

# QUARTERBACK NOTES

# NFL DRAFT '23

Among the quarterbacks available in the 2023 NFL Draft, at least four are expected to be chosen in the first round - Alabama's Bryce Young, Ohio State's C.J. Stroud, Florida's Anthony Richardson and Kentucky's Will Levis.

Since 1967, a quarterback has been selected with the No. 1 overall pick on 26 occasions, the most among all positions, including four of the past five drafts: 2021 (Trevor Lawrence), 2020 (Joe Burrow), 2019 (Kyler Murray) and 2018 (Baker Mayfield).

**'23** KANSAS CITY  
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**NO. 1 OVERALL  
SELECTIONS BY  
POSITION  
SINCE 1967**

**QUARTERBACK: 26**

**MOST RECENT: TREVOR LAWRENCE (2021)**

**DEFENSIVE END: 12**

**MOST RECENT: TRAVON WALKER (2022)**

**RUNNING BACK: 7**

**MOST RECENT: KI-JANA CARTER (1995)**

**OFFENSIVE TACKLE: 4**

**MOST RECENT: ERIC FISHER (2013)**

**DEFENSIVE TACKLE: 3**

**MOST RECENT: DAN WILKINSON (1994)**

**LINEBACKER: 2**

**MOST RECENT: AUNDRAY BRUCE (1988)**

**WIDE RECEIVER: 2**

**MOST RECENT: KEYSHAWN JOHNSON (1996)**

**SINCE 1967,  
THERE HAVE  
BEEN ...**

**3** NFL DRAFTS IN WHICH QBs  
WERE SELECTED WITH  
EACH OF THE TOP 3 PICKS

**2021:** Trevor Lawrence (No. 1), Zach Wilson (No. 2) and Trey Lance (No. 3)

**1999:** Tim Couch (No. 1), Donovan McNabb (No. 2) and Akili Smith (No. 3)

**1971:** Jim Plunkett (No. 1), Archie Manning (No. 2) and Dan Pastorini (No. 3)

**5** NFL DRAFTS IN WHICH 4+  
QB'S WERE CHOSEN WITHIN  
THE TOP 15 SELECTIONS

**2021:** Trevor Lawrence (No. 1), Zach Wilson (No. 2), Trey Lance (No. 3), Justin Fields (No. 11) and Mac Jones (No. 15)

**2018:** Baker Mayfield (No. 1), Sam Darnold (No. 3), Josh Allen (No. 7) and Josh Rosen (No. 10)

**2011:** Cam Newton (No. 1), Jake Locker (No. 8), Blaine Gabbert (No. 10) and Christian Ponder (No. 12)

**1999:** Tim Couch (No. 1), Donovan McNabb (No. 2), Akili Smith (No. 3), Daunte Culpepper (No. 11) and Gade McNown (No. 12)

**1983:** John Elway<sup>HOF</sup> (No. 1), Todd Blackledge (No. 7), Jim Kelly<sup>HOF</sup> (No. 14) and Tony Eason (No. 15)

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**QB**

**BRYCE  
YOUNG**

**ALABAMA**



**ALABAMA QBs SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**MAC JONES**

**No. 15 - 2021 (New England)**

**TUA TAGOVAILOA**

**No. 5 - 2020 (Miami)**

**RICHARD TODD**

**No. 6 - 1976 (N.Y. Jets)**

**HIGHEST DRAFTED OFFENSIVE  
PLAYERS FROM ALABAMA SINCE 1967:**

**RB TRENT RICHARDSON (No. 3 in 2012)**

**T CHRIS SAMUELS (No. 3 in 2000)**

Alabama QB **BRYCE YOUNG** can:

- become the first Crimson Tide player to be selected No. 1 overall in the NFL Draft since 1967.
- surpass Tua Tagovailoa (No. 5 overall in 2020) as the highest selected Alabama quarterback in the common-draft era.
- surpass RB Trent Richardson (No. 3 in 2012) and T Chris Samuels (No. 3 in 2000) as the highest drafted offensive player from Alabama since 1967.
- become the 10th quarterback to win the Heisman Trophy and be selected No. 1 overall in the NFL Draft since 1967.

**HEISMAN-WINNING QBs SELECTED  
NO. 1 OVERALL SINCE 1967:**

**JOE BURROW - 2020 (Cincinnati)**

**KYLER MURRAY - 2019 (Arizona)**

**BAKER MAYFIELD - 2018 (Cleveland)**

**JAMEIS WINSTON - 2015 (Tampa Bay)**

**CAM NEWTON - 2011 (Carolina)**

**SAM BRADFORD - 2010 (St. Louis Rams)**

**CARSON PALMER - 2003 (Cincinnati)**

**VINNY TESTAVERDE - 1987 (Tampa Bay)**

**JIM PLUNKETT - 1971 (New England)**

**BRYCE YOUNG  
2021 HEISMAN WINNER**



Ohio State QB **C.J. STROUD** can:

- surpass Art Schlichter (No. 4 overall in 1982) as the highest selected Ohio State quarterback in the common-draft era.
- become the sixth offensive player from Ohio State selected with a top-five pick since 1967, joining Pro Football Hall of Fame T Orlando Pace (No. 1 in 1997), G John Hicks (No. 3 in 1974), RB Ezekiel Elliott (No. 4 in 2016), QB Art Schlichter (No. 4 in 1982) and T Chris Ward (No. 4 in 1978).

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**QB**

**C.J.  
STROUD**

**OHIO STATE**



**OHIO STATE QBs SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**JUSTIN FIELDS**

**No. 11 - 2021 (Chicago)**

**DWAYNE HASKINS JR.**

**No. 15 - 2019 (Washington)**

**ART SCHLICHTER**

**No. 4 - 1982 (Baltimore Colts)**

**HIGHEST DRAFTED OFFENSIVE PLAYER  
FROM OHIO STATE SINCE 1967:**

**T ORLANDO PACE<sup>HOF</sup>**

**No. 1 - 1997 (St. Louis Rams)**

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**COLLEGES WITH THE  
MOST FIRST ROUND  
PICKS IN THE PAST  
10 YEARS (2013-22)**

**ALABAMA: 30**

**OHIO STATE: 20**

**GEORGIA: 16**

**CLEMSON: 14**

**LSU: 14**

**FLORIDA: 13**

**FLORIDA STATE: 10**

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**QB**

**ANTHONY  
RICHARDSON**

**FLORIDA**



**FLORIDA QBs SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**TIM TEBOW**

**No. 25 - 2010 (Denver)**

**REX GROSSMAN**

**No. 22 - 2003 (Chicago)**

**JOHN REAVES**

**No. 14 - 1972 (Philadelphia)**

**STEVE SPURRIER**

**No. 3 - 1967 (San Francisco)**

Florida QB **ANTHONY RICHARDSON** can become the fifth Florida quarterback selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967 and first since 2010 (Tim Tebow). Florida has had at least one player selected in the first round of nine of the past 10 NFL Drafts.

Kentucky QB **WILL LEVIS** can join Tim Couch (No. 1 in 1999) as the only Wildcat quarterbacks selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967 and become the fifth offensive player from Kentucky chosen in the first round in the common-draft era, joining Couch, RB George Adams (No. 19 in 1985), T Warren Bryant (No. 6 in 1977) and WR Randy Burke (No. 26 in 1977).

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**QB**

**WILL  
LEVIS**

**KENTUCKY**



**OFFENSIVE PLAYERS FROM KENTUCKY  
SELECTED IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**QB TIM COUCH**

**No. 1 - 1999 (Cleveland)**

**RB GEORGE ADAMS**

**No. 19 - 1985 (N.Y. Giants)**

**T WARREN BRYANT**

**No. 6 - 1977 (Atlanta)**

**WR RANDY BURKE**

**No. 26 - 1977 (Baltimore Colts)**



# RB/WR/TE NOTES

# NFL DRAFT '23

Among the offensive skill position players available in the 2023 NFL Draft, there are many projected first round talents, including running back Bijan Robinson, wide receivers Jordan Addison, Jalin Hyatt, Zay Flowers, Quentin Johnston and Jaxon Smith-Njigba, and tight ends Dalton Kincaid, Michael Mayer and Darnell Washington.

**'23 KANSAS CITY  
DRAFT**

**RB**

**BIJAN  
ROBINSON**

**TEXAS**



## TEXAS RBs SELECTED IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:

**CEDRIC BENSON**  
No. 4 - 2005 (Chicago)

**RICKY WILLIAMS**  
No. 5 - 1999 (New Orleans)

**ERIC METCALF**  
No. 13 - 1989 (Cleveland)

**EARL CAMPBELL<sup>HOF</sup>**  
No. 1 - 1978 (Houston Oilers)

A running back has been selected in the first round of seven of the past eight NFL Drafts (2015-21).

Texas RB **BIJAN ROBINSON** can become:

- the fifth running back from Texas selected in the first round since 1967 and first since Cedric Benson (No. 4 overall) in the 2005 NFL Draft.
- the first offensive player from Texas selected in the first round since quarterback Vince Young (No. 3 overall) in the 2006 NFL Draft.
- the fourth consecutive Doak Walker Award winner to be selected within the top-two rounds of the NFL Draft.

## MOST RECENT DOAK WALKER AWARD WINNERS & THE NFL DRAFT ...

**2021 AWARD WINNER**

**KENNETH WALKER**

**2022 NFL DRAFT**

**2ND ROUND (NO. 41)**

**SEATTLE SEAHAWKS**

**2020 AWARD WINNER**

**NAJEE HARRIS**

**2021 NFL DRAFT**

**1ST ROUND (NO. 24)**

**PITTSBURGH STEELERS**

**2018/19 AWARD WINNER**

**JONATHAN TAYLOR**

**2020 NFL DRAFT**

**2ND ROUND (NO. 41)**

**INDIANAPOLIS COLTS**

**'23** KANSAS CITY  
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**WR**

**JAXON  
SMITH-NJIGBA**

**OHIO STATE**

**OHIO STATE WRs SELECTED IN  
THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 2000**

**GARRETT WILSON**

**No. 10 - 2022 (N.Y. Jets)**

**CHRIS OLAVE**

**No. 11 - 2022 (New Orleans)**

**TED GINN JR.**

**No. 9 - 2007 (Miami)**

**ANTHONY GONZALEZ**

**No. 32 - 2007 (Indianapolis)**

**SANTONIO HOLMES**

**No. 25 - 2006 (Pittsburgh)**

**MICHAEL JENKINS**

**No. 29 - 2004 (Atlanta)**

If Ohio State WR **JAXON SMITH-NJIGBA** is selected in the first round, he would become the 10th Buckeyes wide receiver selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967. It would also mark the fourth time in the past five NFL Drafts that Ohio State has had an offensive player selected in the first round.

TCU WR **QUENTIN JOHNSTON** can become the third Horned Frogs wide receiver selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967 and can become the first to be chosen with a top-20 selection.

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**WR**

**QUENTIN  
JOHNSTON**

**TCU**

**TCU WRs SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**JALEN REAGOR**

**No. 21 - 2020 (Philadelphia)**

**JOSH DOCTSON**

**No. 22 - 2016 (Washington)**

**HIGHEST DRAFTED OFFENSIVE  
PLAYERS FROM TCU SINCE 1967:**

**RB LADAINIAN TOMLINSON<sup>HOF</sup>**

**No. 5 - 2001 (San Diego Chargers)**

**RB NORM BULAICH**

**No. 18 - 1970 (Baltimore Colts)**

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**WR**

**JORDAN  
ADDISON**

**USC**



**USC WRs SELECTED IN  
THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 2000:**

**DRAKE LONDON**

**No. 8 - 2022 (Atlanta)**

**NELSON AGHOLOR**

**No. 20 - 2015 (Philadelphia)**

**MIKE WILLIAMS**

**No. 10 - 2005 (Detroit)**

**R. JAY SOWARD**

**No. 29 - 2000 (Jacksonville)**

**HIGHEST DRAFTED WR  
FROM USC SINCE 1967:**

**KEYSHAWN JOHNSON (No. 1 in 1996)**

If USC WR **JORDAN ADDISON** is selected in the first round, he would become the fifth Trojans wide receiver selected in the first round since 2000 and it would mark the second time in the common-draft era that USC had a first-round wide receiver in consecutive drafts (Curtis Conway - No. 7 in 1993; Johnnie Morton - No. 21 in 1994).

Tennessee WR **JALIN HYATT** can become the fourth Volunteers wide receiver selected in the first round since 2000 and can become the first offensive player from Tennessee chosen with a first round pick since 2014 (T Ju'Wuan James - No. 19 overall).

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**WR**

**JALIN  
HYATT**

**TENNESSEE**



**TENNESSEE WRs SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 2000:**

**CORDARRELLE PATTERSON**

**No. 29 - 2013 (Minnesota)**

**ROBERT MEACHEM**

**No. 27 - 2007 (New Orleans)**

**DONTE' STALLWORTH**

**No. 13 - 2002 (New Orleans)**

**HIGHEST DRAFTED TENNESSEE  
WR SINCE 1967:**

**ANTHONY HANCOCK**

**No. 11 - 1982 (Kansas City)**

Both Hyatt (2022) and Addison (2021) won the Fred Biletnikoff Award, presented to the most outstanding college football receiver. Each of the past three winners of the award were selected in the first round of the NFL Draft.

## ***MOST RECENT BILETNIKOFF AWARD WINNERS & THE NFL DRAFT ...***

**2020 AWARD WINNER**

**DEVONTA SMITH**

**2021 NFL DRAFT**

**1ST ROUND (NO. 10)**

**PHILADELPHIA EAGLES**

**2019 AWARD WINNER**

**JA'MARR CHASE**

**2021 NFL DRAFT**

**1ST ROUND (NO. 5)**

**CINCINNATI BENGALS**

**2018 AWARD WINNER**

**JERRY JEUDY**

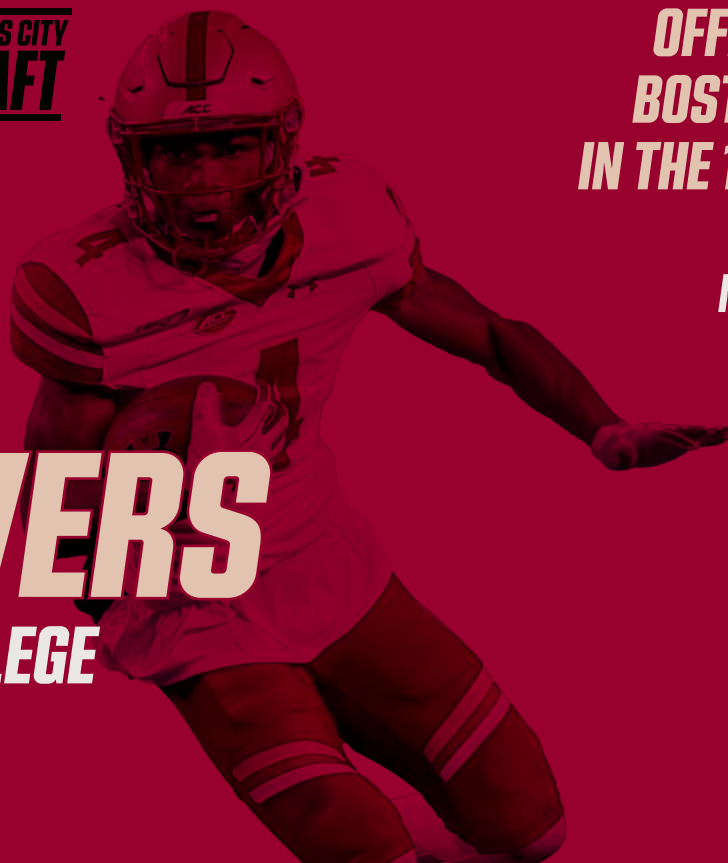
**2020 NFL DRAFT**

**1ST ROUND (NO. 15)**

**DENVER BRONCOS**

**'23 KANSAS CITY  
DRAFT**

**WR  
ZAY  
FLOWERS  
BOSTON COLLEGE**



**OFFENSIVE PLAYERS FROM  
BOSTON COLLEGE SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 2008**

**G ZION JOHNSON**

**No. 17 - 2022 (L.A. Chargers)**

**G CHRIS LINDSTROM**

**No. 14 - 2019 (Atlanta)**

**T ANTHONY CASTONZO**

**No. 22 - 2011 (Indianapolis)**

**QB MATT RYAN**

**No. 3 - 2008 (Atlanta)**

**T GOSDER CHERILUS**

**No. 17 - 2008 (Detroit)**

Boston College WR **ZAY FLOWERS** can become the first wide receiver in school history to be selected in the NFL Draft since 1967 and the third offensive player from Boston College selected in the first round in the past five years, joining offensive linemen Zion Johnson (No. 17 overall in 2022) and Chris Lindstrom (No. 14 in 2019).

**THE MOST CONSECUTIVE NFL DRAFTS WITH 2+  
WRs SELECTED IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967**

**2009-22**

**14 CONSECUTIVE DRAFTS**

**(ACTIVE STREAK)**

**1993-2005**

**13 CONSECUTIVE DRAFTS**

**1967-74**

**8 CONSECUTIVE DRAFTS**

**THE RECORD FOR THE MOST  
RECEIVERS DRAFTED IN THE 1ST  
ROUND IS 7 IN 2004.**

**SINCE 1967, 8 DRAFTS HAVE  
HAD 6 WRs SELECTED IN THE  
FIRST ROUND, INCLUDING 2022.**



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**TE**

**DALTON  
KINCAID**

**UTAH**



**OFFENSIVE PLAYERS FROM  
UTAH SELECTED IN THE  
1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**T GARETT BOLLES**  
No. 20 - 2017 (Denver)

**QB ALEX SMITH**  
No. 1 - 2005 (San Francisco)

**T JORDAN GROSS**  
No. 8 - 2003 (Carolina)

**WR KEVIN DYSON**  
No. 16 - 1998 (Tennessee Oilers)

Utah TE **DALTON KINCAID** can become the first Utah tight end to be drafted in the first round and the fifth offensive player overall from the school to be chosen in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967.

Notre Dame TE **MICHAEL MAYER** can become the sixth tight end from the school to be chosen in the first round in the common-draft era and the first since 2013 (Tyler Eifert - No. 21 overall). Notre Dame has had a tight end selected in the NFL Draft in four of the past five years (2021 - Tommy Tremble; 2020 - Cole Kmet; 2019 - Alize Mack; 2018 - Durham Smythe).

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DRAFT**

**TE**

**MICHAEL  
MAYER**

**NOTRE DAME**



**NOTRE DAME TEs SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**TYLER EIFERT**  
No. 21 - 2013 (Cincinnati)

**IRV SMITH**  
No. 20 - 1993 (New Orleans)

**DEREK BROWN**  
No. 14 - 1992 (N.Y. Giants)

**TONY HUNTER**  
No. 12 - 1983 (Buffalo)

**KEN MACAFEE**  
No. 7 - 1978 (San Francisco)

**SINCE 1967,  
THERE HAVE  
BEEN ...**

**3 DRAFTS IN WHICH 3 TEs WERE  
SELECTED IN THE 1ST ROUND**

**MOST RECENT ...**

**2017: O.J. Howard (No. 19), Evan Engram (No. 23) and David Njoku (No. 29)**

**14 DRAFTS IN WHICH 2+ TEs WERE  
SELECTED IN THE 1ST ROUND**

Georgia TE **DARNELL WASHINGTON** can join Benjamin Watson (No. 32 overall in 2004) as the only Georgia tight ends selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967 and the first Bulldog offensive player selected in the first round since 2020 (Andrew Thomas and Isaiah Wilson).

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**TE  
DARNELL  
WASHINGTON  
GEORGIA**



**GEORGIA TEs SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**BENJAMIN WATSON**

**No. 32 - 2004 (New England)**

**HIGHEST DRAFTED GEORGIA  
OFFENSIVE PLAYERS SINCE 1967:**

**QB MATTHEW STAFFORD**

**No. 1 - 2009 (Detroit)**

**RB GARRISON HEARST**

**No. 3 - 1993 (Phoenix Cardinals)**

**T ANDREW THOMAS**

**No. 4 - 2020 (N.Y. Giants)**

**WR A.J. GREEN**

**No. 4 - 2011 (Cincinnati)**

**TIGHT ENDS SELECTED IN THE FIRST ROUND  
IN THE PAST FIVE DRAFTS (2018-22)**

**2021 NFL DRAFT**

**KYLE PITTS**

**NO. 4 OVERALL**

**ATLANTA FALCONS**

**2019 NFL DRAFT**

**T.J. HOCKENSON**

**NO. 8 OVERALL**

**DETROIT LIONS**

**2019 NFL DRAFT**

**NOAH FANT**

**NO. 20 OVERALL**

**DENVER BRONCOS**

**2018 NFL DRAFT**

**HAYDEN HURST**

**NO. 25 OVERALL**

**BALTIMORE RAVENS**

# OFFENSIVE LINE NOTES

# NFL DRAFT '23

**SINCE 1967, THERE HAVE BEEN MULTIPLE OFFENSIVE LINEMEN SELECTED IN THE FIRST ROUND EVERY YEAR.**

**SINCE 2000, TEAMS HAVE USED A TOP-10 SELECTION ON AN OFFENSIVE LINEMAN IN 20 OF THE PAST 23 DRAFTS.**

**SINCE 2016, 10 OFFENSIVE LINEMEN HAVE BEEN SELECTED WITH A TOP-10 PICK ...**

**2022:** Ikem Ekwonu (No. 6), Evan Neal (No. 7) and Charles Cross (No. 9)

**2021:** Penei Sewell (No. 7)

**2020:** Andrew Thomas (No. 4) and Jedrick Wills (No. 10)

**2018:** Quenton Nelson (No. 6) and Mike McGlinchey (No. 9)

**2016:** Ronnie Stanley (No. 6) and Jack Conklin (No. 8)

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**COLLEGES WITH THE MOST FIRST-ROUND OFFENSIVE LINEMEN SINCE 1967**

**USC: 24**

**OHIO STATE: 13**

**ALABAMA: 12**

**IOWA: 11**

**NOTRE DAME: 11**

**BOSTON COLLEGE: 10**

**MICHIGAN: 10**

**WISCONSIN: 10**

Among offensive linemen, Ohio State's Paris Johnson Jr. and Dawand Jones, Northwestern's Peter Skoronski, Tennessee's Darnell Wright, Georgia's Broderick Jones and Florida's O'Cyrus Torrence are among the top candidates to be selected in the first round of the 2023 NFL Draft.

Ohio State's **PARIS JOHNSON JR.** and **DAWAND JONES** ...

- can become the fourth and fifth Ohio State offensive linemen selected in the first round since 2000, joining Billy Price (No. 21 overall in 2018), Taylor Decker (No. 16 in 2016) and Nick Mangold (No. 29 in 2006).
- can become the third Ohio State offensive line duo selected in the first round of the same NFL Draft, joining 1969 (Rufus Mayes and Dave Foley) and 1975 (Kurt Schumacher and Doug France).
- along with QB **C.J. STROUD** and WR **JAXON SMITH-NJIGBA**, Ohio State can become the first school in the common-draft era to have a quarterback, wide receiver and multiple offensive linemen selected in the first round of the same NFL Draft.
- can become the ninth set of college teammate offensive linemen to be selected in the first 20 picks of the first round in the same NFL Draft since 1967 and the first since 2018 (Notre Dame's Quenton Nelson and Mike McGlinchey).

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# NFL DRAFTS WITH OFFENSIVE LINE TEAMMATES SELECTED IN THE TOP 20 SINCE 1967

**2018: NOTRE DAME**  
QUENTON NELSON (NO. 6) & MIKE MCGLINCHY (NO. 9)

**2013: ALABAMA**  
CHANCE WARMACK (NO. 10) & D.J. FLUKER (NO. 11)

**2001: MICHIGAN**  
STEVE HUTCHINSON<sup>HOF</sup> (NO. 17) & JEFF BACKUS (NO. 18)

**1991: TENNESSEE**  
CHARLES MCRAE (NO. 7) & ANTONE DAVIS (NO. 8)

**1982: PENN STATE**  
MIKE MUNCHAK<sup>HOF</sup> (NO. 8) & SEAN FARRELL (NO. 17)

**1980: USC**  
ANTHONY MUNOZ<sup>HOF</sup> (NO. 3) & BRAD BUDDÉ (NO. 11)

**1975: OHIO STATE**  
KURT SCHUMACHER (NO. 12) & DOUG FRANCE (NO. 20)

**1968: USC**  
RON YARY<sup>HOF</sup> (NO. 1) & MIKE TAYLOR (NO. 10)

Northwestern T **PETER SKORONSKI** can become the third Northwestern offensive lineman selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967, joining Chris Hinton (No. 4 in 1983) and Rashawn Slater (No. 13 in 2021).

With Skoronski and DE **ADETOMIWA ADEBAWORE**, Northwestern can become the eighth school since 2013 to have both an offensive lineman and defensive lineman selected in the first round of the same NFL Draft and the first since Alabama in 2019 (T Jonah Williams and DT Quinnen Williams).

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# COLLEGES TO HAVE BOTH AN OFFENSIVE LINEMAN & DEFENSIVE LINEMAN SELECTED IN 1ST ROUND OF SAME NFL DRAFT SINCE 2013

**2019: ALABAMA**  
T JONAH WILLIAMS & DT QUINNEN WILLIAMS

**2016: MISSISSIPPI**  
T LAREMY TUNSIL & DE ROBERT NKEMDICHE

**2016: OHIO STATE**  
T TAYLOR DECKER & DE JOEY BOSA

**2015: FLORIDA**  
T D.J. HUMPHRIES & DE DANTE FOWLER

**2014: AUBURN**  
T GREG ROBINSON & DE DEE FORD

**2013: NORTH CAROLINA**  
G JONATHAN COOPER & DT SYLVESTER WILLIAMS

**2013: OREGON**  
G KYLE LONG & DE DION JORDAN





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## TENNESSEE OFFENSIVE LINEMEN SELECTED IN THE FIRST ROUND SINCE 1967

**T  
DARNELL  
WRIGHT**  
TENNESSEE



**JA'WUAN JAMES**  
No. 19 - 2014 (Miami)

**CHARLES MCRAE**  
No. 7 - 1991 (Tampa Bay)

**ANTONE DAVIS**  
No. 8 - 1991 (Philadelphia)

**ROBERT SHAW**  
No. 27 - 1979 (Dallas)

**BOB JOHNSON**  
No. 2 - 1968 (Cincinnati)

Tennessee **T DARNELL WRIGHT** can become the sixth Tennessee offensive lineman selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967 and the first since Ja'Wuan James (No. 19 overall) in 2014.

In the past 15 NFL Drafts (2008-22), there have been nine occasions where a school has had both a quarterback and an offensive lineman selected in the first round of the same NFL Draft. Tennessee (Wright and QB Hendon Hooker), Florida (G O'Cyrus Torrence and QB Anthony Richardson) and Ohio State (Johnson, Jones and QB C.J. Stroud) look to join this group in 2023.

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**COLLEGES TO HAVE BOTH  
AN OFFENSIVE LINEMAN  
& QUARTERBACK  
SELECTED IN 1ST ROUND  
OF SAME NFL DRAFT  
SINCE 2008**

**2021: ALABAMA**  
T ALEX LEATHERWOOD & QB MAC JONES

**2020: ALABAMA**  
T JEDRICK WILLS & QB TUA TAGOVAILOA

**2018: UCLA**  
T KOLTON MILLER & QB JOSH ROSEN

**2015: FLORIDA STATE**  
G CAMERON ERVING & QB JAMEIS WINSTON

**2014: TEXAS A&M**  
T JAKE MATTHEWS & QB JOHNNY MANZIEL

**2012: STANFORD**  
G DAVID DECASTRO & QB ANDREW LUCK

**2010: FLORIDA**  
G MAURKICE POUNCEY & QB TIM TEBOW

**2010: OKLAHOMA**  
T TRENT WILLIAMS & QB SAM BRADFORD

**2008: BOSTON COLLEGE**  
T GOSDER CHERILUS & QB MATT RYAN

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**GEORGIA OFFENSIVE LINEMEN SELECTED IN  
THE FIRST ROUND SINCE 2000**

**T**

**BRODERICK  
JONES**

**GEORGIA**



**ANDREW THOMAS**  
No. 4 - 2020 (N.Y. Giants)

**ISAIAH WILSON**  
No. 29 - 2020 (Tennessee)

**ISAIAH WYNN**  
No. 23 - 2018 (New England)

**GEORGE FOSTER**  
No. 20 - 2003 (Denver)

Georgia **T BRODERICK JONES** can become the fifth Georgia offensive lineman selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 2000 and the first since Andrew Thomas (No. 4 overall) and Isaiah Wilson (No. 29) in 2020.

Florida **G O'CYRUS TORRENCE** can become the fifth Florida offensive lineman selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 2000 and the first since D.J. Humphries (No. 24 overall) in 2015.

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**FLORIDA OFFENSIVE LINEMEN SELECTED IN  
THE FIRST ROUND SINCE 2000**

**G**

**O'CYRUS  
TORRENCE**

**FLORIDA**



**D.J. HUMPHRIES**  
No. 24 - 2015 (Arizona)

**MIKE POUNCEY**  
No. 15 - 2011 (Miami)

**MAURKICE POUNCEY**  
No. 18 - 2010 (Pittsburgh)

**KENYATTA WALKER**  
No. 14 - 2001 (Tampa Bay)

# DEFENSIVE BACK NOTES

# NFL DRAFT '23

Among the defensive backs available in the 2023 NFL Draft, Oregon's Christian Gonzalez, Penn State's Joey Porter Jr., Illinois' Devon Witherspoon and Alabama's Brian Branch are among those who have been projected to be selected in the first round.

If multiple defensive backs are selected in the top-10 in 2023, it would mark the first time in the common-draft era that multiple defensive backs were chosen with top-10 picks in four consecutive NFL Drafts.

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**MOST CONSECUTIVE  
NFL DRAFTS  
WITH MULTIPLE  
DEFENSIVE BACKS  
SELECTED IN THE  
TOP-10 SINCE 1967**

**3: 2020-22 [ACTIVE STREAK]**

**2022: DEREK STINGLEY JR. & SAUCE GARDNER**

**2021: JAYCEE HORN & PAT SURTAIN II**

**2020: JEFF OKUDAH & CJ HENDERSON**

**3: 2004-06**

**2006: MICHAEL HUFF & DONTÉ WHITNER**

**2005: PACMAN JONES, ANTREL ROLLE & CARLOS ROGERS**

**2004: SEAN TAYLOR, DEANGELO HALL & DUNTA ROBINSON**

**3: 1997-99**

**1999: CHAMP BAILEY<sup>HOF</sup> & CHRIS MCALISTER**

**1998: CHARLES WOODSON<sup>HOF</sup> & DUANE STARKS**

**1997: SHAWN SPRINGS, BRYANT WESTBROOK & TOM KNIGHT**

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**NFL DRAFTS SINCE 1967  
HAVE FEATURED MULTIPLE  
DEFENSIVE BACKS SELECTED IN  
THE FIRST ROUND, INCLUDING  
EACH DRAFT SINCE 1988**

**MOST DEFENSIVE BACKS SELECTED  
IN FIRST ROUND OF NFL DRAFT:**

**10 of past 11**

**NFL DRAFTS HAVE  
FEATURED AT LEAST  
FIVE DEFENSIVE  
BACKS SELECTED IN  
THE FIRST ROUND**

**9 in 2014**

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**CB**

**CHRISTIAN  
GONZALEZ**

**OREGON**



**OREGON DBs SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**ALEX MOLDEN**

**No. 11 - 1996 (New Orleans)**

**MARIO CLARK**

**No. 18 - 1976 (Buffalo)**

**JIM SMITH**

**No. 12 - 1968 (Washington)**

**HIGHEST DRAFTED DEFENSIVE  
PLAYERS FROM OREGON SINCE 1967:**

**DE DION JORDAN (No. 3 in 2013)  
DE KAYVON THIBODEAUX (No. 5 in 2022)**

Oregon CB **CHRISTIAN GONZALEZ** can become the fourth Oregon defensive back selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967 and the first since Alex Molden (No. 11 overall) in 1996.

Over the past three NFL Drafts (2020-22), three schools have had at least one top-10 selection in each Draft: Alabama, LSU and Oregon.

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**ALABAMA**

**2022: EVAN NEAL (NO. 7)**

**2021: JAYLEN WADDLE (NO. 6), PAT SURTAIN II (NO. 9) & DEVONTA SMITH (NO. 10)**

**2020: TUA TAGOVAILOA (NO. 5) & JEDRICK WILLS (NO. 10)**

**LSU**

**2022: DEREK STINGLEY JR. (NO. 3)**

**2021: JA'MARR CHASE (NO. 5)**

**2020: JOE BURROW (NO. 1)**

**OREGON**

**2022: KAYVON THIBODEAUX (NO. 5)**

**2021: PENEI SEWELL (NO. 7)**

**2020: JUSTIN HERBERT (NO. 6)**

**COLLEGES WITH A PLAYER  
CHOSEN IN THE TOP-10 IN  
EACH OF THE PAST 3 NFL  
DRAFTS (2020-22)**



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**CB**

**JOEY  
PORTER JR.**

**PENN STATE**



**HIGHEST DRAFTED DEFENSIVE PLAYERS  
FROM PENN STATE SINCE 1967:**

**DE COURTNEY BROWN**

**No. 1 - 2000 (Cleveland)**

**LB LAVAR ARRINGTON**

**No. 2 - 2000 (Washington)**

**DE BRUCE CLARK**

**No. 4 - 1980 (Green Bay)**

**DT MIKE REID**

**No. 7 - 1970 (Cincinnati)**

**LB SHANE CONLAN**

**No. 8 - 1987 (Buffalo)**

**LB ED O'NEIL**

**No. 8 - 1974 (Detroit)**

Penn State CB **JOEY PORTER JR.** can become the first Nittany Lion defensive back to be selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967 and the sixth defensive player overall from Penn State to be selected in the first round in the past 20 years (2004-23).

Illinois CB **DEVON WITHERSPOON** can become the third Fighting Illini defensive back chosen in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967, joining CB Vontae Davis (No. 25 overall in 2009) and Henry Jones (No. 26 overall in 1991), and the first defensive player from Illinois chosen in the first round since LB Whitney Mercilus in 2012 (No. 26 overall).

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**DRAFT**

**CB**

**DEVON  
WITHERSPOON**

**ILLINOIS**



**DEFENSIVE PLAYERS FROM ILLINOIS  
SELECTED IN THE FIRST ROUND SINCE 1993:**

**LB WHITNEY MERCILUS**

**No. 26 - 2012 (Houston)**

**DE COREY LIUGET**

**No. 18 - 2011 (San Diego Chargers)**

**CB VONTAE DAVIS**

**No. 25 - 2009 (Miami)**

**LB KEVIN HARDY**

**No. 2 - 1996 (Jacksonville)**

**DE SIMEON RICE**

**No. 3 - 1996 (Tampa Bay)**

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**DB**

**BRIAN  
BRANCH**

**ALABAMA**



**ALABAMA DEFENSIVE BACKS  
SELECTED IN THE FIRST ROUND IN THE  
PAST 10 YEARS (2013-22):**

**PAT SURTAIN II**

**No. 9 - 2021 (Denver)**

**MINKAH FITZPATRICK**

**No. 11 - 2018 (Miami)**

**MARLON HUMPHREY**

**No. 16 - 2017 (Baltimore)**

**HA HA CLINTON-DIX**

**No. 21 - 2014 (Green Bay)**

**DEE MILLINER**

**No. 9 - 2013 (N.Y. Jets)**

Alabama DB **BRIAN BRANCH** can become the ninth Crimson Tide defensive back selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 2010. Over the past 15 years (2008-22), only Ohio State (nine) has had more first-round defensive backs than Alabama (eight).

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**COLLEGES WITH THE  
MOST FIRST-ROUND  
DEFENSIVE BACKS  
IN THE PAST 15  
YEARS (2008-22)**

**OHIO STATE (9)**

**JEFF OKUDAH & DAMON ARNETTE (2020); DENZEL WARD (2018);  
MARSHON LATTIMORE, MALIK HOOKER & GAREON CONLEY (2017);  
ELI APPLE (2016); BRADLEY ROBY (2014); MALCOLM JENKINS (2009).**

**ALABAMA (8)**

**PAT SURTAIN II (2021); MINKAH FITZPATRICK (2018);  
MARLON HUMPHREY (2017); HA HA CLINTON-DIX (2014);  
DEE MILLINER (2013); MARK BARRON & DRE KIRKPATRICK  
(2012); KAREEM JACKSON (2010).**

**FLORIDA (6)**

**KAIIR ELAM (2022); CJ HENDERSON (2020);  
VERNON HARGREAVES III & KEANU NEAL (2016);  
MATT ELAM (2013); JOE HADEN (2010).**

**LSU (6)**

**DEREK STINGLEY JR. (2022); JAMAL ADAMS & TRE'DAVIOUS WHITE (2017);  
ERIC REID (2013); MORRIS CLAIBORNE (2012); PATRICK PETERSON (2011).**

# LB/DL NOTES

# NFL DRAFT '23

Among the defensive linemen and linebackers available in the 2023 NFL Draft, there are many projected first-round talents, including Alabama LB Will Anderson Jr., Georgia DL Jalen Carter, Texas Tech DE Tyree Wilson, Georgia Tech DE Keion White, Clemson DE Myles Murphy, and Iowa DE Lukas Van Ness.

At least one linebacker has been selected in the first round of every NFL Draft in the common-draft era except for 1973.

**'23 KANSAS CITY  
DRAFT**

**LB**

**WILL  
ANDERSON JR.**  
**ALABAMA**

**ALABAMA LINEBACKERS SELECTED IN THE FIRST  
ROUND IN THE PAST 10 YEARS (2013-22):**

**RASHAAN EVANS**  
No. 22 - 2018 (Tennessee)

**REUBEN FOSTER**  
No. 31 - 2017 (San Francisco)

**C.J. MOSLEY**  
No. 17 - 2014 (Baltimore)

**HIGHEST-SELECTED ALABAMA  
LINEBACKER SINCE 1967:**

**CORNELIUS BENNETT**  
No. 2 - 1987 (Indianapolis)

Alabama LB **WILL ANDERSON JR.** can become:

- the sixth linebacker from Alabama selected in the first round since 2000 and the first since Rashaan Evans (No. 22) in the 2018 Draft.
- the 14th linebacker in the common-draft era from Alabama selected in the first round. Alabama leads all colleges with 13 linebackers selected in the first round since 1967, followed by Ohio State (11) and USC (9).
- the seventh consecutive Bednarik Award winner, presented to the top defensive player in college football, to be selected in the first round of the NFL Draft.

## **MOST RECENT BEDNARIK AWARD WINNERS & THE NFL DRAFT ...**

**2021 AWARD WINNER**

**JORDAN DAVIS**

**2022 NFL DRAFT**

**1ST ROUND (NO. 13)**

**PHILADELPHIA EAGLES**

**2020 AWARD WINNER**

**ZAVEN COLLINS**

**2021 NFL DRAFT**

**1ST ROUND (NO. 16)**

**ARIZONA CARDINALS**

**2019 AWARD WINNER**

**CHASE YOUNG**

**2020 NFL DRAFT**

**1ST ROUND (NO. 2)**

**WASHINGTON FOOTBALL TEAM**

**'23** KANSAS CITY  
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**DL**

**JALEN  
CARTER**

**GEORGIA**

**GEORGIA DEFENSIVE PLAYERS SELECTED  
IN THE TOP 10 SINCE 1967:**

**DE TRAVON WALKER**

**No. 1 - 2022 (Jacksonville)**

**LB ROQUAN SMITH**

**No. 8 - 2018 (Chicago)**

**LB LEONARD FLOYD**

**No. 9 - 2016 (Chicago)**

**DT JOHNATHAN SULLIVAN**

**No. 6 - 2003 (New Orleans)**

**DT RICHARD SEYMOUR<sup>HOF</sup>**

**No. 6 - 2001 (New England)**

**CB CHAMP BAILEY<sup>HOF</sup>**

**No. 7 - 1999 (Washington)**

Georgia DL **JALEN CARTER** can become the seventh defensive player selected in the top 10 from Georgia since 1967. At least one defensive player from Georgia has been selected in the first round in four of the past five NFL Drafts.

Georgia has had 17 defensive players selected in the first round since 2000, tied with Alabama (17) for the third-most among colleges in that span. Only Ohio State (24) and Miami - FL (19) have more. Georgia had five defensive players selected in the first round of the 2022 NFL Draft, the most defensive players from one school selected in the first round of the same NFL Draft since 1967.

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**COLLEGES WITH THE  
MOST DEFENSIVE  
PLAYERS SELECTED  
IN THE FIRST  
ROUND SINCE 2000**

**OHIO STATE (24)**

**MOST RECENT: 2020: DE CHASE YOUNG (No. 2),  
CB JEFF OKUDAH (No. 3), CB DAMON ARNETTE (No. 19)**

**MIAMI (FL) (19)**

**MOST RECENT: 2021: DE JAEAN PHILLIPS (No. 18),  
DE GREG ROUSSEAU (No. 30)**

**ALABAMA (17)**

**MOST RECENT: 2021: CB PAT SURTAIN II (No. 9)**

**GEORGIA (17)**

**MOST RECENT: 2022: DE TRAVON WALKER (No. 1),  
DT JORDAN DAVIS (No. 13), LB QUAY WALKER (No. 22),  
DT DEVONTE WYATT (No. 28), S LEWIS CINE (No. 32)**



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**DE**

**TYREE  
WILSON**

**TEXAS TECH**



**TEXAS TECH PLAYERS SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**LB JORDYN BROOKS**  
No. 27 - 2020 (Seattle)

**QB PATRICK MAHOMES**  
No. 10 - 2017 (Kansas City)

**WR MICHAEL CRABTREE**  
No. 10 - 2009 (San Francisco)

**DT GABE RIVERA**  
No. 21 - 1983 (Pittsburgh)

**DB TED WATTS**  
No. 21 - 1981 (Oakland Raiders)

Texas Tech DE **TYREE WILSON** can become the second Red Raiders defensive lineman and sixth Texas Tech player overall to be selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967.

Georgia Tech DE **KEION WHITE** can become the fourth defensive player from Georgia Tech to be selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 1967 and the second defensive lineman, joining Derrick Morgan (No. 16 in 2010). The highest-selected defensive players from Georgia Tech are linebackers Keith Brooking (1998) and Marco Coleman (1992), who were both selected No. 12 overall.

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**DE**

**KEION  
WHITE**

**GEORGIA TECH**



**GEORGIA TECH PLAYERS SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 2000:**

**DL DERRICK MORGAN**  
No. 16 - 2010 (Tennessee)

**WR DEMARYIUS THOMAS**  
No. 22 - 2010 (Denver)

**WR CALVIN JOHNSON<sup>HOF</sup>**  
No. 2 - 2007 (Detroit)

**HIGHEST-DRAFTED DEFENSIVE  
GEORGIA TECH PLAYERS SINCE 1967:**

**LB Keith Brooking (No. 12 - 1998)**  
**LB Marco Coleman (No. 12 - 1992)**

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**CLEMSON DEFENSIVE LINEMEN SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 2000:**

**DE**

**MYLES  
MURPHY**

**CLEMSON**



**CLELIN FERRELL**

**No. 4 - 2019 (Oakland Raiders)**

**CHRISTIAN WILKINS**

**No. 13 - 2019 (Miami)**

**DEXTER LAWRENCE II**

**No. 17 - 2019 (N.Y. Giants)**

**SHAQ LAWSON**

**No. 19 - 2016 (Buffalo)**

**GAINES ADAMS**

**No. 4 - 2007 (Tampa Bay)**

Clemson DE **MYLES MURPHY** can become the sixth Tigers defensive lineman selected in the first round of the NFL Draft since 2000 and the first since Clelin Ferrell was selected No. 4 overall in 2019.

If Iowa DE **LUKAS VAN NESS** is selected in the first round, he would become the fifth Hawkeyes defensive player selected in the first round since 1967 and the first since 2011 (Adrian Clayborn - No. 20 overall).

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**IOWA DEFENSIVE PLAYERS SELECTED  
IN THE 1ST ROUND SINCE 1967:**

**DE**

**LUKAS  
VAN NESS**

**IOWA**



**DE ADRIAN CLAYBORN**

**No. 20 - 2011 (Tampa Bay)**

**LB CHAD GREENWAY**

**No. 17 - 2006 (Minnesota)**

**DB TOM KNIGHT**

**No. 9 - 1997 (Arizona)**

**DB CRAIG CLEMONS**

**No. 12 - 1972 (Chicago)**