

Former Ohio State Cornerback JK Johnson Transferring To LSU



It took less than a week of living in the portal for former Ohio State cornerback JK Johnson to find his future school, with the former four-star prospect now headed to LSU for the remainder of his college career.

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— JK Johnson (@darealxjk) January 8, 2023

After playing in just two games as a true freshman, Johnson appeared in all 13 games this season for Ohio State and made five starts for the Buckeyes, filling in when cornerbacks Denzel Burke and Cameron Brown were on the mend, though he did not appear in Ohio State's most recent loss to Georgia in the College Football Playoff.

He finished with a career-high five tackles in Ohio State's win over Northwestern, and also picked up four tackles in his first career start against Wisconsin. It was enough of an audition that he likely would have competed for a starting role next year opposite Burke, but he will instead look to use his three remaining seasons of eligibility with the Tigers.

Johnson was a top-50 prospect in high school out of DeSmet in Saint Louis, Mo., and the former four-star committed to Ohio State as a member of the 2021 recruiting class. His departure will leave Ohio State with six scholarship cornerbacks entering next season, including Burke, Jyaire Brown, Ryan Turner, Jordan Hancock, and incoming freshmen Jermaine Mathews and Calvin Simpson-Hunt.