Two Former Buckeyes On Ballot For 2022 Hall Of Fame Class



The National Football Foundation today released the ballot for the 2022 College Football Hall of Fame class, and two Ohio State Buckeyes were included among the 78 FBS players who are candidates.

Safety Mike Doss (1999-2002) was a three-time First Team All-American, earning unanimous honors as a senior, and the 2002 Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year. He led the Buckeyes to the 2003 BCS National Championship, earning Defensive MVP honors in a 31-24 double-overtime victory over the Miami Hurricanes.

Linebacker James Laurinaitis (2005-2008) was also a three-time First Team All-American. He won Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year honors twice, led the Buckeyes in tackles for three-straight seasons, and his teams won Big Ten titles every year he played with the Scarlet and Gray.

"It's an enormous honor to just be on the College Football Hall of Fame ballot considering more than 5.47 million people have played college football and only 1,038 players have been inducted," said NFF President and CEO Steve Hatchell.

After the vote of the more than 12,000 NFF members is tabulated, the organization's Honor Court, chaired by former Ohio State running back Archie Griffin, will deliberate and select the class.

The results of that process will be announced early next year. That date has yet to be specified, however, the induction ceremony is already set for Dec. 6, 2022.