

Ohio State Forward Kyle Young Won't Play At Michigan State Due To Concussion



Ohio State head coach Chris Holtmann announced on Wednesday that senior forward Kyle Young will not be available for Thursday's game at Michigan State (9 p.m. on ESPN) due to a concussion he suffered late in Sunday's loss to Michigan.

The 6-8, 225-pound Young is averaging 8.7 points and 5.7 rebounds in 23 games, including 22 starts, for the Buckeyes this season.

☐☐ @ChrisHoltmann on @OhioStateHoops approach being without @kyle_young25 (concussion) tomorrow night at Michigan State #GoBuckeyes pic.twitter.com/l0Dc92oS9u

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"It's significant. There's no minimizing the hit to our depth and team," Holtmann said. "I know he's disappointed, but I think he's doing well. He's progressing very well. We don't have a guy on our roster that plays quite like Kyle and brings his multi-dimension energy, rebounding and physicality. Obviously, it's a concern."

With Young out, freshman Zed Key should step into the starting role for the second time this season. In his only other start, he scored five points and pulled down three rebounds in a 67-60 loss at Purdue on Dec. 16.

Additionally, Holtmann said junior guard Musa Jallow will be a game-time decision. He missed the loss to the Wolverines due to an ankle injury he suffered a few days prior in a win at Penn State, though he finished the game with nine points in 23 minutes.

Jallow, who Holtmann said dealt with a "significant amount of swelling" after the win over the Nittany Lions, notable sat out the 2019-20 season due to multiple ankle injuries.

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