Wypler Named To Rimington Trophy Watch List



Another member of the Ohio State offense garnered preseason attention on Friday, as redshirt sophomore center Luke Wypler was placed on the Rimington Trophy watch list.

The Rimington Award serves to celebrate college football's best center, as voted on by members of the Football Writers Association of America, Walter Camp Football Foundation and Sporting News. The preseason watch list was compiled based on Pro Football Focus grades, however.

Congratulations to our 2022 Rimington Trophy Watchlist! Our committee worked with Pro Football Focus (PFF) to narrow down its list to the top 40 centers.

Presenting the 2022 watchlist: https://t.co/ugVqWIXZBY pic.twitter.com/CvUiw5gQGk

- Rimington Trophy (@rimingtontrophy) July 22, 2022

The 2022 campaign will be Wypler's second season as the starting center after he joined a successful run at the spot in 2021. He aided the Buckeyes' top-ranked offense in 2021, helping Ohio State lead the nation in yards and points per game with 561.2 and 45.7, respectively. Wypler was named an All-Big Ten Honorable Mention by Big Ten media for his efforts last season.

Wypler is one of six Big Ten centers to earn preseason recognition, joining Michigan's Olu Oluwatimi, Minnesota's John Michael Schmitz, Penn State's Juice Scruggs, Purdue's Gus Hartwig and Wisconsin's Joe Tippmann.

Three Buckeyes have previously won the trophy since its creation in 2000, as LeCharles Bentley (2001), Pat Elflein (2016) and Billy Price (2017) have all taken home the honor.