

Ohio State Guard Tanner Holden Enters The Transfer Portal



After one season at Ohio State, guard Tanner Holden entered the transfer portal on Wednesday.

Holden arrived in Columbus after three seasons at Wright State, where he emerged as one of the nation's top scorers as a junior in 2021-22. As a Buckeye, Holden saw his role diminish as his lone season wore on and he finished his time with Ohio State by averaging 3.6 points and 2.4 rebounds per game across 27 appearances in a reserve role.

Prior to joining Ohio State, Holden aided Wright State to Horizon League glory with the Raiders claiming a pair of Horizon League regular season titles and a conference tournament title in 2021-22. In his final season with the Raiders, Holden ascended to the national stage by averaging 20.1 points per game — ranking second in the Horizon League — and leading Wright State to the NCAA Tournament. In a 93-82 First Four win over Bryant on March 16, 2022, Holden tallied 37 points and 11 rebounds to push Wright State into the 64-team field.

Holden ultimately entered the transfer portal at the end of the 2021-22 season, and committed to Ohio State on April 2, 2022.

Early in the season, he factored into Ohio State's guard and forward rotations, playing a significant role off of the bench. Across Ohio State's first 19 games, Holden averaged 16.3 minutes per game, but saw his role take a sharp decline as he averaged just 3.5 minutes per contest during Ohio State's final 16 games of the season.

Holden's most memorable moment in the Scarlet and Gray came when he hit a deep game-winning three-pointer as time expired to beat Rutgers 67-66 on Dec. 8, 2022. In all, Holden shot 47.3 percent from the field and 50.0 percent from three during his time with Ohio State.

Holden is the second Buckeye to transfer out of the program this offseason, joining Eugene Brown III —

who committed to Georgia Southern on Tuesday.