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### THE YEAR OF THE RUNNING BACK CONTINUES

We are officially in the year of the running back.

Veteran backs like Saquon Barkley and Derrick Henry signed with new teams in free agency and delivered league-winning fantasy value. At the same time, second-year backs Jahmyr Gibbs, Bijan Robinson, and De'Von Achane ascended the dynasty rankings with high-scoring seasons of their own.

Just when fantasy managers were starting to feel comfortable with the running back landscape, a transformative group of rookies is set to shake things up—rewriting dynasty rankings and torpedoing backfield hierarchies along the way.

Buckle up.

### **TRAVIS HUNTER WATCH**

Travis Hunter is also an outstanding wide receiver prospect. He posted tremendous production at the collegiate level while showcasing elite athletic traits. The challenge? He's also the draft's top cornerback.

This has dynasty managers scratching their heads over how highly they should select—or potentially avoid—one of the draft's most talented players. Will he be a part-time offensive player? Or could he become one of this class's biggest dynasty steals if he takes on a larger-than-expected role on offense?

### THE 2025 WIDE RECEIVER CLASS IS UNDERRATED

The 2024 class of wide receivers produced one of the most impactful collective rookie seasons ever at the position. Brian Thomas Jr. and Malik Nabers both finished as top-six scorers, with Nabers breaking the all-time record for receptions by a rookie wideout. Ladd McConkey wasn't far behind, averaging 15.1 PPG. This doesn't even include Marvin Harrison Jr., who, despite a disappointing rookie season, still holds the WR14 spot in PlayerProfiler's dynasty rankings.

The 2025 class isn't as strong, but it has been criticized so much that it's now starting to feel underrated. While it may not match the 2024 class, it has the potential to reach a similar level to 2023. Tetairoa McMillan is a bona fide WR1 prospect in the mold of Drake London. Other players, such as Matthew Golden, Luther Burden, and Elic Ayomanor, have a chance to join McMillan as first-round selections.

### 2ND & 3RD ROUND ROOKIE PICKS ARE VERY VALUABLE

The overall depth of the 2025 rookie class—especially at running back—has elevated the value of rookie draft picks that typically carry lower hit rates. This is the season to consider trading a 2026 third and fourth-round pick to move into the 2025 third-round and take a shot on upside. This is the year to make multiple picks and maximize your rookie draft capital.

### THE 2025 TIGHT END CLASS HAS MULTIPLE QUALITY OPTIONS

There have now been back-to-back seasons where rookie tight ends finished first overall in fantasy scoring at the position—a glass ceiling many thought would never be broken, especially given the challenges tight ends face in achieving immediate success. Sam LaPorta burst onto the scene in 2023, but his success paled in comparison to Brock Bowers, who has redefined what a peak ceiling season looks like for a rookie tight end—possibly ever.

That's on top of 2022 draft pick Trey McBride, who had a slower start but has since emerged as PlayerProfiler's TE2 overall in dynasty rankings, right behind Bowers. The youth movement at tight end will continue in 2025. Tyler Warren was a megaproducer at Penn State and is a locked-in first-round pick. He will be joined by Colston Loveland, who is expected to be selected shortly after him, also in the first round. Two tight ends going in Round 1 is rare and warrants significant enthusiasm for this class—but the positional depth doesn't end there.

- Elijah Arroyo was one of the top performers at the Senior Bowl and is the latest in a long line of University of Miami tight ends with a pathway to both fantasy and NFL success.
- Mason Taylor, son of Hall of Famer Jason Taylor, stood out at both the Senior Bowl and the NFL Combine.
- Terrance Ferguson lit up the Combine and boosted his draft stock in the process.
- Harold Fannin Jr. is one of the most productive players in MAC history, with jaw-dropping stats, though he carries a somewhat polarizing prospect profile.

All four of these players are expected to hear their names called on Day 2 of the NFL Draft. Much like at running back, 2025 is an excellent year for dynasty managers to invest in the tight end position in their rookie drafts.

## 2025 HAS A LIMITED GROUP AT THE QUARTERBACK POSITION

2024 was a vintage season for dynasty managers who invested their rookie picks in quarterbacks. Jayden Daniels is a legitimate challenger for the dynasty QB1 overall, slotting in just behind Josh Allen and Lamar Jackson in PlayerProfiler's dynasty QB rankings. Bo Nix, Drake Maye, and Caleb Williams also join him as dynasty QB1s. Additionally, PlayerProfiler is bullish on year-two leaps in production from Michael Penix Jr. and J.J. McCarthy.

However, those expecting a repeat from the 2025 class could be in for a disappointment. Cam Ward is PlayerProfiler's QB1, while Shedeur Sanders ranks as our QB2 in the current rookie rankings at the position. We are also higher than some on Jaxson Dart, but this group is far from a sure thing when it comes to producing multiple dynasty QB1s.

This is also a year where dynasty managers may want to avoid selecting a quarterback in Superflex rookie drafts. Ashton Jeanty and Omarion Hampton are currently our top two prospects across all formats.

One wildcard who could boost this class is Jalen Milroe. While he has limitations as a passer, he possesses a big arm and game-breaking speed. If a team selects him inside the top 45 picks, he becomes an intriguing option for dynasty rookie managers seeking upside at the position.

### 2017 VS 2025?

Dynasty managers have long awaited a challenger to the legendary 2017 class of running backs. Players like Derrick Henry, Christian McCaffrey, Joe Mixon, Dalvin Cook, Alvin Kamara, Leonard Fournette, Austin Ekeler, Kareem Hunt, and more have dominated fantasy football for nearly a decade. That class produced countless RB1 seasons and multiple "league winners," cementing its place in history.

This season, we finally have a group of running backs who could provide fantasy managers with a similar combination of immediate and long-term production. At least two backs—Ashton Jeanty and Omarion Hampton—are projected to be first-round picks, with TreVeyon Henderson and Quinshon Judkins not far behind. Henderson has a shot at sneaking into the late first round if a team falls in love with his big-play ability, while Judkins will likely hear his name called early in the second round.

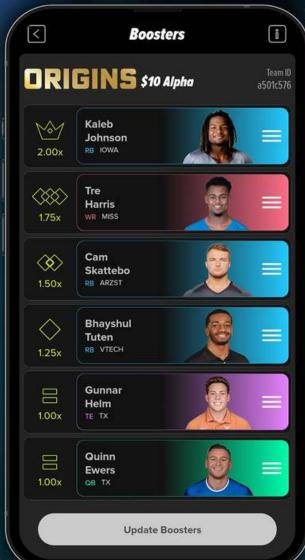
And the talent doesn't stop there. A wave of running backs will come off the board by the end of round three, with anywhere from nine to twelve backs expected to be selected by the close of Day 2. Day 3 will serve as a cleanup, featuring multiple talented players with pathways to making an immediate impact—similar to Bucky Irving or Tyrone Tracy in year one.

The NFL will embrace this running back class, and at PlayerProfiler, we already have four 2025 backs ranked inside our top 10 dynasty running backs. This is the year to break ties in your rookie draft decisions in favor of the running back position.

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SUPERFLEX (ROOKIES 1-26)

Rank	Player	Position	Evan	Cody	Jax	John	Jagger	Average
1	Ashton Jeanty	RB	1	1	1	1	1	1.0
2	Omarion Hampton	RB	2	3	2	3	4	2.8
3	TreVeyon Henderson	RB	5	2	3	8	3	4.2
4	Cameron Ward	QB	3	5	4	2	7	4.2
5	Tetairoa McMillan	WR	4	4	5	6	5	4.8
6	Travis Hunter	WR	6	7	6	4	2	5.0
7	Quinshon Judkins	RB	8	8	8	9	6	7.8
8	Kaleb Johnson	RB	9	6	10	7	9	8.2
9	RJ Harvey	RB	7	10	9	5	11	8.4
10	Emeka Egbuka	WR	12	9	7	10	13	10.2
11	Matthew Golden	WR	11	12	17	11	12	12.6
12	Luther Burden III	WR	19	11	13	13	10	13.2
13	Colston Loveland	TE	14	13	15	19	8	13.8
14	Tyler Warren	TE	17	14	16	12	14	14.6
15	Jaxson Dart	QB	10	15	11	16	26	15.6
16	Jayden Higgins	WR	18	16	12	14	20	16.0
17	Tre Harris	WR	13	17	14	17	22	16.6
18	Bhayshul Tuten	RB	15	22	19	18	16	18.0
19	Cam Skattebo	RB	16	20	18	22	21	19.4
20	Kyle Williams	WR	20	40	21	15	19	23.0
21	Jack Bech	WR	23	18	39	26	15	24.2
22	Tyler Shough	QB	21	21	30	29	23	24.8
23	Terrance Ferguson	TE	26	36	22	25	17	25.2
24	Jaylin Noel	WR	22	25	35	21	25	25.6
25	Jalen Milroe	QB	28	29	20	23	31	26.2
26	Mason Taylor	TE	29	28	37	20	18	26.4

### SUPERFLEX (ROOKIES 27-53)



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27	Jaydon Blue	RB	24	19	32	36	27	27.6
28	Woody Marks	RB	25	32	33	28	24	28.4
29	Jarquez Hunter	RB	36	23	27	33	29	29.6
30	Dylan Sampson	RB	30	24	26	31	40	30.2
31	Devin Neal	RB	34	43	28	39	32	35.2
32	Tahj Brooks	RB	32	31	41	40	36	36.0
33	Elijah Arroyo	TE	27	30	23	49	51	36.0
34	Shedeur Sanders	QB	51	35	29	37	30	36.4
35	Elic Ayomanor	WR	46	39	36	27	34	36.4
36	Harold Fannin Jr.	TE	31	44	24	51	35	37.0
37	Jalen Royals	WR	43	33	34	34	41	37.0
38	Pat Bryant	WR	41	38	38	32	37	37.2
39	Tai Felton	WR	51	48	43	24	28	38.8
40	DJ Giddens	RB	37	42	25	46	44	38.8
41	Brashard Smith	RB	33	37	31	47	46	38.8
42	Trevor Etienne	RB	39	26	42	43	45	39.0
43	Ollie Gordon II	RB	35	27	46	51	39	39.6
44	Tory Horton	WR	40	41	44	38	42	41.0
45	Jordan James	RB	38	34	50	48	51	44.2
46	Kyle Monangai	RB	45	47	51	51	33	45.4
47	Isaac TeSlaa	WR	42	49	51	41	47	46.0
48	Will Howard	QB	51	51	40	51	38	46.2
49	Chimere Dike	WR	51	51	51	30	51	46.8
50	Dillon Gabriel	QB	51	51	48	35	51	47.2
51	Oronde Gadsden II	TE	48	51	51	51	43	48.8
52	Dont'e Thornton	WR	51	51	51	42	49	48.8
53	Gunnar Helm	TE	51	45	51	51	48	49.2

### SUPERFLEX (ROOKIES 54-80)



54	Quinn Ewers	QB	51	46	47	51	51	49.2
55	Jacory Croskey- Merritt	RB	44	51	49	51	51	49.2
56	Savion Williams	WR	49	51	51	45	51	49.4
57	Damien Martinez	RB	50	51	45	51	51	49.6
58	Jordan Watkins	WR	51	51	51	44	51	49.6
59	Phil Mafah	RB	47	51	51	51	51	50.2
60	Jaylin Lane	WR	51	51	51	50	50	50.6
61	Xavier Restrepo	WR	51	50	51	51	51	50.8
62	Isaiah Bond	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
63	LeQuint Allen	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
64	KeAndre Lambert-Smith	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
65	Raheim Sanders	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
66	Ja'Corey Brooks	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
67	Luke Lachey	TE	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
68	Tez Johnson	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
69	Arian Smith	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
70	Donovan Edwards	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
71	Jimmy Horn Jr.	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
72	Will Sheppard	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
73	Montorie Foster	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
74	Taylor Elgersma	QB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
75	Corey Kiner	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
76	Nick Nash	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
77	Antwane Wells	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
78	Montrell Johnson	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
79	Marcus Yarns	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
80	Mitchell Evans	TE	51	51	51	51	51	51.0

## COMPOSITE RANKINGS SINGLE QB (ROOKIES 1-29)



Rank	Player	Position	Evan	Cody	Jax	John	Jagger	Average
1	Ashton Jeanty	RB	1	1	1	1	1	1.0
2	Omarion Hampton	RB	2	3	2	2	4	2.6
3	TreVeyon Henderson	RB	4	2	3	7	3	3.8
4	Tetairoa McMillan	WR	3	4	4	5	5	4.2
5	Travis Hunter	WR	5	6	5	3	2	4.2
6	Quinshon Judkins	RB	7	7	7	8	6	7.0
7	Kaleb Johnson	RB	8	5	9	6	8	7.2
8	RJ Harvey	RB	6	9	8	4	10	7.4
9	Emeka Egbuka	WR	10	8	6	9	12	9.0
10	Matthew Golden	WR	9	11	15	10	11	11.2
11	Luther Burden III	WR	17	10	11	13	9	12.0
12	Colston Loveland	TE	12	12	13	18	7	12.4
13	Tyler Warren	TE	15	13	14	11	13	13.2
14	Jayden Higgins	WR	16	14	10	14	19	14.6
15	Tre Harris	WR	11	16	12	16	21	15.2
16	Bhayshul Tuten	RB	13	20	17	17	15	16.4
17	Cam Skattebo	RB	14	19	16	21	20	18.0
18	Cameron Ward	QB	18	15	27	12	22	18.8
19	Kyle Williams	WR	19	40	18	15	18	22.0
20	Jack Bech	WR	21	17	36	24	14	22.4
21	Terrance Ferguson	TE	24	33	19	23	16	23.0
22	Jaylin Noel	WR	20	23	32	20	24	23.8
23	Mason Taylor	TE	26	27	35	19	17	24.8
24	Jaydon Blue	RB	22	18	29	32	26	25.4
25	Woody Marks	RB	23	31	30	26	23	26.6
26	Jarquez Hunter	RB	33	21	24	31	28	27.4
27	Dylan Sampson	RB	27	22	23	29	38	27.8
28	Jaxson Dart	QB	38	25	33	27	25	29.6
29	Devin Neal	RB	31	43	25	35	30	32.8

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30	Tahj Brooks	RB	29	30	38	36	34	33.4
31	Elijah Arroyo	TE	25	29	20	48	51	34.6
32	Jalen Milroe	QB	36	28	26	39	44	34.6
33	Elic Ayomanor	WR	45	39	34	25	32	35.0
34	Harold Fannin Jr.	TE	28	44	21	51	33	35.4
35	Jalen Royals	WR	42	32	31	33	39	35.4
36	Pat Bryant	WR	40	38	37	30	35	36.0
37	Brashard Smith	RB	30	34	28	45	46	36.6
38	DJ Giddens	RB	34	42	22	44	43	37.0
39	Ollie Gordon II	RB	32	26	40	51	37	37.2
40	Trevor Etienne	RB	37	24	39	41	45	37.2
41	Tai Felton	WR	51	47	42	22	27	37.8
42	Tory Horton	WR	39	41	43	34	41	39.6
43	Tyler Shough	QB	46	35	51	38	29	39.8
44	Jordan James	RB	35	36	45	46	51	42.6
45	Kyle Monangai	RB	44	46	49	51	31	44.2
46	Isaac TeSlaa	WR	41	48	51	37	47	44.8
47	Shedeur Sanders	QB	51	37	51	47	40	45.2
48	Chimere Dike	WR	51	51	51	28	51	46.4
49	Oronde Gadsden II	TE	48	51	46	51	42	47.6
50	Jacory Croskey- Merritt	RB	43	51	44	51	51	48.0
51	Will Howard	QB	51	51	51	51	36	48.0
52	Savion Williams	WR	49	50	48	43	51	48.2
53	Gunnar Helm	TE	51	45	47	51	48	48.4
54	Dont'e Thornton	WR	51	51	51	40	49	48.4
55	Damien Martinez	RB	50	51	41	51	51	48.8
56	Jordan Watkins	WR	51	51	51	42	51	49.2
57	Phil Mafah	RB	47	51	51	51	51	50.2
58	Jaylin Lane	WR	51	51	51	49	50	50.4
59	Xavier Restrepo	WR	51	49	51	51	51	50.6

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60	Ricky White	WR	EA	F 4		-4	-4	F0.0	Г
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61	Dillon Gabriel	QB	51	51	51	50	51	50.8	
62	Isaiah Bond	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
63	Arian Smith	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
64	LeQuint Allen	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
65	KeAndre Lambert-Smith	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
66	Raheim Sanders	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
67	Ja'Corey Brooks	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
68	Tez Johnson	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
69	Luke Lachey	TE	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
70	Donovan Edwards	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
71	Antwane Wells	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
72	Montrell Johnson	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
73	Marcus Yarns	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
74	Mitchell Evans	TE	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
75	Kalel Mullings	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
76	Da'Quan Felton	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
77	Quinn Ewers	QB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
78	Bru McCoy	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
79	Kyle McCord	QB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
80	Riley Leonard	QB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
81	Mario Anderson Jr.	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
82	Micah Bernard	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
83	Avery Morrow	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
84	Henry Parrish	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
85	Ja'Quinden Jackson	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
86	Justice Ellison	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
87	Andrew Armstrong	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
88	Mac Dalena	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	
89	Josh Kelly	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0	

## COMPOSITE RANKINGS TE PREMIUM (ROOKIES 1-29)



Rank	Player	Position	Evan	Cody	Jax	John	Jagger	Average
1	Ashton Jeanty	RB	1	1	1	1	1	1.0
2	Omarion Hampton	RB	2	3	2	2	4	2.3
3	Tetairoa McMillan	WR	3	4	4	5	5	4.0
4	TreVeyon Henderson	RB	4	2	3	8	3	4.3
5	Travis Hunter	WR	5	6	5	3	2	4.8
6	Kaleb Johnson	RB	8	5	9	6	8	7.0
7	RJ Harvey	RB	6	11	8	4	10	7.3
8	Quinshon Judkins	RB	7	9	7	9	6	8.0
9	Emeka Egbuka	WR	11	10	6	10	12	9.3
10	Tyler Warren	TE	13	8	14	7	13	10.5
11	Colston Loveland	TE	10	7	13	15	7	11.3
12	Matthew Golden	WR	9	13	15	11	11	12.0
13	Luther Burden III	WR	17	12	11	13	9	13.3
14	Jayden Higgins	WR	16	14	10	14	19	13.5
15	Tre Harris	WR	12	16	12	16	21	14.0
16	Bhayshul Tuten	RB	14	21	17	19	15	17.8
17	Cam Skattebo	RB	15	19	16	21	20	17.8
18	Cameron Ward	QB	18	15	27	12	22	18.0
19	Terrance Ferguson	TE	20	28	18	22	16	22.0
20	Mason Taylor	TE	22	20	33	18	17	23.3
21	Kyle Williams	WR	19	42	21	17	18	24.8
22	Jaylin Noel	WR	23	25	32	20	24	25.0
23	Jack Bech	WR	24	17	36	24	14	25.3
24	Elijah Arroyo	TE	21	24	19	37	51	25.3
25	Dylan Sampson	RB	28	23	23	29	38	25.8
26	Jaydon Blue	RB	25	18	29	32	26	26.0
27	Jarquez Hunter	RB	33	22	24	31	28	27.5
28	Woody Marks	RB	26	32	30	26	23	28.5
29	Jaxson Dart	QB	38	27	34	27	25	31.5

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	30	Harold Fannin Jr.	TE	27	34	20	45	33	31.5
	31	Jalen Milroe	QB	36	30	26	40	44	33.0
	32	Tahj Brooks	RB	29	31	38	36	34	33.5
	33	Devin Neal	RB	31	45	25	35	30	34.0
	34	Brashard Smith	RB	30	35	28	46	46	34.8
	35	Jalen Royals	WR	43	33	31	33	39	35.0
	36	Trevor Etienne	RB	37	26	39	42	45	36.0
	37	Pat Bryant	WR	40	39	37	30	35	36.5
	38	Elic Ayomanor	WR	46	41	35	25	32	36.8
	39	DJ Giddens	RB	34	44	22	47	43	36.8
	40	Ollie Gordon II	RB	32	29	40	51	37	38.0
	41	Tory Horton	WR	39	43	43	34	41	39.8
	42	Tai Felton	WR	51	48	42	23	27	41.0
	43	Jordan James	RB	35	37	47	51	51	42.5
	44	Tyler Shough	QB	47	36	51	38	29	43.0
	45	Isaac TeSlaa	WR	41	49	51	39	47	45.0
	46	Chimere Dike	WR	51	51	51	28	51	45.3
	47	Oronde Gadsden II	TE	42	46	44	50	42	45.5
	48	Gunnar Helm	TE	51	40	45	51	48	46.8
	49	Shedeur Sanders	QB	51	38	51	48	40	47.0
	50	Kyle Monangai	RB	45	47	49	51	31	48.0
	51	Jacory Croskey- Merritt	RB	44	51	46	51	51	48.0
	52	Savion Williams	WR	49	51	48	44	51	48.0
	53	Damien Martinez	RB	50	51	41	51	51	48.3
	54	Dont'e Thornton	WR	51	51	51	41	49	48.5
	55	Jordan Watkins	WR	51	51	51	43	51	49.0
	56	Phil Mafah	RB	48	51	51	51	51	50.3
	57	Jaylin Lane	WR	51	51	51	49	50	50.5
	58	Ricky White	WR	51	51	50	51	51	50.8
	59	Xavier Restrepo	WR	51	50	51	51	51	50.8

## COMPOSITE RANKINGS TE PREMIUM (ROOKIES 60-89)



60	Will Howard	QB	51	51	51	51	36	51.0
61	Dillon Gabriel	QB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
62	Arian Smith	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
63	LeQuint Allen	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
64	Raheim Sanders	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
65	Luke Lachey	TE	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
66	Tez Johnson	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
67	Donovan Edwards	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
68	Jimmy Horn Jr.	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
69	Will Sheppard	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
70	Montorie Foster	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
71	Taylor Elgersma	QB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
72	Corey Kiner	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
73	Nick Nash	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
74	Marcus Yarns	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
75	Ja'Corey Brooks	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
76	KeAndre Lambert-Smith	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
77	Antwane Wells	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
78	Montrell Johnson	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
79	Mitchell Evans	TE	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
80	Kalel Mullings	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
81	Da'Quan Felton	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
82	Quinn Ewers	QB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
83	Bru McCoy	WR	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
84	Kyle McCord	QB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
85	Riley Leonard	QB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
86	Mario Anderson Jr.	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
87	Micah Bernard	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
88	Avery Morrow	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0
89	Henry Parrish	RB	51	51	51	51	51	51.0

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The 2025 quarterback class pales in comparison to last year's vaunted class. However, with several QB-needy teams near the top of the draft, Cam Ward stands out as the top signal-caller and best bet to be selected No. 1 overall in the 2025 NFL Draft. Despite being a zero-star recruit out of West Columbia, Texas, Ward won the Jerry Rice Award in his first season at Incarnate Word before following Eric Morris to Washington State. Ward averaged 3,482 passing yards and tossed 48 touchdowns in two seasons with the Cougars before balling out at Miami in 2024. That breakout campaign resulted in 4,313 passing yards, a 39-to-7 TD-to-INT ratio--both school records--, and a fourth-place finish in Heisman voting.

Ward (6-2, 223) has ideal size and an NFL-caliber arm. An ascending talent, Ward is accurate in all areas, with good anticipation and the ability to throw into tight windows. His pure arm talent is the best in this class. Ward is a commanding presence as a field general who processes progressions, exploits all areas of the field, and has the clutch gene. Although he is more of a classic pocket passer, Ward has good instincts about when to escape pressure and plus mobility.

Like other prospects coined gunslingers, Ward must tone down his aggressiveness in the pros. He also will be challenged to diagnose more complex NFL coverage schemes. However, Ward possesses the size, arm talent, and intangibles to be a productive NFL weapon. And that will appeal to multiple teams in dire need of a new franchise quarterback as well as to fantasy managers.

Ward was selected first overall by the Teneessee Titans and projects to be their week 1 starter. Ward has the best opportunity of all rookie quarterbacks to be productive in his rookie year.



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JAXSON DART COLLEGE STATS (2024)

**PASSING YARDS** 4,279

**RUSHING YARDS** 495

**TOUCHDOWNS** 

29

**COLLEGE QBR** 

84.7

**COLLEGE YPA** 

10.8

**BREAKOUT AGE** 

**19.3** 

### FANTASY PROFILE

Jaxson Dart was a 4-star QB recruit to USC before transferring to Ole Miss and carving out a productive career in the SEC under Lane Kiffin. Consistent improvement year over year in college and a huge senior campaign helped the 6-2, 226-pound Dart rise from 2024 pre-season sleeper status to the biggest quarterback riser during the 2025 NFL Draft season. Dart had been projected as a Day Two pick, but draftniks have become enamored with Dart on both the analytics side and with film study. Dart is now in the conversation to go as high as sixth overall.

Dart's senior season saw him put up gaudy stats with his arm, including 4,279 passing yards with a 69.3 completion percentage, 29 TD's, and a 5-to-1 TD-to-INT ratio. He also continued to provide added value with his legs, rushing for almost 500 yards. He totaled 1,500 yards on the ground in three seasons at Mississippi. Dart does not possess elite speed but is an instinctual runner. He knows when and how to get out of the pocket and is excellent in RPO situations. RPO is also where his arm flashes. Dart is very accurate in the short and intermediate throws, with a guick release and short arm action.

What jumps out the most on tape is Dart's evolution as both a passer and game commander. Comparing tape from 2022 and 2024 shows a guarterback that developed from a max-effort body thrower with a lot of wasted movement to one with confident feet and an upright delivery. This allowed Dart to stay in the pocket longer, climb to avoid the pass rush, and change or move the pocket when necessary. Improved progressions and using his eyes to move defenders are also evident in his senior game film. Dart's combination of passing skill and running ability projects a "cheat code" type of quarterback in fantasy who can produce with his arm and add top-tier value with his legs. Dart will be a firstrounder in rookie drafts and could have immediate QB2 upside in the right situation.

The Giants traded up to the 25th overall pick to select Jaxson Dart, where he has a great opportunity in front of him. Dart will become the Giants' starter sooner rather than later in a good spot where he has Malik Nabers as his number one target and a head coach in Brian Daboll who has a history in developing quarterbacks.



Milroe is a second-tier option in what is widely considered to be a weak quarterback class. He spent all four years at Alabama, taking over the starting job in his third and fourth seasons. From a fantasy perspective, there is actually a lot to like about Milroe. He has elite arm strength and is a dual-threat with elite athleticism. He racked up over 500 yards and 12 touchdowns on the ground in both of his seasons starting for the Crimson Tide, including an absurd 20 rushing TDs in 2024.

Of course, the big question is whether Milroe has what it takes to hold a starting job in the NFL. Stop me if you've heard this one before, but he comes with question marks in both the accuracy and decision-making departments. With this in mind, where Milroe lands in the NFL Draft will have a huge impact on his value in both Redraft and Dynasty fantasy formats. If he is a first-round pick with a clear path to starting, his upside makes him a very enticing option. If he falls to Day 2 and a team that isn't committing to him as the future of their franchise, he profiles as a boom-or-bust pick a la Will Levis.

The Seattle Seahawks selected Quarterback Jalen Milroe in the 3rd round, which could prove controversial down the road. While Seattle did sign QB Sam Darnold this offseason, Darnold's leash may be short if Milroe shows off an impressive preseason.



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3,195

A late bloomer and older prospect at 25 years old, Tyler Shough is capitalizing on a weak quarterback class, climbing into the top five of multiple 2025 QB rankings. He brings an intriguing combination of size and athleticism, measuring in at 6'5", 213 pounds. At the NFL Combine, he ran an impressive 4.63-second 40-yard dash after a strong showing at the Senior Bowl. Shough's college journey took him from Oregon to Texas Tech before a late-career breakout at Louisville, where he passed for 23 touchdowns and led the Cardinals to a 9-4 record. He may have done just enough this offseason to sneak into the late Day Two conversation. An appealing backup quarterback prospect, Shough could follow a similar path to players like Aidan O'Connell, Gardner Minshew, or Taylor Heinicke—earning a roster spot and finding his way to occasional starts in the NFL.

Tyler Shough was selected by the Saints in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round. Shough was the 3<sup>rd</sup> QB taken in the draft, and got Top 50 Draft Capital. With news of Derek Carr's retirement and a shallow QB room, Shough may get tons of action in 2025. He's worth the swing in SuperFlex leagues at cost.

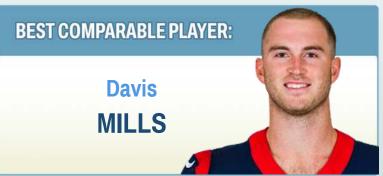
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Escaping the immense shadow of his Hall-of-Fame father Deion wasn't easy, but Shedeur Sanders overcame obstacles to establish himself as one of the top players in FCS and, later, one of the top quarterbacks in the entire nation. After throwing 70 touchdowns and posting a 23-3 record at Jackson State, Sanders followed his father to Colorado and helped resurrect a program that went 1-11 in 2022. The Buffaloes went 13-12 in two seasons with Sanders under center, including an Alamo Bowl appearance and Big 12 Offensive Player of the Year accolades last fall.

A big part of Colorado's revival was thanks to Sanders's poise, leadership, and accuracy. Sanders boasts excellent size (6-2, 215) and awareness. He is willing to stand in the pocket and excels at diagnosing coverage and getting the ball out in a hurry with his quick release. Sanders stands out in his ability to anticipate routes with excellent accuracy to all areas of the field. And, taking a chip off the old block, Sanders is a fiery competitor and leader of men. He will start immediately in the NFL and will quickly win over his teammates.

Sanders is not the next dual-threat signal caller and will need to learn to get rid of the ball to avoid sacks. And there are also concerns about the potential fit with certain franchises. However, there are enough QB-needy teams that will see the leadership, accuracy, and potential to ensure that Sanders hears his name called early on Day One of the 2025 NFL Draft.

Shedeur Sanders fell all the way to the fifth round before finally being drafted by the Browns, who are one of the only teams where there's reason for optimism. The Browns took multiple shots at quarterback this offseason, but Sanders has the most potential out of them; he just needs to put his head down and work.



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WILL HOWARD COLLEGE STATS (2024)

PASSING YARDS 4,010

RUSHING YARDS
232

TOUCHDOWNS 35

COLLEGE QBR **87.6** 

COLLEGE YPA

9.4

**BREAKOUT AGE** 

19

FANTASY PROFILE

Will Howard won the Big 12 in 2023 with Kansas State before transferring to Ohio State, where he led the Buckeyes to a National Championship. He elevated his play as the season progressed, throwing a career-high 35 touchdowns—tied for the fifth-most in Ohio State history.

A capable runner, Howard totaled 1,147 rushing yards and 19 rushing touchdowns during his collegiate career. He measured in at 6'4", 236 pounds, bringing solid size to the position.

Howard projects as a backup at the pro level and is expected to be selected early on Day Three of the NFL Draft.

With everyone waiting for he who shall not be named to join the QB carousel in Pittsburgh, Will Howard has quietly joined the team as a 5th round pick, only competing with Mason Rudolph and Skylar Thompson for the time being. As a big-bodied QB with a decent deep ball (however losing his deep threat in Pickens, while gaining Metcalf), you could do worse than selecting Howard where he is going in rookie drafts, with maybe a cleaner track to starting that one would expect. He's a winner, just tossed for 4K yards at Ohio State









Gabriel was selected in the 3rd round by the Cleveland Browns, who subsequently selected Shedeur Sanders in round 5. Gabriel projects as a career backup limited by physical traits. He'll compete for the starting role in Cleveland in Year 1, but "Good guy Gabe" shouldn't inspire confidence for Cleveland's pass-catchers if he lands meaningful playing time.







Kyle McCord was a four-star recruit to Ohio State. He became the starter in Columbus as a junior and then transferred to Syracuse where he directed a prolific offense in the ACC. The 6-3, 224-pound signal caller led the nation in completions (391), attempts (592), yards (4779), and yards per game (367.6) as a senior. McCord's size and production at Syracuse project him to be a Day Two pick on a developmental path as a pocket passer. He has limited athleticism and doesn't create outside of the pocket, which will limit his fantasy potential. With a QB15-20 ceiling, McCord will be a late-round rookie pick.

Kyle McCord was drafted in the sixth round by the Eagles to be their new backup quarterback. With Jalen Hurts ahead of him, McCord won't see the field unless something happens to Hurts.







Quinn Ewers is a case study in patience. The 6-2, 210-pound five-star recruit to Texas was profiled as an elite NFL prospect. However, after a promising sophomore campaign which saw him throw for 3,479 yards and just short of a 4-to-1 TD-to-INT rate, Ewers regressed in 2024, earning a mid-game benching against Georgia. As an early declare, Ewers still has age on his side and projects as a developmental prospect that may need some time before he lives up to his potential. Five-star recruits have a 25 percent hit rate in the NFL and Ewers will need to be drafted by a team who can afford to let him carry a clipboard before he breaks out, similar to Baker Mayfield, Sam Darnold, or Jordan Love. It is just as likely that Texas wasn't the proper situation for him to progress as it is Ewers was a poor processor with a limited arm and a lack of creativity. Ewers will be a late-round option in rookie drafts as a potential developmental prospect. Ewers was selected by the Miami Dolphins with the 231st overall pick in the 7th round. There is a slight chance we see Ewers play especially with Tua's injury history.



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ASHTON JEANTY COLLEGE STATS (2024)

**RUSHING YARDS** 2,601

**RECEIVING YARDS 138** 

**TOUCHDOWNS** 30

**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 43.7%

**COLLEGE YPC** 

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 10.8

7.0

### **FANTASY PROFILE**

In a landscape where the running back position has been devalued, Ashton Jeanty stands out as the clear 1.01 in every format and has all the marks of being an instant top-10 fantasy option from Day One. Jeanty projects to be a stand-out three-down feature back in the NFL.

Jeanty is a superlative pass-catcher who also averaged 7.0 yards per carry and posted a 94th-percentile College Dominator of 43.7 percent at Boise State. In 2024, Jeanty rushed for 2,595 yards--883 more than the secondplace finisher. He also led the nation in touchdowns (30), yards after contact (1,970), and breakaway yards (1,366). Jeanty also forced 163 missed tackles last season, the most in any FBS season dating back 10 years. This paints a picture of a productive, every-down back with power, elusiveness, and vision.

The 2024 Doak Walker Award winner, Jeanty is soaring up draft boards as a potential top-10 pick in the 2025 NFL Draft. He has the speed to run away from defenders, power to run through tackles, and the receiving prowess to make an immediate impact as a fantasy RB1. In a rookie class lacking a franchise-caliber signal-caller, Ashton Jeanty stands alone as the top rookie to target in 2025.

The Las Vegas Raiders drafted Ashton Jeanty 6th overall and he immediate slots into an immense role for fantasy. Jeanty should handle as many touches as possible, solidifying himself as a Top-5 fantasy running

back for 2025.





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**OMARION HAMPTON COLLEGE STATS** [2024]

**1,660** 

RECEIVING YARDS

**373** 

TOUCHDOWNS

**17** 

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

38.5%

COLLEGE YPC

5.9

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

11.2

### FANTASY PROFILE

Omarion Hampton established himself as one of the most dominant running backs in college football, and his stock has only risen throughout the pre-draft process. He put on a show at the NFL Combine, solidifying himself as one of the most physically imposing backs in the 2025 class. Hampton ran a blistering 4.46-second 40-yard dash at 221 pounds, resulting in an elite speed score of 111.7—one of the best among all running backs. His combination of power, speed, and explosiveness makes him a nightmare for defenders and a likely first-round pick in the NFL Draft.

Hampton was the engine of North Carolina's offense, delivering back-to-back seasons with over 1,500 rushing yards and setting the UNC record for the most yards from scrimmage in a single season with 2,033 in 2024. He also proved to be a reliable weapon in the passing game, hauling in 67 receptions over the past two seasons. His downhill running style punishes defenders, but he also has the acceleration to rip off long runs when given a crease. With his elite athletic testing, high-end production, and well-rounded skill set, Hampton has separated himself as one of the top running backs in the class and looks like a first-round selection in the 2025 NFL Draft.

Omarion Hampton was selected 22nd overall by the Chargers and lands in a great spot for his fantasy outlook. The Chargers are a team that want a dominant running game and Hampton will take over the backfield sooner rather than later.









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TREYVEYON HENDERSON COLLEGE STATS (2024)

1,013

RECEIVING YARDS

**284** 

TOUCHDOWNS

11

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

20.8%

**COLLEGE YPC** 

6.9

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

7.5%

### FANTASY PROFILE

After a standout performance in the national championship game—totaling 134 yards on 14 touches with two touchdowns—TreVeyon Henderson's draft stock continues to rise. Nearly declaring for the 2024 NFL Draft, he returned to Ohio State and proved to be a dynamic weapon in both the rushing and receiving game. Among the 100 eligible running backs in the 2025 draft class, Henderson ranked third in yards per carry, seventh in yards after contact per attempt, eighth in PFF rushing grade, and sixth in PFF receiving grade. A reliable ball carrier, he has not fumbled in his last 360 collegiate carries. While he may not be the most elusive runner, Henderson's vision, fluid movement, and efficiency make him a smart and decisive playmaker.

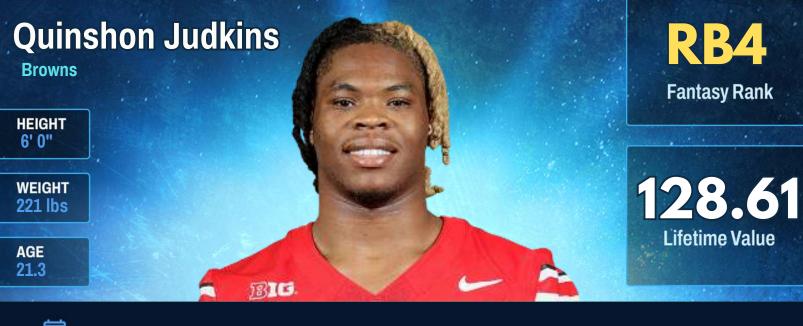
Projected as a Day 2 pick, Henderson could climb into late Round 1 on some GM big boards. His combination of size, pass-catching ability, and production against elite competition could elevate his value if he lands in a favorable NFL situation. Fantasy managers may view Henderson as a Travis Etienne-type prospect—not the top running back in the class but a dependable starter with long-term upside.

TreVeyon was selected at the 2.06 in the NFL Draft, and lands in a solid situation in New England. On the Patriots, Henderson has a path to usurp Stevenson as the starter and offers immediate upside as a weapon for Drake Maye in the passing game.











QUINSHON JUDKINS COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RUSHING YARDS **1,060** 

RECEIVING YARDS

161

TOUCHDOWNS **16** 

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

COLLEGE YPC
4.9

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
6.5%

### FANTASY PROFILE

TreVeyon Henderson wasn't the only Ohio State running back to shine in the national championship game. Quinshon Judkins made the most of his 13 touches, racking up 121 total yards and two touchdowns, including a 70-yard run against a tough Notre Dame defense. However, Judkins' breakout performance was no fluke. After two highly productive seasons at Ole Miss—where he handled over 290 touches per year—he transferred to Ohio State for the 2024 season.

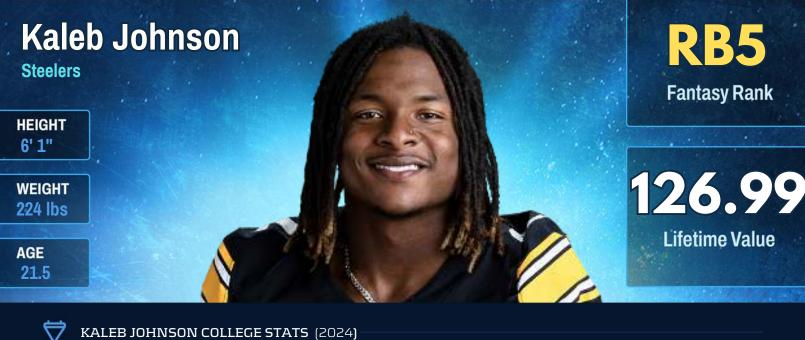
While sharing the backfield with Henderson limited his overall stats, Judkins remained a dynamic playmaker. He ranked No. 4 among all NCAA running backs in missed tackles forced in 2023 and No. 7 as a freshman in 2022. Despite splitting carries, he still managed 14 rushing touchdowns, averaged 5.5 yards per carry, and finished No. 14 in Pro Football Focus' rushing grade.

Judkins is widely projected as a solid Day 2 draft pick, with many scouts comparing him to Najee Harris—a powerful, between-the-tackles runner with the ability to break occasional big plays.

Judkins finds a juicy landing spot for volume after getting selected by the Cleveland Browns in the 2nd round. With Nick Chubb gone and Jerome Ford relegated to a backup role, the only thing holding Judkins back is unknown QB play in Cleveland.







**RUSHING YARDS** 1,537

**RECEIVING YARDS** 188

**TOUCHDOWNS** 23

**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 48.9%

**COLLEGE YPC** 6.4

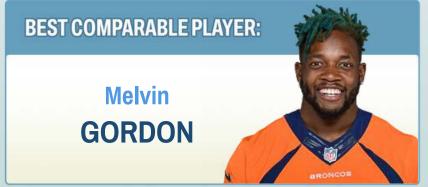
**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 10.4

### FANTASY PROFILE

Kaleb Johnson wasted no time making an impact at Iowa, breaking out as a freshman by setting a school record with 779 rushing yards. He took his game to another level in 2024, rushing for 1,537 yards and 21 touchdowns while also finishing as Iowa's third-leading receiver with 22 receptions. Johnson was a one-man wrecking crew, carrying the Hawkeyes' offense with 10 games of 100+ rushing yards. While his receiving numbers don't jump off the page, that was more a reflection of Iowa's offensive system—where the team's leading receiver finished with just 35 catches—rather than a limitation in his skill set.

At the NFL Combine, Johnson ran a 4.57-second 40-yard dash, a respectable number for a back of his size and physical running style. He is expected to be a second-round selection in the 2025 NFL Draft and has the profile to be a long-term NFL starter. If he were in the 2024 class, he would have been the RB1 overall ahead of Jonathon Brooks, but due to the depth at the top of this year's group, he becomes a potential draft-day discount. With his size, production, and ability to contribute in all phases, Johnson has the tools to step into an NFL backfield and make an immediate impact. Kaleb Johnson was selected in the third round 83rd overall. For the Steelers they now have a lead running back and he should get close to 200 carries.









RJ HARVEY COLLEGE STATS [2024]

**RUSHING YARDS** 1,577

**RECEIVING YARDS** 267

**TOUCHDOWNS** 

25

**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 43.8%

**COLLEGE YPC** 

6.8

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 9.3%

### FANTASY PROFILE

RJ Harvey has been one of the most productive running backs in college football over the past two seasons, showcasing his explosiveness, vision, and versatility. A converted quarterback who began his career at Virginia before transferring to UCF, Harvey quickly established himself as a dominant force in the backfield. Over the past two seasons, he racked up 2,900+ rushing yards, 38 rushing touchdowns, and over 500 receiving yards, proving he can contribute in all facets of an offense. His ability to generate big plays was elite —Harvey ranked second in the nation behind only Ashton Jeanty in runs of 15+ yards this past season, consistently ripping off chunk gains against top competition.

Despite being undersized at 5'8"", 205 pounds, Harvey is extremely strong and powerful, running with exceptional balance and contact strength. He was one of the best running backs at the Senior Bowl, showcasing his toughness and ability to win in both rushing and receiving drills. He then put on a show at the NFL Combine, blazing a 4.40-second 40-yard dash and recording a 38-inch vertical, proving his explosiveness at the next level. His blend of power, speed, and production makes him one of the most intriguing backs in the 2025 NFL Draft, with the potential to be a high-upside weapon in an NFL backfield. Harvey was selected by the Denver Broncos in the secound round. There is not a better spot for a rookie runningback to land and make an immediate impact. RJ Harvey should command most of the carries in Denver











BHAYSHUL TUTEN COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RUSHING YARDS **1,158** 

RECEIVING YARDS 79

TOUCHDOWNS **17**  COLLEGE DOMINATOR 38.3%

COLLEGE YPC **6.4** 

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

10.2%

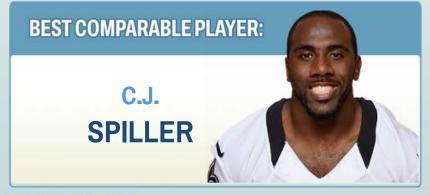
### FANTASY PROFILE

Bhayshul Tuten began his career at North Carolina A&T after not being recruited out of high school in New Jersey. He entered the transfer portal after his sophomore season and made his mark in the ACC at Virginia Tech. At 5-9 and 211 pounds, Tuten is built like a prototypical satellite back and has the 4.35 speed to go with that profile. In his junior season, Tuten showed promise as a kick-returner and receiving back. He then put a cap on his career with a senior season that saw him muster 1,159 rushing yards, average 6.3 yards per carry, and score 17 total touchdowns.

Tuten's potential in the NFL will be dictated by his explosiveness and top-end speed. His versatility on special teams will make him a value to the NFL team that drafts him. On tape, however, the raw athleticism isn't the only thing about Tuten that stands out. He runs with patience, balance, and vision. He also has physicality, meaning he won't be scheme-dependent. He can function in a zone scheme and force missed tackles in the open field, and he can run downhill and fight for yards in a power game. The addition of his smooth route-running, good hands, and body control will make him a receiving threat. Tuten will be a true weapon in the NFL who will garner attention in the back-end of the second round of rookie drafts.

Tuten was selected at pick 4.02 in the NFL Draft by the Jacksonville Jaguars, which is one of the most intriguing landing spots for a running back. He's certain to draw comparisons as "this year's Bucky Irving" with Tampa Bay's former OC as the new Head Coach in Tampa and a running back room that's in desperate need of some fresh juice.









CAM SKATTEBO COLLEGE STATS (2024)

**1,715** 

RECEIVING YARDS **605** 

TOUCHDOWNS 24

COLLEGE DOMINATOR 40.7%

COLLEGE YPC **5.8** 

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

14.4%

### FANTASY PROFILE

Everywhere Cam Skattebo has played, he has been a prolific producer. After rushing for 6,192 yards and scoring 69 touchdowns in high school, Skattebo spent two years at Sacramento State where he set a school record with 1,878 all-purpose yards in 2022. He then moved on to Arizona State, culminating in a breakout 2024 campaign with 2,320 scrimmage yards and 24 touchdowns.

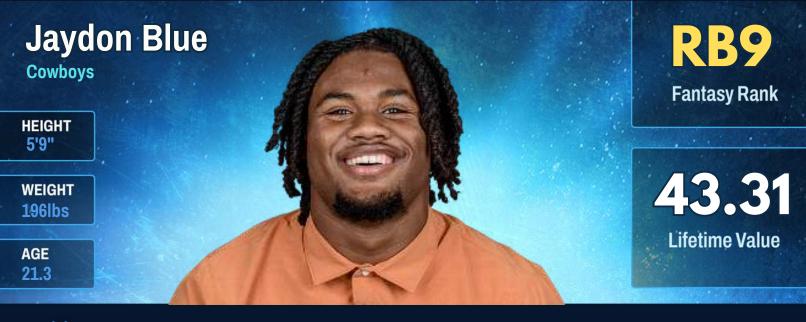
Skattebo's versatility was showcased throughout his final season, where he posted a 14.4% target share (95th percentile) and 40.7 percent College Dominator (93rd percentile). He was a workhorse who caught 45 receptions for 605 yards, had seven 100 rushing-yard performances, and ranked second among all FBS backs with 102 missed tackles forced.

He's a power back with good vision, lateral agility, and excellent hands. Skattebo is a good route runner and profiles as an effective short-yardage weapon. However, he lacks top-end speed and has fumbling issues. Still, he has an intriguing blend of power and receiving ability that make him an appealing fantasy target in the second round of dynasty rookie drafts.

Skattebo was selected at the 4.03 in the NFL Draft by the New York Giants, which is a solid landing spot. He'll have the opportunity to challenge Tyrone Tracy for the starting role before the season starts.









JAYDON BLUE COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RUSHING YARDS **730** 

RECEIVING YARDS

368

TOUCHDOWNS 14

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

18.4%

COLLEGE YPC 5.4

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
11.3%

## FANTASY PROFILE

Jaydon Blue only rushed for 1,161 yards across his three seasons at Texas, but demonstrated an electric ability to break off long runs. Perhaps what was most impressive about Blue's college tenure was his 42 receptions in his Junior year that resulted in 6 touchdowns. Blue struggles a bit as an interior runner but has the ability to be a weapon in the passing game immediately. At the combine decided to forego all workouts besides the 40-yard dash where he ran a blazing 4.38.

Blue was drafted at pick 5.12 by the Dallas Cowboys and immediately is flying up draft boards, landing in one of the best late round scenarios imaginable. He has the juice to beat out Javonte Williams and Miles Sanders to be the rushing leader for the Cowboys in his rookie year.







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WOODY MARKS COLLEGE STATS [2024]

**1,133** 

RECEIVING YARDS

321

TOUCHDOWNS 9

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

COLLEGE YPC **5.7** 

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

12.4%

## FANTASY PROFILE

After four decent but unspectacular years at Mississippi State, Jo'quavious "Woody" Marks transferred to USC. His one year as a Trojan was by far the most productive of his career, as he finished with 1,133 and nine touchdowns on just under 200 attempts. His efficiency metrics were mixed, as he ranked solidly in breakaway rate and classic yards per attempt but well below average in yards after contact per attempt. However, focusing on Marks' rushing numbers is burying the lede. If he is selected in the NFL Draft, which isn't a sure thing, it will be because of his receiving ability. Before transferring to USC, Marks set the Mississippi State record for career receptions — not just for running backs, but for all players. He finished his five-year college career with over 300 targets and 1,500 receiving yards. The big question for fantasy is whether he will ever be more than a pure third-down specialist — very few players in that mold have achieved consistent fantasy relevance.

The Houston Texans selected Woody Marks in the 4th round, which is an enticing landing spot. Opportunity is there for Marks, who is only really competing with Dameon Pierce for the backup role behind an aged Joe Mixon.









DYLAN SAMPSON COLLEGE STATS (2024)

**RUSHING YARDS** 1,491

**RECEIVING YARDS** 

143

22

**TOUCHDOWNS COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 34.1%

**COLLEGE YPC** 5.8

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE 7.0**%

## FANTASY PROFILE

Dylan Sampson has emerged as one of the most explosive running back prospects in the 2025 NFL Draft after a dominant final season at Tennessee. He weighed in at 200 pounds at the NFL Combine and showcased his game-breaking speed with a 4.46 40-yard dash at Tennessee's pro day. Sampson was highly productive while splitting carries with 2024 fourth-round pick Jaylen Wright but truly broke out in 2025, leading the SEC in rushing with 1,491 yards and an impressive 22 touchdown runs. His blend of speed, vision, and elusiveness makes him a dangerous weapon in the open field.

Sampson's running style is reminiscent of Buffalo Bills running back James Cook, with a similar build and ability to create explosive plays in both the running and passing game. While his size likely means he'll begin his career as part of a running back committee, he has the talent to carve out a significant role early. If he lands in the right situation, he could challenge for a starting job despite his smaller frame. Expect Sampson to be selected early on day three, but he has the possibility of being drafted in round three if a team values his speed and playmaking ability.

Sampson lands in Cleveland in the 4th round, two rounds after Quinshon Judkins was selected. Sampson provides depth and speed on a Cleveland team revamping its running back room in a post-Chubb era.









**RUSHING YARDS** 1,505

**RECEIVING YARDS** 

199

**TOUCHDOWNS** 18

**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 30.0%

**COLLEGE YPC** 5.3

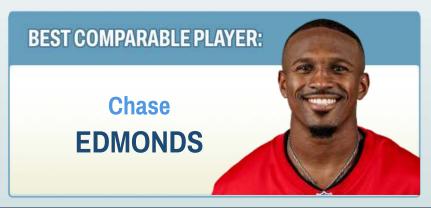
COLLEGE TARGET SHARE 7.5%

#### **FANTASY PROFILE**

Texas Tech running back Tahi Brooks is a power back and screams SLEEPER at the NFL level. At 5-9 and 229 pounds, Brooks profiles as an ideal two-down and short-yardage back. Brooks won't win with speed, but he's patient and smart with good vision and a punishing running style. His college production was the model of consistency as he tallied two seasons with over 1,500 rushing yards to finish his collegiate career, compiling 5.3 yards per tote and 28 total touchdowns. Brooks also showed some competence as a pass catcher with 27, 29, and 28 catches over his last three seasons. He may not be an elite receiver out of the backfield but his blocking ability will impress NFL teams and he won't be a liability on third downs at the next level. Brooks could find himself being drafted on Day 2 and should be a third-round target in rookie drafts.

The Cincinnati Bengals chose Brooks in the 6th round, which is a great landing spot for a late-round running back. Brooks brings speed and strength to an already potent Cincinnati team—he may start slow, but is a dynasty buy.











**BRASHARD SMITH COLLEGE STATS** [2024]

RUSHING YARDS

RECEIVING YARDS

327

TOUCHDOWNS

18

COLLEGE DOMINATOR 29.6%

COLLEGE YPC **5.7** 

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
11.7%

1,329

# FANTASY PROFILE

Brashard Smith has been one of the biggest risers in the 2025 NFL Draft class, and his pre-draft process has only accelerated his momentum. He put together an outstanding Senior Bowl, showcasing his versatility and explosiveness in both rushing and receiving drills. He followed that up with a blazing 4.39-second 40-yard dash at the NFL Combine, proving he has the speed to be a true playmaker at the next level. A converted wide receiver who began his college career at Miami before transitioning to running back at SMU, Smith has quickly established himself as one of the most intriguing offensive weapons in this draft class. In his lone season at SMU, Smith's production spoke for itself—he racked up 1,332 rushing yards and 14 touchdowns on the ground while adding 39 receptions for 327 yards and four more scores through the air. His ability to impact the game as both a rusher and a receiver makes him a perfect fit for today's NFL, following in the footsteps of other wide receiver-to-running back converts like Antonio Gibson and Tyrone Tracy, both of whom have found success at the pro level. With his speed, versatility, and dynamic skill set, Smith is rapidly rising up draft boards and is now a viable Day Two option in the 2025 NFL Draft. However, if he slips to Day Three, he could be this year's version of Bucky Irving—a highly productive, versatile back who outperforms his draft position and carves out an immediate role at the next level.

Smith was selected at pick 7.12 in the NFL Draft by the Kansas City Chiefs and is one of the better late round running back targets based on his landing spot. The Chiefs love featuring running backs in the passing game, and they've shown the willingness to involve 7th round RBs as recently as Isiah Pacheco's rookie year in 2022.











**DEVIN NEAL COLLEGE STATS** [2024]

RUSHING YARDS **1,266** 

RECEIVING YARDS

254

TOUCHDOWNS

**17** 

COLLEGE DOMINATOR 34.4%

COLLEGE YPC 5.8

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

10.4%

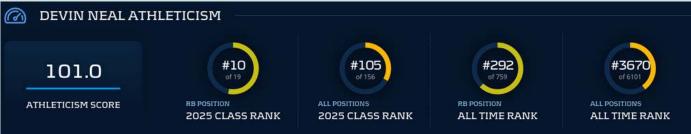
#### FANTASY PROFILE

A Kansas native, Devin Neal stayed home and became a one-man wrecking crew, dominating touches and production in the KU backfield. He is the only Jayhawk to rush for 1,000 yards in three consecutive seasons and has back-to-back seasons with 16 rushing touchdowns. His vision, patience, and lateral agility made him one of the most productive running backs in college football, consistently finding ways to create yardage even when blocking wasn't ideal.

Neal excels at making defenders miss in the open field and projects as a two-way threat at the next level, having caught 77 passes during his collegiate career. However, his NFL Combine performance raised some concerns, as he ran a disappointing 4.57-second 40-yard dash, which could limit his perceived upside as a home-run threat. Despite that, Neal's tape tells a different story—he plays faster than his timed speed, showing burst through the hole and the ability to create explosive plays in space. There are varying comps for Neal at the NFL level, but the one that stands out most is Tyjae Spears, a back who thrives on quickness and versatility rather than pure straight-line speed. While his 40 time may push him down draft boards, Neal's production and well-rounded skill set make him a strong Day Two prospect and a potential value later in dynasty rookie drafts. Neal was a sixth round selection by the New Orleans Saints with the 184th overall pick. While there is some work that will need to be done to move up the depth chart, Neal has the ability to be the starter for the Saints in the future.









RB15

**Fantasy Rank** 

35.99

Lifetime Value



OLLIE GORDON II COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RUSHING YARDS **858** 

RECEIVING YARDS
201

TOUCHDOWNS 14

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
34.9%

COLLEGE YPC

5.4

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

9.7%

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

In a class filled with big, bruising running backs, Ollie Gordon may be the biggest. He weighed in at 226-lbs at the Combine, making his 4.61 40-yard time much more palatable. However, a glance at his college stats provokes more questions than answers. Gordon was absolutely dominant as a sophomore in 2023, racking up over 2,000 scrimmage yards and winning the Doak Walker Award as the best back in the country. However, his production fell off a cliff in 2024. He averaged 1.6 fewer yards per carry and finished with less than half as many rushing vards.

This tale of two seasons makes Gordon a high-variance prospect. He is currently projected to be a Day 3 draftee, but it wouldn't be too shocking if a team falls in love with his sophomore-year tape and snags him on Day 2. Especially if there are mitigating circumstances surrounding his lackluster 2024 (likely injury-related), Gordon has a chance to outperform expectations immediately in the NFL. But there's also a chance that he is relegated to an early-down and short-yardage backup role, especially as the league moves more toward smaller, quicker backs.

Gordon was selected with the 6.03 pick by the Miami Dolphins. Sixth round running backs aren't guaranteed anything, but Miami is a good landing spot for Gordon to try and carve out a role as a bruiser in short yardage situations.









RB16
Fantasy Rank

35.46

Lifetime Value



D.J. GIDDENS COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RUSHING YARDS 1,343

RECEIVING YARDS

258

TOUCHDOWNS 8

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COLLEGE DOMINATOR

23.5%

COLLEGE YPC

6.0

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

9.6%

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

At Kansas State, the transition from Deuce Vaughn to D.J. Giddens was striking. Unlike the diminutive Vaughn, Giddens is big (6-1, 212 pounds) and was one of only four running backs in this class to force 50-plus broken tackles and average over 4.1 yards after contact. Giddens has excellent lateral agility, vision, and is elusive. He ranked 12th in FBS last season with 1,343 rushing yards while showcasing plus pass-catching skills (58/479/4 at Kansas State).

However, Giddens didn't showcase the top-end speed to run away from NFL defenders. While he can play all three downs, Giddens needs to shore up pass protection to earn immediate third-down reps. Overall, there is much to like about Giddens as a mid-round NFL Draft target, and he looks like an attractive mid-to-late-round dynasty rookie to target.

Giddens was selected at pick 5.14 by the Inidanapolis Colts and immediately becomes one of the more intriguing handcuffs for fantasy football. Giddens will be a non-factor if Jonathan Taylor stays healthy, and has a path to be a top 20 RB if Taylor misses time.











JARQUEZ HUNTER COLLEGE STATS (2024)

**RUSHING YARDS** 

**RECEIVING YARDS 155** 

**TOUCHDOWNS** 9

**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 24.4%

**COLLEGE YPC** 6.4

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 7.7%

1,201

**FANTASY PROFILE** 

Across four years at Auburn, Hunter consistently posted impressive marks in yards per carry, yards after contact, and breakaway rate. He also contributed in the receiving game, although his numbers there are more mediocre. He also had a decent showing at the combine, weighing in over 200 pounds and running a 4.44 40.

The big red flag in Hunter's profile is his projected draft capital. He is well outside of the top 200 prospects in consensus mock drafts, meaning there is a real chance he will go entirely undrafted. Especially compared to some of his genuinely impressive metrics, that would be a disappointment. On the other hand, he certainly has the profile of a back who could eventually carve out a fantasy-relevant role in a committee despite low draft capital, even if he is never a true lead back. Hunter was selected in the fourth round with tthe 117th overall pick, and with his ability he could command some playing time. Rams have Kyren Williams but need a solid RB2. Hunters ability as a pass catcher the Rams may have found themselves a solid change of pace back behind Williams.











TREVOR ETIENNE COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RUSHING YARDS **607** 

RECEIVING YARDS

194

TOUCHDOWNS 9

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

18.0%

COLLEGE YPC

5.4

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
7.2%

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

Georgia's Trevor Etienne was a four-star recruit to Florida and had an immediate breakout. In his first two seasons, the 5-8 202-pound running back rushed for over 700 yards averaging 5.9 YPC. As a sophomore, he added 21 catches to showcase his versatility. In 2024, Etienne transferred to Georgia, increased his touchdown production, and caught over 30 passes before declaring for the draft. As an early declare with an early breakout, receiving ability, 4.48 speed, and a BMI over 30, Etienne projects to be an immediate producer at the NFL level, like his older brother, Travis.

Etienne impressed at the Senior Bowl with separation, catch point ability, and mid-air body control in one-on-one receiving drills. His build and speed are ready-made for the NFL, even if the total production numbers aren't eye-popping. Etienne's three-down profile will help establish him as a late-second to early-third-round target in rookie drafts, even if his Day Three NFL Draft capital doesn't move any needles. Etienne was selected in the fourth round by the Carolina Panthers with the 114th overall pick. The Panthers have a Chubba Hubbard and Rico Dowdle so Etienne wont have a lot of opportunities to get carries in 2025.









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JORDAN JAMES COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RUSHING YARDS **1,267** 

RECEIVING YARDS

209

TOUCHDOWNS 15

COLLEGE DOMINATOR 24.6%

COLLEGE YPC 5.4

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
7.6%

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

In many draft classes, Oregon's Jordan James would be a top-five rookie running back. The profile for the 5-10, 210-pound four-star recruit checks all of the boxes for an elite ceiling. James is an early declare after a sophomore breakout season behind Bucky Irving. He has a BMI of 30.1 and elite speed. He is a big-play back and he has shown ability as a receiver. The problem is the unprecedented depth of this 2025 running back class and the resulting valuation of the position. In a class with dozens of running backs that could step on an NFL field tomorrow, James slides into the middle tiers of prospect rankings. That could make James "just another guy" or an incredibly productive value pick.

What jumps off the tape with James is his explosiveness. His one-cut ability to split defenders and quickly hit top speed in space makes him a huge threat. He's also twitchy, can get past defenders in tight space, and has ample yards-after-contact ability with his stature and strength. He won't have to come off the field in short-yardage and goal-line situations. His 1,267 yards and 15 touchdowns in 2024 speak to his ability as a runner. He also added 26 catches as a junior and averaged over eight yards per reception in his last two campaigns. Like many rookies, James needs to develop in pass protection. The potential is there, however, for the proper scheme fit and for James to significantly outproduce his, likely, Day Three draft capital. James should be a second-round pick in rookie drafts.

The San Francisco 49ers continue to fill the depth chart by selecting Jordan James in Round 5. James is a dynasty buy, given both Christian McCaffrey's and Isaac Guerendo's injury history– he may see the field sometime during the season.







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PHIL MAFAH COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RUSHING YARDS 1,125 RECEIVING YARDS

103

TOUCHDOWNS

COLLEGE DOMINATOR 20.7%

COLLEGE YPC 5.3 COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
6.1%

# **FANTASY PROFILE**

The forgotten man drafted to the RB room in Dallas, Mafah is a bruiser as an aside from Blue's more speedy-nature. At 6'1", 234lbs, and compiling 121 touchdowns in his last two years at Clemson, all it may take is a window of opportunity for the Cowboys 7th round pick to carve out a role, after compiling over 1000 rushing yards in 2024 after splitting the backfield with Will Shipley in 2023. Look for the two younger backs drafted on day 3 to carve out a role ahead of placeholder veterans Javonte and Miles







**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 

18.4%

FANTASY PROFILE

RECEIVING YARDS

167

**TOUCHDOWNS** 

**RUSHING YARDS** 

1,190

The Commanders shored up their shallow RB room in the 7<sup>th</sup> round by drafting Jacory Croskey-Merritt. Due to eligibility issues, he only played in one game in 2024. In that game he took 13 carries for over 100 yards and a TD. He earned an invite to the Shrine Bowl, where he won the Game MVP after gaining 97 yards and 2 TDs. He's an interesting prospect in an RB room with arguably only Austin Ekeler to beat out for volume. Croskey-Merritt is a sneaky add and hold in deeper formats as he has the potential to at least beat out Rodriguez and McNichols.





**COLLEGE YPC** 

7.2

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 

6.1%



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**KYLE MONANGAI COLLEGE STATS** [2024]

RUSHING YARDS 1,279

RECEIVING YARDS
75

TOUCHDOWNS 14

COLLEGE DOMINATOR 28.8%

COLLEGE YPC

5.0

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

5.1%

# FANTASY PROFILE

Monangai was productive to finish his college career, with over 1,200 yards on the ground in each of his final two seasons at Rutgers. However, his career yards after contact per attempt (3.33) and breakaway rate (29.6%) aren't very impressive. He also wasn't impactful in the receiving game, with just 36 catches in four seasons and a miserable 0.44 yards per route run in 2024. He also had a rough performance at the Combine, in which a 4.60 40-yard dash at 211-lbs gave him the second-lowest Speed Score among RBs who participated. On the bright side, Monangai runs hard and forced plenty of missed tackles in college — that may be enough to land him on an NFL roster during Day 3 of the Draft. From there, he'll just need an opportunity to rack up carries on early downs.

Monangai was selceted at pick 7.17 by the Chicago Bears, who were frequently mentioned as a team that could be in the market for a new running back this offseason with new head coach Ben Johnson. Monangai being the only notable addition to the backfield puts him in a position to challenge backup RB Roschon Johnson for meaningful snaps and a short yardage role.









1,002 204

**RECEIVING YARDS** 

**TOUCHDOWNS** 

10

**RUSHING YARDS** 

FANTASY PROFILE

Damien Martinez has all the traits to make an immediate impact in an NFL backfield, combining explosiveness, physicality, and size (6'0", 217 pounds) with a well-rounded skill set. He excelled in multiple systems throughout his college career, first making his mark at Oregon State, where he was named Pac-12 Freshman of the Year and became a two-time All-League selection. Over two seasons with the Beavers, he racked up 2,167 rushing yards before transferring to Miami, where he continued his dominance. In 2024, he became the first Hurricane since 2016 to rush for over 1,000 yards, further proving his ability to produce at a high level. Martinez had an impressive Senior Bowl and NFL Combine, solidifying his status as one of the best running backs in the 2025 draft class. He ran a 4.51-second 40-yard dash at 217 pounds, reinforcing his blend of speed and power. Across three college seasons, he never averaged fewer than 6.1 yards per carry, showcasing his consistency and efficiency as a runner. With his size, athleticism, and ability to thrive in different offensive schemes, Martinez has positioned himself as a potential early-round selection.

**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 

18.3%

Damien Martinez wasn't drafted until the seventh round by the Seahawks, where he'll struggle to be relevant. With Kenneth Walker and Zach Charbonnet already on the roster, Martinez won't see the field much.





**COLLEGE YPC** 

6.2

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 

5.1%





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KALEL MULLINGS COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RUSHING YARDS 948

RECEIVING YARDS
35

TOUCHDOWNS 12

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
33.2%

COLLEGE YPC 5.1 COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
3.9%

**FANTASY PROFILE** 

A power back, may not be a bad swing on a type of back they don't necessarily have on the roster. He could compete for the third string role, and could be an injury away from taking snaps. He was basically the only offense at Michigan this past year, and look no further than his game highlights against USC to prove it. A recent LB, it never hurts to have a bruiser in the mix









LEQUINT ALLEN COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RUSHING YARDS **1,021** 

RECEIVING YARDS **529** 

TOUCHDOWNS 20

COLLEGE DOMINATOR 30.5%

COLLEGE YPC
4.5

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

14.9%

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

Allen's main fantasy appeal comes from the fact that he led all running backs in this class with 529 receiving yards on a whopping 72 targets in 2024. At the same time, he racked up over 1,000 yards and 16 touchdowns on the ground. With that said, he wasn't particularly efficient or explosive on the ground, so he may be more of a third-down back at the next level. This is reflected in his projected draft capital, as he would be lucky to land in even the fifth round (this may also be a reflection of off-the-field issues he dealt with while at Syracuse). Still, a player this young (he doesn't turn 21 until August) and with this level of receiving ability is a name to know for fantasy managers.

The Jacksonville Jaguars selected LeQuint Allen in the 7th round, after already drafting Bhayshul Tuten in Round 4. Expect Allen to struggle to see the field, both short and long-term, as he would have to need injuries and/or transactions to get opportunity.







RAHEIM SANDERS COLLEGE STATS (2024)

**RUSHING YARDS** 881

**RECEIVING YARDS** 

**TOUCHDOWNS** 13 27

**COLLEGE DOMINATOR 25.2%** 

**COLLEGE YPC** 5.7

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 9.1%

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

Raheim 'Rocket' Sanders was a 4-star recruit coming into college. he had a solid freshman season with 578 rushing yards and 6 TDs. But it was his second season at Arkansas where he caught the eye of prospectors tallying and impressive 1443 rushing yards 14 TDs at 6.5 YPC. The following year was a down one for him battling a knee injury and then he was shut down after a shoulder injury that required surgery.

Having been shut down after only 6 games in 2023 he then transferred to South Carolina for a 4th season and somewhat returned to form with 881 rushing and 13 TDs for 4.8 YPC.

At 6' 2" and 225 lbs he has impressive size to carry the ball and the requisite speed. If he can leave the injuries from 2023 behind him and recapture the form from his sophmore season he could potentially be a late round steal for a team looking to add some competition.

Raheim Sanders landed on the Chargers as a UDFA. He will be battling for a depth role in a crowded backfield, and likely won't make much of an impact without injuries to Harris, Hampton, or even Vidal.







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MARCUS YARNS COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RUSHING YARDS **844** 

RECEIVING YARDS 297

TOUCHDOWNS 11

COLLEGE DOMINATOR 25.8%

COLLEGE YPC
6.7

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 

**FANTASY PROFILE** 

Yarns isn't the biggest back (5-11, 193 pounds) but still managed to post impressive numbers at Delaware. His senior season resulted in All-CAA First-Team honors and an invite to the East-West Shrine Bowl and Senior Bowl. Yarns boasts excellent straight-line speed, ball security, and stood out as a receiver (64 catches for 812 yards at Delaware). He projects to be a good fit as a potential change-of-pace option on Day 3. Yarns was undrafted but ended up signing with the New Orleans Saints. The Saints RB room is full but that doesn't mean opportunities wont come. Kendre Miller has had some injuries and Alvin Kamara is getting up in age. 2025 may not be friendly to Yarns but 2026 and beyond there should be plenty of opportunities as the Saints appear to be in a rebuild.









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DONOVAN EDWARDS COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RUSHING YARDS **589** 

RECEIVING YARDS

83

TOUCHDOWNS 5

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

COLLEGE YPC
4.6

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

9.0%

# **FANTASY PROFILE**

Donovan Edwards was a solid producer for the University of Michigan and projects to be a mid-level contributor at the NFL level. Edwards was a sophomore breakout in 2022 after taking the bulk of the carries under Jim Harbaugh after Blake Corum was injured. He finished that season with 991 rushing yards, a career-high nine touchdowns, and averaged 7.1 yards per carry.

At 5-11 and 215 pounds, Edwards is physically a "tweener". Not quite big enough to be a bell cow, and not quite athletic enough to be a true satellite back. He is capable every down but doesn't do anything at an elite level. In such a deep running back class, Edwards will be an afterthought. His best-case scenario is being targeted in the fourth or fifth rounds in Dynasty rookie drafts.

Edwards went undrafted and was signed as a UDFA by the New York Jets. Landing on a team with Breece Hall and two second year running backs that were early day 3 picks means it's nearly impossible for him to carve out a meaningful role as a rookie.









RECEPTIONS 84

**YARDS** 1,319 **TOUCHDOWNS** 8

**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 44.4%

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 30.9%

**BREAKOUT AGE** 19.4

## FANTASY PROFILE

Tetairoa McMillian checks all the boxes to be an instant high-level NFL playmaker. His massive size (6-5, 210 pounds) makes him an appealing possession and red-zone target who stands out in contested catch situations. McMillian is a long strider who isn't afraid to go over the middle. However, his toughness and catch radius are what stand out on film. He has the instincts and technique to generate space and will use his elite frame and strength to overpower cornerbacks on 50/50 balls.

The highest-ranked recruit in Arizona history, McMillian set school freshman records with 702 yards and eight scores in 2022. And that was just the beginning of his prolific production. McMillian caught 90 balls for 1,402 yards and 10 scores in 2023. He was a Biletnikoff finalist in his final year and earned First-Team All-American accolades after a stellar 84/1,319/8 campaign.

McMillian also boasts experience running routes from the slot. He's a versatile weapon ready to contribute immediately. While he lacks elite speed, McMillian has superb instincts for finding openings in zone coverage and is a tough runner who will pile up yards after catch. The consensus No. 1 wide receiver in the 2025 NFL Draft class, McMillian will be a force in the NFL right away. That makes him an appealing option near the top of dynasty rookie drafts.

McMillan was selected at the 1.08 in the NFL Draft, which was his best case scenario. On the Panthers, McMillan immediately slots in as Bryce Young's No. 1 target with 150 targets in his range of outcomes.







## **FANTASY PROFILE**

Travis Hunter, the Heisman Trophy winner, is arguably the most polarizing rookie prospect in recent dynasty memory. As a full-time, two-way player at Colorado, his draft value could fluctuate significantly over the next two months. Despite this uncertainty, Hunter is widely projected as a Top-5 pick, regardless of position.

Statistically, Hunter ranked 12th in targets (121), 14th in PFF receiving grade (89.0), and 2nd in touchdowns (15) among all college players. What makes him truly unique is his defensive impact—he ranked seventh in PFF defense grade (88.2) and third in PFF coverage grade (90.3).

Hunter's NFL position remains uncertain as the pre-draft process unfolds. He is expected to work out as a cornerback at the combine, which has dampened his immediate fantasy value in non-IDP leagues. However, if an NFL team commits to using him as a full-time wide receiver, he could draw comparisons to DeVonta Smith from a fantasy perspective. Hunter was selected by the Jacksonville Jaguars who traded up from the 5th spot to the number two spot to select the Heisman trophy winner. Trevor Lawrence now has a target on each side of him to be successful and Hunter should eat in as the Jags number 2 WR.



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MATTHEW GOLDEN COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS 58

YARDS **987** 

TOUCHDOWNS

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

24.1%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

18.1%

BREAKOUT AGE **20.1** 

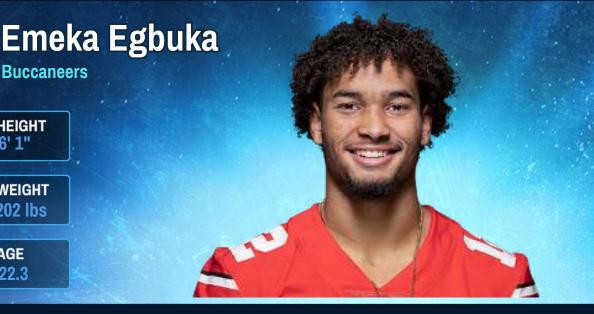
## **FANTASY PROFILE**

No wide receiver in the 2025 draft class gained more value throughout the season than Matthew Golden of Texas. After transferring from Houston, Golden made an immediate impact in his lone season with the Longhorns. He averaged over 17 yards per reception and led Texas with nine touchdown grabs. His outstanding separation skills and big-play ability set him apart, showcasing his potential as a dynamic NFL receiver. Golden is especially dangerous after the catch, using his shiftiness to make defenders miss in the open field.

Golden delivered two of his best performances when it mattered most. In the SEC Championship against Georgia, he hauled in eight catches for 150 yards. He followed that up with an even bigger outing in the College Football Playoff against Arizona State, recording seven receptions for 149 yards and a touchdown—an ice-cold, 31-yard game-tying score that forced double overtime. With his production and playmaking ability, Golden has a strong chance to be a first-round selection and is a near lock to be taken early on Day 2. Matthew Golden was selected 23rd overall in the first round by the Green Bay Packers. This is a crowded wide receiver room, and while Golden is a solid addition targets will be limited.







WR4 **Fantasy Rank** 

102.80

Lifetime Value



**Buccaneers** 

**HEIGHT** 6' 1"

WEIGHT **202 lbs** 

AGE 22.3

EMEKA EGBUKA COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS 81

**YARDS** 1,011 **TOUCHDOWNS** 10

**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 

**26.1%** 

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 24.9%

**BREAKOUT AGE** 19.9

# **FANTASY PROFILE**

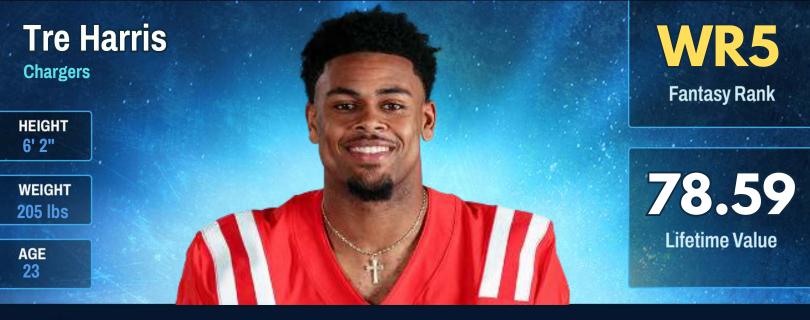
Ohio State has produced a surplus of talented NFL wideouts, including Chris Olave, Garrett Wilson, and Jaxon Smith-Njigba. The next to join that list is Emeka Egbuka, an Academic All-American standout slot receiver for the national champions. Ebguka joined Marvin Harrison Jr. to become the second Buckeyes' wideout to produce multiple 1000-yard campaigns and graduates as the storied program's all-time leader in receptions (205) and receiving yards (2,868).

Egbuka is a nuanced route-runner with excellent hands and a tremendous feel for how to create space. At 6-1 and 205 pounds, Egbuka has good size with the speed and instincts to be a zone-coverage-buster in the NFL. He also excels at winning contestedcatch situations, making him the ideal chain-mover and safety valve in the pros. Egbuka has excellent short-area quickness that will allow him to beat press coverage and find weaknesses in coverage. He also stands out after the catch, forcing 10 missed tackles in 2024. That creativity was fully on display as a kick returner in 2021-2022. Over 73 percent of Egbuka's routes at Ohio State came from the slot, so he has limited experience lining up on the perimeter. He also had to have tightrope surgery on a severely sprained ankle in 2023. However, Egbuka checks all the boxes to make an immediate impact as a productive NFL slot weapon. He will warrant mid-first-round attention in dynasty leagues and profiles as the next great OSU fantasy star wideout.

Selected 19th overall, Emeka Egbuka lands with the Buccaneers, which seems bad but is better than it looks. The Buccaneers have a great offense, and immediate production is in the range of outcomes for Egbuak due to Mike Evans' possible decline due to age and Chris Godwin returning from a broken ankle.



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TRE HARRIS COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RECEPTIONS 60

**YARDS** 1,030

**TOUCHDOWNS** 

7

**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 35.8%

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 18.2%

**BREAKOUT AGE** 20.5

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

Following in the footsteps of A.J. Brown and DK Metcalf as sizable Ole Miss wideouts, Tre Harris is an ascending prospect who has superb size (6-2, 210 pounds) and the skills to be an impact wideout in the NFL. Harris is a nuanced route runner effective and getting open on slants and possessing the speed to run away from NFL defensive backs. In 2024, he averaged 7.7 yards after catch per reception, but where he stands out is in one-on-one situations.

In his final season at Mississippi, Harris posted a blistering 10.47 yards per route versus man coverage. That is indicative of an elite weapon who has the chance to be one of the breakout stars of the 2025 NFL Scouting Combine. Expect Harris to cement his status as a top-5 wide receiver in this class with the potential to hear his name called on Day One of the 2025 NFL Draft.

Drafted in the second round with the 55th overall pick, Tre Harris lands in a fantastic spot with the Chargers. Harris is a perfect complement to Ladd McConkey and will become Justin Herbert's deep threat leading to solid production.











JAYDEN HIGGINS COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RECEPTIONS **87** 

YARDS **1,183** 

TOUCHDOWNS

9

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

37.2%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

28.5%

BREAKOUT AGE

19.7

#### FANTASY PROFILE

There's a lot to like Higgins. He ranked sixth in this class in receiving yards in 2024, just behind his lowa State teammate Jaylin Noel. He also ranked third in the class in PFF Receiving Grade. To go with this already impressive profile, Higgins dominated the Combine, running a 4.47 40 at 6'4" to produce an elite 111.6 Speed Score. This was particularly impressive given that he came into the event known more as a savvy route runner than a dominant athlete.

If we're looking for negatives, Higgins was just a two-star recruit out of high school. This led to him spending his first two seasons at Eastern Kentucky before transferring to Iowa State as a junior. Some analysts have also projected that he will be forced into a "power slot" role in the NFL ... but that's not necessarily a bad thing for fantasy. Especially if his Combine performance can earn him second-round draft capital, Higgins is a very exciting prospect.

Jayden Higgins was selected in the second round at 34th overall by the Texans, which is a great spot to land. Higgins is instantly CJ Stroud's number two target and can thrive as Nico Collins pulls the tougher coverage.









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JAYLIN NOEL COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RECEPTIONS 81

YARDS **1,194** 

TOUCHDOWNS

8

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

32.7%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

**25.4**%

BREAKOUT AGE

21.0

#### FANTASY PROFILE

Jaylin Noel made a name for himself as one of the most dynamic playmakers in college football, and his stock skyrocketed during the pre-draft process. He was one of the standout performers at the Senior Bowl, consistently winning in one-on-one drills and showcasing his elite quickness. He followed that up with an electric 4.39-second 40-yard dash at the NFL Combine, confirming the deep speed that made him a nightmare for defenses throughout his college career. In 2024, Noel posted 80 catches for 1,194 yards and eight touchdowns, proving he could be a high-volume target while maintaining his explosiveness.

Noel was a true big-play threat at Iowa State, recording seven touchdowns of 50 or more yards in his career. His combination of speed, route-running, and after-the-catch ability makes him an ideal fit for an NFL offense looking for a dynamic playmaker in the slot or as a vertical weapon. While his size may limit him from being a true outside receiver, his ability to separate and create chunk plays will translate well to the next level. With his production and elite athletic traits, Noel has positioned himself as a strong Day Two prospect in the 2025 NFL Draft.

After being drafted 79th overall in the third round, Jaylin Noel lands in an unfortunate spot with the Texans, where he joins a crowded wide receiver room. Noel will be behind Nico Collins and his former teammate Jayden Higgins on the depth chart, plus he'll need to compete with Christian Kirk.











JACK BECH COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS **62** 

YARDS **1,034** 

s TOUCHDOWNS

9

COLLEGE DOMINATOR 30.6%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE **20.9%** 

BREAKOUT AGE **21.7** 

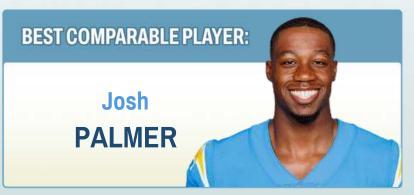
## **FANTASY PROFILE**

Jack Bech was one of the best players at the Senior Bowl, showcasing his toughness, route-running, and ability to win in contested situations. The 6'1", 214-pound receiver is powerfully built and plays with the physicality of his former position—he arrived at LSU as a tight end before transitioning to wide receiver. After transferring to TCU, he developed into a legitimate NFL prospect, proving he can thrive both in the slot and on the outside. Bech put together his best season in 2024, hauling in 62 catches for 1,034 yards and 9 touchdowns while averaging an impressive 16.7 yards per reception.

Bech capped off his impressive Senior Bowl performance by catching the game-winning touchdown, solidifying his status as one of the week's top standouts. He consistently created separation in one-on-one drills, using his strength and polished route-running to beat defenders at every level of the field. His versatility and reliability make him an ideal fit for an NFL offense looking for a dependable target who can line up anywhere. With his skill set and physicality, Bech has positioned himself as a high-upside mid-round prospect with a chance at being drafted as high as round two in the 2025 NFL Draft.

After being drafted in the second round by a revamped Raiders team, Jack Bech lands in a great spot to have immediate opportunity...after Brock Bowers











LUTHER BURDEN III COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS **61** 

YARDS **676** 

TOUCHDOWNS 6 COLLEGE DOMINATOR

36.5%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
26.9%

BREAKOUT AGE 18.7

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

Luther Burden entered the 2024 college football season as one of the premier names in the 2025 class. However, his status has since become more polarizing. His production dipped—along with the quality of quarterback play at Missouri. But when evaluating Burden, 2024 should be seen as more of a blip on the radar rather than an indictment of his talent as an NFL prospect.

Burden is elite with the ball in his hands, possessing explosive YAC ability that makes him a dangerous playmaker. His production speaks for itself. He arrived at Missouri as one of the top recruits in the nation and made an immediate impact, breaking out as a freshman with nine total touchdowns in 2022. He followed that up with an even stronger sophomore campaign, posting 86 receptions for 1,212 yards and nine touchdowns. His 2024 numbers dipped to just over 800 total yards, but the talent remains undeniable.

NFL teams will love Burden's athleticism and the rare combination of explosiveness and route-running ability. His separation skills are underrated and should stand out even more with improved quarterback play. Expect top-20 overall NFL Draft capital—it would be a major surprise if Burden is not selected in the first round of the NFL Draft.

Burden lands on an already crowded Chicago Bears offensive pass-catcher corp when they drafted him with the 7th pick in the 2nd round. Burden may slot in to a starting role for the Bears, but with DJ Moore, Rome Odunze, Colston Loveland, Cole Kmet, and D'Andre Swift, he may struggle to consistently produce for fantasy.









KYLE WILLIAMS COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RECEPTIONS **70** 

YARDS **1,198** 

TOUCHDOWNS 14

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
26.1%

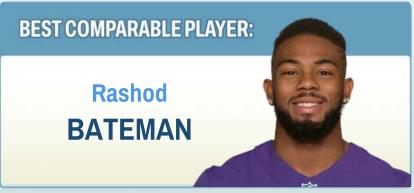
BREAKOUT AGE 19.1

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

Kyle Williams was one of the biggest risers through the predraft process, putting together an impressive senior bowl and a solide showing at the NFL combine. In his final season at Washington State, Williams put together a very impressive season with 70 receptions for 1,198 yards and 14 touchdowns. Williams demonstrated route running saviness along with a ridiculous ability to outrun defenders after the catch, which are great traits to have for the NFL. The one knock on Williams is that his breakout year came as a 5th year senior, and he'll be 23 before the end of his rookie year.

Williams was selected at pick 3.05 in the NFL Draft by the New England Patriots, which is one of the best landing spots for any offensive position player in the draft. He's tied to Drake Maye for the forseeable future, and has a realistic shot at earning 100 targets in his rookie year as part of one of the more underwhelming receiving corps in the NFL.











TORY HORTON COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS 26

YARDS **353** 

TOUCHDOWNS

1

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
38.7%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE **27.9%** 

BREAKOUT AGE 19.8

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

After two productive seasons at Nevada, Tory Horton followed head coach Jay Norvell to Colorado State and blossomed into an All-Mountain West First-Team star. He posted back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons for the Rams before his 2024 campaign was cut short with a knee injury. Horton (6-3, 185 pounds) has excellent height and stands out as a downfield weapon who consistently beats press coverage from the perimeter. He also has experience in the slot, where his height could open mismatch opportunities in the NFL. Horton ranked fifth in FBS in 2024 with 3.45 yards per route run but will need to expand his route tree and add some muscle to his frame. His inside/flexibility, hands, size, and acceleration make him an intriguing prospect with the potential to be selected on Day Two. Horton was selected with the 166th overall pick in the fifth round by the Seattle Seahawks. Opportunities to be a contributor will come in the furture but right now do not expect a major impact for 2025.







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ISAAC TESLAA COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS 28

YARDS 546

TOUCHDOWNS

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

15.1%

BREAKOUT AGE 19.3

**FANTASY PROFILE** 

Isaac TeSlaa won't wow with receiving yards or touchdowns from his college stats. Where he excels is his receiving yards per receptions. TeSlaa is a sharp route runner and will move the chains. The Lions have a good addition to an already solid passing attack.









PAT BRYANT COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS 53

YARDS **978** 

TOUCHDOWNS 10

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
44.0%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

25.5%

BREAKOUT AGE **20.7** 

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

Illinois wide receiver Pat Bryant was a three-star recruit out of high school. Bryan is currently under the radar in rookie drafts but there are quite a few things to like. At 6-2 and 208 pounds, Bryant has ample size to line up anywhere on the field. His 4.5 40 time is respectable. He also showed improvements annually with the Illini, including logging a 67 percent rate in contested catch opportunities. Bryant is athletic but not explosive and doesn't project as a WR1 in the NFL. But he could be a nice value late in rookie drafts as a depth piece.

Sean Payton always gets his guy– and that was Pat Bryant in Round 3. The Denver Broncos' coach has already alluded to similarities between Bryant and former New Orleans Saints WR Michael Thomas– who holds the NFL record for most receptions in a single season with 149, however Bryant lacks speed and mega-production in college and may take time to develop at the NFL level.











JALEN ROYALS. COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RECEPTIONS **55** 

YARDS **834** 

TOUCHDOWNS 6

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
38.8%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

34.5%

**BREAKOUT AGE** 

## **FANTASY PROFILE**

Jalen Royals was a focal point of Utah State's passing attack in his final season, earning at least 11 targets in five of seven games. After a breakout 2023 campaign—where he posted over 1,000 receiving yards and 15 touchdowns—Royals continued to showcase his ability as a deep threat in 2024, averaging over 15 yards per catch.

Though his final season was shortened, Royals proved he could win both outside and downfield. Coaches also increased his snaps in the slot, creating more opportunities for him to make plays. He finished the season ranked No. 18 in the 2025 draft class with a 79.6 PFF receiving grade. He led all receivers with 17 contested catches and had the highest contested catch rate among those with at least 12 attempts in 2023. Additionally, he ranked No. 3 with a 142.0 passer rating when targeted in 2023.

Projected as a third-round pick in most mock drafts, Royals profiles as a reliable depth receiver with the potential to develop into a starter, drawing comparisons to Josh Palmer.

Royals was selected at the 4.31 in the NFL Draft by the Kansas City Chiefs. While the draft capital isn't ideal, Royals has the juice to carve out a role in a pass-heavy offense led by Pat Mahomes.









ELIC AYOMANOR. COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RECEPTIONS 63

YARDS **831** 

TOUCHDOWNS

6

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
40.1%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

30.3%

BREAKOUT AGE 20.2

# FANTASY PROFILE

Elic Ayomanor put himself on the national radar in 2023 with one of the most dominant single-game performances of the season. Against Colorado, he exploded for 13 catches, 294 yards, and three touchdowns, showcasing his ability to take over a game with his size and speed. At 6'2", 210 pounds, Ayomanor blends physicality with big-play ability, and he backed it up with a 4.47-second 40-yard dash at the NFL Combine. His combination of size, athleticism, and strong hands makes him an intriguing prospect in the 2025 draft class.

Ayomanor's physicality at the catch point and ability to win downfield make him a dangerous weapon in contested situations. He's a smooth mover for his size, and his long speed allows him to stretch the field vertically. While Stanford's inconsistent quarterback play limited his overall production, his skill set translates well to the next level. He has a chance to be a late first-round pick and should be viewed as a top-five wide receiver in this draft class. Ayomanor was selected by the Tennessee Titans in the fourth round 136th overall. There is a lot of opportunity for Ayomanor to distance himself in Tennessee has there is not much competion in the wide receiver room.











**SAVION WILLIAMS COLLEGE STATS** [2024]

RECEPTIONS 60

YARDS **611** 

TOUCHDOWNS 6

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

19.3%

**BREAKOUT AGE** 

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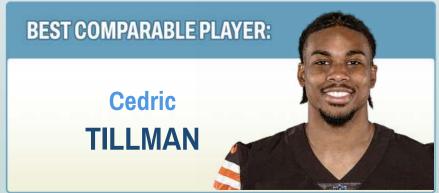
## **FANTASY PROFILE**

It feels like every year we get a prospect who is "the next Deebo Samuel," and this year, Williams is that guy. In his fifth and final year at TCU, Williams handled 51 rushes to go with 83 targets. In fact, there's even a chance that he is drafted as a running back instead of as a wide receiver — he was asked to participate in RB drills at the Combine.

Of course, this unique profile comes with tons of downside. At 6'4", Williams is tall to serve as a full-time running back. But he didn't show quite enough as a pure receiver to be intriguing without at least some dual-threat usage. Both draft capital and landing spot will have huge impacts on his value. If he can get solid Day 2 capital from a team with an innovative offense coach, Williams could provide tons of value as a unique dual-threat player. If he falls in the draft or lands with a team that doesn't have a plan for how to use him, we may just be looking at the next Laviska Shenault.

Williams was selected at pick 3.23 in the NFL Draft by the Green Bay Packers, which is one of the better offenses in the league to potentially deploy him in the unique role he deserves. While the receiver room is crowded in Green Bay, Williams could earn a role as a rushing option behind Josh Jacobs.









RICKY WHITE COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RECEPTIONS **79** 

YARDS **1,041** 

TOUCHDOWNS 11

COLLEGE DOMINATOR **50.1**%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
43.6%

BREAKOUT AGE **18.6** 

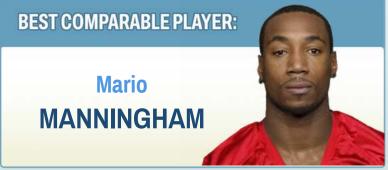
# FANTASY PROFILE

It is no surprise that Ricky White was one of the best players at the Shrine Bowl. Over the past two seasons, he served as the offensive focal point for a successful UNLV offense, consistently showcasing his big-play ability and winning downfield. During that span, he recorded 165 receptions for over 2,500 receiving yards and scored 19 touchdowns.

White projects as an early Day 2 pick with significant upside as a receiver. His versatility extends beyond offense, as he also made a major impact on special teams, blocking four punts this season.

Ricky White was drafted in the seventh round by the Seahawks, where it will be hard for him to find relevance. The Seahawks project of be a run-heavy team without many openings at wide receiver, making it tough for White to make an impact.









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CHIMERE DIKE COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RECEPTIONS 42

YARDS **783** 

TOUCHDOWNS

2

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
23.8%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
21.5%

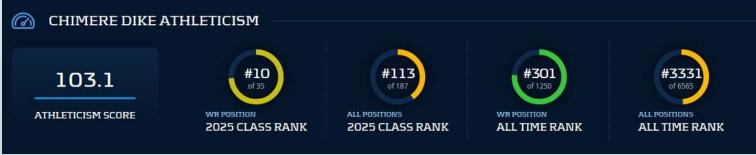
BREAKOUT AGE 20.1

**FANTASY PROFILE** 

After being selected at the top of the 4<sup>th</sup> round, Chimere Dike has a huge opportunity in Tennessee to make a name for himself. The Titans needs a WR to break out and there is no better time than now. Dike will need to polish up his game but has a chance to become a solid addition to the Titans wide receiver room. Dikes ceiling is most likely a WR3 in the NFL.









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JAYLIN LANE COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS 38

YARDS 466

TOUCHDOWNS

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
23.8%

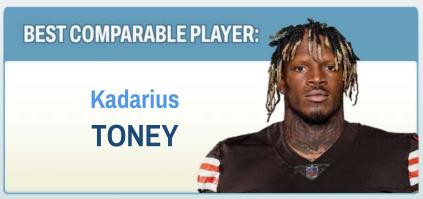
COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
20.5%

BREAKOUT AGE **21.4** 

**FANTASY PROFILE** 

Jaylin Lane was drafted in the fourth round by the Commanders, which is a good spot for him to land. After Terry McLaurin and Deebo Samuel, the Commanders' depth chart is weak, leaving opportunity for Lane to step up.











DONT'E THORNTON COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS 26

YARDS **661** 

ARDS TOUCHDOWNS

6

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
26.6%

**10.5%** 

BREAKOUT AGE 18.8

# **FANTASY PROFILE**

Looking for a sleeper wide receiver in the 2025 class? Consider Don'te Thornton. Thornton began his college career at Oregon before transferring to Tennessee. A big-play threat, he averaged an impressive 22.7 yards per reception during his time in Knoxville. This past season, he took that number to another level, leading the nation in yards per reception with 25.7 and recording six catches of 50+ yards. Thornton participated in the Shrine Bowl before putting up impressive numbers at the NFL Combine, showcasing jaw-dropping size-adjusted athleticism. He measured in at 6'5", 205 pounds, posted the second-fastest 40-yard dash among all wide receivers (4.30), and recorded a 10'6" broad jump. Expect Thornton to slot in as a situational deep threat early in his NFL career. Teams will value his athleticism and big-play ability.

Dont'e Thornton was drafted by the Raiders at Pick 108 overall, in the 4<sup>th</sup> round. The Raiders have weapons in Brock Bowers and Jakobi Meyers and other Rookie WR Jack Bech. However, they don't have anyone with Thornton's Size & Speed combo. Look for him to try to carve out a field stretching role as a rookie with a potential for more in 2026 and beyond.











TAI FELTON COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS 96

YARDS **1,124** 

TOUCHDOWNS

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
38.4%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE
21.1%

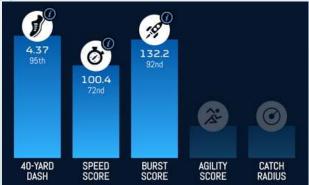
BREAKOUT AGE **20.5** 

### FANTASY PROFILE

Maryland Senior Tai Felton was a three-star recruit who combined a senior breakout season and impressing analysts at the Senior Bowl with his route-running ability, to establish himself as a certified 2025 NFL Draft riser. Felton improved in every stat category year over year. That included doubling the 48 catches he had as a junior by securing 96 grabs in 2024, totaling 1,124 yards and nine touchdowns.

The book on Felton is that he is slightly built (6-1, 186 pounds) and lacks top-end speed, clocking a, reported 4.61. Where Felton excels is as a route-runner. On film, Felton flashes a knack for creating separation against press coverage at every depth in the route tree. He's also very shifty in space and creates yards after catch to add production value per reception. Felton will be a Day Three pick that could be targeted as high as the third round in rookie drafts.

The Minnesota Vikings took wide receiver Tai Felton in the 3rd round, which should give Felton an immediate pathway to compete for a starting role. The Vikings always land in the Top-5 of passing volume, and Felton as the WR3 can be fantasy viable.











**ARIAN SMITH COLLEGE STATS** (2024)

RECEPTIONS 48

YARDS **817** 

TOUCHDOWNS

4

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
18.4%

college target share **15.0%** 

**BREAKOUT AGE** 

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### FANTASY PROFILE

Arian Smith was a four-star recruit to Georgia and a track star who didn't eclipse double-digit catches until his fifth year. Smith was used as an occasional deep threat and averaged 33 yards per catch in his first three seasons. In 2024, Smith was used more effectively, finishing with 48 catches and 817 receiving yards. Smith is listed at 6-foot and 175 pounds, but what is tantalizing is his speed. He is listed as having run a 4.28-second 40 and has been tracked over 23 miles per hour. He also won the Florida state 200-meter race and anchored his high school's 4x100 relay team. Asked at the Senior Bowl if he thought he could break the Combine 40 record, Smith stated his goal was just to beat 4.25. If he does that, Smith could potentially fly up draft boards. As it stands, he's a late-round player to watch.

Smith was taken by the NY Jets in Round 4, giving them another speed option behind Garrett Wilson. Smith's speed and depth-of-target make him an intriguing late-round bestball stacking option with Justin Fields, and may get opportunities right away to work behind Wilson.











TEZ JOHNSON COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RECEPTIONS 83

YARDS 898

TOUCHDOWNS

10

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

32.8%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

21.8%

BREAKOUT AGE

19.3

### FANTASY PROFILE

Tez Johnson wasted no time proving he belonged on the big stage after transferring from Troy to Oregon. He quickly became one of Bo Nix's go-to targets, setting an Oregon record with 86 receptions in 2023 and following it up with 83 catches in 2024. His elite short-area quickness and smooth route-running make him a nightmare for defenders in man coverage, and he consistently found ways to get open against top-tier competition. His ability to create explosive plays, both downfield and after the catch, makes him one of the more intriguing prospects at his position.

Johnson delivered one of his best performances against Penn State, torching their defense for 11 catches, 181 yards, and a touchdown. While he has the skill set to be an impact slot receiver in the NFL, concerns arose after his weigh-in at the Senior Bowl, where he measured just 156 pounds. That could lead to durability questions, but his separation skills, speed, and YAC ability still make him a strong mid-round prospect. Despite his size, Johnson was one of the top performers in Mobile at the Senior Bowl and has a legitimate chance to be selected on Day Two.

Johnson was selected at pick 7.19 in the NFL Draft by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, and is buried behind one of the best wide receiver trios in the league. He'll face an uphill battle to see any meaningful snaps in his rookie year





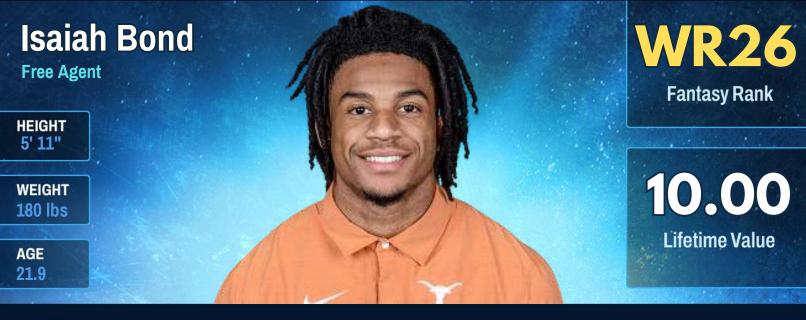














ISAIAH BOND COLLEGE STATS (2024)

RECEPTIONS 34

YARDS **540** 

TOUCHDOWNS

5

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

16.8%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

17.8%

**BREAKOUT AGE** 

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# **FANTASY PROFILE**

Isaiah Bond struggled to produce at Texas after transferring from Alabama, where he spent two seasons. Undersized and underutilized, he saw three or fewer targets in each of his final four games with the Longhorns in 2024.

At Alabama, Bond primarily played in the slot, but at Texas, he lined up outside on 76.8% of his snaps. While the position change led to an increase in yards per reception, it came at the cost of fewer targets, fewer receiving yards, and a lower PFF receiving grade compared to his time with the Crimson Tide. Bond finished the season ranked just sixth on his own team in total targets, despite playing all 14 games—suggesting he was not a key part of Texas' offensive plans.

Projected as a Day 2 draft pick, Bond's lack of college production raises concerns. A former high school sprinting standout, he has elite speed but faces major questions about whether that speed will translate into consistent NFL success—drawing comparisons to Anthony Schwartz.

Isaiah Bond went undrafted in the 2025 NFL draft due to concerns stemming from an arrest which occurred a few weeks before the draft. Even if Bond resolves this situation, it is unlikely he makes a long-term impact.









NICK NASH COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS 104

YARDS **1,382** 

TOUCHDOWNS **16** 

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
45.9%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

29.2%

BREAKOUT AGE 23.1

### FANTASY PROFILE

San Jose State wideout Nick Nash is an interesting prospect. While he did spend six seasons at SJSU, making him a prohibitively older draft candidate, he was recruited as a dual-threat QB before transitioning to wide receiver and using his athleticism to fully break out in 2023 with 48 catches and 728 yards receiving. He followed that up with a 104-catch 2024 season, logging over 1,300 yards and 16 scores. At 6-2 and 198 pounds, he's big enough not to be bodied up by smaller cornerbacks. Nash's skill set relies on his high IQ, having a quarterback's perspective, and being able to suss out defensive schemes. That leads to a high-level ability to find soft spots in zone coverage and make himself available for his quarterback. Nash will likely be a post-draft waiver pick-up candidate who could show some sleeper potential.

Nick Nash signed with the Falcons after going undrafted, where he'll have a tough time finding opportunities. The Falcons aren't short on weapons on offense, and Nash will have a hard time making an impact.









1,127

11

69

Xavier Restrepo is a fifth-year senior wide receiver from the University of Miami. A three-star recruit out of high school, he was limited to special teams play during his first three years as a Hurricane. It took him until his fourth year in the program to break out. And breakout he did. Restrepo enters the draft after two 1000 receiving yard campaigns, including a school record 85 receptions in 2023. As a senior, Restrepo managed 1127 yards and 11 touchdowns as Cam Ward's main target.

28.7%

14.0%

21.4

Restrepo is an excellent route-runner and is very physical at the catch point. He projects as a productive slot receiver who will win with technique, physicality, and high football I.Q. At 5-9 and 200 pounds, Restrepo is small and stocky. His age, size, and lack of athleticism will be limitations to true elite status. However, he makes up for it with good short-area agility and an ability to find space in coverage or outmuscle defenders. Those traits led to a 126.9 QB rating when targeted, and school records in catches and receiving yards. Restrepo projects to be a mid-round NFL pick and a Round 3-4 pick in rookie drafts.

Xavier Restrepo was undrafted in the NFL Draft but was signed by the Titans, who are the only team where you can have excitement. Joining his college quarterback Cam Ward with the Titans, Restrepo can find opportunities due to his prior relationship with Ward.



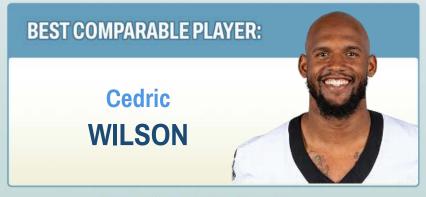
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In what is generally regarded as a wide receiver class lacking in high-end talent, Louisville wide receiver Ja'Corey Brooks is hoping to be a late-round sleeper candidate with the potential to cash in on the five-star recruiting profile that landed him at Alabama. Brooks showed promise as an underclassman before injuring his shoulder and transferring to Louisville.

He enters the draft as a 23-year-old who lacks size and speed. Brooks did have over 1,000 yards receiving as a senior. However, at 6-1 and 191 pounds, Brooks' reported 4.65 speed is alarming for a smaller X receiver that hasn't developed an extensive route tree and never presented double-digit touchdown potential. A strong athletic performance at the Combine could change some minds, but Brooks should be a fourth round target, or later, in rookie drafts.

Ja'Corey Brooks went undrafted before being signed by the Commanders after the draft, where there's reason for optimism. While it's hard to have hope for an undrafted rookie, the Commanders' wide receiver depth chart is weak after Terry McLaurin and Deebo Samuel, so there's room for someone to step up.





Tyler Warren transitioned from a high school quarterback into one of the most dominant tight ends in college football. At 6'5 1/2", 256 pounds, he emerged as Drew Allar's go-to red-zone weapon, leading Penn State in touchdown receptions while proving to be a reliable target in key situations. His combination of size, physicality, and route-running ability made him a nightmare for defenders, while his versatility extended beyond just receiving—he also contributed as a short-yardage rusher, rushing for four touchdowns, the most by a Big Ten tight end since the 1950s.

Warren put together a record-breaking 2024 season, setting Big Ten single-season marks for receptions and receiving yards by a tight end. He finished with 104 catches for 1,233 yards, both Big Ten records for a tight end, and also set Penn State's single-season records for catches, receiving yards, and touchdown receptions at the position. His performance against USC was legendary—his 17 catches tied the FBS single-game record for a tight end, while his 224 receiving yards were the second-most in Penn State history.

With his elite production, size, and versatility, Warren should be the first tight end selected—potentially as early as the top 10 overall picks. He is an instant dynasty TE1 the moment his name is called on draft day. Tyler Warren was sleceted in the first round, 14th overall by the Indianapolis Colts. Being selected by the Colts put Warren as the TE1 in Indy and should command most if not all targets at the TE postion.



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COLSTON LOVELAND COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS **56** 

YARDS **582** 

TOUCHDOWNS 5

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
49.6%

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

10.4

BREAKOUT AGE 19.4

# FANTASY PROFILE

Colston Loveland is one of the premier tight end prospects in the 2025 NFL Draft, combining size, athleticism, and versatility to make an impact at the next level. He was a key piece of Michigan's national title-winning team as a sophomore, emerging as one of J.J. McCarthy's most reliable targets. Now 20 years old, Loveland led Michigan in all receiving categories in 2024, finishing first in targets, receptions, receiving yards, and touchdown catches, proving himself as the go-to weapon in the Wolverines' passing attack. He nearly led the team in receptions as a sophomore as well, finishing just three catches behind 2024 third-round pick Roman Wilson. He did not test at the NFL Combine but measured in at 6'5", 248 pounds, confirming his prototypical size for the position. Loveland possesses a rare combination of size and route-running ability, consistently creating separation against linebackers and safeties while also excelling in Michigan's power-run scheme.

Loveland's ability to stretch the field, win in contested situations, and contribute as a blocker makes him one of the most well-rounded tight ends in the class. He was a true mismatch weapon in Michigan's offense, providing a big-play presence in the passing game while also handling inline responsibilities in the run game. His refined route-running, strong hands, and ability to make plays after the catch make him an ideal fit for an NFL team looking for a modern tight end. He is a likely first-round pick and could be selected inside the top 20 overall, with a non-zero chance of leapfrogging Tyler Warren as the first tight end off the board. With his size, ball skills, and versatility, Loveland has positioned himself as one of the top playmakers in the 2025 NFL Draft.

The draft capital of 10th overall cannot be ignored by the Bears' Colston Loveland. However, Loveland landed in a highly-competitive situation where opportunity will be hard to come by.



Elijah Arroyo might not have the gaudy college stats of other top tight end prospects, but he has all the traits to be the next great tight end out of "The U," following in the footsteps of Jimmy Graham, Greg Olsen, and Jeremy Shockey. At only 20 years old, Arroyo showcased his immense upside at the Senior Bowl, where he was regarded as one of the best offensive players throughout the week. His combination of size, athleticism, and natural receiving ability made him nearly impossible to defend in one-on-one drills, solidifying his status as one of the most intriguing tight ends in the 2025 NFL Draft.

While his 35 catches for 590 yards and 7 touchdowns won't wow you on paper, his efficiency speaks for itself—16.9 yards per reception highlights his ability to stretch the field and create explosive plays. He can make big plays downfield and has the explosiveness to produce big YAC numbers as a pro, making him a dynamic weapon in any offensive system. His rare blend of size, speed, and fluidity in the open field makes him a mismatch nightmare, and he is expected to test off the charts athletically at the NFL Combine. Arroyo has all the tools to develop into a top-tier NFL tight end, and with his high ceiling and elite traits, he should be a second-round pick in the 2025 NFL Draft.

Arroyo was selected at pick 2.18 in the NFL Draft by the Seattle Seahawks and will have the opportunity to push for a starting role immediately. Current starter Noah Fant has never finished higher than TE17 in Seattle, and new OC Klint Kubiak must be excited to get Arroyo involved.



RECEPTIONS
43

YARDS **591** 

TOUCHDOWNS

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

14.6%

**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 

**BREAKOUT AGE** 

# **FANTASY PROFILE**

The LA Rams selected Terrance Ferguson in Round 2. Ferguson slots immediately behind veteran Tyler Higbee, who came back at the end of 2024 from an ACL injury. Higbee is in the final year of his deal with the Rams, and Ferguson should ramp up usage throughout the season. While he's not a target in 2025 redraft leagues, Ferguson should be a solid 3rd round dynasty target given his projected role in the future.









Mason Taylor is often overlooked in what is a deep and potentially transformative tight end class for fantasy football in this year's draft. At 6-foot-4½ and 250 pounds, Taylor is a physical force. His lack of production at LSU is more of an indictment of their style of play than a reflection of his skill set. He proved his ability at the Senior Bowl, standing out in red zone drills and holding his own against top competition.

The son of Miami Dolphins legend Jason Taylor and the nephew of his former teammate Zach Thomas, Taylor understands what it takes to succeed as a professional both on and off the field. He has the makeup to be a long-term NFL starter at tight end, though he may lack the fantasy upside of some of the top prospects in this class. However, with his well-rounded skill set, Taylor could earn an every-down role early in his career, and his physicality makes him a capable blocker at the next level.

Taylor was drafted by the New York Jets in the 2nd round and it couldn't be better for his Year 1 opportunity. Behind star WR Garrett Wilson, the lack of receiving depth may provide a starting chance for Taylor right away.



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HAROLD FANNIN JR. COLLEGE STATS [2024]

RECEPTIONS 117

YARDS **1,555** 

TOUCHDOWNS

10

COLLEGE DOMINATOR
49.9%

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COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

37.3%

BREAKOUT AGE 19.1

### FANTASY PROFILE

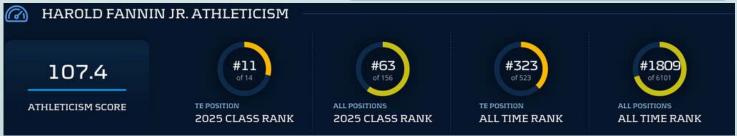
Harold Fannin Jr. is one of the most intriguing tight ends in the 2025 draft class, and his playmaking ability should not go unnoticed. At 6'4", 238 pounds (measured at the Senior Bowl), Fannin was the focal point of Bowling Green's entire offense, leading the team in receiving while averaging over 14 yards per catch. He set NCAA records for the most receiving yards and catches in a single season by a tight end, cementing himself as one of the most productive players at his position in college football history. Fannin was one of the best offensive weapons to ever play in the MAC, using his natural hands, fluid movement, and after-the-catch ability to overwhelm defenses. While playing in the MAC raises questions about competition level, Fannin Jr. dominated both Penn State and Texas A&M's defenses, combining for 19 catches, 282 receiving yards, and two touchdowns in those two games.

His biggest selling point is his versatility. Fannin moves like a big slot receiver rather than a traditional in-line tight end, and his ability to create separation makes him an ideal fit for a modern passing attack. He proved to be a reliable red-zone weapon, using his length and body control to high-point the football. His elite production and receiving skill set will get him drafted. With a strong pre-draft process, Fannin could emerge as one of the best value picks at tight end.

Harold Fannin Jr. was drafted in the third round by the Browns, landing in a tough situation for him. The Browns already have David Njoku, who is a top-performing tight end, so Fannin is going to have a hard time finding opportunities.









**COLLEGE DOMINATOR** 

**25.9%** 

# **FANTASY PROFILE**

**YARDS** 

922

**TOUCHDOWNS** 

7

RECEPTIONS

**72** 

Gadsden is listed as a tight end, but he is first and foremost a receiving weapon. That makes him a very high-variance prospect for fantasy. If he lands on a team willing to give him tons of receiving usage, Gadsden could be an immediate fantasy TE1. After all, he racked up over 100 targets and posted a very solid 82.6 PFF Receiving Grade in his fourth year at Syracuse. But he could also fall into the trap of not being a good enough blocker to play TE full-time and not a good enough playmaker to earn snaps as a pure pass-catcher. He's also unlikely to go before the middle of Day 3 in the Draft, making him just an upside dart throw for fantasy purposes. Gadsden was selected in the fifth round with the 165th overall pick, and there will be a climb to get to be the starter in Los Angeles. Chargers have Will Dissly and Tyler Conklin set in place so targets will be limited. While Dissly and Conklin are penciled in for 2025 dont sleep on Gadsden for 2026 and beyond.





**COLLEGE TARGET SHARE** 

18.8%

**BREAKOUT AGE** 

19.2





**GUNNAR HELM COLLEGE STATS** (2024)

RECEPTIONS **60** 

YARDS **786** 

TOUCHDOWNS 7

COLLEGE DOMINATOR

COLLEGE TARGET SHARE

14.1%

BREAKOUT AGE **22.0** 

# **FANTASY PROFILE**

In 2024, Ja'Tavion Sanders was the first pick of the fourth round by the Carolina Panthers. This year, another Texas Longhorns tight end is set to be selected in the NFL Draft—potentially with higher draft capital.

Gunnar Helm played a major role in the Texas passing game this season, emerging as a key weapon. He was a finalist for the John Mackey Award and finished the season with 60 receptions and seven touchdowns. Helm excelled after the catch, ranking third in the nation among all tight ends with 420 yards after the catch, trailing only Tyler Warren and Harold Fannin. At 6-foot-5 and 250 pounds, Helm possesses the ideal size and reliable hands to succeed at the next level. He projects as a starting tight end in the NFL. Helm was selected by the Tennessee Titans in the fourth round with the 120th overall pick. Getting a chance to play with new quarterback Cam Ward the Titans are building a solid foundation with youthful upside. Helm may not make an immediate impact on the field but he has the ability to be the franchise TE1 in the future.









This guide has been a passion project for Theo Gremminger and many individual contributors at PlayerProfiler, and I sincerely hope you enjoyed it.

Our team invested countless hours to produce this guide, and we hope you find it to be an invaluable resource in dominating your dynasty leagues and rookie-only best ball games on FastDraft. A special thanks goes out to the data and design professionals who supported our All-Star crew of dynasty analysts to make the PlayerProfiler Rookie Guide one of the most professional and easy-to-read publications in the industry!

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-Matt Kelley, Founder, PlayerProfiler & FastDraft

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