Four-Star Defensive Lineman Maxwell Roy Commits To Ohio State



Ohio State secured another defensive line commitment on Monday from Philadelphia St. Joseph's Prep four-star Maxwell Roy (6-3, 285), the 22^{nd} commitment in the 2025 class and the third interior defensive lineman.

Thank you to all the people who've been a part of my journey, a special thanks to my family and friends who have always been there for me through my highs and lows. Thank you to God for putting me on a path to find home. Buckeyes nation I can't wait to get to work!! #rushmen [] pic.twitter.com/0eZsNhZIEo

- Maxwell Roy (@MaxwellRoy8) July 1, 2024

He joins Bradenton (Fla.) IMG Academy four-star London Merritt (6-3, 250) and Matthews (N.C.) Weddington four-star Trajen Odom on the interior, making it five total defensive line commits in the class so far for Larry Johnson.

Roy is currently the No. 229 prospect in the country, the No. 26 defensive lineman and the eighth-best player in the state of Pennsylvania according to 247Sports composite ranking.

He chose the Buckeyes over Michigan and Rutgers, the only other two schools he took an official visit to in June. He comes from the same high school as 2025 three-star running back Isaiah West (5-11, 208), Kyle McCord and Marvin Harrison Jr.

It's still possible that the Buckeyes could add more on the defensive line this cycle with so many veteran

players likely leaving for the NFL after the season. They are still targeting Auburn commit Opelika, Ala., four-star defensive lineman Malik Autry (6-6, 320), Indianapolis Warren Central four-star defensive end Damien Shanklin (6-4, 230) and Newberry, Fla., four-star defensive lineman Jarquez Carter (6-2, 284)