

2013 SPRING FOOTBALL

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NOTES...



MEDIA INFORMATION

PRACTICE DATES

The Buckeyes will practice on the following dates:

March 5, 7, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28, 30
April 2, 4, 6, 9, 11 and 12

2013 SPRING GAME

The 2013 LiFE Sports Spring Game, presented by Nationwide, will be played April 13 at 1 p.m. at Paul Brown Stadium in Cincinnati, Ohio.

SPRING GAME TICKETS

All seats at Paul Brown Stadium are reserved seats. Fans interested in purchasing tickets can do so online at OhioStateBuckeyes.com, charge by phone at 1-800-745-3000, in person at the Athletics Ticket Office in the Schottenstein Center, or at any Ticketmaster location.

TICKET PRICES

Ticket prices are \$18 for club seats, \$12 for general reserved seats and \$5 for ages 2-6 with children under the age of 2 admitted free. Ohio State students will receive free admission in designated student sections.

TELEVISION

Details of the television broadcast of the spring game were still being finalized at the time this publication was converted into a PDF and posted online.

SPRING GAME RADIO

Sports Radio 97.1 (FM) The Fan will broadcast the game for the Ohio State IMG Sports Network. Hall of Fame play-by-play announcer Paul Keels and former Buckeye All American Jim Lachey will have the call.

SPRING GAME CREDENTIALS

Media will be notified via advisory the protocol to request credentials for the spring game. Further information will be communicated during spring drills.

ABOUT LIFE SPORTS

Learning and Fitness & Education through Sports (LiFE Sports) is a youth development initiative run by the Ohio State Department of Athletics and the Ohio State College of Social Work. The program is designed to offer economically disadvantaged children and adolescents, ages 9-17, sport and education instruction in a safe and nurturing environment during the summer months. Visit <http://www.ohiostatebuckeyes.com/camps/life-sports.html> to learn more about the program. It's a good thing!

2013 SPRING FOOTBALL MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES

Tuesday, March 5

- Practice open to the media. First 30 minutes open for photo purposes (4 p.m.)
- Coach Meyer Q&A after practice (approx. 6 p.m.; team meeting room)

Thursday, March 7

- DC/LB Coach Luke Fickell and selected LBs available after practice
- Interviews on indoor field at approx. 6 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19

- Practice open to the media. First 30 minutes open for photo purposes (4 p.m.)
- Coach Meyer Q&A after practice
- RB Coach Stan Drayton and selected RBs available after practice
- All interviews on indoor field at approx. 6 p.m.

Thursday, March 21

- DL Coach Mike Vrabel and selected DL available after practice
- Co-OC/OL Coach Ed Warinner and selected OL available after practice
- Interviews on indoor field at approx. 6 p.m.

Tuesday, March 26

- Practice open to the media. First 30 minutes open for photo purposes (4 p.m.)
- Coach Meyer Q&A after practice
- Co-DC/Asst. HC/Safeties Coach Everett Withers and selected SAFs available
- All interviews on indoor field at approx. 6 p.m.

Thursday, March 28

- CB Coach Kerry Coombs and selected CBs available after practice
- OC/QB Coach Tom Herman and selected QBs available after practice
- Interviews on indoor field at approx. 6 p.m.

Tuesday, April 2

- Practice open to the media. First 30 minutes open for photo purposes (4 p.m.)
- Coach Meyer Q&A after practice (approx. 6 p.m.; team meeting room)

Thursday, April 4

- TE/FB Coach Tim Hinton and selected TEs available after practice
- WR Coach Zach Smith and selected WRs available after practice
- Interviews on indoor field at approx. 6 p.m.

Saturday, April 6

- Student appreciation day practice open to the media (approx. 10 a.m.)

Wednesday, April 10

- Coach Meyer on the Big Ten Spring Teleconference (12 noon)
- Student-Athlete (TBA) on Big Ten Spring Teleconference (12:10 p.m.)

Saturday, April 13 (2013 LiFESports Spring Game, Presented by Nationwide)

- Coach Meyer will address the media after the game next to visitor's lockerroom
- Players available for interviews at Paul Brown Stadium following the game

Thursday, April 25

- Possible date for a spring review / fall preview from Coach Meyer.

Notes: No cell phone usage at open practices ... Online video usage of practice footage/ action should not exceed three minutes in feature packages ... Interview dates and coaches available may be subject to change ... Weekday practices typically start at 4 p.m. ... All times approximate.



FOOTBALL FACTS & MORE

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location Columbus, Ohio
 Population 1.7 million
 Founded 1870
 Joined Big Ten 1912
 First Year of Big Ten Football 1913
 Enrollment 56,387
 Nickname Buckeyes
 Colors Scarlet and Gray
 Marching Band The Ohio State University
 Marching Band –“TBDBITL”
 President E. Gordon Gee
 Director of Athletics Gene Smith
 Senior Woman Administrator Michelle Willis
 Faculty Representative John Bruno
 Ticket Office Phone 614-292-2624
 Website OhioStateBuckeyes.com

TEAM HISTORY

First Year of Football 1890
 All-Time Record (Years) 837-316-53 (123)
 All-Time Big Ten Record (Years) 465-171-24 (100)
 Big Ten Championships (Last) 34 (2009)
 All-Time Bowl Record 19-23
 National Championships 7
 Consensus All-America Selections 78
 First Team All-Big Ten Selections 369

HEAD COACH URBAN MEYER

Alma Mater Cincinnati (1986; Psychology)
 Master’s Degree Ohio State (1988; Sports Admin.)
 Record at Ohio State 12-0 (1 year)
 Career Record 116-23 (11 years)
 National Championships 2 (2006 & 2008)
 Conference Championships 4
 (2003 & 2004 at Utah; 2006 & 2008 at Florida)
 NFL Draft Picks 36
 First-Round NFL Draft Picks 9
 Academic All-Conference Players 162

ASSISTANT COACHES

Luke Fickell Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers
 Tom Herman Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
 Kerry Coombs Cornerbacks/
 Special Teams Coordinator
 Stan Drayton Running Backs
 Tim Hinton Tight Ends/Fullbacks
 Zach Smith Wide Receivers
 Mike Vrabel Defensive Line
 Ed Warinner Co-Offensive Coordinator/
 Offensive Line
 Everett Withers Co-Defensive Coordinator/
 Assistant Head Coach/Safeties

ASSISTANT AD FOR FB SPORTS PERFORMANCE

Mickey Marotti

HEAD TRAINER

Doug Calland

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Brian Voltolini

OFFENSIVE/DEFENSIVE FORMATION

Spread / Multiple

LETTERWINNERS RETURNING: 51

Offense 23
 Defense 25
 Special Teams 3

LETTERWINNERS LOST: 23

Offense 6
 Defense 16
 Special Teams 1

STARTERS RETURNING: 14

Offense 9
 QB Braxton Miller, RB Carlos Hyde, WR Corey Brown, WR Devin Smith, TE Jeff Heurman, OT Jack Mewhort, OG Andrew Norwell, C Corey Linsley, OG Marcus Hall

Defense 4
 CB Bradley Roby, SAF Christian Bryant, SAF C.J. Barnett, LB Ryan Shazier

Kickers: 1
 K Drew Basil

STARTERS LOST: 10

Offense 2
 H-Back Jake Stoneburner, OT Reid Fragel
 Defense 7
 DL John Simon, DL Johnathan Hankins, DL Garrett Goebel, DL Nathan Williams, LB Etienne Sabino, LB Zach Boren, CB Travis Howard
 Kickers 1
 P Ben Buchanan

STADIUM INFORMATION

Name Ohio Stadium
 Capacity 102,329
 Surface FieldTurf
 Largest Crowd 106,102
 vs. Nebraska, 2012
 Ohio State Record at Ohio Stadium 404-109-20
 Press Box Phone 614-292-1812

SCHEDULES

2013 Spring Practice

Mar. 5 Practice #1
 Mar. 7 Practice #2
 Mar. 19 Practice #3
 Mar. 21 Practice #4
 Mar. 23 Practice #5
 Mar. 26 Practice #6
 Mar. 28 Practice #7
 Mar. 30 Practice #8
 April 2 Practice #9
 April 4 Practice #10
 April 6 Practice #11
 April 8 Practice #12
 April 10 Practice #13
 April 12 Practice #14
 April 13 Spring Game

2013 Spring & Summer

Mar. 8 Pro Day
 Mar. 11-15 Spring Break
 Mar. 29-30 Coach’s Clinic
 April 22 Last Day of Class
 Apr. 24-30 Finals Week
 May 5 Graduation
 May 6 Summer Term
 June 10 Summer Session
 Aug. 4 Graduation
 Aug. 21 Autumn Semester Starts

2013 Season

Aug. 31 Buffalo
Sept. 7 San Diego State
 Sept. 14 at California
Sept. 21 Florida A&M
Sept. 28 Wisconsin
 Oct. 5 at Northwestern
 Oct. 12 Open
Oct. 19 Iowa
Oct. 26 Penn State
 Nov. 2 at Purdue
 Nov. 9 Open
 Nov. 16 at Illinois
Nov. 23 Indiana
 Nov. 30 at Michigan
 Dec. 7 B1G Championship Game



OHIO STATE SPRING ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wg.	Cl/Elg.....	Hometown/High School or J.C.
13	Eli Apple	CB	6-1	188	Fr./Fr.....	Voorhees, N.J./Eastern
76	Darryl Baldwin**	OL	6-6	307	Sr./Jr.....	Solon, Ohio/Solon
28	Warren Ball	RB	6-1	222	So./Fr.....	Columbus, Ohio/St. Francis DeSales
4	C.J. Barnett***	SAF	6-1	203	5th/Sr.....	Dayton, Ohio/Northmont
16	J.T. Barrett	QB	6-1	230	Fr./Fr.....	Wichita Falls, Texas/Rider
24	Drew Basil***	K / P	6-2	210	Sr./Sr.....	Chillicothe, Ohio/Chillicothe
63	Michael Bennett**	DL	6-3	285	Jr./Jr.....	Centerville, Ohio/Centerville
64	Ivon Blackman*	OL	6-3	320	5th/Sr.....	Bedford, Ohio/Bedford
30	Devan Bogard*	SAF	6-0	193	So./So.....	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville
50	Jacoby Boren	C	6-2	287	So./So.....	Pickerington, Ohio/Central
62	Logan Beougher	OL	6-4	287	Jr./So.....	Alexandria, Va./Mount Vernon
88	Stacey Blunt	WR	6-2	195	Sr./Jr.....	Powell, Ohio/Dublin Scioto (Air Force Academy)
3	Corey Brown***	SAF	6-1	201	5th/Sr.....	Monroeville, Pa./Gateway
10	Corey Brown***	WR	6-0	187	Sr./Sr.....	Upper Darby, Pa./Cardinal O'Hara
55	Tommy Brown	OL	6-4	310	Jr./So.....	Akron, Ohio/Akron Firestone
2	Christian Bryant***	SAF	5-10	192	Sr./Sr.....	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville
48	Joe Burger	LB	6-1	238	So./So.....	Cincinnati, Ohio/LaSalle
16	Cam Burrows	CB	6-0	202	Fr./Fr.....	Trotwood, Ohio/Trotwood Madison
85	Devonte Butler	WR	5-7	170	Fr./Fr.....	Columbus, Ohio/Eastmoor Academy
72	Chris Carter*	DL	6-4	341	Jr./So.....	Cleveland, Ohio/Kennedy
49	Craig Cataline	FB	6-1	235	Sr./Jr.....	Columbus, Ohio/Grandview Heights
39	Kyle Clinton	K	6-1	216	Sr./Jr.....	Dublin, Ohio/Coffman
68	Taylor Decker*	OL	6-7	315	So./So.....	Vandalia, Ohio/Butler
66	Kyle Dodson	OL	6-6	324	So./Fr.....	Cleveland, Ohio/Cleveland Heights
20	Russell Doup	SAF	6-2	195	Sr./Jr.....	Mt. Vernon, Ohio/Mt. Vernon
25	Bri'onte Dunn*	RB	6-0	222	So./So.....	Canton, Ohio/GlenOak
65	Pat Elflein	OL	6-2	293	So./Fr.....	Pickerington, Ohio/North
33	Frank Epitropoulos	WR	6-1	200	So./Fr.....	Upper Arlington, Ohio/Upper Arlington
38	Craig Fada	LB	6-0	226	So./So.....	Columbus, Ohio/Bishop Watterson
57	Chase Farris*	OL	6-4	300	Jr./So.....	Elyria, Ohio/Elyria
80	Chris Fields***	WR	6-0	200	5th/Sr.....	Painesville, Ohio/Painesville Harvey
94	Rashad Frazier	DL	6-4	271	Jr./So.....	Middletown, Ohio/Middletown
14	Curtis Grant**	LB	6-3	241	Jr./Jr.....	Richmond, Va./Hermitage
12	Doran Grant**	CB	5-11	191	Jr./Jr.....	Akron, Ohio/St. Vincent-St. Mary
11	Adam Griffin*	CB	5-8	183	Sr./Jr.....	Columbus, Ohio/DeSales
13	Kenny Guiton**	QB	6-3	208	5th/Sr.....	Houston, Texas/Eisenhower
87	Peter Gwilym	WR	6-1	199	Jr./So.....	Freeport, Maine/Cheverus
51	Joel Hale**	DL	6-4	309	Jr./Jr.....	Greenwood, Ind./Center Grove
7	Jordan Hall***	RB	5-8	197	5th/Sr.....	Jeannette, Pa./Jeannette
79	Marcus Hall***	OL	6-6	315	5th/Sr.....	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville
41	Bryce Haynes*	LS	6-4	220	Jr./So.....	Cumming, Ga./Pinecrest Academy
86	Jeff Heuerman**	TE	6-6	250	Jr./Jr.....	Naples, Fla./Barron Collier
46	Devin Hill	RB	5-10	226	Jr./So.....	Columbus, Ohio/Northland
97	John Holman	DL	6-2	264	Jr./Jr.....	Riverdale Ga./Union Grove (Mississippi Delta)
32	William Houston	FB	5-10	264	Fr./Fr.....	Dublin, Ohio/Coffman
34	Carlos Hyde***	RB	6-0	242	Sr./Sr.....	Naples, Fla./Naples/FUMA
12	Cardale Jones	QB	6-5	241	So./Fr.....	Cleveland, Ohio/Glendale & F.U.M.A.
69	Eric Kramer*	OL	6-4	295	Sr./Jr.....	Cincinnati, Ohio/St. Xavier
59	Tyquan Lewis	DL	6-3	237	Fr./Fr.....	Tarboro, N.C./Tarboro
71	Corey Linsley***	C	6-3	297	5th/Sr.....	Youngstown, Ohio/Boardman
56	George Makridis**	LS	6-2	234	5th/Sr.....	Warren, Ohio/Warren G. Harding
34	Jamal Marcus*	DL	6-2	230	So./So.....	Durham, N.C./Hillside
96	Claudius Mbemba	DL	6-2	245	Fr./Fr.....	Lewis Center, Ohio (Olentangy)
74	Jack Mewhort***	OL	6-7	308	5th/Sr.....	Toledo, Ohio/St. John's

No.	Name	Pos.
1	Bradley Roby**	CB
2	Christian Bryant***	SAF
2	Rod Smith**	RB
3	Corey Brown***	SAF
4	C.J. Barnett***	SAF
5	Braxton Miller**	QB
5	Camren Williams*	LB
6	Evan Spencer**	WR
7	Jordan Hall***	H
8	Noah Spence*	DL
9	Devin Smith**	WR
10	Corey Brown***	WR
10	Ryan Shazier**	LB
11	Adam Griffin*	CB
12	Doran Grant**	CB
12	Cardale Jones	QB
13	Eli Apple	CB
13	Kenny Guiton**	QB
14	Curtis Grant**	LB
14	Jake Russell	P
16	J.T. Barrett	QB
16	Cam Burrows	CB
18	Kato Mitchell	WR
18	Najee Murray*	CB
19	Levi Ratliff	RB
20	Russell Doup	SAF
20	Ron Tanner*	SAF
21	David Perkins*	LB
21	Jamie Wood**	SAF
23	Tyvis Powell	CB
24	Drew Basil***	K
25	Bri'onte Dunn*	RB
25	Kevin Niehoff	SAF
26	Armani Reeves*	CB
28	Warren Ball	RB
30	Devan Bogard*	SAF
32	William Houston	FB
33	Frank Epitropoulos	WR
33	Nik Sarac	CB
34	Carlos Hyde***	RB
34	Jamal Marcus*	DL
37	Joshua Perry*	LB
38	Craig Fada	LB
39	Kyle Clinton	K
41	Bryce Haynes*	LS
42	Luke Roberts	LB
46	Devin Hill	RB
48	Joe Burger	LB
49	Craig Cataline	FB
50	Jacoby Boren	OL
50	J.T. Moore*	DL
51	Joel Hale**	DL
55	Tommy Brown	OL
56	George Makridis**	LS



OHIO STATE SPRING ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wgt.	Cl./Elig.	Hometown/High School
5	Braxton Miller**	QB	6-2	215	Jr./Jr.	Huber Heights, Ohio/Wayne
88	Steve Miller**	DL	6-3	252	Jr./Jr.	Canton, Ohio/McKinley
18	Kato Mitchell	WR	6-0	186	So./So.	Cleveland, Ohio/John Hay
50	J.T. Moore*	DL	6-3	262	Sr./Jr.	Youngstown, Ohio/Boardman
18	Najee Murray*	CB	5-9	186	So./So.	Steubenville, Ohio/Steubenville
25	Kevin Niehoff	SAF	6-3	200	So./So.	Mason, Ohio/Mason
78	Andrew Norwell***	OL	6-6	319	Sr./Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Anderson
21	David Perkins*	LB	6-2	228	So./So.	South Bend, Ind./ South Bend Washington
37	Joshua Perry*	LB	6-4	243	So./So.	Lewis Center, Ohio/Olentangy
23	Tyvis Powell	CB	6-3	201	So./Fr.	Bedford, Ohio/Bedford
1	Bradley Roby**	CB	5-11	192	Sr./Jr.	Suwanee, Ga./Peachtree Ridge
19	Levi Rattliff	RB	6-2	200	So./So.	West Portsmouth, Ohio/Portsmouth West
26	Armani Reeves*	CB	5-10	197	So./So.	West Roxbury, Mass./Catholic Memorial
42	Luke Roberts	LB	6-1	234	So./So.	Lancaster, Ohio/Lancaster
88	Ryan Ross	WR	5-11	194	Sr./Jr.	Akron, Ohio/Hoban
14	Jake Russell	P	6-1	195	So./So.	Twinsburg, Ohio/Twinsburg
33	Nik Sarac	CB	5-9	182	Jr./So.	Cleveland, Ohio/St. Ignatius
90	Tommy Schutt*	DL	6-2	303	So./So.	Glen Ellyn, Ill./Glenbard
10	Ryan Shazier**	LB	6-2	222	Jr./Jr.	Plantation, Fla./Plantation
9	Devin Smith**	WR	6-1	198	Jr./Jr.	Massillon, Ohio/Washington
2	Rod Smith**	RB	6-3	238	Sr./Jr.	Fort Wayne, Ind./Paul Harding
8	Noah Spence*	DL	6-3	247	So./So.	Harrisburg, Pa./Bishop McDevitt
6	Evan Spencer**	WR	6-2	206	Jr./Jr.	Vernon Hills, Ill./Vernon Hills
93	Tracy Sprinkle	DL	6-3	255	Fr./Fr.	Elyria, Ohio/Elyria
67	Ben St. John	OL	6-3	290	Sr./Jr.	Elmore, Ohio/Woodmore
20	Ron Tanner*	SAF	6-0	200	Jr./So.	Columbus, Ohio/Eastmoor Academy
89	Blake Thomas	TE	6-5	250	So./Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio/St. Ignatius
83	Michael Thomas*	WR	6-2	199	So./So.	Los Angeles, Calif./Woodland Hills Taft & FUMA
73	Antonio Underwood**	OL	6-3	301	Jr./Jr.	Shaker Heights, Ohio/Shaker Heights
81	Nick Vannett*	TE	6-6	255	Jr./So.	Westerville, Ohio/Central
92	Adolphus Washington*	DL	6-3	292	So./So.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Tatf
5	Camren Williams*	LB	6-1	231	So./So.	West Roxbury, Mass./Catholic Memorial
21	Jamie Wood**	SAF	6-1	210	5th/Sr.	Pickerington, Ohio/Pickerington Central

No.	Name	Pos.
57	Chase Farris	OL
59	Tyquan Lewis	DL
62	Logan Beougher	DL
63	Michael Bennett**	DL
64	Ivon Blackman*	OL
65	Pat Elflein	OL
66	Kyle Dodson	OL
67	Ben St. John	OL
68	Taylor Decker*	OL
69	Eric Kramer*	OL
71	Corey Linsley***	OL
72	Chris Carter*	DL
73	Antonio Underwood**	OL
74	Jack Mewhort***	OL
76	Darryl Baldwin**	OL
78	Andrew Norwell***	OL
79	Marcus Hall***	OL
80	Chris Fields***	WR
81	Nick Vannett*	TE
83	Michael Thomas*	WR
85	Devonte Butler	WR
86	Jeff Heuerman**	TE
87	Peter Gwilym	WR
88	Stacey Blunt	WR
88	Steve Miller**	DL
88	Ryan Ross	WR
89	Blake Thomas	TE
90	Tommy Schutt*	DL
92	Adolphus Washington*	DL
93	Tracy Sprinkle	DL
94	Rashad Frazier	DL
96	Claudius Mbemba	DL
97	John Holman	DL

* Indicates varsity letters earned; Class/Eligibility reflects 2013 Autumn Semester standing

2013 OHIO STATE RECRUITING CLASS

Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Hometown/High School
Eli Apple#	CB	6-1	188	Voorhees, N.J. / Eastern
J.T. Barrett#	QB	6-1	230	Wichita Falls, Texas / Rider
Marcus Baugh	TE	6-4	245	Riverside, Calif. / J.W. North
Vonn Bell	SAF	6-1	190	Rossville, Ga. / Ridgeland
Joey Bosa	DL	6-5	270	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. / St. Thomas Aquinas
Cam Burrows#	CB	6-0	202	Trotwood, Ohio / Trotwood Madison
James Clark	WR	5-11	170	New Smyrna Beach, Fla. / New Smyrna Beach
Gareon Conley	ATH	6-2	170	Massillon, Ohio / Washington
Ezekiel Elliott	RB	6-0	210	St. Louis, Mo. / Burroughs
Tim Gardner	OL	6-5	320	Indianapolis, Ind. / Lawrence Central
Michael Hill	DL	6-2	305	Pendleton, S.C. / Pendleton
Trey Johnson	LB	6-2	220	Lawrenceville, Ga. / Central Gwinnett

Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Hometown / High School
Tyquan Lewis#	DE	6-3	237	Tarboro, N.C. / Tarboro
Darron Lee	ATH	6-2	205	New Albany, Ohio / New Albany
Evan Lisle	OL	6-6	290	Centerville, Ohio / Centerville
Jalin Marshall	WR	6-0	190	Middletown, Ohio / Middletown
Mike Mitchell	LB	6-4	225	Plano, Texas / Prestonwood Christian
Donovan Munger	DL	6-3	290	Shaker Heights, Ohio / Shaker Heights
Billy Price	DL	6-4	305	Austintown, Ohio / Fitch
Corey Smith	WR	6-1	180	Akron, Ohio / Buchtel & E. Mississippi C.C.
Tracy Sprinkle#	DE	6-3	255	Elyria, Ohio / Elyria
Jayme Thompson	SAF	6-2	185	Toledo, Ohio / Central Catholic
Dontre Wilson	ATH	5-10	174	DeSoto, Texas / DeSoto
Christopher Worley	SAF	6-3	195	Cleveland, Ohio / Glenville

Indicates Spring Semester enrollees



SPRING PREVIEW

And just like that: spring football is upon us. The earliest documented start for spring football in Ohio State history – prompted by the academic calendar change this year from the quarter system to semesters – will be Tuesday, March 5 when second-year coach Urban Meyer will lead his squad onto the field for the first of 14 practices leading up to the spring game on April 13 at Paul Brown Stadium in Cincinnati.

The start is also one of the earliest for a Meyer-coached team, and a week off for spring break during the drills is unprecedented.

It will have been 103 days since the Buckeyes last practiced – Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27 to be exact – when the team opens its spring drills on Tuesday, March 5. The Buckeyes will practice two days later on March 7 before taking a spring break week with practices resuming March 19.



JORDAN HALL



BRAXTON MILLER



CARLOS HYDE

51 LETTERMEN RETURN

Meyer and his coaching staff, entirely intact after a 12-0 season in 2012 and a final *Associated Press* ranking of No. 3, will like the fact that 51 lettermen return – 23 on offense; 25 on defense and three specialists. Included are nine offensive starters from a unit that averaged 37.2 points per game and led the Big Ten Conference, plus ranked second in rushing and third in total offense with 242.2 and 423.8 yards per game, respectively.

Of concern entering spring is the fact that seven defensive starters must be replaced, including the entire starting front four – John Simon, Johnathan Hankins, Nathan Williams and Garrett Goebel – and only one linebacker returns who has significant game reps: junior Ryan Shazier.

Add in the fact a punter must be found, 47 of the 82 scholarship players this fall will be either freshmen or sophomores, the team didn't have the typical bowl-game practice/learning opportunities after the season and the defense is young (just four seniors total), and it's easy to surmise the coaches have their work cut out for them during the 15 days on the practice field in the next month.



COREY BROWN



PLENTY OF OFFENSIVE OPTIMISM

There is plenty to be optimistic about heading into spring ball. Namely, reigning Big Ten Conference Player of the Year and all-around dynamic player Braxton Miller returns at quarterback for his junior season. Fifth in the 2012 Heisman Trophy voting, Miller set a school record with 3,310 yards of total offense last year. He led the team to only the sixth undefeated/untied season in school history with a lethal combination of 1,271 rushing yards and 13 touchdowns, and 2,039 passing yards with 15 touchdowns and only six interceptions.

Backup quarterback Kenny Guiton is now a schooled, experienced veteran and a coaches' delight. He played in nine games last year and directed or finished off a touchdown drive in eight of his 15 series, including the now-legendary seven-play, 66-yard drive in the final 47 seconds of the Purdue game.

Four senior starters return on the offensive line. Averaging 6-5 and 308 pounds, this unit helped pave the way for the Buckeyes to rank 10th in the nation with 242.2 rushing yards per game while scoring a 34-year Ohio State high 37 rushing touchdowns. Boasting a combined 80 cumulative starts on the line, the group features LT Jack Mewhort, LG Andrew Norwell, C Corey Linsley and RG Marcus Hall.

Speaking of power, 242-pound running back Carlos Hyde is a big, fast and physical specimen who rushed for 970 yards and scored 16 touchdowns in less than 10 games last year. His five career 100-yard games are highlighted by a 140-yard, four touchdown effort in the win over Nebraska last year. He will be pushed by fourth-year player Rod Smith and sophomore Bri'onte Dunn.

Senior receiver Corey Brown and fifth-year senior H-back Jordan Hall headline a skilled group of throw-to performers that also

includes senior Chris Fields, juniors Devin Smith and Evan Spencer, and sophomore Michael Thomas.

Brown emerged not only as a reliable target last year with 60 catches and 5.0 receptions per game (fourth in the Big Ten), but a big-play maker as well. He scored five touchdowns, including on a 76-yard punt return vs. Nebraska, a second- and third-effort 37-yard reception vs. Illinois, and a 68-yard punt return vs. Wisconsin. His 12 receptions vs. Michigan State: merely the fourth-most in a game in school history and just two off the school record.

Misfortune – a cut foot and an injured knee – thwarted Jordan Hall's initial senior season, one that had him serving as one of five team captains. A red-shirt season ensued and Hall is expected to shine in the dual purpose H-back role. He has 1,032 career rushing yards (and six touchdowns) and 24 receptions for 233 yards and four more touchdowns entering 2013. His 2,765 career all-purpose yards leads all current Buckeyes and ranks 20th at Ohio State.

Smith, one of the fastest guys on the team, has scored 10 receiving touchdowns so far, including three over 60 yards in 2012 – 72 vs. Cal; 63 vs. Michigan State; 60 vs. Indiana) – and he averages a 39.3 yards per touchdown catch.

Spencer was fourth on the team with 12 catches for 136 yards last year, and Fields didn't let four idle games affect his play: he expertly cradled and caught the touchdown pass from Kenny Guiton with three seconds to play to put the Buckeyes in a position to tie Purdue (and later win). Thomas played in 11 games as a true freshman.

Two fine third-year players – Jeff Heurman and Nick Vannett – have 11 combined starts at tight end and both are dependable, high-performing blockers and receivers (18 combined receptions).



JACK MEWHORT



ANDREW NORWELL



MARCUS HALL



COREY LINSLEY



JUST 4 SENIORS ON DEFENSE

Here's some good news about a defense depleted of 63 percent of its starters: 17 of 26 players who were on the defensive depth chart heading into the Michigan game return. The four returning starters include 75 percent of the secondary as junior cornerback Bradley Roby and senior safeties C.J. Barnett and Christian Bryant will join Ryan Shazier as the leaders of this pack.

Roby earned first-team All-America honors last year by ESPN.com after leading the nation in passes defended (1.73 per game) with a school record-tying 17 pass break-ups. This big play maker also scored touchdowns three different ways: an interception return vs. Nebraska; off a fumbled punt vs. Miami; and off a blocked punt return vs. Indiana.

Barnett and Bryant return for a third season as starters at safety. Barnett has made 24 starts and was honorable mention all-Big Ten in 2012 after recording eight passes defended in nine games. Bryant, second-team all-Big Ten in 2012, was second on the team in both tackles (70) and solo tackles (36), and he ranked sixth in the conference with 13 passes defended and 1.08 per game.

Shazier, arguably, was the top linebacker in the Big Ten at season's end. The junior was among the conference's Top 10 in five categories, including leading the league with 17 tackles-for-loss, ranking second with 115 tackles and eighth with 12 passes defended. He was named first-team all-Big Ten.

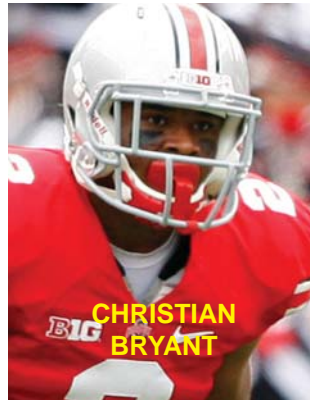
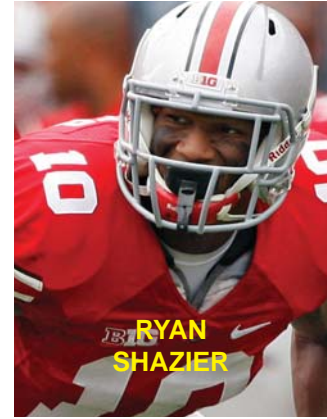
That's it for the returning starters on defense.

THE FOUR ON THE FLOOR...AND MORE

Six 2012 lettermen up front will have the first crack at winning starting positions in the spring. Sophomore Noah Spence played in 237 plays from the line of scrimmage last year to lead all with sophomore Adolphus Washington (156 plays) next. Juniors Michael Bennett, Joel Hale (119) and Steve Miller, and sophomore Tommy Schutt also saw considerable amounts of game action. Spence was tops among this group with 12 tackles while Washington ranked third on the team with three sacks.

Linebacker was a concern last year and three of the six linebackers on the two-deep for the Michigan game are gone, including starters Zach Boren and Etienne Sabino. Junior Curtis Grant will, for a second consecutive spring, seek to occupy and hold the middle linebacker position while a starter outside and opposite Shazier has to emerge with sophomore Josh Perry the only player among a handful of sophomores with any real game action along the line of scrimmage. He was in on 48 defensive snaps last year while three other linebackers – Camren Williams, David Perkins and Jamal Marcus – were season-long special teamers. Marcus is now on the defensive line.

The secondary, secure in the fact that Roby, Barnett and Bryant have 68 combined starts among them along with 57 pass break-ups and 10 interceptions, also returns a key, two-year reserve at cornerback in junior Doran Grant, the leading contender to move into Travis Howard's cornerback position. Grant has played in all 25 games the past seasons and started last year vs. UAB when Roby was injured.



A plethora of underclassmen who contributed on special teams last year – junior Adam Griffin and sophomores Najee Murray and Armani Reeves at cornerback, and junior Ron Tanner and sophomore Devan Bogard at safety – return and will make the competition in the secondary quite spirited.

Senior safety Corey Brown, a veteran of 33 games, saw extensive action as a nickel back last season and should be a key contributor again in the secondary. Senior safety Jamie Wood has played in 30 games and will attempt a comeback after a shoulder issue ended his 2012 season after four games.

COOMBS TO FORGE SPECIAL FORCES

Cornerbacks coach Kerry Coombs will have a greater role in all special teams this year as he has been named special teams coordinator by Urban Meyer. He'll work on units that ranked nationally 31st (punt return defense), 34th (punt returns), 50th (kickoff return defense), 70th (net punting) and 84th (kickoff returns).

Key specialists include punt returner Corey Brown, who ranked 16th nationally with a 12.2 average last year, including two big touchdown returns. Kicker Drew Basil didn't have many opportunities last season – he was 8 of 11 in field goals – as the team scored the sixth-most touchdowns in school history (57). He is entering his fourth year as a starting kicker, though, and he is 24 of 32 in his career with a long of 52 yards.

A punter will need to emerge, but holder Kenny Guiton and both long snappers – George Makridis and Bryce Haynes – do return.



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HOW EARLY IS EARLY?

Ohio State's March 5 start to its spring drills means the team will be nearly halfway through its spring season on March 28...the day spring drills started last year. The April 13 date for the spring game: it tops by six days the earliest date (April 19, 2008) for a spring game in documented (and readily available) history.

2013 LIFESPORTS SPRING GAME

The 2013 Ohio State LiFE Sports Spring Game, presented by Nationwide, will be played April 13 in Cincinnati at Paul Brown Stadium. Ticket prices are \$18 for club seats, \$12 for general public and \$5 for ages 2 through 6. Ohio Stadium is under renovation this spring (seating area resurfacing project).

OHIO STATE'S PRO DAY

Ohio State's pro day for its seniors who have exhausted their eligibility will take place Friday, March 8, at the Woody Hayes Athletic Center. The competition is expected to include the majority of the Ohio State seniors from the 2012 team. Time is 9 a.m. until about noon.

THE SENIOR CLASS

The 2013 senior class includes 16 players in their final season of eligibility. The total includes 11 fifth-year seniors and five who have yet to red-shirt (noted below with an asterisk).

Seniors on Offense (10):

WR *Corey Brown, WR Chris Fields, QB Kenny Guiton, H-Back Jordan Hall, OL Marcus Hall, RB *Carlos Hyde, C Corey Linsley, OL Jack Mewhort, OL *Andrew Norwell, OL Ivon Blackman

Seniors on Defense (4):

SAF C.J. Barnett, SAF Corey Brown, *SAF Christian Bryant, SAF Jamie Wood

Senior Special Teamers (2):

K *Drew Basil, LS George Makridis

FRESHMEN RED-SHIRTS

The following true freshmen from the 2012 recruiting class red-shirted last season: RB Warren Ball, OL Kyle Dodson, OL Pat Elflein, WR Frank Epitropoulos, QB Cardale Jones, CB Tyvis Powell and TE Blake Thomas.

FIVE RECRUITS AMONG THE NEWCOMERS

Five freshmen in their first semester at The Ohio State University – CB Eli Apple, QB J.T. Barrett, CB Cam Burrows, DL Tyquan

CAREER STATS LEADERS

PASSING	Cmp-Att-Int	Pct.	Yards	TD
Braxton Miller	233-411-10	56.7	3,198	28
Kenny Guiton	14-25-2	56.0	144	2

RUSHING	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TDs
Braxton Miller	386	1,986	5.1	20
Carlos Hyde	315	1,677	5.3	22
Jordan Hall	224	1,032	4.6	6
Rod Smith	61	331	5.4	3
Bri'onte Dunn	25	133	5.3	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yards	Avg.	TDs
Corey Brown	82	979	11.9	5
Devin Smith	44	912	20.7	10
Jordan Hall	24	233	9.7	4
Carlos Hyde	18	124	6.9	1
Evan Spencer	15	214	14.3	1
Chris Fields	15	191	12.7	1
Nick Vannett	9	123	13.7	0
Jeff Heurman	9	119	13.2	1
Rod Smith	4	70	17.5	1
Michael Thomas	3	22	7.3	0

TACKLES	Solo	Asst.	Total	Misc.
Ryan Shazier	107	65	172	^22/8
Christian Bryant	82	67	149	*1/21
C.J. Barnett	89	51	140	*4/13
Bradley Roby	78	32	110	*5/23
Doran Grant	18	7	25	*1/1

*^Indicates TFLs/Sacks; *Indicates INTs/PBUs*

Lewis and DL Tracy Sprinkle – will be among the dozen or so new faces practicing this spring. Walk-ons new to the roster include RB Devin Hill, FB William Houston, WR Kato Mitchell, P Jake Russell and WR Devonte Butler. Current Buckeyes who graduated from high school early to take part in spring drills include:

Seniors – SAF C.J. Barnett, RB Carlos Hyde and OL Jack Mewhort;

Juniors – DL Joel Hale, TE Jeff Heurman, QB Braxton Miller and LB Ryan Shazier; and

Sophomores – OL Jacoby Boren, OL Taylor Decker, RB Bri'onte Dunn, QB Cardale Jones, LB Joshua Perry, DB Tyvis Powell, LB Luke Roberts and WR Michael Thomas.

OFFENSIVE STARTING ASSIGNMENTS

Offensive Line (81) 2012. Career

Andrew Norwell	12	25
Jack Mewhort	12	25
Marcus Hall	12	18
Corey Linsley	12	12
Antonio Underwood	0	1

Quarterback (22).. 2012...Career

Braxton Miller	12	22
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Tight End (11)

Jeff Heurman	9	9
Nick Vannett	2	2

Receiver (33)..... 2012. Career

Corey Brown	11	21
Devin Smith	10	10
Chris Fields	8	8
Evan Spencer	3	3
Michael Thomas	1	1

Running Back (17). 2012... Career

Carlos Hyde	8	11
Jordan Hall	3	6



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HIGH FIVE FOR THE COACHES

A handful of Ohio State coaches were recognized for their work during the 2012 season and the 2012-13 recruiting season.

- Head coach Urban Meyer was named a finalist for four national coach of the year awards: the FWAAs Eddie Robinson Award, the Liberty Mutual Coach of the Year, the Paul “Bear” Bryant and the Bobby Bowden Coach of the Year awards.
- Meyer was voted by his Ohio coaching peers as The Dispatch’s Ohio Coach of the Year.
- Co-OC/OL Coach Ed Warinner was named by FootballScoop its offensive line coach of the year. Ohio State ranked 10th nationally in rushing and scored a 34-year high 37 rushing touchdowns, plus the team scored 57 touchdowns, good for sixth all-time in school history.
- Warinner also was also recognized by ESPN.com’s Adam Rittenberg as one of the Big Ten’s top assistant coaches. “Warinner was the Big Ten’s best assistant hire of the last offseason and earns our vote as the league’s top assistant in 2012,” wrote Rittenberg.
- OC/QB Coach Tom Herman was cited as a “top recruiter” by SI.com for going into Texas and securing NLIs from three of the state’s Top 20 players: the state’s No. 1 player Mike Mitchell; a Top 100 player nationally in Dontre Wilson; and four-star quarterback J.T. Barrett.
- DL Coach Mike Vrabel was named by SI.com as a “top recruiter” for his help in recruiting one of the top defensive end prospects in the nation in Joey Bosa out of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and four other stellar defensive line prospects.
- DC/LB Coach Luke Fickell was named by Yahoo! Sports as one of the top recruiting assistant coaches in the nation.

BIG TEN SPRING DATES

Team	Practice Starts	Spring Game	Time
Illinois	March 5	April 12	8 p.m.
Indiana	March 2	April 13	TBA
Iowa	March 27	April 27	TBA
Michigan	March 16	April 13	TBA
Michigan State	March 19	April 20	2:30 p.m.
Minnesota	March 26	April 27	1 p.m.
Nebraska	March 2	April 6	TBA
Northwestern	Feb. 27	April 13	TBA
Ohio State	March 5	April 13	1 p.m.
Penn State	March 18	April 20	12 p.m.
Purdue	March 19	April 13	TBA
Wisconsin	March 9	April 20	4 p.m.

PLENTY OF COACHING EXPERIENCE

Coach Urban Meyer’s Ohio State coaching staff has 209 combined years of NFL, college and high school coaching experience. The total includes three coaches on staff with college head coaching experience (Meyer, Luke Fickell and Everett Withers), two with a combined 32 years of high school head coaching experience (Kerry Coombs and Tim Hinton), two with 14 years of offensive coordinator experience on the collegiate level (Tom Herman and Ed Warinner) and two with 17 combined years of collegiate defensive coordinator experience (Withers and Fickell).

LOOKING AHEAD...

Looking ahead to the end of August, here are the 2013 season opening games for each of the Big Ten teams:

- Aug. 29 – Indiana vs. Indiana State
- Aug. 29 – Minnesota vs. UNLV
- Aug. 31 – Illinois vs. Southern Illinois
- Aug. 31 – Iowa vs. Northern Illinois
- Aug. 31 – Michigan vs. Central Michigan
- Aug. 31 – Michigan State vs. Western Michigan
- Aug. 31 – Nebraska vs. Wyoming
- Aug. 31 – Northwestern at California
- Aug. 31 – Ohio State vs. Buffalo
- Aug. 31 – Penn State vs. Syracuse (at Met Life Stadium)
- Aug. 31 – Purdue at Cincinnati
- Aug. 31 – Wisconsin vs. UMass

DEFENSIVE STARTING ASSIGNMENTS

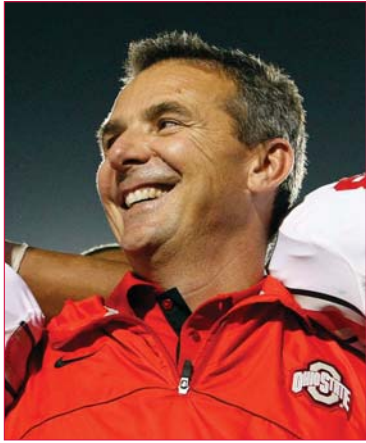
Defensive Line (9)..... 2012.... Career
 J.T. Moore..... 2..... 5
 Michael Bennett..... 2..... 2
 Tommy Schutt..... 1..... 1
 Steve Miller..... 1..... 1

Linebacker (18).... 2012... Career
 Ryan Shazier..... 12..... 15
 Curtis Grant..... 3..... 3

Defensive Back (69)... 2012. Career
 C.J. Barnett..... 9..... 24
 Bradley Roby..... 11..... 23
 Christian Bryant..... 12..... 21
 Doran Grant..... 1..... 1



HEAD COACH URBAN MEYER



Urban Meyer made history in his first season as Ohio State coach, guiding the Scarlet and Gray to only the sixth undefeated and untied season in school history with a 12-0 record and also to a Big Ten Conference Leaders Division championship. He was named a finalist for four national Coach of the Year Awards – the FWAA's Eddie Robinson Award, the Liberty Mutual Coach of the Year, the Paul "Bear"

Bryant and the Bobby Bowden Coach of the Year awards – for his (and his staff's) efforts to turn a team that had no chance at a post-season into an *Associated Press* Top 3 team.

Meyer and staff built this unbeaten team that led the Big Ten in scoring and ranked second in rushing by convincing the players the most important thing they could do was win the next game; practice hard, prepare well and simply find ways to win, and by winning the team would realize its 2012 rewards. And by winning it would honor a senior class that included 13 scholarship players who could have left and played for any bowl-eligible team in the country. And by winning it would reinforce Meyer's abilities to build a championship-caliber team, of which he has done multiple times before, even after taking a year off from coaching.

Win is what Meyer's Ohio State team did. It won dominantly: 63-38 over Legends Division champion Nebraska; 52-22 over Illinois and 56-10 over Miami. It won close: 17-16 at No. 20 Michigan State. It won by good fortune: 29-22 in overtime over Purdue behind backup quarterback Kenny Guiton. It won ugly: 52-49 at Indiana after leading 52-34 with less than seven minutes to play. And it won the big one...three of them, in fact: 35-23 at Penn State; 21-14 in overtime at Wisconsin; and 26-21 over Michigan.

Winning games and winning championships is what Meyer, named the Ohio College Coach of the Year by his coaching peers in the state, came home to do as coach of the Buckeyes. Born in Toledo, raised in Ashtabula and with degrees from Cincinnati and Ohio State, Meyer made it clear from the day he took the Ohio State position – Nov. 28, 2011 – what his intentions are: "We're going to make the great state of Ohio proud with everything we do."

QUICK FACTS

Hometown Ashtabula, Ohio
 High School St. John
 Alma Mater Cincinnati, 1986
 Master's Degree Ohio State, 1988
 Year in Coaching: 27th (Second year at Ohio State)
 Wife Shelley
 Children Daughters, Nicole and Gigi, and son, Nathan



Ohio is proud today and Meyer has the proven deeds to keep the state beaming for years to come. Consider:

- Ohio State's 12-0 record was the second undefeated season for Meyer, who also went 12-0 at Utah in 2004;
- In his 11 seasons as a head coach, Meyer has the 10th-best winning percentage (.835) in college football history, and second-best among current coaches, with a 116-23 record;
- He has won two national championships;
- He has won 13 games three times, the first to accomplish the feat, in addition to his two 12-win seasons;
- He is the only active coach – and one of only nine all time – to have two winning streaks of at least 20 games (22 at Florida and 20 with Utah/Florida), and he has five winning streaks of 10-or-more games;
- He won more games his first 10 years – 104 – than all but two coaches in college football history; and
- He reached 100 wins faster than all but one coach in the last 55 years – Bud Wilkinson – and faster than all but five coaches all-time.

Meyer, who is 48, will work his 27th season as a collegiate coach in 2013.

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2012-pres ... Head Coach..... Ohio State
 2005-10 Head Coach..... Florida
 2003-04 Head Coach..... Utah
 2001-02 Head Coach..... Bowling Green
 1996-2000 .. Wide Receivers..... Notre Dame

1990-95 Wide Receivers..... Colorado State
 1989 Quarterbacks/Wide Receivers..... Illinois State
 1988 Outside Linebackers Illinois State
 1987 Grad Assistant (Wide Receivers)..... Ohio State
 1986 Grad Assistant (Tight Ends) Ohio State



HEAD COACH URBAN MEYER

HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	School	Conf. Rec.	Final Rec.	Poll	Bowl
2001	BGSU	8-3	5-3	NR	None
2002	BGSU	9-3	6-2	NR	None
2003	Utah	10-2	6-1 (1st)	21/21	Liberty
2004	Utah	12-0	7-0 (1st)	4/5	Fiesta
2005	Florida	9-3	5-3	12/16	Outback
2006	Florida	13-1	7-1 (1st)	1/1	BCS NCG
2007	Florida	9-4	5-3	13/16	Capital One
2008	Florida	13-1	7-1 (1st)	1/1	BCS NCG
2009	Florida	13-1	8-0 (1st, East)	3/3	Sugar
2010	Florida	8-5	4-4	NR	Outback
2012	Ohio State	12-0	8-0 (1st, Leaders)	3/NA	N/A

Totals: 11 Years..... 116-23 68-18



- Only two coaches have had more victories in their first 10 years as a head coach than Meyer's 104: George Woodruff (124 between 1892-1901 at Pennsylvania) and Bob Stoops (109 between 1999-2008). Note: records include at least five years as a Division I coach.
- Meyer has won 13 games three times during his career, including back-to-back in 2008 and 2009 to become the first BCS coach to ever accomplish that feat.
- His teams are 21-3 in "rivalry games." Bowling Green was 1-1 vs. Toledo; Utah was 4-0 vs. Utah State and BYU; Florida was 16-2 vs. Florida State, Tennessee and Georgia; and Ohio State is 1-0 vs. Michigan.
- His teams are also 68-18 in conference play with four championships (two apiece at Utah and Florida). They are also 2-1 in SEC title games and 7-1 in bowl games, including a 4-0 record in BCS bowl games.
- Meyer has coached his teams to winning streaks of 11 games (Bowling Green), 20 games (16 at Utah and four at Florida), 11 games (Florida), 22 games (Florida) and 13 games (Florida and Ohio State).
- His teams have 15 wins by 40-or-more points and another 21 wins by at least 30 points for a total of 46 wins by rather considerable margins.
- Meyer's teams are 2-2 vs. the No. 1 team in the nation, 7-3 vs. Top 5 teams, 11-4 vs. Top 10 teams and 21-7 vs. Top 25 teams.
- Both *The Sporting News* and *Sports Illustrated* named Meyer "Coach of the Decade" in December 2009.
- Thirty of his former Florida Gator players have been chosen in the NFL Draft, including more first-round selections – eight – than any other school produced between 2006-10.
- Meyer has watched a total of 36 players that he coached for at least two years get selected in the NFL Draft, including nine first-round draft picks.
- Of those 36 NFL Draft picks, three were quarterbacks: Bowling Green's Josh Harris was a sixth-round selection by Baltimore in the 2004 NFL Draft and Utah's Alex Smith (San Francisco, 2005) and Florida's Tim Tebow (Denver, 2010) were each No. 1 draft picks with Smith the overall No. 1 pick.
- In addition to Smith and Tebow, Meyer's first-round draft picks include offensive linemen Maurkice Pouncey (Pittsburgh, 2010) and Mike Pouncey (Miami, 2011); defensive linemen Jarvis Moss (Denver, 2007) and Derrick Harvey (Jacksonville, 2008); defensive backs Reggie Nelson (Jacksonville, 2007) and Joe Haden (Cleveland, 2010); and wide receiver/running back Percy Harvin (Minnesota, 2009).
- With the exception of kickers, Meyer has had multiple players at every position drafted into the NFL, including 10 defensive linemen, seven wide receivers, six defensive backs and five offensive linemen.
- Eight of Meyer's former assistant coaches are head coaches: Steve Addazio (Boston College); Gary Anderson (Wisconsin), Tim Beckman (Illinois); John "Doc" Holliday (Marshall); Dan McCarney (North Texas); Dan Mullen (Mississippi State), Charlie Strong (Louisville) and Kyle Whittingham (Utah).
- Eight of his former assistant coaches are offensive (OC) defensive (DC), passing game (PG) or run game (RG) coordinators: Vance Bedford (DC at Louisville); Gregg Brandon (OC at Wyoming); Chuck Heater (DC at Marshall); John Hevesy (RG at Mississippi State); Greg Mattison (DC at Michigan) and Greg Studrawa (OC at LSU).



HEAD COACH URBAN MEYER

GAME-BY-GAME

BOWLING GREEN – 2001

Sept. 1	..... at Missouri	W	20-13
Sept. 8	.....Buffalo	W	35-0
Sept. 22	..... Temple	W	42-23
Sept. 29	..... at Marshall	L	31-37
Oct. 6	..... Kent State	W	24-7
Oct. 13	..... at W. Michigan	L	28-37
Oct. 20	.....at Akron	W	16-11
Nov. 3	..... Miami	L	21-24
Nov. 10	..... at Ohio	W	17-0
Nov. 17	..... at Northwestern	W	43-42
Nov. 23	..... Toledo	W	56-21

BOWLING GREEN – 2002

Aug. 29	..... Tennessee Tech	W	41-7
Sept. 14	..... Missouri	W	51-28
Sept. 21	..... at Kansas	W	39-16
Oct. 5	..... Ohio	W	72-21
Oct. 12	..... at C. Michigan	W	45-35
Oct. 19	..... W. Michigan	W	48-45 OT
Oct. 26	..... Ball State	W	38-20
Nov. 2	..... at Kent State	W	45-14
Nov. 9	..... at N. Illinois	L	17-26
Nov. 16	..... at USF	L	7-29
Nov. 23	..... E. Michigan	W	63-21
Nov. 30	..... at Toledo	L	24-42

UTAH – 2003

Aug. 28	.....Utah State	W	40-20
Sept. 6	.....at Texas A&M	L	26-28
Sept. 11	.....California	W	31-24
Sept. 27	.....at Colorado State	W	28-21
Oct. 3	..... Oregon	W	17-13
Oct. 11	.....San Diego State	W	27-6
Oct. 18	..... at UNLV	W	28-10
Oct. 25	..... New Mexico	L	35-47
Nov. 1	..... at Air Force	W	45-43 (3OT)
Nov. 15	..... Wyoming	W	47-17
Nov. 22	..... at BYU	W	3-0
Dec. 31	.....vs. Southern Miss@	W	17-0
@Liberty Bowl at Memphis			

UTAH – 2004

Sept. 2	..... Texas A&M	W	41-21
Sept. 11	..... at Arizona	W	23-6
Sept. 18	..... at Utah State	W	48-6
Sept. 25	..... Air Force	W	49-35
Oct. 1	..... at New Mexico	W	28-7
Oct. 16	..... North Carolina	W	46-16
Oct. 23	..... UNLV	W	63-28
Oct. 30	..... at San Diego State	W	51-28
Nov. 6	..... Colorado State	W	63-31
Nov. 13	..... at Wyoming	W	45-28
Nov. 20	..... BYU	W	52-21
Jan. 1	..... vs. Pittsburgh@	W	35-7
@Fiesta Bowl at Scottsdale, Ariz.			

FLORIDA – 2005

Sept. 3	..... Wyoming	W	32-14
Sept. 10	..... Louisiana Tech	W	41-3
Sept. 17	..... Tennessee	W	16-7
Sept. 24	..... at Kentucky	W	49-28
Oct. 1	..... at Alabama	L	3-31
Oct. 8	..... Mississippi St.	W	35-9

Oct. 15	..... at LSU	L	17-21
Oct. 29	..... vs. Georgia*	W	14-10
Nov. 5	..... Vanderbilt	W	49-42 (2OT)
Nov. 12	..... at South Carolina	L	22-30
Nov. 26	..... Florida State	W	34-7
Jan. 2	..... vs. Iowa@	W	31-24
*at Jacksonville; @Outback Bowl at Tampa, Fla.			

FLORIDA – 2006

Sept. 2	..... Southern Miss	W	34-7
Sept. 9	..... UCF	W	42-0
Sept. 16	..... at Tennessee	W	21-20
Sept. 23	..... Kentucky	W	26-7
Sept. 30	..... Alabama	W	28-13
Oct. 7	..... LSU	W	23-10
Oct. 14	..... at Auburn	L	17-27
Oct. 28	..... vs. Georgia*	W	21-14
Nov. 4	..... at Vanderbilt	W	25-19
Nov. 11	..... South Carolina	W	17-16
Nov. 18	..... Western Carolina	W	62-0
Nov. 25	..... at Florida State	W	21-14
Dec. 2	..... vs. Arkansas#	W	38-28
Jan. 8	..... vs. Ohio State@	W	41-14
* at Jacksonville, Fla.; # SEC Championship game at Atlanta; @ BCS National Championship at Scottsdale, Ariz.			

FLORIDA – 2007

Sept. 1	..... W. Kentucky	W	49-3
Sept. 8	..... Troy	W	59-31
Sept. 15	..... Tennessee	W	59-20
Sept. 22	..... at Ole Miss	W	30-24
Sept. 29	..... Auburn	L	17-20
Oct. 6	..... at LSU	L	24-28
Oct. 20	..... at Kentucky	W	45-37
Oct. 27	..... vs. Georgia*	L	30-42
Nov. 3	..... Vanderbilt	W	49-22
Nov. 10	..... at So. Carolina	W	51-31
Nov. 17	..... Fla. Atlantic	W	59-20
Nov. 24	..... Florida State	W	45-12
*Jan. 1	..... vs. Michigan@	L	35-41
*at Jacksonville, Fla.; @Capital One Bowl at Orlando, Fla.			

FLORIDA – 2008

Aug. 30	..... Hawaii	W	56-10
Sept. 6	..... Miami	W	26-3
Sept. 20	..... at Tennessee	W	30-6
Sept. 27	..... Ole Miss	L	30-31
Oct. 4	..... at Arkansas	W	38-7
Oct. 11	..... LSU	W	51-21
Oct. 25	..... Kentucky	W	63-5
Nov. 1	..... vs. Georgia*	W	49-10
Nov. 8	..... at Vanderbilt	W	42-12
Nov. 15	..... So. Carolina	W	56-6
Nov. 22	..... The Citadel	W	70-19
Nov. 29	..... at Florida State	W	45-15
Dec. 6	..... vs. Alabama#	W	31-20
Jan. 8	..... vs. Oklahoma@	W	24-14
*at Jacksonville, Fla.; #SEC championship game at Atlanta; @BCS National Championship game at Miami, Fla.			

FLORIDA – 2009

Sept. 5	.....Charleston Southern	W	62-3
Sept. 12	..... Troy	W	56-6
Sept. 19	..... Tennessee	W	23-13
Sept. 26	..... at Kentucky	W	41-7
Oct. 10	..... at LSU	W	13-3
Oct. 17	..... Arkansas	W	23-20
Oct. 24	..... at Mississippi State	W	29-19
Oct. 31	..... vs. Georgia*	W	41-17
Nov. 7	..... Vanderbilt	W	27-3
Nov. 14	..... at South Carolina	W	24-14
Nov. 21	..... Florida International	W	62-3
Nov. 28	..... Florida State	W	37-0
Dec. 5	..... vs. Alabama#	L	13-32
Jan. 1	..... vs. Cincinnati@	W	51-24
*at Jacksonville, Fla.; #SEC championship game at Atlanta; @ Sugar Bowl at New Orleans			

FLORIDA – 2010

Sept. 4	..... Miami Univ.	W	34-12
Sept. 11	..... South Florida	W	38-14
Sept. 18	..... at Tennessee	W	31-17
Sept. 25	..... Kentucky	W	48-14
Oct. 2	..... at Alabama	L	3-31
Oct. 9	..... LSU	L	29-33
Oct. 16	..... Mississippi State	L	7-10
Oct. 30	..... vs. Georgia*	W	34-31 OT
Nov. 6	..... at Vanderbilt	W	55-14
Nov. 13	..... South Carolina	L	14-36
Nov. 20	..... Appalachian State	W	48-10
Nov. 27	..... at Florida State	L	7-31
Jan. 1	..... vs. Penn State@	W	37-24
*at Jacksonville, Fla.; @Outback Bowl at Tampa, Fla.			

OHIO STATE – 2012

Sept. 1	..... Miami Univ.	W	56-10
Sept. 8	..... Central Florida	W	31-16
Sept. 15	..... California	W	35-28
Sept. 22	..... UAB	W	29-15
Sept. 29	..... at Michigan State	W	17-16
Oct. 6	..... Nebraska	W	63-38
Oct. 13	..... at Indiana	W	52-49
Oct. 20	..... Purdue	W	29-22 OT
Oct. 27	..... at Penn State	W	35-22
Nov. 3	..... Illinois	W	52-22
Nov. 17	..... at Wisconsin	W	21-14 OT
Nov. 24	..... Michigan	W	26-21



ASSISTANT COACHES

DEFENSE

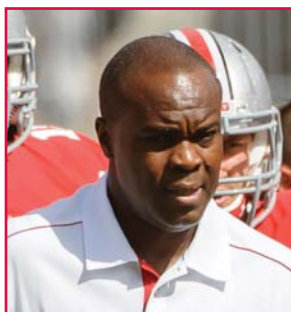


LUKE FICKELL
DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR/LINEBACKERS

Hometown..... Columbus, Ohio
 High School DeSales
 Alma Mater The Ohio State University, 1997
 Year in Coaching 15th (13th year at Ohio State)
 Wife.....Amy
 Children..... Son Landon, daughter Luca,
 and twin sons, Aydon & Ashton

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2012-..... Defensive Coordinator/LBs Ohio State
 2011 Head Coach..... Ohio State
 2005-2011 .. Co-Defensive Coordinator/LBs Ohio State
 2004..... Linebackers Ohio State
 2002-2003 .. Special Teams Coordinator. Ohio State
 2000-2001 .. Defensive Line Coach..... Akron
 1999..... Graduate Assistant Ohio State



EVERETT WITHERS
CO-DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR & ASSISTANT HEAD COACH/SAFETIES

Hometown.....Charlotte, N.C.
 High School Charlotte Senior
 Alma MaterAppalachian State University, 1985
 Year in Coaching 26th (2nd year at Ohio State)
 Wife..... Kara
 Children..... Daughter, Tia, and son, Pierce

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2012-.....Co-Defensive Coordinator
Asst. Head Coach/Safeties.... Ohio State

2011 Interim Head Coach North Carolina
 2008-10..... Def. Coord./Secondary..... North Carolina
 2007 Defensive CoordinatorMinnesota
 2001-06..... Defensive BacksTennessee Titans
 1998-2000 .. Defensive Backs Texas
 1995-97 Defensive Coordinator Louisville
 1994..... Defensive Quality Control New Orleans Saints
 1992-93..... Defensive BacksSouthern Mississippi
 1991 Outside Linebackers Tulane
 1990..... Special Teams/WRs Austin Peay
 1988-89..... Defensive Coordinator Austin Peay



MIKE VRABEL
DEFENSIVE LINE

Hometown..... Akron, Ohio
 High School Walsh Jesuit
 Alma Mater The Ohio State University, 2004
 Year in Coaching Third (Third year at Ohio State)
 Wife.....Jennifer
 Children..... Sons, Tyler and Carter

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2012-..... Defensive Line..... Ohio State
 2011 Linebackers Ohio State



KERRY COOMBS
CORNERBACKS COACH/SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR

Hometown..... Colerain, Ohio
 High School Colerain
 Alma MaterDayton (1983)
 Year in Coaching31st (2nd year at Ohio State)
 Wife.....Holly
 Children..... Sons, Brayden and Dylan;
 and daughter, Cortney

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2013-..... CBs/Special Teams Coordinator..... Ohio State
 2012 Cornerbacks Ohio State
 2009-11 Assoc. Hea. Co./DBs/Special Tea. ... Cincinnati
 2007-08..... Defensive Backs Cincinnati
 1991-06..... Head Coach ... Colerain H.S. (Cincinnati, Ohio)
 1989-90..... Head Coach..... Loveland (Ohio) H.S.
 1985-88..... Assistant Coach..... Lakota (Ohio) H.S.
 1983-84..... Assistant Coach..... Greenhills (Ohio) H.S.



ASSISTANT COACHES

OFFENSE



TOM HERMAN
OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR/QUARTERBACKS

Hometown..... Simi Valley, Calif.
(Born in Cincinnati)
 High School Simi Valley
 Alma Mater Cal Lutheran, 1997
 Master's Degree University of Texas, 2000
 Year in Coaching 14th (2nd year at Ohio State)
 Wife Michelle
 Children..... Daughter, Priya, and son, Maddock

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2012-..... Offensive Coordinator/QBs Ohio State
 2009-11 Offensive Coordinator/QBs. Iowa State
 2007-08..... Offensive Coordinator/QBsRice
 2005-06..... Offensive Coordinator/QBs Texas State
 2001-04..... WRs/Special Teams Coord... Sam Houston State
 1999-2000 .. Offensive Graduate Assistant Texas



ED WARINNER
CO-OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR/OFFENSIVE LINE COACH

Hometown..... Strasburg, Ohio
 High SchoolStrasburg-Franklin
 Alma MaterMount Union, 1984
 Master's Degree Akron, 1985
 Year in Coaching 30th (2nd year at Ohio State)
 Wife Mary Beth
 Children..... Daughters, Madisyn and Merideth,
 and a son, Edward

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2012-...Co-Offensive Coordinator/OL... Ohio State
 2011OL/Run Game Coordinator Notre Dame
 2010Offensive Line Notre Dame
 2009Assoc. Head Co./OC/QB..... Kansas

2007-08..... Offensive Coordinator/QB Kansas
 2005-06..... OL/Run Game Coordinator..... Illinois
 2004 OL/Run Game Coordinator..... Kansas
 2003 Offensive Line..... Kansas
 2000-02..... Offensive Line..... Air Force Academy
 1998-99..... Offensive Coord/QB..... Army
 1992-97..... Offensive Line..... Army
 1991 Defensive Line..... Army
 1988-90..... Executive Asst./Recruiting..... Army
 1987 Centers/Guards Army
 1985-86..... LB/SecondaryMichigan State
 1984..... Running Backs..... Akron
 1999-2000 .. Offensive Graduate Assistant Texas



STAN DRAYTON
RUNNING BACKS

Hometown.....Cleveland, Ohio
 High School John Marshall
 Alma Mater Allegheny, 1993
 Year in Coaching 21st (3rd year at Ohio State)
 Wife Monique
 Children..... Daughters, Amari and Anaya

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2012-... Running Backs Ohio State
 2011 Wide Receivers Ohio State

2010..... Running Backs/Recruiting Coord..... Florida
 2009..... Running Backs..... Syracuse
 2008..... Running Backs..... Tennessee
 2005-07 Running Backs..... Florida
 2004..... Running Backs.....Mississippi State
 2001-03 Off.Quality Con./Special Teams... Green Bay Packers
 2000..... Running Backs/Special Teams....Bowling Green
 1996-99..... Running Backs..... Villanova
 1995..... Asst. RB/Dir. of FB Operations.... Pennsylvania
 1994..... Graduate AssistantEastern Michigan
 1993..... Running Backs.....Allegheny College



ASSISTANT COACHES

OFFENSE



TIM HINTON
TIGHT ENDS/FULLBACKS

Hometown..... Amanda, Ohio
 High School Amanda-Clearcreek
 Alma Mater Wilmington, 1982
 Master's Degree Ohio State, 1987
 Year in Coaching 32nd (2nd year at Ohio State)
 Wife Bev
 Children..... Daughters, Dawn and Drew

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2012-..... Tight Ends/Fullbacks..... Ohio State
 2010-11 Running Backs Notre Dame

2009..... RBs/Recruiting Coordinator..... Cincinnati
 2008..... Running Backs..... Cincinnati
 2007..... Linebackers Cincinnati
 2004-06..... Running Backs..... Cincinnati
 1993-03..... Head Coach..... Marion (Ohio) Harding H.S.
 1991-92..... Defensive Line/Strength Coach..... Ohio
 1990..... Wide Receivers..... Ohio
 1989..... Head Coach..... Van Wert (Ohio) H.S.
 1987-88..... Head Coach Zane Trace (Chillicothe, Ohio) H.S.
 1985-86..... Graduate Assistant Ohio State
 1982-84..... Tight Ends/Wide Receivers Wilmington
 1981..... Student Assistant Wilmington



ZACH SMITH
WIDE RECEIVERS

Hometown..... Dublin, Ohio
 High School Dublin Coffman
 Alma Mater University of Florida, 2007
 Year in Coaching Ninth (2nd year at Ohio State)
 Wife Courtney
 Children..... Son, Cameron and daughter, Quinn Olivia

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2012-..... Wide Receivers..... Ohio State
 2011..... WRs/Special Teams Coord..... Temple
 2010..... WRs/Special Teams Coord..... Marshall
 2005-09..... GA/Quality Control Coach Florida

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING



MICKEY MAROTTI
ASSISTANT AD FOR FOOTBALL SPORTS PERFORMANCE

Hometown..... Ambridge, Pa.
 High School Ambridge
 Alma Mater West Liberty State, 1987
 Master's Degrees Ohio State University, 1988;
 West Virginia, 1990
 Year in Strength & Conditioning 27th
 (2nd year at Ohio State)
 Wife: Susie
 Children..... Son, Mitchell, and daughter, Maddie

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2012-..... Asst. AD for FB Sports Performance . Ohio State
 2005-11 Director of Strength and Conditioning.... Florida
 1998-2005..... Director of Strength and Conditioning.... Notre Dame
 1990-98..... Head Strength and Conditioning Coach Cincinnati
 1989-90..... Strength Assistant..... West Virginia
 1987-88..... Graduate Assistant Strength Coach.... Ohio State
 1987-88..... Head Strength Coach Grove City (Ohio) H.S.

