Four-Star Defensive Lineman Keith Sampson Jr. Lists OSU In Top Five



Ohio State is in on New Bern (N.C.) four-star defensive lineman Keith Sampson Jr. (6-3, 285), one of the top linemen in 2023, who listed the Buckeyes in his top five released over the weekend.

Sampson is rated as the No. 206 overall prospect and No. 30 defensive lineman in his class, and included the Buckeyes alongside Clemson, Georgia, NC State and South Carolina.

Clemson was not on Sampson's top 10 released in Octover, while Alabama, Duke, East Carolina, Florida State, North Carolina and Virginia did not make the cut for his top five.

The Buckeyes offered Sampson on April 8, 2021, and he's taken visits to Ohio State, NC State and South Carolina.

Top 5 is here. I appreciate all the schools. My recruitment is still open. @GamecockFB @OhioStateFB @Tigers_Clemson1 @PackFootball @UGAAthletics @coachski_ @CoachLindsey @R2X_Rushmen1 @TravionScott @rledits24 pic.twitter.com/DqIPDNzj8A

- Keith Sampson Jr. (KJ) (@ksampson94) January 15, 2022

With National Signing Day for the Class of 2022 approaching, things will begin picking up from 2023 prospects in the coming weeks.

As it stands, Ohio State has three commits in 2023 with Thompson's Station (Tenn.) Independence four-star tight end Ty Lockwood, Huber Heights (Ohio) Wayne four-star offensive lineman Joshua Padilla and Cocoa (Fla.) four-star cornerback Cedrick Hawkins.