Recruiting Outlook: Ohio State Offers 2025 Receiver Winston Watkins Jr., Commits Attend Camps



Recruiting Outlook is a regular series on Buckeye Sports Bulletin designed to be your one-stop shop for all news related to the Ohio State football recruiting trail.

Ohio State's latest offer out of the camp circuit went to a prospect in the 2025 class who is already committed to another school.

Bradenton (Fla.) IMG Academy wide receiver Winston Watkins Jr. (5-10, 172) is committed to Texas A&M but camped with the Buckeyes on Tuesday, earning an offer in the process.

Blessed to receive an offer from Ohio State University!! #AGTG #OhioState #GoBuckeyes @brianhartline @OhioStateFB @ryandaytime @CoachKee @CoachKOHara @CoachJordan82 pic.twitter.com/jJ17Wsu006

— Winston Watkins Jr. (@winstonwatkins) June 7, 2022

Ohio State's offer adds to an illustrious list for the Florida prospect, joining Florida, Florida State, Georgia Tennessee, Texas and Texas A&M as his notable offers. He does not hold an offer from Clemson, but he did recently attend a camp with the Tigers, where his cousin – current NFL receiver Sammy Watkins – played for three seasons from 2011-13.

Watkins has been committed to Texas A&M since December, then just the second member of the 2025 class to commit to a school. The Aggies were Watkins' first Power Five offer following a camp session last summer.

He impressed during Ohio State's recruiting camp on Tuesday, turning in one of the best individual performances and one of the day's top plays.

Winston Watkins Jr. (@winstonwatkins_) with a heck of a catch in one-on-ones. pic.twitter.com/D1Vw5EHCCt

- Garrick Hodge (@Garrick Hodge) June 7, 2022

Though Watkins is committed to Texas A&M, the finish line fr his recruitment is still years down the road, so keep an eye on the high-profile receiver as offers will likely continue to pour in throughout the camp circuit.

2023 Commitments Camp With Ohio State

Camps provides Ohio State's staff with the opportunity to see talent in the next several recruiting classes – and some of those prospects may even be committed to the school.

Several 2023 commitments for the Buckeyes were in attendance at camps this week, including a trio of offensive linemen in four-star Luke Montgomery from Findlay, Ohio, Huber Heights (Ohio) Wayne four-star Josh Padilla and Middletown (Ohio) Lakota East four-star Austin Siereveld, as well as Thompson's Station (Tenn.) Independence four-star tight end Ty Lockwood and Dublin (Ohio) Coffman three-star defensive lineman Will Smith Jr. (6-3, 260)

The offensive line group and Lockwood got the opportunity to work with offensive line coach Justin Frye, and while Smith was forced to sit out of Tuesday's camp, he had already announced he plans on attending all of Ohio State's one-day camps.

If posts on social media have been any indication, the committed players had a good time camping with the Buckeyes.

Ohio Against The World! @CoachJFrye @SiereveldAustin @JoshuaPadilla66 who's next??? pic.twitter.com/sfAggrrhSP

- Luke Montgomery (@lukeMonty8) June 7, 2022