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# Drew Brees and Manti Te'o Named Walter Camp All-America Alumni NFL Players of the Week

**New Haven, CT** - The Walter Camp Football Foundation has announced its All-America Alumni NFL Offensive and Defensive Players of the week for games ending October 5.

**About the Award:** The Walter Camp Foundation has more than 300 of its All-American alumni currently on NFL rosters. The Foundation's All-America teams date back to 1889, and the Foundation has also selected a Second Team since 1998. Each week during the NFL regular-season, the Walter Camp Foundation will recognize one offensive and one defensive player as its Alumni Players of the Week.

# **OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

### DREW BREES, Quarterback, New Orleans Saints

Drew Brees completed 33-of-41 passes for 359 yards and two touchdowns, including a gamewinning 80-yard scoring pass in overtime, to lift the New Orleans Saints to a 26-20 victory over the visiting Dallas Cowboys. A former Purdue University standout, Brees was a two-time Walter Camp Second Team All-America selection (1998 and 1999).

# **DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

# MANTI TE'O, Linebacker, San Diego Chargers

Manti Te'o recorded 13 tackles as San Diego Chargers defeated the Cleveland Brown, 30-27. A collegiate standout at the University of Notre Dame, Te'o was a two-time All-America selection and the 2012 Walter Camp Player of the Year recipent.

**Walter Camp,** "The Father of American football," first selected an All-America team in 1889. Camp – a former Yale University athlete and football coach – is also credited with developing play from scrimmage, set plays, the numerical assessment of goals and tries and the restriction of play to eleven men per side. The Walter Camp Football Foundation (www.waltercamp.org, @WalterCampFF) – a New Haven-based all-volunteer group – was founded in 1967 to perpetuate the ideals of Camp and to continue the tradition of selecting annually an All-America team. The Foundation is a member of the National College Football Awards Association (NCFAA). The NCFAA was founded in 1997 as a coalition of the major collegiate football awards to protect, preserve and enhance the integrity, influence and prestige of the game's predominant awards. The NCFAA encourages professionalism and the highest standards for the administration of its member awards and the selection of their candidates and recipients. For more information, visit the association's website, www.ncfaa.org

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