

Former Penn State Wing Evan Mahaffey Transfers To Ohio State



Ohio State added its third transfer of the offseason on Wednesday, garnering the commitment of former Penn State wing Evan Mahaffey.

Joining the Buckeyes with three remaining seasons of eligibility, Mahaffey provides Ohio State with some needed depth on the wing. Boasting a 6-6, 200-pound frame, Mahaffey played both guard and forward for the Nittany Lions while producing 2.8 points and 1.7 rebounds per game, coming in 9.4 minutes per contest, last season.

First, I would like to thank God for this opportunity. Second, I want to thank Penn State and the amazing people that made my freshman year great! With that being said, I have decided to further my academic and athletic career at The Ohio State University! #BuckeyeNation !!
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— Evan Mahaffey (@EvanMahaffey5) May 3, 2023

Although he didn't see the floor much during his lone season in State College, Pa., Mahaffey has the potential to grow into a solid rotational piece for the Buckeyes. Prior to joining the Nittany Lions, Mahaffey was a consensus three-star recruit out of Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller, where he averaged 15.7 points, 7.1 rebounds, 3.1 assists and 1.6 blocks per game as a senior. Mahaffey also shot 63.8 percent from the field in his final high school season, putting him in consideration for 2022 Ohio Mr. Basketball honors while he secured a spot on the All-Ohio Division I first team.

Mahaffey's standout performance with the Nittany Lions came on Jan. 11, in which he hit all four of his

field goal attempts to produce a career-high 12 points in an 85-66 win over Indiana. While at Penn State, Mahaffey also played Ohio State once, scoring four points and pulling down three rebounds in the Nittany Lions' 75-71 win over the Buckeyes on Feb. 23.

He is the third transfer addition for Ohio State this offseason, joining former Minnesota forward Jamison Battle and Baylor guard Dale Bonner. The addition of Mahaffey puts Ohio State at the 13-scholarship limit.