

Five-Star Linebacker Riley Pettijohn Commits To Ohio State



Ohio State got its 23rd commitment of the 2025 when McKinney, Texas, five-star linebacker Riley Pettijohn (6-2, 215) announced his commitment to the Buckeyes on Saturday.

BREAKING: Elite 2025 LB Riley Pettijohn has Committed to Ohio State, he tells me for @on3recruits

The 6'2 220 LB from McKinney, TX chose the Buckeyes over USC, Texas A&M, & Texas

“Ohio State feels like home & I’m ready to come in and compete for a National Championship & Butkus... pic.twitter.com/zjdFVwHLhM

— Hayes Fawcett (@Hayesfawcett3) July 6, 2024

Pettijohn is the No. 31 player in the country in his class, the No. 4 overall linebacker and the ninth-best player in the state of Texas.

He chose the Buckeyes over Texas A&M and USC and is the third linebacker in the class for Ohio State and new linebackers coach James Laurinaitis. They have also received commitments from Vero Beach, Fla., four-star Tarvos Alford (6-2, 210) and Akron Archbishop Hoban four-star Eli Lee (6-3, 230).

After getting just one linebacker in its 2024 class, Laurinaitis now has secured a very good class in his first year being the official position coach.