

# Recruiting: Ohio State Offers 2025 DL Maddox, Locklyn Visits RB On The Road



Ohio State sent out another offer on Thursday to Hattiesburg (Miss.) Oak Grove four-star defensive lineman Andrew Maddox.

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— Andrew Maddox (@\_iamdrewww\_) May 10, 2024

He is the No. 138 recruit in the country, the No. 17 defensive lineman and the No. 5 recruit in the state of Mississippi. Maddox had a solid junior season with 99 total tackles, 12 tackles for a loss, two sacks, a pass broken up and a forced fumble.

He has been offered by 23 schools so far including Alabama, Auburn, Colorado, Florida, Georgia Ole Miss, LSU and Texas.

Already in the 2025 class, Ohio State has earned commitments from two defensive linemen, Bradenton (Fla.) IMG Academy four-star London Merritt (6-3, 250) and Philadelphia Imhotep Institute four-star edge rusher Zahir Mathis (6-6, 225).

It's the second offer this week given to a defensive lineman after the Buckeyes offered Opelika, Ala., four-star Malik Autry, who has been committed to Auburn since February of 2023.

## Locklyn Visits 2025 RB

Since running backs coach Carlos Locklyn assumed his position in Columbus, he has been sending out many offers, one to Chattanooga (Tenn.) Baylor School three-star running back Shekai Mills-Knight (6-1, 217).

And Locklyn has kept in touch, going on the road to visit the running back on Thursday.

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pic.twitter.com/uQBa2jVglq

— Shekai Mills-Knight 🐼 (@sk\_begreat) May 9, 2024

While Mills-Knight is a three-star recruit currently, Buckeye Scoop recruiting analyst Bill Greene was very impressed when he put the film on for the prospect.

“They offered him and I’m like, ‘Man, is this guy going to come in and start offering all these lower rank dudes?’” Greene told BSB. “Then I put the film in on Shekai Mills-Knight, and it’s really impressive. That kid is all of 6-1, probably 215. He can cut, he can move, power, speed. I think Shekai Mills-Knight is criminally underrated.”

While Ohio State doesn’t have any commits at running back in the 2025 cycle yet, it’s shaping up like it could be a very good class at the position.