

Harrison Jr. Tabbed As Preseason Big Ten Offensive Player of the Year



Ohio State junior wide receiver Marvin Harrison Jr. racked up yet another honor, as he was named the preseason Big Ten Offensive Player of the Year according to the annual preseason poll conducted by Cleveland.com.

Harrison Jr., who many project as a potential top-five pick in the 2024 NFL Draft, ran away with the honor, appearing on 35 of 37 ballots and receiving 27 first-place votes. The junior wideout's 94 points were more than the combined total of both the second and third-place finishers. Michigan running back Blake Corum trailed Harrison Jr. with just 56 points and four first-place votes, while Wolverines quarterback J.J. McCarthy finished third with 27 points and five-first place selections.

Harrison Jr.'s honor comes after a sparkling sophomore season in which the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania native racked up 77 receptions, 1,263 receiving yards and a Big-Ten-leading 14 touchdowns. He was also named a unanimous All-American and received the Big Ten Richter-Howard Receiver of the Year Award.

The Ohio State star wideout was not the only Buckeye represented on the poll. Sophomore quarterback Kyle McCord finished seventh with five points, while he also received one first-place vote. Junior running back TreVeyon Henderson tied for eighth with Penn State offensive linemen Olu Fashanu and Michigan tailback Donovan Edwards with two points, while junior wideout Emeka Egbuka rounded out the poll at No. 11 with one point.

If Harrison Jr. finishes the season as Big Ten Offensive Player of the Year, he will become the sixth-straight Buckeye to secure the award, joining C.J. Stroud (2021 and 2022), Justin Fields (2019 and 2020) and Dwayne Haskins (2018). He would also be the first wide receiver to take home the honor since former Wolverine Braylon Edwards, who won in 2004.