2021 Cincinnati Roger Bacon Four-Star Running Back Corey Kiner Includes Ohio State In Top 10



Early Friday morning, Cincinnati Roger Bacon four-star running back Corey Kiner included Ohio State in his top 10 alongside Cincinnati, Florida, Georgia, Louisville, LSU, Michigan, Ohio State, Penn State, Purdue and Texas A&M.

In no particular order these are the schools I feel most comfortable with and hope to grow closer with. Things can change over the next few weeks/months but this is my top ten, recruitment 100% open! (Edit By: @bspaeth7) pic.twitter.com/u6Uq2L9mbE

- Corey Kiner (@CoreyKiner) March 6, 2020

The 5-10, 205-pound Kiner is considered the 10th-best running back and No. 160 prospect overall in the class of 2021, as he rushed for 2,298 yards and 40 touchdown to lead the Spartans to the regional semifinals last season. He also added nine receptions for 122 yards and another score, as well as 523 vards and three touchdowns as a punt and kick returner.

Running backs coach Tony Alford extended a scholarship offer to Kiner last May, a few weeks after his unofficial visit for the annual spring game, while head coach Ryan Day has also been involved in his recruitment in the months since. Both assistants stopped by Roger Bacon during the January contact period, at which time they explained the need for the Buckeyes to bring on two running backs in the current cycle.

Other top targets for Ohio State include Gardland (Texas) Lakeview Centennial five-star Camar Wheaton; Hopewell, Va., five-star TreVeyon Henderson; Matthews (N.C.) Wddington five-star Will Shipley; West Bloomfield, Mich., four-star Donovan Edwards; Cypress (Texas) Cy-Fair four-star L.J. Johnson; Cornelius (N.C.) William Amos Hough four-star Evan Pryor; Bradenton (Fla.) IMG Academy four-star Lovasea Carroll; Lilburn (Ga.) Parkview four-star Cody Brown; and Rosenberg (Texas) Lamar Consolidated four-star Brandon Campbell.

Kiner does not appear to be close to making his college decision, and will instead focus most of his attention this spring on track and field rather than recruiting. He's expected to return to campus for a game in the fall.

That said, Kiner recently had a bit of fun with the recruiting process by revealing a list of his top five restaurants on Twitter before announcing his commitment to eat at Skyline Chili that evening. Those outside of Cincinnati might question his decision-making skills, though.