BSB TV: Cornell, Okudah, Young Discuss OSU's Improved Defensive Outing

In week four, Ohio State produced a strong defensive output as the Buckeyes limited Tulane to one touchdown and overpowered the Green Wave en route to the 49-6 final.

From the trenches to the secondary, No. 4 OSU (4-0, 1-0 Big Ten) turned in a solid performance against Tulane (1-3) prior to a top-10 showdown at Penn State (4-0, 1-0 Big Ten) next weekend.

Junior defensive end Jashon Cornell, sophomore cornerback Jeffrey Okudah and sophomore defensive end Chase Young put the unit's performance into perspective before conference play resumes.

Jashon Cornell

On how freshman defensive end Tyler Friday has stood out since arriving to campus...

"I think Tyler's doing exactly what he's supposed to be doing. The film room, the practice field — he's doing exactly what he's supposed to be doing. Him and (freshman defensive end) Tyreke (Smith). They're both playing a good role."

Jeffrey Okudah

On if any added pressure is put on the secondary without junior defensive end Nick Bosa...

"If it's one unit I have confidence in, I feel like it's the defensive line. Coach (Larry) Johnson is a great coach. We've got Chase Young. We've got all those guys. So I'm still going to be confident in the 'rushmen' regardless."

Chase Young

On what the defense has to do if conditions get tough late against Penn State...

"Just think, you know what I'm saying? When you do it, it's not really for yourself. You do it for your brothers beside you. I'm going to see (junior defensive tackle) Dre'Mont (Jones), I'm going to see (junior defensive end Jonathon) Coop(er) — I'm going to see them and they're going to be tired, too, but you've just got to look at each other (and) fight through it. You know what I'm saying? When you play college football, all of the offseason workouts and things like that — one man just can't do that. I think you've got to lean on your brothers because knowing that other people are doing it with you, I think that's the big thing that helps us."

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