Ohio State Women's Basketball Earns Second 2021 Commit In Point Guard Kaitlyn Costner



After a strong season with a primarily freshman roster and another solid class coming in 2020, Ohio State women's basketball brought has now brought in two recruits in the 2021 class with the commitment Wednesday of Mishawaka (Ind.) Penn point guard Kaitlyn Costner.

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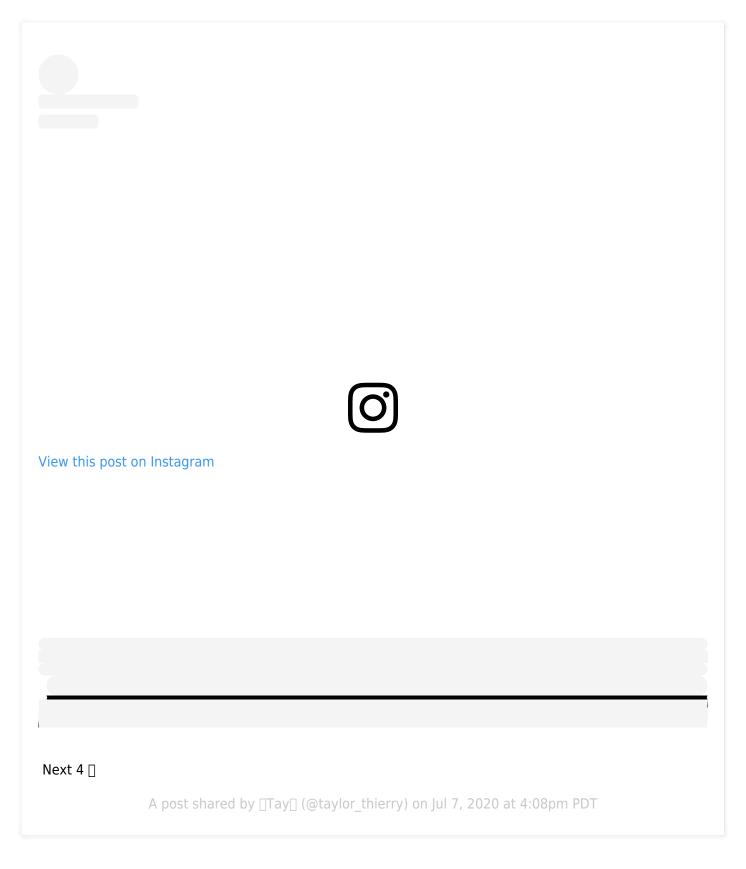
- Kaitlyn Costner (@costner kaitlyn) August 5, 2020

"I would love to thank my amazing grandma and dad for loving me and helping me through this process. For always pushing me to be a better person and athlete," Costner wrote in her commitment tweet. "Thanks to my family, teammates, friends and coaches, I have made the decision to continue my academic and basketball career at Ohio State University! Thank you Coach McGuff and the OSU coaching staff."

Costner transferred from Elkhart Central high school over to Penn for her junior season after averaging 16 points, 2.9 steals and 2.1 assists per game, while shooting 60 percent from the field and 40 percent from three in her sophomore season at Elkhart, according to the South Bend Tribune. When Costner joined Penn, the team's current head coach, Kristi Ulrich, held a 229-29 at the program.

She is rated as the No. 5 prospect in the state of Indiana for the 2021 class on Prep Girls Hoops. Besides Ohio State, other programs like Butler, DePaul, Michigan and Purdue showed interest in the 5-8 point guard.

The Buckeyes got their first commitment in 2021 on July 7, when 5-10 Cleveland guard Taylor Thierry committed to Ohio State back on July 7.



The Costner commitment gives Ohio State 12 current players for the 2021-22 season, with Providence transfer guard Hevynne Bristow unable to play in 2020-21 due to transfer rules and the departures of guard Braxtin Miller and forward Tanaya Beacham, who recently transferred in from Toledo, due to graduation.

This will be the second point guard commit for Ohio State out of the state of Indiana in the past three recruiting classes, joining five-star Rikki Harris out of Indianapolis, who redshirted in her first year with the program.

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