

Ohio State Up To No. 5 In Coaches Poll, Stay At No. 6 In AP Poll



Ohio State will have to sit through one more Saturday without getting the chance to earn its own ranking on the field, but the Buckeyes moved up in both major polls regardless this weekend, from No. 6 to No. 5 in both the Coaches poll, while remaining at No. 6 with the AP voters.

The move can be attributed exclusively to Florida's 41-38 loss to Texas A&M on a last second field goal, which knocked the Gators from No. 4 to No. 9 in the Coaches poll and from No. 4 to No. 10 in the AP selection.

At fifth, Ohio State trails Clemson, Alabama, Georgia and Notre Dame in the Coaches poll, while checking in ahead of North Carolina, Oklahoma State, Penn State, Florida and Cincinnati.

That largest drop in the Coaches poll is from LSU, which dropped from No. 16 all the way to the bottom of the "others receiving votes" section, accumulating just four total votes, only higher than Arkansas, with one vote. The Tigers fell 45-41 to Missouri to drop to 1-2 on the year.

The largest jump is Texas A&M's, a nine spot leap into No. 11 after its win over Florida. No. 12 Miami, No. 17 Tennessee and No. 23 Virginia Tech all fell five spots after losing to higher-ranked opponents. The Big Ten has five representatives in the top 25, including the Buckeyes, Nittany Lions, No. 15 Wisconsin (down one spot), No. 19 Michigan and No. 25 Minnesota, the latter of which is new to the top 25. Iowa and Nebraska are among the others receiving votes.

In the AP poll, Ohio State sits behind Clemson, Alabama, Georgia, Notre Dame and North Carolina, and in front of Oklahoma State, Cincinnati, Penn State and Florida.

Notably, with Luke Fickell leading the way, this is Cincinnati's first top 10 appearance in the AP poll since the final week of the 2009 season.

Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota join Ohio State and Penn State in the ranking, with Wisconsin at No. 16, Michigan up one spot to No. 19 and Minnesota up one spot to No. 24. Iowa and Indiana also received votes.