Cameron Martinez And Paris Johnson Lose Black Stripes



Freshman cornerback Cameron Martinez and freshman offensive tackle Paris Johnson are the 10th and 11th new members of the Ohio State roster to officially join the team this fall, as both plays dropped their black stripes on Wednesday evening.

The two lost their stripes consecutively following the conclusion of Wednesday's evening practice, according to the Ohio State Twitter account. Martinez is the fourth member of the defense, joining safety Kourt Williams, defensive lineman Ty Hamilton and safety Lathan Ransom, while Johnson is the sixth offensive player, along with halfback Trey Sermon (an Oklahoma grad transfer), wide receivers Jaxon Smith-Njigba, Gee Scott and Julian Fleming, halfback Miyan Williams and fellow offensive lineman Josh Fryar.

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Every day (seems like every play), @CM240 just brings it! Welcome to #BIA!#GoBuckeyes pic.twitter.com/Si3Kho4OhG

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Martinez, who came to Ohio State as the No. 323 player in the class of 2020, was praised by one of the top assistants on the player development side, Ryan Stamper, as a player that's improving early at the next level.

"This first guy could take a million reps in practice, played quarterback in high school, getting better and better at his new position, cornerback Cameron Martinez," Stamper said.

"First I want to thank God, I want to thank my strength coaches, I want to thank my unit, BIA, I appreciate being out here with y'all every day," Martinez said. Go Bucks."

Johnson, a former five-star prospect that came to Ohio State with massive expectations and immen-	se
talent, which Stamper mentioned in his brief introduction.	

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Only big things in store for @ParisJohnsonJr! Congrats on losing that black stripe!#GoBuckeyes pic.twitter.com/jA48Rccm7Q

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"He's extremely talented, got to continue to get better, future's bright," Stamper said.

"Hey I love being out here with y'all every day," Johnson said. "I love my unit and the defense that gets me right every day, and the coaching staff. Buckeyes!"