vs. Va. Tech	4	7	0	5	0	0	0	0
Totals	101	616	6	70	2	26	0	28

SMOKE'S 2018 GAME-BY-GAME									
Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Long	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long	
at Louisville	4	45	1	37	0	0	0	0	
vs. Penn State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Totals	4	45	1	37	0	0	0	0	

## SMOKE'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Rush attempts: 16, vs Florida, Sept 14, 2019
Rush yards: 95, at Vanderbilt, Nov 16, 2019 (15 carries)
Long rush: 70, vs Louisville, Nov 30, 2019
Rushing TDs: 1, 6x, last at Vanderbilt, Nov 16, 2019
Receptions: 2, at Auburn, Sept 26, 2020
Receiving yards: 28, at Vanderbilt, Nov 16, 2019
Long reception: 28, at Vanderbilt, Nov 16, 2019
All-purpose yards: 123, at Vanderbilt, Nov 16, 2019



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DEANDRE SQUARE

**INSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-1 • 221 • Senior-3L Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech)

## 2021 - Senior

- Preseason Third-Team All-SEC (Phil Steele)
- Preseason Fourth-Team All-SEC (Athlon)
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Has played in 36 career games with 22 starting assignments

## 2020 - Junior (Team Captain)

- Started in 10 of 11 games played
- Third on the team in total tackles with 60, second with four QBH
- Also had 2.5 TFL, a pass breakup and a fumble recovery
- Had a season-high nine tackles vs. Mississippi State
- Had six tackles and shared a one-yard tackle for loss at Florida ... His fumble recovery in the second quarter on the UF 38 set up a UK touchdown drive ... It was the first recovery of his career
- Elected one of 10 team captains

## 2019 - Sophomore

- · Started in 12 games
- Second on the team in tackles with 69
- Also had 4.0 TFL, 1.5 sacks, three QBHs, a PBU, an interception and a forced fumble
- Had a career-best 11 tackles and had his first career interception in his first career start vs.
   Toledo in the season opener
- First UK player with at least 10 tackles, a half sack, 1 TFL and an interception since Josh Forrest vs. Louisiana on Sept. 5, 2015

## 2018 - Freshman

- Played in all 13 games with one start vs. Penn State
- Earned Freshman All-SEC honors by the league coaches after totaling 35 tackles, 3.5 TFL, three QBHs, one PBU and one forced fumble
- In his first collegiate start vs. Penn State in the VRBO Citrus Bowl, tied his career-high of six tackles, including a six-yard quarterback sack
- · Charted three tackles in his collegiate debut

## High School

- A hard-hitting linebacker at powerhouse Cass Tech
- Rated a four-star player and No. 20 outside linebacker nationally
- Played both sides for head coach Thomas Wilcher
- Had 94 tackles, two interceptions and forced four fumbles to help Cass Tech advance to the Division 1 state semifinals as a senior
- Named first-team All-State by the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association and the AP
- Played in the Offensive-Defense All-American Bowl in New Orleans, charting eight tackles
- Helped his team capture the Division I state title with a perfect 14-0 record in 2016, the first undefeated season in program history
- Won the 2014 and 2016 conference championship
- Chose Kentucky after considering LSU, Michigan State, Purdue, Wisconsin and Cincinnati

## Personal

- Born in Detroit, Michigan
- Son of Florence Square and Tyrone and Miranda Square
- Siblings are Brian Linley, Andrea Square, Pamela Square and Tyler Square
- Majoring in health promotion

## **DeAndre Says**

- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a coach or athletic trainer
- He chose UK because it was the best place for him to play and he loved the atmosphere and the fans
- The person he admires most is his mom because she works so hard

Three words to describe him are quiet, shy, and funny

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Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tkls.	Sacks-Y	TFL-Y	FF/FR	QBH	Int.	PBU
2018	LB	13-0	35	1.0-6	3.5-10	1/0	3	0	1
2019	LB	12-12	69	1.5-13	4.0-23	1/0	3	1-3	1
2020	LB	11-10	60	0-0	2.5-4	0/1	4	0	1
Totals		36-22	164	2.5-19	10.0-37	2/1	10	1-3	3

SQUA	RE'S	5 202	20 GA	ME-	BY:	·GA	ME	
Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF	FR	Int.	QBH
at Auburn*	5	0.5-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
vs. Ole Miss*	7	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State*	9	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	1
at Tennessee*	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri*	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
vs. Georgia*	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama*	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Florida*	6	0.5-1	0-0	0	0	1	0	0
vs. South Carolina*	4	0.5-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State*	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	60	2.5-4	0-0	1	0	1	0	4

SQUA	RE'	5 201	.9 GAI	MIE-I	BY-	GA	ME	
Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF	FR	Int.	QBH
vs. Toledo*	11	1.5-6	1.5-4	0	0	0	1-3	0
vs. EMU*	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
vs. Florida*	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
at Miss. State*	9	1.5-10	1.0-9	0	0	0	0	0
at USC*	4	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	1
vs. Arkansas*	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Georgia*	9	1.0-7	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri*	7	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee*	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt*	3	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0
vs. UT Martin		DNP	(Injury)					
vs. Louisville*	7	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Virginia Tech*	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	69	4.0-23	1.5-13	1	1	0	1-3	3

RE'	5 201	.8 GA	ME-	BY-	GA	ME	
Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF	FR	Int.	QBH
3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0.5-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
5	1.0-2	0-0	0	1	0	0	0
2	1.0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	9	0
6	1.0-6	1.0-6	0	0	0	0	0
35	3.5-10	1.0-6	1	1	0	0	3
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## SQUARE'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 11, vs Toledo, Aug 31, 2019 (7-4) Tackles for loss: 1.5, twice, last at Mississippi State (10 yards) Sacks: 1.0, last at Mississippi State (9 yards) Pass breakups: 1, 4x, last vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020

Quarterback hurry: 2, at Missouri, Oct 24, 2020 Forced fumbles: 1. twice, last at Vanderbilt, Nov 16, 2019 Fumble recovery: 1, at Florida, Nov 28, 2020 Interceptions: 1, vs Toledo, Aug 31, 2019



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**CLEVAN** THOMAS JR.

WIDE RECEIVER

5-11 • 190 • Senior-2L Miami, Fla. (Charles W. Flanagan)

## 2021 - Senior

- Has seen action in 29 games with eight starting
- Rehabbing from a torn ACL suffered in spring practice and will not see action this season

#### 2020 - Junior

- Saw action in four games with one start in the season opener at Auburn
- Caught one pass for three yards vs. Ole Miss
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

## 2019 - r-Sophomore

- Saw action in all 13 games, starting in seven straight
- Had 11 catches (tied for fourth on the team) for 99 yards (fifth on the team) and a score
- Had at least one catch in nine of the last 10 games
- Caught two passes for 45 yards in the win over Vanderbilt, including a 40-varder that tied the longest reception of his career
- Made his first collegiate start vs. Arkansas and caught two passes for 10 yards and his first collegiate touchdown
- SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

## 2018 - Sophomore

- Redshirt season
- Saw action in three games early
- Caught two passes for a career-high 51 yards vs. Murray State
- Dean's List (Spring 2019)
- SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

## 2017 - Freshman

- Saw action in nine games
- One of seven true freshmen to see action in the opening game vs. Southern Miss and had his first career catch for four yards
- Graduated a semester early and enrolled at Kentucky in January of 2017

## **High School**

• Three-star recruit who ranked as one of the nation's top 100 receivers by every major scouting service

- Contributed at several positions for the District 12-8A champions and regional semifinalist Falcons, playing defensive back, wide receiver and tight end
- Named to the Broward Football 8A-6A Offense First Team as a receiver
- Caught nine TD passes as a junior in helping lead the Falcons win the 2015 Class 8A state championship
- A three-year letter winner and starter for coach Stanford Samuels Jr.
- · Chose UK over Michigan, Louisville and Syracuse

#### **Community Cats**

Participated in the Read Across America event at Fayette Mall (2017)

## Personal

- Born in Miami, Florida
- Son of Yera and Clevan Thomas
- Father, Clevan Thomas, was a defensive back at Florida State from 1997-2000; Inducted into the AFI Hall of Fame in 2012
- Has two sisters, Infinity and Destiny
- Graduated in May of 2020 with a degree in community and leadership development ... On track to graduate in August of 2021 with a master's degree in sport leadership

## Clevan Says

- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to
- One word to describe him on the field is "physical"
- If he had a hashtag to describe himself it would be
- His sports hero is his dad, who he grew up watching and learning from
- Most people don't know he can draw

## THOMAS' CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long	Att.	Yds.	TD	Long
2017	WR	9-0	1	4	4.0	0	4	0	0	0	0
2018	WR	3-0	3	63	21.0	0	40	0	0	0	0
2019	WR	13-7	11	99	9.0	1	40	3	-1	0	4
2020	WR	4-1	1	3	3.0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Totals		29-8	16	169	10.6	1	40	3	-1	0	4

## THOMAS' 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long	Att.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Auburn*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	1	3	n	3	n	0	0	0

## THOMAS' 2019 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long	Att.	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Toledo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. EMU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Florida	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Miss. State	1	8	0	8	0	0	0	0
at South Carolina	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas*	2	10	1	10	0	0	0	0
at Georgia*	1	8	0	8	0	0	0	0
vs. MIssouri*	1	9	0	9	2	-5	0	1

vs. Tennessee	1	8	0	8	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt*	2	45	0	40	0	0	0	0
vs. UT Martin*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville*	1	4	0	4	0	0	0	0
vs. Virginia Tech*	1	5	0	5	1	4	0	4
Totals	11	99	1	40	3	-1	0	4

THOM	AS' 201	8 GAME	-BY-G <i>P</i>	ME
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Central Mich.	1	12	0	12
at Florida	0	0	0	0
vs. Murray State	2	51	0	40
Totals	3	63	0	40

THOM	AS' 201	7 GAME	-BY-GA	ME
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Southern Miss	1	4	0	4
vs. EKU	0	0	0	0
at South Carolina	0	0	0	0
vs. Florida	0	0	0	0
vs. E. Michigan	0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri	0	0	0	0
at Miss. State	0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0
Totals	1	4	0	4

## THOMAS' SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Receptions: 2, twice, last vs Arkansas, Oct 12, 2019 Receiving yards: 51, vs. Murray State, Sept 15, 2018 (2 receptions) Receiving TDs: 1, vs Arkansas, Oct 12, 2019 Long reception: 40, twice, last vs Vanderbilt, Nov 16, 2019 Rush attempts: 2, vs Missouri, Oct 26, 2019 Rush yards: 4, vs Virginia Tech, Dec 31, 2019 Long rush: 4, vs Virginia Tech, Dec 31, 2019



**MARTEZ** 

## THROWER

**INSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-2 • 212 • Freshman-HS Rochelle, Ga. (Wilcox County)

## **High School**

- Three-star prospect by the major scouting services
- Rated the No. 38 outside linebacker nationally and No. 54 overall prospect in Georgia by the 247Sports Composite
- Totaled 120 tackles, including 92 solo, 9.5 tackles for loss, four forced fumbles and one fumble recovery for a touchdown as a senior
- Named first-team All-State by the Atlanta Journal-Constitution
- Earned a spot on the Class A South defensive team by the Georgia Athletic Coaches Association
- Named to the 2020 Class 1A Public All-State First Team by the GHSF Daily







- "Martez is an explosive hitter. He brings the hammer. He broke three facemasks in one game. Long story short, the guy will hit you. He will light you up," Wilcox County coach Rob Stowe said
- Named the 2020 Atlanta Journal-Constitution Preseason Player of the Year for Class A
- Named a preseason All-America candidate by Sports Illustrated
- · Picked Kentucky over Arkansas and Nebraska

#### Personal

- Born in Hawkinsville, Georgia
- Son of Norma Brown
- Siblings are Deauntay Legrier, Britney Legrier and Shaina Legrier
- · Major is kinesiology

## **Martez Says**

- He chose Kentucky because it felt like home
- One word to describe him on the field is "determined"
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he likes to fish and hunt
- The person he admires most is his brother because he leads him the right way
- His passion in life is to be the best person he can be



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**TRAVIS** 

TISDALE

**RUNNING BACK** 

5-9 • 180 • Sophomore-1L Valdosta, Ga. (Lowndes)

## 2020 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in seven games
- Totaled six carries for 21 yards
- Also had three kick returns for 42 yards
- Recorded three carries for five yards at Alabama
- Also had three carries for 16 yards in the win over Tennessee

## 2019 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Played in two games (Vanderbilt and UT Martin)
- Rushed four times for 60 yards vs. UT Martin, including a 53-yard run ... Also scored his first collegiate touchdown on a one-yard run
- Saw his first collegiate action at Vanderbilt and had one carry

## **High School**

- A four-star recruit and one of the nation's top-300 players by ESPN
- Ranked the nation's No. 18 running back by ESPN and the No. 11 all-purpose back nationally by Rivals
- Rated as high as the No. 33 prospect in Georgia
- Region Player of the Year as a senior as he rushed for 1,903 yards and 21 touchdowns
- Led Lowndes HS to a 10-4 record and a berth in the Class AAAAAAA (largest classification) state playoff semifinals

- Named to the 2018-19 Georgia Athletic Coaches Association Class 7A All-State team and the 2018 Atlanta Journal Constitution All-State team
- Senior season was highlighted by 413 yards and six rushing touchdowns – both of which are school records – against crosstown rival Valdosta High School
- Also a 1,000-yard rusher as a sophomore with 1.029 yards
- Set the LHS career record for rushing touchdowns with 46, breaking Darriet Perry's previous career record of 40
- Coached by Randy McPherson
- Chose Kentucky over Nebraska, Ole Miss and Penn State

## Personal

- · Born in Andrews, South Carolina
- Son of Emmanuel and Jeniker McBride
- Dad serves in United States Air Force
- Siblings are Qusha Jackson, Emyriah McBride, and Emva McBride
- Major is community and leadership development

## Travis Says

- His nickname is "Tizzy"
- Three words to describe him are fun, quiet and smooth
- His dream job is to be a little league football coach
- The person he admires most is his mom because she pushes him to be great
- The best advice he's ever received is "you can do or be whatever you want in life"

## T. TISDALE'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G-GS	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2019	2-0	5	57	11.4	1	53	0	0	0	0	0
2020	7-0	6	21	3.5	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	9-0	11	78	7.1	1	53	0	0	0	0	0

## T. TISDALE'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Long	KR	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Ole Miss	0	0	0	0	1	13	0	13
at Tennessee	3	16	0	6	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama	3	5	0	4	0	0	0	0
at Florida	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. USC	0	0	0	0	2	29	0	22
Totals	6	21	0	6	3	42	0	22

## T. TISDALE'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Att.	Yds.	TD	Long	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Vandy	1	-3	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. UT Martin	4	60	1	53	0	0	0	0
Totals	5	57	1	53	11	67	0	13

## T. TISDALE'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Rush attempts: 5, vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2019 Rush yards: 60, vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2019 Long rush: 53, vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2019 Rushing TDs: 1, vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2019 All-purpose yards: 60, vs UT Martin, Nov 23, 2019 Kick returns: 3, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 Kick return yards: 42, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020 Long return: 22, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020



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VITO TISDALE

**NICKELBACK** 

6-1 • 188 • Sophomore-1L Bowling Green, Ky. (Bowling Green)

## 2020 - Freshman

- Had 20 tackles, and 0.5 TFL in 10 games played
- Totaled a career-high six tackles in the win over NC State in the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl

## High School

- Ranked the No. 3 Kentucky prospect and a top-20 safety in the class of 2020 by 247sports
- Announced his decision during the U.S. Army All-American game in San Antonio, Texas
- Named a U.S. Army All-American and first-team All-State member after totaling 88 total tackles (26 solo), four interceptions and two fumble recoveries during his senior season
- Named honorable mention for the 2019 Class of the Commonwealth by the Lexington Herald-Leader
- Four-year starter for head coach Mark Spader at Bowling Green High School
- Also returned kicks
- His defensive prowess helped lead the Purples to a 9-4 record and a semifinal appearance in the Class 5A playoffs in 2019
- Also participated in track at BGHS
- Chose UK over Alabama, Georgia and Texas A&M

## Personal

- Born in Bowling Green, Kentucky
- Son of Vito Tisdale and Erica Cherry
- Siblings are Napoleon, Sydney, Blue, and Meadow
- Major is undecided

## Vito Says

- He chose Kentucky because it's home
- Three words to describe him are chill, calm, and sweet
- One word to describe him on the field is "dangerous"
- If he could eat one thing for the rest of his life he would eat tacos
- His sports hero is Sean Taylor



## V. TISDALE'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tkls.	Sacks-Y	TFL-Y	FF/FR	QBH	Int.	PBU
2020	S	10-0	20	0-0	0.5-1	0/0	0	0	0
Totals		10-0	20	0-0	0.5-1	0/0	0	0	0

## V. TISDALE'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF	FR	Int.	QBH
at Auburn			DNP					
vs. Ole Miss	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Florida	3	0.5-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	20	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0

#### V. TISDALE'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 6, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 (3-3)
Tackles for loss: 0.5, at Florida, Nov 28, 2020



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KEATON UPSHAW

**TIGHT END** 

6-6 • 250 • Junior-2L Lima, Ohio (Lima Senior)

## 2021 - Junior

 Suffered a season-ending injury during fall camp and his return is TBD

## <u> 2020 - Sophomore</u>

- Saw action in all 11 games, with four starting assignments
- Totaled 16 catches for 193 yards and three scores
- Caught a career-high tying three passes for 28 yards, including a four-yard touchdown in the second quarter at Florida
- Also caught three passes for 44 yards at Alabama, both were career highs
- Had a 21-yard touchdown reception in the second quarter vs. Vanderbilt
- Had a 12-yard touchdown catch in the second quarter vs. Mississippi State
- Set up a GoFundMe page for roommate Chris Oats who is battling a serious medical condition, to help Oats' family with medical bills -

www.22oatsstrong.com

#### 2019 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in all 13 games with two starts (South Carolina and Tennessee)
- Made his first collegiate start at South Carolina and totaled seven catches for 78 yards and a score
- Got his first collegiate touchdown with a 13-yard catch in the third quarter vs. Florida
- Charted his first collegiate pass receptions vs.
   Toledo with two catches for 19 yards
- Critical blocker for UK's impressive run game which ranked fourth nationally with 278.8 yards per game

#### 2018 - Freshman

· Redshirt season

#### **High School**

- A three-star tight end in most of the major recruiting services
- Rated as the 25th-best tight end in the 2018 class
- A three-year starter who earned first-team All-Northwest Ohio District and second-team All-State honors by Three Rivers Athletic Conference after totaling 786 receiving yards on 46 catches with four touchdowns as a senior
- Also was a third-team Division II Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association (OPSWA) All-Ohio selection
- Caught 48 passes for 758 yards and four touchdowns as a junior, earning him a spot on the All-Northwest Ohio and TRAC first team
- Also named second-team All-Ohio
- · Coached by Andre Griffin
- Also an excellent basketball player, lettering three seasons as a power forward
- Lettered one season in track & field, participating in the 4x400, 4x200 and the high jump
- Picked Kentucky over offers from Louisville, West Virginia, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and Auburn

## Personal

- Born in Lima, Ohio
- · Son of Jessica Kahle
- Siblings are Aaron Godsey, Kearre Upshaw, and Teysha Upshaw
- Major is community and leadership development

## **Keaton Says**

- His nickname is "Keat"
- His hidden talent is bowling
- The most influential person in his life is his mother because she pushes him everyday
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be a personal trainer
- Three words to describe him are funny, chill and hardworking

## **UPSHAW'S CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long
2019	TE	13-2	7	78	11.1	1	19
2020	TE	11-4	16	198	12.4	3	23
Totals		24-6	23	276	12.0	4	23

## **UPSHAW'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME**

Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Auburn	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	1	5	0	5
vs. Mississippi State	1	12	1	12

at Tennesse	2	22	0	18
at Missouri*	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	1	10	0	10
vs. Vanderbilt	2	41	1	21
at Alabama*	3	44	0	17
at Florida*	3	28	1	13
vs. South Carolina	1	11	0	11
vs. NC State	2	25	0	23
Totals	16	198	3	23

UPSHAW'S	2019	AME-B	Y-GAMI	Ē
Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
vs. Toledo	2	19	0	17
vs. EMU	2	19	0	10
vs. Florida	1	13	1	13
at Miss. State	1	19	0	19
at South Carolina*	0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas	0	0	0	0
at Georgia	0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri	0	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee*	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	1	8	0	8
vs. UT Martin	0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville	0	0	0	0
vs. Virginia Tech	0	0	0	0
Totals	7	78	1	19

## **UPSHAW'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Receptions: 3, twice, last at Florida, Nov 28, 2020 Receiving yards: 44, at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020 (3 receptions) Receiving TDs: 1, 4x, last at Florida, Nov 28, 2020 Long reception: 23, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021



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CARRINGTON

## **VALENTINE**

**DEFENSIVE BACK** 

6-0 • 188 • Sophomore-1L Cincinnati, Ohio (Moeller)

## 2020 - Freshman

- Saw action in 10 games with one starting assignment vs. NC State in the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl
- Totaled 10 tackles, a PBU and a forced fumble
- Made a career-best six tackles and caused a fumble in the win over NC State
- Got his first career PBU in the win at Tennessee and his first tackle in the win over Vanderbilt
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

## **High School**

• One of nation's top-100 cornerbacks as rated by Rivals.com, 247sports.com and ESPN





- Rated as high as No. 23 in the state of Ohio by Rivals
- A versatile athlete, he began his career as a wide receiver before moving to cornerback as a junior
- Named first-team All-Southwest Ohio as a senior by area coaches
- Made 32 tackles, had five pass breakups and blocked two kicks
- Speed showed on his kickoff returns, averaging 31.7 per runback, including two for touchdowns
- Played at Moeller High School for Coach Todd Naumann, John Rodenberg, and Doug Rosfeld
- Also an outstanding basketball player, winning a state championship in 2019
- Fielded many offers, narrowing his choices to Kentucky, Michigan State and Pittsburgh before tabbing the Wildcats

#### Personal

- Born in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Son of Ericka and Jerry Valentine
- · Siblings are Shala, Jerry, and Jerrick
- Sister, Shala, played basketball at UMass Lowell and brother, Jerrick, played soccer at Bellermine
- Major is pre-journalism

#### **Carrington Says**

- · His nickname is "Carri"
- He chose Kentucky because he wanted to be developed
- One thing most people don't know about him is before coming to UK, he only played the defensive back position for one year
- The person he admires the most is his mom because she pushes him to reach his goals
- Three words to describe him are athlete, respectful, and funny

## **VALENTINE'S CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tkls.	Sacks-Y	TFL-Y	FF/FR	QBH	Int.	PBU
2020	DB	10-1	10	0-0	0-0	1/0	0	0	1
Totals		10-1	10	0-0	0-0	1/0	0	0	1

## **VALENTINE'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME**

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF	FR	Int.	QBH
at Auburn	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
at Missouri			DNP					
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Florida	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	6	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	10	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0	0

## **VALETINE'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 6, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 (6-0)
Pass breakup: 1, at Tennessee, Oct 17, 2020
Forced fumble: 1, vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021



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JACK VARGA

**FULLBACK** 

5-11 • 235 • Junior-SQ Louisville, Ky. (St. Xavier)

## 2020 - Sophomore

- Saw his first collegiate action vs. Vanderbilt
- · Practiced with the team
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

#### 2019 - Freshman

- · Practiced with the team
- . Dean's List (Fall 2019)

## **High School**

- Played three different positions during his prep career, including offensive lineman as a freshman, fullback during his sophomore and junior seasons and defensive lineman as a senior
- Three-year letter winner and two-year starter for head coach Will Wolford and Kevin Wallace
- Helped lead the Tigers to three straight district championship titles
- Averaged 4.0 tackles per game as a senior
- Earned the Grey Horton Award for character as a senior at St. Xavier
- Also a two-year letter winner on the lacrosse team
- Excellent in the classroom, earning a spot on the Principal's List as a senior ... Also won the Optimist Essay Award
- Active in community service for St. Xavier, volunteering to give blood five times
- · Chose UK over Centre College

## Personal

- Born in Louisville, Kentucky
- Son of John and Tracy Varga
- Comes from a tennis family as dad, John, uncle Andrew Varga, uncles Paul and Andrew Varga, and aunt, Julie Hale, all played tennis at UK
- · Double major in finance and marketing

## Jack Says

- His nickname is "Meat"
- He chose Kentucky because it is his dream school and has a strong family tradition
- Besides playing football, he's also enjoys golf, video games, horse racing and movies
- If he could create a holiday he would call it "Mandatory Beach Day"
- The person he admires most is his dad because of his work ethic and dedication to
- · excellence in everything he does



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GRAHAM WALD

**KICKER** 

6-0 • 176 • Sophomore-SQ Lexington, Ky. (Henry Clay)

## 2020 - Freshman

- · Practiced with the team
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

## **High School**

- Three-year starting kicker at Henry Clay High School for head coach Sam Simpson
- Three-time first-team All-City kicker (2017-19)
- Named first-team All-State in 2018 by the Courier-Journal
- Earned special teams Player of the Year at Henry Clay and was a second-team kickoff All-American in 2017
- As a junior, led the state with nine made field goals on 11 attempts, with his longest being from 36 yards ... Converted 27 of 30 extra-point attempts
- Also served as the Blue Devils' punter (34.7-yard average) and had 23 touchbacks on 49 kickoffs
- Also a member of the soccer team
- An excellent student with a 4.2 weighted GPA
- Chose Kentucky over Louisville

## Personal

- Born in Lexington, Kentucky
- Son of Darrin and Anne Wald; Julia and Brian Hunt
- Siblings are Laine and Grace
- Major is pre-finance

## **Graham Says**

- His nickname is "Tilo"
- He chose Kentucky because it's in his hometown, has excellent academic programs, and he loves the football program and coaching staff
- After football his dream job is to be a financial advisor
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he has broken both collarbones
- Three words to describe him are amiable, considerate, and hardworking





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TREVIN WALLACE

INSIDE LINEBACKER

6-2 • 220 • Freshman-HS Jesup, Ga. (Wayne County)

#### **High School**

- A four-star prospect by all of the national recruiting analysts
- Ranked as the nation's 35 overall prospect and No. 2 inside linebacker by 247Sports
- Rated as the state of Georgia's No. 6 overall player
- A two-way difference-maker and four-year letter winner for head coach Ken Cribb at Wayne County High School
- Saw action at receiver, running back, quarterback, and multiple linebacker spots, plus had reps as a kick and punt returner during his prep career
- Totaled 96 tackles, 12.0 tackles for loss, 5.0 sacks, three forced fumbles and an interception on defense as a senior
- Had 78 rushes for 910 yards and seven touchdowns and 10 catches for 79 receiving yards playing on the offensive side of the ball
- Had an incredible performance in his final high school game, rushing 28 times for 382 yards and three touchdowns
- Also played every snap at OLB in the game
- Earned WCHS Varsity Offensive Player of the Week for his performance in the playoffs
- Named the Gibson Animal Clinic Defensive Player of the Year in 2020
- Named a Sports Illustrated All-American
- Played in only four games as a junior due to injury
- Also a four-year letter winner on the track team for the Yellow Jackets in the 100- and 200-meter dashes, 110m hurdles, high jump, long jump, and shot put
- Broke the WCHS long jump record with a jump of 23' 4.25", a record that stood for 44 years
- Won the state weightlifting championship with a power clean of 335 pounds
- Chose Kentucky over Auburn and Ole Miss

## Personal

- Born in Jesup, Georgia
- Son of Adrian and Trevor Wallace
- Siblings are Kolby, Tionne, Tavion, and Titus
- Uncle, Robert Bryant, was a linebacker at Oklahoma from 2009-11
- Major is animal sciences

## Trevin Says

- His nickname is "Dooda"
- He chose Kentucky because of its great academic programs
- After football his dream job is to be a veterinarian
- The last time he was starstruck was when he saw his sister when she came home from the military
- Three words to describe him are calm, cool, and collected



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NAASIR WATKINS

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-5 • 300 • Senior-3L Laurel, Md. (Our Lady of Good Counsel)

## 2020 - Junior

 Saw action in only one game (Tennessee) due to a knee injury

## 2019 - Sophomore

- Saw action in all 13 games
- Valuable reserve who was the backup for both the left and right tackle positions all season
- Had 12 knockdown blocks and allowed only one quarterback sack
- Helped UK set single-season school records with 3,624 rushing yards, 36 rushing touchdowns, and 6.3 yards per carry

## 2018 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in 11 games and earned his first career start at left tackle in the season opener vs. Central Michigan
- · Missed the Texas A&M game with injury

## 2017 - Freshman

Redshirt season

## **High School**

- A three-star offensive line prospect by all four major recruiting services
- Played tackle and tight end in high school as he possessed an uncommon level of athleticism for a high school lineman
- Ranked as the No. 19 recruit in the state of Maryland and the No. 92 overall offensive tackle in his class according to 247 Sports
- ESPN.com lists Watkins as 94th-best offensive tackle in the nation
- ESPN.com's scouting report says, "Watkins is a prospect with some raw ability and upside.
   Good height and bulk with a frame and build that can still be reworked some to carry and better maximize more mass. Displays good strength though room to improve and while good sized he still looks to have youthful type build"
- Second-team All-Sentinel by The Sentinel
- Named second-team All-Conference defense by the WCAC
- Coached by Bill Milloy
- Chose UK over offers from Baylor, Temple and Old Dominion
- High school teammate of fellow 2017 signee Josh Paschal

## **Community Cats**

- Volunteered at Kentucky Children's Hospital (2020)
- Volunteered at Deep Springs Elementary

#### Personal

- Name pronounced "Naasir (nah-SEAR)"
- · Born in Bowie, Maryland
- Son of Michelle Owens and Kevin Watkins
- · Siblings are Taajwar and Aubrey
- Father, Kevin, played football at Norfolk State, while an uncle, Bryan Watkins, played at Pitt and another uncle, Randal Henry, played at Navy
- On track to graduate in December of 2021 with a degree in economics

## Naasir Says

- His nickname is "Nas"
- He chose Kentucky because of the hospitality and the competition
- Most people don't know his middle name is Aakbar
- One word to describe him on the field is "smooth"
- The best advice he's ever received is "Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars."



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J.J.
WEAVER

**OUTSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-5 • 231 • Sophomore-1L Louisville, Ky. (Moore Traditional)

## 2020 - r-Freshman

- All-SEC Freshman Team (Coaches)
- Suffered a torn ACL in his right knee at Florida (11/28) and missed the final two games of the season
- In nine games, had 33 tackles, 6.5 TFL, 0.5 sacks, two quarterback hurries and a pass breakup
- Totaled a career-high tying six tackles in his first collegiate start at Florida
- Earned SEC Freshman of the Week aftter totaling a career-high six tackles in Kentucky's 34-7 win at No. 18/17-ranked Tennessee ... Made two tackles for loss, totaling -8 yards ... Had a three-yard TFL in the third quarter, helping force a punt that preceded a UK touchdown drive on the ensuing possession
- FWAA Freshman All-America Team Watch List

## 2019 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Saw action in three games (Missouri, Vanderbilt and Louisville)
- Had six tackles, two PBUs and a quarterback hurry
- Totaled five tackles, along with a tackle for loss and a QBH in the win over Vanderbilt
- Made his collegiate debut vs. Missouri and totaled a tackle and a PBU

## High School

 One of the nation's best linebacker prospects, ranking as the 213th best player in the nation according to Rivals





- The site also has Weaver as the 14th best player in the class at his position and the fourth-best prospect in the state of Kentucky
- Rated as a four-star prospect by Rivals and 247sports
- Recorded 70 tackles, 10 sacks, three interceptions and a fumble recovery as a senior
- His strong performance helped Moore win 11 games and advance to the quarterfinals of the state championships
- Also played tight end in high school and caught six passes for 102 yards and three touchdowns in 2018
- Was named to the 2018 Lexington Herald-Leader Class of the Commonwealth
- An all-state honoree
- · Coached by Carlo Stallings
- Chose Kentucky over Louisville, Miami and Purdue

#### Personal

- Born in Fort Lauderdale, Florida
- Son of Stacey Sherrell
- Brothers are Terrance Weaver and Bruce Sherrell
- · Born with six fingers on his right hand
- Majoring in community leadership and development

## J.J. Says

- He chose Kentucky because it felt like home
- One word to describe him on the field is "motor"
- After football, his dream job is to be a football coach
- One sentence to describe Coach Stoops is "he's a father figure more than a coach"
- The best advice he's ever received is "just be yourself"

## **WEAVER'S CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tkls	TFL-Yds.	Sacks-Yds.	FF/FR	PBU	QBH	INT
2019	OLB	3-0	6	1.0-1	0-0	0/0	2	1	0
2020	OLB	9-0	33	6.5-14	0.5-1	0/0	1	2	0
Totals		12-0	39	7.5-15	0.5-1	0/0	3	3	0

## **WEAVER'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME**

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Yds.	Sacks-Yds.	FF	FR	Int.	PBU	QBH
at Auburn	1	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
vs. Ole Miss	1	0.5-1	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
at Tennessee	6	2.0-8	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	4	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	4	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
at Alabama	3	1.0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Florida*	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. USC			DNP					
vs. NC State			DNP					
Totals	33	6.5-14	0.5-1	0	0	0	1	2

## **WEAVER'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME**

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Yds.	Sacks-Yds.	FF	FR	Int.	PBU	QBH
vs. Missouri	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
at Vanderbilt	5	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
vs. Louisville	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	6	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	2	1

## **WEAVER'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 6, twice, last at Florida, Nov 28, 2020 (3-3)
Sacks: 0.5, vs Ole Miss, Oct 3, 2020
Tackles for laws 30, at Tapacses, Oct 17, 2020 (3-4)

Tackles for loss: 2.0, at Tennessee, Oct 17, 2020 (2.0-8)
Pass breakups: 1, 3x, last vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020
Quarterback hurry: 1, 3x, last vs Vanderbilt, Nov 14, 2020



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DILLON WHEATLEY

**FULLBACK** 

6-1 • 201 • Senior-SQ Richmond, Ky. (Pikeville/Lexington Christian)

## 2020 - Junior

- · Practiced with the team
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

## 2019 - Sophomore

- · Practiced with the team
- Transferred to Kentucky after playing one season at Pikeville College in Pikeville, Kentucky

## 2018 - Freshman (Pikeville)

 As a running back, played in eight games and had 23 carries for 142 yards and three scores

## High School

- A four-year letter winner at Lexington Christian Academy for head coach Ethan Atchley
- Was part of the first team in school history that went undefeated in the regular season (2016) and was part of three straight region finalists
- Had a fantastic prep career statistically, finishing sixth all-time in KHSAA history with 107 career TDs, (101 rushing), 11th in points scored with 614 and 20th in rushing yards with 6,204 ... Also had 161 career tackles as a linebacker
- As a senior in 2017, compiled 1,747 yards rushing with 31 rushing touchdowns, helping LCA go 11-2
- 2017 Lexington Player of the Year and "Class of the Commonwealth by the Lexington Herald-Leader
- Named one of the Commonwealth's top 36 players in 2017 by BluegrassPreps.com
- Earned offensive MVP in the Best of the Bluegrass game vs. Louisville
- Three-time All-State and four-time All-City selection by the *Herald-Leader*
- Also a three-year letter winner as a sprinter on the track team ... Helped LCA win the 2016-17 Class A Track championship
- Finished second in the state in the 100-meters
- Member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes

#### Personal

- Born in Lexington, Kentucky
- · Son of Dwayne and Tracy Wheatley
- · Has two brothers, Dalton and Dustin
- · Major is agricultural economics

## Dillon Says

- He chose to play football at Kentucky because his dad is a Kentucky alumnus and it was his favorite school growing up
- After football, his dream job is to be in an engineer
- Three words to describe him are humble, driven, and hard-nosed
- Best advice he's ever received is from his high school football coach, Ethan Atchley, "no one cares" aka, "no excuses"
- Hobbies include fishing, hunting, and riding fourwheelers



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JAI WILLIAMS

**TIGHT END** 

6-5 • 195 • Freshman-HS Lake Forest, III. (Lake Forest)

## 2021 - Freshman

• 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

## **High School**

- Two-year starter for head coach Chuck Spagnoli
- A two-way player who lined up at linebacker and tight end and was a member of all four special teams units
- Lake Forest's 2020 season was postponed to the Spring of 2021 due to COVID-19 restrictions
- Voted a senior co-captain
- As a junior, helped Lake Forest finish 7-5 and reach the Class 6A state quarterfinals
- Earned All-North Suburban Conference honors as a junior
- Selected to play in the 2019 Illinois High School All-Star Shrine football game in Bloomington
- Also on the wrestling and rugby teams at LFHS
- Three-time All-State wrestler (2017, 2018, 2019)
- Chose Kentucky over Tennessee and Western Michigan

## Personal

- Name is pronounced "Ji"
- Born in Lake Forest, Illinois
- Son of Joi Artis and James Williams
- Dad, James, also known as "Big Cat," played 12 seasons (1991-2003), mostly as an offensive tackle, with the Chicago Bears and is known as one of the "100 Greatest Bears of All-Time"
- Has one younger sister, Jia
- · Major is architecture



## Jai Says

- He chose Kentucky because of its architecture program and top-tier football program
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be an architect
- Besides playing football, he's also good at dodge ball and snowboarding
- If he could have dinner with three famous people, living or dead, he would choose Michael Jackson, Elvis Presley, and Bob Marley
- The best advice he's ever received is "bet on yourself"



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JOEL WILLIAMS

**NICKELBACK** 

6-1 • 213 • Sophomore-1L Baton Rouge, La. (Madison Prep Academy)

## 2020 - Freshman

- · Mid-year enrollee
- Played in nine games and had three tackles
- Charted his first career tackle in the win over Tennessee

## **High School**

- Four-star recruit by all of the major recruiting services
- Ranked as the No. 26 safety nationally by Rivals
- Ability to play both sides of the ball, as he spent time at wide receiver in high school and totaled 988 receiving yards
- Had five interceptions and helped lead the Chargers to an 13-2 record and an appearance in the 3A playoffs as a senior
- Earned first-team All-State, All-Metro and All-District
- Had 10 TD catches, 35 tackles, 13 pass break-ups and three interceptions as a junior
- Three-year starter for coach Landry Williams
- Ran the 4x100-meter, 4x200-meter and 4x400meter relays, and competed in the high jump as a junior on the track and field team
- Picked Kentucky over Alabama, Auburn, LSU, Florida, and Georgia

## **Community Cats**

Volunteered at LexCity Church (2020)

## Personal

- Born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- Son of Tangi and Joseph Williams
- Siblings are Italy Hayes, Avril Holmes, Megan Justine, Ariel Williams, Jeremy Williams, Joseph Williams Jr., and Joshua Williams
- Dad, Joseph, was a tight end at Grambling State from 1983-86 and went on to play with the Pittsburgh Steelers for two seasons
- Major is undecided

#### Joel Says

- His nickname is "Joe"
- He chose Kentucky because it is the best school and the people care
- One thing people may not know about him is that he never guits
- When he played football as a kid, he pretended to be Troy Polamalu
- The thing he looks forward to the most this season is taking over as a freshman

## **WILLIAMS' CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tkls	TFL-Yds.	Sacks-Yds.	FF/FR	PBU	QBH	INT
2020	СВ	9-0	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
Totals		9-0	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0

## WILLIAMS' 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tkls.	TFL-Yds.	Sacks-Yds.	FF	FR	Int.	PBU	QBH
at Auburn	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Ole Miss	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Tennessee	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Alabama	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Florida	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0

## **WILLIAMS' SINGLE-GAME HIGHS**

Tackles: 2, at Alabama, Nov 21, 2020



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QUINTIN WILSON

**OFFENSIVE LINE** 

6-1 • 296 • Junior-2L Cincinnati, Ohio (Turpin)

## 2020 - Sophomore

- · Played in five games
- Saw his first action of the season vs. Vanderbilt and also saw action at Alabama, at Florida, vs. South Carolina and vs. NC State
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

## 2019 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in five games
- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Dean's List (Fall 2019)

## 2018 - Freshman

Redshirt season

- Dean's List (Fall 2018)
- Dean's List (Spring 2019)
- First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Played in one game vs. Louisville

## **High School**

- Considered one of the top OL prospects in Ohio
- Rated as the nation's No. 5 center by Rivals and No. 9 center by 247sports in the Class of 2018
- A three-star prospect by all the major recruiting services
- Played three seasons at Walnut Hills High School before transferring to Turpin his senior season
- Earned first-team Division II OPSWA All-Ohio honors in 2017
- Coached by Kent McCullough at Turpin
- Excelled in the classroom, graduating cum laude and as a Ohio All-Academic First Team member
- Chose Kentucky over offers from Virginia, Boston College, Cincinnati, Minnesota and Duke

## **Community Cats**

• Volunteered at Deep Springs Elementary (2020)

#### Personal

- Born in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Son of Terri and Lloyd Johnson and Ken Wilson
- Has one sister, Calais Pitman
- Graduated in December of 2020 with a degree in management ... Completed his bachelor's degree in two and one-half years with the help of advanced placement credits earned in high school ... Currently working on his MBA at UK's Gatton College of Business and Economics
- One of three representatives for UK football on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)

## **Quintin Says**

- His nickname is "Q"
- He chose to play football at Kentucky because it's a family environment
- Other than playing in the NFL, his dream job is to be in sports management
- Most people would be surprised to know he didn't start playing football until his freshman year of high school
- One word to describe him on the field is "smart"



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DAVID

# WOHLABAUGH JR. OFFENSIVE LINE

6-6 • 283 • Freshman-HS Stow, Ohio (Walsh Jesuit)

## 2021 - Freshman

• Mid-year enrollee In January 2021

## High School

Three-start recruit by all of the major recruiting services





- Rated the nation's No. 53 offensive guard by ESPN, the No. 67 tackle by 247sports and the No. 69 tackle by Rivals.com
- The No. 25 player in Ohio by 247, No. 30 by ESPN and No. 31 by Rivals
- First-team all-state as a senior by the Ohio Sportswriters Association
- Helped lead Walsh Jesuit High School to a 5-2 record and the second round of the Division II state playoffs
- His size is enhanced by the ability he has shown to make blocks in space
- · Coached by Nick Alexander
- · Also lettered two seasons in ice hockey
- Chose Kentucky over Arizona State, Penn State and West Virginia

#### Personal

- Named is pronounced "WUL-uh-bah"
- Born in Cleveland, Ohio
- Son of Dave and Virginia Wohlabaugh
- Comes from a football family, as his father, Dave, played at Syracuse and went on to a nine-year NFL career with New England (1995-98), Cleveland (1999-2002) and St. Louis (2003) ... The elder Wohlabaugh was a member of the 1995 All-Rookie Team, played in the 1997 Super Bowl, and started all 128 games of his NFL career ... Dad was a teammate with former Kentucky quarterback Tim Couch with the Cleveland Browns ... Brother, Jack, is currently a center at Duke
- · Major is pre-management

## David Says

- He chose Kentucky because it felt like family
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he's red-green color blind
- Besides playing football, he's also good at spike ball
- The person he admires most is his dad because he's a great role model
- If he could eat only three foods for the rest of his life he would choose chicken, bacon, and waffles



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JORDAN WRIGHT

**OUTSIDE LINEBACKER** 

6-5 • 225 • Senior-3L Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Dillard)

## 2021 - Senior

Preseason fourth-team All-SEC (Phil Steele)

## 2020 - Junior

- Named SEC Defensive Player of the Week for win over Mississippi State
- Has played in 33 career games, including all 11 games in 2020 ... Has five career starts
- Totaled 45 tackles, 5.5 TFL, 3.5 sacks, four PBUs, two QBHs, three forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and an interception

- Named to SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- Had five tackles, including a 12-yard sack, and caused a fumble in the win over NC State in the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl
- Made four tackles, caused a fumble, recovered two fumbles, had two pass breakups and a quarterback hurry in Kentucky's 41-18 win over South Carolina ... His two turnover plays helped produce 10 Kentucky points ... In the first quarter, he snatched the ball away from a Gamecock receiver and returned it four yards, setting up the first touchdown of the game ... Recovered a fumble in the second quarter, setting up a field goal
- Recorded a career-high seven tackles vs. Georgia
- Was a key part of the Kentucky defense that held Mississippi State without an offensive score in UK's 24-2 win ... Game totals featured a pass interception returned for a touchdown; careerhigh tying six tackles; career-best two tackles for loss (-9 yards), including a quarterback sack; and a pass breakup

#### 2019 - Sophomore

- · Played in all 13 games
- Totaled 27 tackles, 6.0 TFL (tied for third on the team), 3.0 sacks (fourth on the team), team-high tying two fumble recoveries one which resulted in a touchdown, one forced fumble, one PBU and a quarterback hurry
- Put the icing on the cake in the win over Virginia Tech in the Belk Bowl with a 28-yard fumble return for a TD on the game's final play ... Also had three tackles, including one for loss, and a pass breakup
- Totaled a career-best six tackles and a tackle for loss in the season opener vs. Toledo

## 2018 - r-Freshman

- Saw action in nine games, totaling four tackles
- Charted a career-high three tackles vs. Murray State, along with a pass breakup and QBH
- Also had a QBH in the win over Vanderbilt

## 2017 - Freshman

Redshirt season

## **High School**

- Dual-sport standout in football and basketball
- · A three-star football recruit
- Rivals ranked him as the 25th-best defensive end and the 80th-best prospect in Florida, while 247Sports had him as the No. 28 weakside defensive end in the country and the No. 67 player in the state of Florida
- The 46th-best DE in the class of 2017 by ESPN
- Coached by Lorenzo Davis
- Compiled 25 sacks as a senior
- Doubled as a tight end in the red zone, catching six touchdowns, including a critical score against Boynton Beach in the District 15-6A three-team tiebreaker to lead Dillard to the district title
- Earned Sun Sentinel's All-Broward first-team defensive honors
- As a shooting guard, was a back-to-back preseason Fab Five selection and was an All-County pick
- Led the Panthers' hoops team to a Class 6A state title as a junior
- Named Mr. Dillard High School
- Chose Kentucky over Miami, Arkansas and Florida

## Personal

- Born in Lauderhill, Florida
- Son of Wanda Burns-Wright and Louis Wright
- Has one sister, Kayla
- Comes from an athletic family as older sister, Kayla, played basketball at Nova Southeastern, while cousin, RaiQuan Gray, currently plays basketball at Florida State, and another cousin, Kenneth Ruff, was a defensive lineman at Syracuse
- Majoring in community and leadership development

#### Jordan Says

- His nickname is "Jay Dub"
- He chose Kentucky because it was a perfect fit for himself and his family, and it felt like home
- His sports heroes are his parents because they push him to be the best he can be
- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be a sports trainer
- One word to describe him on the field is "beast"

## J. WRIGHT'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Pos.	G-GS	Tackles	TFL-Y	Sacks-Y	PBU	FF/FR	QBH
2018	LB	9-0	4	0-0	0-0	1	0/0	2
2019	LB	13-0	27	6.0-33	3.0-25	1	1/2	1
2020	LB	11-5	45	5.5-39	3.5-30	4	3/2	2
Totals		33-5	76	11.5-72	6.5-55	6	4/4	5

## J. WRIGHT'S 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks-Y	TFL-Y	FF/FR	PBU	Int.	QBH
at Auburn	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	1
vs. Ole Miss	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Miss. St.	6	1.0-4	2.0-9	0/0	1	1-8	0
at UT*	3	1.0-9	1.0-9	0/0	0	0	0
at Missouri*	4	0-0	1.0-4	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia*	7	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Vandy*	6	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
at Alabama*	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0	0
at Florida	4	0.5-5	0.5-5	1/0	0	0	0
vs. USC	4	0-0	0-0	1/2	2	0	1
vs. NC State	5	1.0-12	1.0-12	1/0	0	0	0
Totals	45	3.5-30	5.5-39	3/2	4	1-8	2

## J. WRIGHT'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks-Y	TFL-Y	FF/FR	PBU	Int.	QBH
vs. Toledo	6	0-0	1.0-3	0/0	0	0	0
vs. EMU	2	1.0-13	1.0-13	0/0	0	0	1
vs. Florida	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
at Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
at USC	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas	2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
at Georgia	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Missouri	2	1.0-8	1.0-8	1/1	0	0	0
vs. Tennessee	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. UT Martin	3	1.0-4	1.0-4	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Louisville	5	0-0	1.0-1	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Va. Tech	3	0-0	1.0-4	0/1*	1	0	0
Totals	27	3.0-25	6.0-33	1/2	1	0	1



## J. WRIGHT'S 2018 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Tackles	Sacks	TFL-Y	FR/FC	PBU	Int.	QBH
vs. Murray State	3	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0	1
vs. Miss. State	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. South Carolina	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
at TAMU	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Vanderbilt	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	1
at Missouri	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Georgia	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
at Louisville	1	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
vs. Penn State	0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0	0	0
Totals	4	0-0	0-0	0/0	1	0	2

## J. WRIGHT'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 7, vs Georgia, Oct 31, 2020
Sacks: 1.0, 6x, last vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021 (12)
Tackles for Ioss: 2.0, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020
Pass breakups: 2, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020
Quarterback hurry: 1, 5x, last vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020
Forced fumbles: 1, 4x, last last vs NC State, Jan 2, 2021
Fumble recovery: 2, vs South Carolina, Dec 5, 2020
Fumble return for a touchdown: 1, vs Virginia Tech, Dec 31, 2019
Interceptions: 1, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020
Interceptin return for touchdown: 1, vs Mississippi State, Oct 10, 2020



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LA'VELL WRIGHT

**RUNNING BACK** 

6-0 • 195 • Freshman-HS Louisville, Ky. (North Hardin)

## 2021 - Freshman

Mid-year enrollee In January 2021

## **High School**

- A three-star prospect who ranked as the No. 12 all-purpose back nationally by Rivals.com and the No. 6 player in Kentucky
- Rated the No. 7 player in Kentucky and No. 51 running back nationally in the 247Sports Composite
- A four-year starter who rushed for 4,396 yards and 56 touchdowns at North Hardin for head coach Brent Thompson
- Also proved to be a quality pass catcher with 1,260 receiving yards and six receiving TDs during his career
- As a senior, rushed for 884 yards on 127 carries (6.96 yards per carry) with 11 touchdowns in seven games
- Named Class 6A Player of the Year by the Kentucky Football Coaches Association
- Was a second-team All-State selection by the Louisville Courier-Journal and the AP in 2019 and 2020
- Chosen for the Lexington Herald-Leader "Class of the Commonwealth" listing of the top seniors in Kentucky

- In 2019, rushed for 1,819 yards and 25 touchdowns while averaging 7.0 yards per carry
- In 2018, rushed for 1,316 yards and 17 scores
- High school teammates of current UK defensive lineman Octavious Oxendine and fellow signee Jordan Lovett
- Opted to stay home and play for the Wildcats over Maryland, Northwestern, and West Virginia

#### Personal

- · Born in Louisville, Kentucky
- Son of Latarsha Wright and Theodore Wright
- · Major is undecided

### La'Vell Says

- Other than play in the NFL, his dream job is to be a coach
- One thing most people don't know about him is that he has a pet lizard, Dash
- Besides playing football, he's also good at drawing
- Three words to describe him are quiet, funny, and chill
- If he could eat only three foods for the rest of his life he would choose salmon croquettes, Fruity Pebbles, and gumbo



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JOHN YOUNG

OFFENSIVE LINE

6-6 • 296 • Freshman-RS Louisville, Ky. (Christian Academy)

## 2020 - Freshman

- Redshirt season
- Dean's List (Fall 2020)
- Mid-year enrollee

## High School

- Four-star recruit by 247Sports and Rivals
- Rated the No. 14 OT in the nation by Rivals
- · Ranked the No. 4 player in Kentucky
- Coached by Stefan Lefors
- Helped lead Christian Academy to a 7-5 record in 2019 and an appearance in the Class 3-A District Four final
- A consensus first-team All-State member
- Named 2019 Class of the Commonwealth HM by the Lexington Herald-Leader
- Earned second-team All-State by the Associated Press after the 2018 season
- Picked Kentucky over Auburn, Georgia, Florida State, Louisville and others
- Also a four-year letter winner in track and field, earning All-State honors in the shot put

## **Community Cats**

- Volunteered at LexCity Church (2020)
- Volunteered to pack food for God's Pantry (2020)
- Participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Men's Conference at Southland Christian (2020)

#### Personal

- Born in Louisville, Kentucky
- · Son of Jill and Lawrence Young
- Has one sister, Sarah
- Major is pre-management

#### John Says

- He chose Kentucky because it was his favorite school growing up
- His dream job is to own a sandwich shop
- · His hidden talent is sewing
- When he played football as a kid, he pretended to be Marshawn Lynch
- The best advice he's ever received is "pride comes before the fall"

