



2025 Walter Camp All-America Teams

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A Little History

This is the 136th edition of the Walter Camp All-America team, the nation's oldest college football All-America team. Twenty-five players were selected to the first team by the 136 Football Bowl Subdivision head coaches and sports information directors. In addition, 27 players were selected to the Second Team. The team was certified by the New Haven-based accounting firm of CBIZ.

- From 1889 to 1964, eleven players were selected.
- In 1965, both offensive and defensive teams were picked.
- In 1972, the first punter (Ray Guy, Southern Mississippi) was honored.
- In 1975, the first placekicker (Chris Bahr, Penn State) was selected.
- In 1998, the first-ever Second Team All-America team was recognized.
- In 2001, the first kick returner (Herb Haygood, Michigan State) was picked.
- In 2024, the first player (Travis Hunter, Colorado) earned First Team honors on both offense and defense.

Conference Info

In all, 34 different schools from nine conferences (including independents) were represented on the All-America First and Second Teams (a total of 52 players selected).

Overall, the Big Ten Conference has the most honorees (18; 10 first teamers and 8 second teamers), followed by the Southeastern Conference (13; 6 first teamers and 7 second teamers).

School Info

Ohio State (4 first team, 2 second team) has six selections, while Indiana (2 first team, 1 second team), Notre Dame (2 first team, 1 second team) and Oregon (3 second team) each have three honorees. Five schools – Iowa, Miami, Texas Tech, USC and Utah – have two First Team selections.

Good to See You Again

Three players on the 2025 Walter Camp All-America teams are repeat selections. First Team selection Caleb Down (Ohio State) was a First Team selection in 2024. Fellow First Team selection Jeremiah Smith (Ohio State) was a Second Team honoree in 2024. 2024 Second Team selection Spencer Fano (Utah) is a First Team honoree in 2025.

Player of Year

Indiana junior quarterback Fernando Mendoza is the 2025 Walter Camp Player of the Year. Mendoza is the second Indiana player to be selected Player of Year, joining former Hoosier running back Anthony Thompson (1989). Mendoza is the 24th quarterback to earn the award.

Then and Now

Fifteen different schools are represented on the 2025 Walter Camp All-America First Team. Of the 15 schools, Ohio State has the most storied tradition of placing members on the team. The Buckeyes had their first selection in 1916, running back Charles “Chic” Harley. Since 1916, Ohio State has had 87 Walter Camp All-Americans, including four in 2025.

Other historical selections:

Penn State – first selection 1919 – Robert Higgins, end
Notre Dame – first selection 1920 – George Gipp, running back
USC – first selection 1926 – Morton Kaer, running back
Georgia – first selection 1927 – Thomas Nash, end
Alabama – first selection 1930 – Frederick Sington, tackle
LSU – first selection 1936 – Gaynell Tinsely, end
Indiana – first selection 1937 – Corby Davis, fullback
Missouri – first selection 1939 – Paul Christman, quarterback

First Team Tidbits

- There are 15 different schools represented on the All-America First Team. The Big Ten has the most First Teamers (10), followed by the Southeastern Conference (6).
- Ohio State has a program-record four First Team selections. Ohio State did have three First Team All Americans six other times (most recently, 2006).
- Ohio State’s four First Team All-Americans are the most by any school since Alabama had six in 2020.
- With two First Team All-Americans (center Logan Jones; kick returner Kaden Wetjen) Iowa extended its streak to seven consecutive years with a First Team honoree – the longest current streak of any FBS school.
- Notre Dame has two First Team All-Americans for the third time in the last four seasons, and sixth time since 2015.
- Notre Dame’s Jeremiyah Love is the first Fighting Irish running back to be named an All-American since 1979 (Vagas Ferguson).
- Miami has two First Team selections (OL Francis Mauigoa and DL Rueben Bain) for the first time since 2004.
- Texas Tech has two First Team selections for the second time (2008).
- Utah has two First Team selections for the second time (2014).
- Cashius Howell is Texas A&M’s first defensive lineman to be named All-America since two-time honoree Myles Garrett (2015 and 2016).
- Ahmad Hardy is the first Missouri running back to earn Walter Camp First Team All-America honors.
- Georgia’s Brett Thorson is the first Bulldog All-America punter since 2009 (Drew Butler).
- Indiana has two First Team selections for the first time. Fernando Mendoza is the first Hoosier quarterback to be recognized, while Carter Smith is the first offensive lineman since 1967 (Gary Cassells) to be an All-American.

Class Distinction

Of the 25 First Team selections, 11 are juniors, seven are seniors, four are sophomores, while three are graduate students. On the Second Team (27 total selections), there are 10 seniors, nine juniors, five sophomores, and two graduate students. There is also one freshman (North Texas RB Caleb Hawkins).

FIRST TEAM OFFENSE

Pos.	Name, School	Hgt	Wgt.	Class	Hometown
WR	Makai Lemon, USC	5'11	195	Jr.	Los Alamitos, CA
WR	Jeremiah Smith, Ohio State #	6'3	223	So.	Miami Gardens, FL
TE	Eli Stowers, Vanderbilt	6'4	235	Gr.	Denton, TX
OL	Spencer Fano, Utah #	6'6	308	Jr.	Spanish Fork, UT
OL	Kadyn Proctor, Alabama	6'7	366	Jr.	Des Moines, IA
OL	Carter Smith, Indiana	6'5	313	R-Jr.	Powell, OH
OL	Francis Mauigoa, Miami	6'6	335	Jr.	Ili'ili, American Samoa
C	Logan Jones, Iowa	6'3	302	Gr.	Council Bluffs, IA
QB	Fernando Mendoza, Indiana	6'5	225	R-Jr.	Miami, FL
RB	Jeremiyah Love, Notre Dame	6'0	214	Jr.	St. Louis, MO
RB	Ahmad Hardy, Missouri	5'10	210	So.	Oma, MS
PK	Kansei Matsuzawa, Hawaii	6'2	200	Sr.	Tokyo, Japan

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE

DL	Cashius Howell, Texas A&M	6'2	248	R-Sr.	Kansas City, MO
DL	Rueben Bain Jr., Miami	6'3	270	Jr.	Miami, FL
DL	Kayden McDonald, Ohio State	6'3	326	Jr.	Suwanee, GA
DL	John Henry Daley, Utah	6'4	255	R-So.	Alpine, UT
LB	Jacob Rodriguez, Texas Tech	6'1	235	Sr.	Wichita Falls, TX
LB	David Bailey, Texas Tech	6'3	250	Sr.	Irvine, CA
LB	Arvell Reese, Ohio State	6'4	243	Jr.	Cleveland, OH
DB	Caleb Downs, Ohio State *	6'0	205	Jr.	Hoschton, GA
DB	Leonard Moore, Notre Dame	6'2	195	So.	Round Rock, TX
DB	Mansoor Delane, LSU	6'0	190	Sr.	Silver Spring, MD
DB	Bishop Fitzgerald, USC	5'11	205	R-Sr.	Woodbridge, VA
P	Brett Thorson, Georgia	6'2	235	Sr.	Melbourne, Australia
KR	Kaden Wetjen, Iowa	5'9	196	Gr.	Williamsburg, IA

SECOND TEAM OFFENSE

WR	Skyler Bell, UConn	6'0	185	R-Sr.	Bronx, NY
WR	Danny Scudero, San Jose State	5'9	174	R-So.	San Jose, CA
TE	Kenyon Sadiq, Oregon	6'3	245	Jr.	Idaho Falls, ID
OL	Emmanuel Pregon, Oregon	6'5	318	R-Sr.	Denver, CO
OL	Keagen Trost, Missouri	6'4	316	Gr.	Kankakee, IL
OL	Olaivavega Ioane, Penn State	6'4	323	R-Jr.	Graham, WA
OL	Brian Parker II, Duke	6'5	305	R-Jr.	Cincinnati, OH
OL	Keylan Rutledge, Georgia Tech	6'4	330	Sr.	Royston, GA
C	Jake Slaughter, Florida	6'4	303	R-Sr.	Sparr, FL
QB	Julian Sayin, Ohio State	6'1	208	So.	Carlsbad, CA
RB	Kewan Lacy, Ole Miss	5'11	210	So.	Dallas, TX

RB	Emmett Johnson, Nebraska	5'11	200	Jr.	Minneapolis, MN
RB	Caleb Hawkins, North Texas	6'2	200	Fr.	Shawnee, OK
PK	Tate Sandell, Oklahoma	5'9	182	R-Jr.	Port Neches, TX

SECOND TEAM DEFENSE

DL	Colin Simmons, Texas	6'3	240	So.	Dallas, TX
DL	Nadame Tucker, Western Michigan	6'3	250	R-Sr.	New York, NY
DL	Landon Robinson, Navy	6'0	287	Sr.	Fairlawn, Ohio
DL	Caden Curry, Ohio State	6'3	260	Sr.	Greenwood, IN
LB	CJ Allen, Georgia	6'1	235	Jr.	Barnesville, GA
LB	Xavier Atkins, Auburn	6'0	210	So.	Houston, TX
LB	Red Murdock, Buffalo	6'1	240	Gr.	Petersburg, VA
DB	Jakari Foster, Louisiana Tech	6'0	211	R-Sr.	Piedmont, AL
DB	Hezekiah Masses, California	6'1	185	Sr.	Deerfield Beach, FL
DB	D'Angelo Ponds, Indiana	5'9	173	Jr.	Miami, FL
DB	Dillon Thieneman, Oregon	6'0	205	Jr.	Westfield, IN
P	Cole Maynard, Western Kentucky	6'1	180	R-Sr.	Mooresville, N.C.
KR	Jadarian Price, Notre Dame	5'11	210	Jr.	Denison, TX

* - 2024 First Team Walter Camp All-America selection

- 2024 Second Team Walter Camp All-America selection

Considered the “Father of American Football,” Walter Camp introduced the play from scrimmage, set plays, the numerical assessment of goals and tries and the restriction of play to eleven men per side in 1880. Nine years later, Mr. Camp, then the Yale University head coach, selected the first-ever college football All-America team.

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. Visit www.waltercamp.org for more information. The Foundation is a member of the National College Football Awards Association (NCFAA). Founded in 1997, the NCFAA includes college football’s most prestigious awards and its 25 awards have honored more than 950 recipients dating back to 1935.