

Ohio State Names Tom Snyder As New Voice Of The Buckeyes



Ohio State announced Thursday that Tom Snyder will be the new voice of the Buckeyes, as he will take over public address duties at Ohio Stadium beginning this season.

Snyder, a graduate of Otterbein University, was selected from a pool of over 100 applicants and seven eventual finalists. He earned his bachelor's degree in journalism in 2005 and has served as a PA announcer for Long State Beach (baseball), UCLA (baseball) and is the lead broadcaster for St. Francis DeSales High School athletics.

He replaces former public address announcer Bob Kennedy, who died in April and had been the voice of the Buckeyes for the past 23 seasons. In addition to football, Kennedy made did announcing for baseball, field hockey, men's and women's soccer, women's ice hockey and men's and women's volleyball.

"Bob had a big heart, and he loved his Buckeyes," said Jerry Emig, Ohio State's associate athletic director for communications. "He loved his PA jobs. He was a true professional at his craft and a friend to us all. He knew the local media, our administrators, coaches and student-athletes, and he certainly knew the histories well of many Ohio State sports, and he loved to talk about them."

Snyder will make his debut as the voice of the Buckeyes for Ohio State's home opener on Sept. 9 against Youngstown State.