

Chasing History: Young On The Brink Of Ohio State Records



Ohio State players are gaining ground on program records following a 38-7 victory against Wisconsin and ahead of a matchup this Saturday against Maryland. With the off week last weekend before going into the final four games of the regular season, here are where some of those players stand.

- Chase Young went from inching toward a record to being right on its doorstep within four quarters of play. Young recorded four sacks against Wisconsin, putting him at 13 ½ sacks on the season, tying Joey Bosa for second most in program history. He sits just one sack away from passing Vernon Gholston's school record of 14 sacks set in 2007.
- Young also went from tied for No. 5 in program history with Tyquan Lewis in career sacks at the start of the game to a tie for second with Jason Simmons, who has 27 ½. Young passed Joey Bosa and Matt Finkes, who had 26 and 25 sacks, respectively, in their Ohio State careers. Young needs nine more sacks to pass Mike Vrabel's number of 36 sacks and earn the top spot in Ohio State history.
- The four single-game sacks for Young tied Bobby Carpenter, Gholston and John Simon for the most in Ohio State history, while his five tackles for loss tied Ryan Shazier, John Simon, Andy Katzenmoyer, Jayson Gwinn and Judah Herman for the most the program has ever seen in one game.
- K. Dobbins put up 163 rushing yards, enough to push the junior running back past 1,000 yards for the third straight season. He joins Archie Griffin as the only other Ohio State back to accomplish that feat, but he is the first to do so in his freshman, sophomore and junior seasons.
- Dobbins also passed Tim Spencer (3,553 yards) for No. 4 on Ohio State's all-time career rushing list. He now has 3,566 yards for his collegiate career and is 203 yards away from surpassing Eddie George and moving into No. 3 on the all-time list.
- With 1,110 rushing yards so far this year, Dobbins needs 818 yards for the rest of the season to pass George for the most yards on the ground in a single season in Ohio State history. The 1,110 yards through eight games already ranks No. 29 in program history.
- He may have had only one reception, but that is all K.J. Hill needed to extend his streak of consecutive games with a catch to 42 games. He needs a catch in six more games to tie Gary Williams' program record.
- Hill's lone catch gives him 174 for his career, which is 18 away from passing David Boston's record for most catches in Ohio State history.
- Justin Fields now has 24 touchdown passes through eight games, which is already tied for No. 8 in

Ohio State history for a single season. Fields is 12 away from moving into No. 2 on the all-time list, a spot currently held by J.T. Barrett with 35 touchdown throws. But the sophomore quarterback would need to pick up his pace to catch No. 1 Dwayne Haskins, who holds that record after throwing 50 touchdown passes in 2018.

- Ryan Day tied Earle Bruce for the third-best start by a head coach at Ohio State with his 11th win in as many games. With a win against Maryland, Day would tie Carroll Widdoes for the second-best start, but he still needs 13 wins to match Urban Meyer's start of 24 straight wins.

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