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## Walter Camp Football Foundation Announces 2017 All-America Teams

It is the 128th edition of the nation's oldest All-America Team

**NEW HAVEN, CT** – Led by 2017 Player of the Year **Baker Mayfield**, second-ranked Oklahoma has four players on the Walter Camp Football Foundation All-America Teams, the 128th honored by the organization. The nation's oldest All-America squad was announced this evening on The Home Depot ESPN College Football Awards Show.

In all, 33 different schools from nine conferences (including independents) were represented on the All-America First and Second Teams (a total of 52 players selected). Auburn had three honorees (1 First Team and 2 Second Team). Wisconsin had four Second Team All-America honorees, while top-ranked Clemson had three. Overall, the Atlantic Coast Conference had the most honorees (11), followed by the Big Ten (10) and Big 12 (9).

The Walter Camp All-America teams are selected by the head coaches and sports information directors of the 130 Football Bowl Subdivision schools and certified by Marcum LLP, a New Haven-based accounting firm. Walter Camp Football Foundation President Michael Madera was pleased with the voting participation.

"Once again, we had more than 80 percent of the FBS schools participate in this year's voting," Madera said. "We are very appreciative of the continuing cooperation of the coaches and sports information directors in our annual effort to honor the nation's most outstanding college players."

Leading the First Team offensive unit is **Mayfield**, a senior quarterback who was also selected the 2017 Walter Camp Player of the Year. The nation's second-leading passer, Mayfield (4,340) has passed for 41 touchdowns to lead a high-scoring Sooners' offensive unit that averages 44.9 points per game.

Joining Mayfield in the backfield are juniors **Bryce Love** (**Stanford**) and **Saquon Barkley** (**Penn State**). Love has rushed for 1,973 yards and 17 touchdowns, while Barkley has rushed for 1,134 yards and 16 touchdowns.

Seniors **James Washington (Oklahoma State)** and **Michael Gallup (Colorado State)** are the wide receivers. Washington has 69 catches for 1,423 yards and 12 touchdowns, while Gallup has 94 catches for 1,345 yards and seven touchdowns.

The tight end is **Mark Andrews** (**Oklahoma**). The recipient of the Mackey Award (nation's top tight end), Andrews has 56 receptions for 906 yards and eight touchdowns for the Sooners this season.

On the offensive line, junior **Orlando Brown** (**Oklahoma**) is joined by a duo from Notre Dame, seniors **Quenton Nelson** and **Mike McGlinchey**. Senior **Cody O'Connell (Washington State)** is a repeat First Team All-America honoree. Senior **Billy Price (Ohio State)**, a Second Team All-America honoree last season, is the offensive center.

Placekicker **Daniel Carlson** (**Auburn**) earns First Team honors after being recognized on the Second Team in both 2015 and 2016. Carlson has converted 21 field goals and all 54 of his point-after-kicks this season for the Tigers.

Leading the defensive unit is junior defensive back **Minkah Fitzpatrick** (**Alabama**), who was a Second Team All-American last season. Fitzpatrick is joined in the defensive secondary by senior **Jalen Davis** (**Utah State**) and juniors **Joshua Jackson** (**Iowa**) and **DeShon Elliott** (**Texas**).

Senior **Bradley Chubb (North Carolina State)**, who has 21 tackles for loss for the Wolfpack, is a First Team All-American along with sophomores **Sutton Smith (Northern Illinois)**, who has a nation-leading 28.0 tackles for loss, and **Ed Oliver (Houston)**. Junior **Hercules Mata'afa (Washington State)** rounds out the interior.

Senior **Josey Jewell (Iowa)**, who ranks third in the nation with 125 tackles, leads the linebacking corp. Joining Jewell is senior **Obgonnia Okoronkwo (Oklahoma)** and junior **Roquan Smith (Georgia)**,

The punter is junior **Michael Dickson** (**Texas**), who averages 48.4 yards-per-punt. The kick returners are sophomore **Tony Pollard** (**Memphis**), who has four kickoff returns for touchdowns, and senior **Dante Pettis** (**Washington**).

## **Second Team Notables**

Leading the Second Team are three players from top-ranked Clemson, including repeat Second Team honoree, junior defensive tackle **Christian Wilkins**. Joining Wilkins is junior defensive end **Austin Bryant** and junior offensive lineman **Mitch Hyatt.** 

Sixth-ranked Wisconsin has four Second Team honorees, including junior linebacker **T.J.** Edwards, senior tight end **Troy Fumagalli**, offensive lineman **David Edwards** and freshman running back **Jonathan Taylor**. Taylor ranks third in the nation with 1,847 rushing yards.

The nation's leading rusher (2,027), senior running back **Rashaad Penny** (**San Diego State**) is a Second Team selection, as is last year's Walter Camp Player of the Year, junior quarterback

**Lamar Jackson (Louisville)**. Jackson leads the nation in total offense (4,932 yards) and has accounted for 42 touchdowns (25 passing, 17 rushing) for the Cardinals.

Members of the 2017 Walter Camp All-America team and other major award winners (Alumni Award-Eddie George; Man of the Year-Calvin Johnson; Distinguished American-Lee Corso), will be honored at the organization's national awards banquet, presented by David McDermott Lexus of New Haven, on Saturday, January 13, 2018 at the Yale University's Lanman Center.

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 – 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 Walter Camp Football 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.

## 2017 Walter Camp All-America Teams

LB

Josey Jewell, Iowa

First Team Offense								
Pos.	Name, School	Hgt	Wgt	Class	Hometown			
WR	James Washington, Oklahoma State	6-1	205	Sr.	Stamford, TX			
WR	Michael Gallup, Colorado State	6-1	200	Sr.	Monroe, GA			
TE	Mark Andrews, Oklahoma	6-5	254	Jr.	Scottsdale, AZ			
OL	Orlando Brown, Oklahoma	6-8	345	Jr.	Duluth, GA			
OL	Quenton Nelson, Notre Dame	6-5	330	Sr.	Holmdel, NJ			
OL	Cody O'Connell, Washington State *	6-9	368	Sr.	Wenatchee, WA			
OL	Mike McGlinchey, Notre Dame	6-8	315	Sr.	Philadelphia, PA			
C	Billy Price, Ohio State \$	6-4	312	Sr.	Austintown, OH			
QB	Baker Mayfield, Oklahoma #	6-1	220	Sr.	Austin, TX			
RB	Bryce Love, Stanford	5-10	196	Jr.	Wake Forest, NC			
RB	Saquon Barkley, Penn State	5-11	230	Jr.	Coplay, PA			
PK	Daniel Carlson, Auburn %	6-4	223	Sr.	Colorado Springs, CO			
First Team Defense								
Pos.	Name, School	Hgt	Wgt	Class	Hometown			
DL	Bradley Chubb, North Carolina State	6-4	275	Sr.	Marietta, GA			
DL	Ed Oliver, Houston	6-3	290	So.	Houston, TX			
DL	Hercules Mata'afa, Washington State	6-2	252	Jr.	Lahaina, HI			
DL	Sutton Smith, Northern Illinois	6-1	225	So.	Saint Charles, MO			
LB	Roquan Smith, Georgia	6-1	225	Jr.	Montezuma, GA			

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LB DB DB DB DB P KR KR	Obgonnia Okoronkwo, Oklahoma Minkah Fitzpatrick, Alabama \$ Joshua Jackson, Iowa DeShon Elliott, Texas Jalen Davis, Utah State Michael Dickson, Texas Dante Pettis, Washington Tony Pollard, Memphis	6-1 6-1 6-2 5-10 6-3 6-1 5-11	240 202 192 210 185 205 195 200	Sr. Jr. Jr. Jr. Sr. Sr. So.	Houston, TX Old Bridge, NJ Corinth, TX Rockwall, TX LaMesa, CA Sydney, Australia San Clemente, CA Memphis, TN				
Second Team Offense									
Pos.	Name, School	Hgt	Wgt	Class	Hometown				
WR	David Sills, West Virginia	6-4	203	Jr.	Wilmington, DE				
WR	Steve Ishmael, Syracuse	6-2	209	Sr.	Miami, FL				
TE	Tory Fumagalli, Wisconsin	6-6	248	Sr.	Aurora, IL				
OL	Braden Smith, Auburn	6-6	303	Sr.	Olathe, KS				
OL	Chukwuma Okorafor, Western Michigan	6-6	330	Sr.	Southfield, MI				
OL	David Edwards, Wisconsin	6-7	315	So.	Downers Grove, IL				
OL	Mitch Hyatt, Clemson	6-5	305	Jr.	Sewanee, GA				
C	Bradley Bozeman, Alabama	6-5	314	Sr.	Roanoke, AL				
QB	Lamar Jackson, Louisville *	6-3	211	Jr.	Pompano Beach, FL				
RB	Rashaad Penny, San Diego State	5-11	220	Sr.	Norwalk, CA				
RB	Jonathan Taylor, Wisconsin	5-11	214	Fr.	Salem, NJ				
PK	Matt Gay, Utah	6-1	220	Sr.	Orem, UT				
Second Team Defense									
Pos.	Name, School	Hgt	Wgt	Class	Hometown				
DL	Austin Bryant, Clemson	6-5	265	Jr.	Pavo, GA				
DL	Nick Bosa, Ohio State	6-4	270	So.	Fort Lauderdale, FL				
DL	Maurice Hurst, Michigan	6-2	280	Sr.	Westwood, MA				
DL	Christian Wilkins, Clemson \$	6-4	300	Jr.	Springfield, MA				
LB	T.J. Edwards, Wisconsin	6-1	244	Jr.	Lake Villa, IL				
LB	Devin Bush, Michigan	5-11	222	So.	Pembroke Pines, FL				
LB	Micah Kiser, Virginia	6-2	240	Sr.	Baltimore, MD				
LB	Joe Giles-Harris, Duke	6-2	230	So.	Nyack, NY				
DB	Derwin James, Florida State	6-3	211	So.	Haines City, FL				
DB	Quin Blanding, Virginia	6-2	210	Sr.	Virginia Beach, VA				
DB	Lukas Denis, Boston College	5-11	186	Jr.	Everett, MA				
DB	Carlton Davis, Auburn	6-1	203	Jr.	Miami, FL				
P	Mitch Wishnowsky, Utah *	6-2	220	Jr.	Gosnells, Australia				
KR	D.J. Reed, Kansas State	5-9	188	Jr.	Bakersfield, CA				

<sup># - 2015</sup> Walter Camp First Team All-America selection

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