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Avon's perfect season ends with state championship



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CLEVELAND, Ohio — With the snow falling on Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton, Nolan Good turned in one more memorable performance as Avon's quarterback.

His 190 yards rushing delivered Avon its first state football championship in the OHSAA Division II title game. The performance even impressed coach Mike Elder to the point that he gazed at the stat sheet during the team's postgame news conference and missed a question directed his way.

Good dazzled his coach all season and spectators, while making defenders miss and coming back from a collarbone injury that arguably cost the Eagles a shot at playing for the state championship last year.

The senior quarterback left no doubt what his presence meant and finished the job this year, leading Avon's 20-13 win against Cincinnati Anderson last week by scoring on the opening possession with a long touchdown run and finding Matt Maxey on a second-quarter scoring strike in the snow.

Good is the cleveland.com Offensive Player of the Year for the 2024 high school football

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Quarterback

Nolan Good, Avon

Height, weight: 6-foot-1, 200 pounds

Year: Senior

About Good: He signed with Kent State last week, capping his high school career as a two-year starter who worked his way into the lineup for special plays as a sophomore, backing up then All-Ohio quarterback Sam DeTillio. Good not only took the reins, but

became a two-time All-Ohioan. He threw for 3,279 yards with 29 touchdowns to nine interceptions and ran for another 891 yards with 12 TDs. He earned a spot as a Mr. Football finalist for the state's top player. Avon finished 16-0 as Northeast Ohio's lone undefeated team and state champion.

Second team: Scotty Fox, Mentor, sr.; Keller Moten, Walsh Jesuit, sr.

Honorable mention: Luke Anzlovar, Maple Heights, jr.; Nolan Beard, Strongsville, sr.; Dylan Borla, Highland, sr.; Ben Chesser, Nordonia, sr.; Cy Christensen, Clearview, jr.; Thomas Csanyi, St. Edward, sr.; Ryan Dwyer, Aurora, sr.; Elijah Gray, Normandy, sr.; Brysen Hall, Wadsworth, fr.; Nathan Judy, Hudson, jr.; Lucas Kaltenbach, Kenston, sr.; Cohen Klimak, Streetsboro, sr.; Jake LaVerde, Kirtland, jr.; Burke Lowry, Fairview, jr.; Gabe Mansel, Copley, sr.; Walter Moses, Perry, sr.; Cole Norris, Amherst, sr.; Cooper Panteck, Gilmour Academy, sr.; Jimmy Rosol Jr., Olmsted Falls, sr.; Zach Shackelford, Keystone, sr.; Ryan Taylor, Rocky River, jr.; Frankie Trinetti, Lake Catholic, sr.

Running backs

Marquise Davis, Cleveland Heights

Height, weight: 6-0, 210

Year: Senior

About Davis: Last year's [Offensive Player of the Year](#) missed most of the first half this season at running back, relegated to punting and some defense, while a foot injury prevented him from planting his foot. Davis still rushed for 1,671 yards and 23 TDs (24

total scores) on 180 carries for a six-win team in the regular season. He is committed to Missouri, flipping to the Tigers before Early National Signing Day after an initial pact with Kentucky.

Brayton Feister, Archbishop Hoban

Height, weight: 6-2, 200

Year: Sophomore

About Feister: Hoban's return to the state semifinals for a ninth time in the last 10 years would not have been possible without a ground-and-pound game, paced by Feister. He rushed for 2,096 yards and 26 TDs on 296 attempts to lead the Knights (12-3) on offense. Feister is already a four-star recruit, but at linebacker, where coach Tim Tyrrell said this season he expects to play Feister more as a junior.

Second team: Roderick Love, Padua, sr.; Casey Myser, Highland, jr.

Honorable mention: Danny Alfieri, Kirtland, sr.; Shahn Alston, Harvey, sr.; Zack Barnhart, North Ridgeville, jr.; Cornell Beard, Shaker Heights, sr.; Nate Blasiolo, Crestwood, sr.; Rocco DeLorenzo, Nordonia, sr.; Sam Dimacchia, Strongsville, sr.; Rocco Ereditario, Bay, jr.; Jackson Farley, Mentor, jr.; Reno Ferri, Hudson, so.; Cooper Gray, Wadsworth, jr.; Jordan Jackson, Hawken, sr.; Lamar "Bo" Jackson Jr., Villa Angela-St. Joseph, sr.; Ocir Kimble, Lorain, sr.; Chris Maloney, Benedictine, sr.; Drexal McAmis, Field, sr.; Kyndall McCaleb, Riverside, jr.; Troy McCann, Buckeye, sr.; Wyatt McKee, Keystone, so.; T.J. Moore, Villa Angela-St. Joseph, jr.; Cooper Neel, Brunswick, sr.; C.J. Newell, Glenville, jr.; Khylan Osbey, Nordonia, sr.; Phil Partin, Manchester, so.; Owen Singleton, Olmsted Falls, jr.; Ziaire Stevens, Akron East, sr.; Russell Tye, Orange, jr.; Grant Washington, St. Ignatius, sr.

Receivers

Zach Hackleman, St. Edward

Height, weight: 6-1, 170

Year: Junior

About Hackleman: After breaking into the lineup as a sophomore during St. Edward's third straight Division I state-title run last year, Hackleman found himself as the focal point of the Eagles' offense this year in the passing game. He set a school record in the regular season with 857 yards and 10 TDs on 51 receptions. Both the yards and receptions broke Alex Stump's single-season mark set in 2014. St. Edward (9-6) made it back to the regional finals, but missed him for the playoffs with an injury.

Justen Hodge, Mentor

Height, weight: 6-1, 190

Year: Junior

About Hodge: The Cardinals (13-1) earned the top seed in Division I, Region 1 and won the Greater Cleveland Conference with West Virginia-bound quarterback Scotty Fox finding Hodge plenty this season. Mentor's top receiver scored 11 times with 922 yards on 52 receptions. His top college scholarship offers include Michigan State and West Virginia.

Matt Maxey, Avon

Height, weight: 5-10, 175

Year: Senior

About Maxey: A record-setting season for Maxey as Good's top target wound up getting him Avon's career records of 171 receptions and 2,605 yards. Matt Eckhardt, who still holds the career receiving TDs record of 30, had both previous marks. Maxey finished his senior season with 1,400 yards and 12 TDs on 85 receptions. He scored 21 times in his high school career.

Second team: Brody Lennon, Gilmour Academy, sr. (TE); Milan Parris, Walsh Jesuit, jr.; Iairo Williams, Lorain, sr.

Honorable mention: J.J. Baldwin, Benedictine, sr.; J.R. Beato, Fairview, sr.; Ty Beerbohm, Avon, sr. (TE); Cam Bulkowski, Rocky River, sr.; Casey Carkhuff, Kirtland, sr. (TE); Tayte Crable, Archbishop Hoban, sr. (TE); Sean Dillard, Gilmour Academy, sr.; Devon Dzik, Cuyahoga Heights, sr.; Alex Espay, Strongsville, jr.; Johnnie Kinter, Wellington, sr.; Brian Kortovich, Villa Angela-St. Joseph, sr.; Tristin Kyle, Shaw, sr. (TE); Calix Lemp, Wadsworth, jr.; Ben Lukasik, Aurora, sr.; Charlie Mallett, Hawken, so.; Andrew McKnight, Copley, jr.; Cross Nimmo, Lake Catholic, sr. (TE); Ace Peterlin, Lake Catholic, sr.; Connor Petrus, Elyria Catholic, sr.; Rocco Ressler, Independence, sr.; Joseph Saffold, St. Edward, jr.; D.J. Sears, Lake Catholic, sr. (TE); Luke Sivon, Perry, sr.; Charlie Steinmetz, North Ridgeville, sr.; Aidan Stewart, Avon Lake, jr.; Austin VanHuss, Mentor, sr.; Grady Whitacre, Keystone, sr.



Archbishop Hoban's Sam Greer (70) handles Archbishop Spalding's Mikel Oliver (44) in the season opener Friday, Aug. 23, 2024, at Dowd Field in Akron.

Tackles

Landry Brede, Mentor

Height, weight: 6-6, 295

Year: Junior

About Brede: Scotty Fox would not have thrown for 2,759 yards and 33 TDs without

Brede protecting his blindside. The Cardinals' junior left tackle gave up zero sacks during a 10-0 regular season. He holds 12 Division I college scholarship offers, including Florida, Pittsburgh and Virginia.

Sam Greer, Archbishop Hoban

Height, weight: 6-7, 315

Year: Junior

About Greer: Hoban's big left tackle missed parts of his freshman and sophomore season because of injuries. He bounced back both times to contribute as the basketball team's starting center, and a full season at tackle helped plow the way for Brayton Feister's big year. Greer is considered a four-star prospect with Ohio State and Michigan among his top offers.

Second team: Jeremiah Kelly, Avon, sr.; Max Riley, Avon Lake, jr.

Honorable mention: Liam Albright, Bay, sr.; Noah Angle, Firelands, sr.; Andrew Baggott, Chardon, jr.; Jamar Bryant, Glenville, sr.; Jackson Carestio, Kirtland, sr.; Will Conroy, St. Ignatius, jr.; Matthew Copley, Aurora, sr.; Ben Coyne, Highland, sr.; Brandon Homady, Padua, sr.; Sandale Jackson, Cleveland Heights, sr.; Joshua Jones, Stow-Munroe Falls, sr.; Eli Kaufman, Wadsworth, sr.; Kodey Kish, Walsh Jesuit, sr.; Cormac Lally, Strongsville, sr.; Tim Lennon, Gilmour Academy, jr.; Braylin Parker, Archbishop Hoban, jr.; Sawyer Prementine, St. Edward, sr. J.D. Radway, North Ridgeville, sr.; Cooper Richmond, Streetsboro, jr.; Isiah Switzer, Glenville, sr.; William Sweeney, Rocky River, sr.; Chuck Thomas, Perry, sr.; Lucas Tielsch, Copley, jr.; Mason Wilhelm, St. Edward, sr. Ameer Yasin, Tallmadge, sr.; Anthony Zagrocki, Perry, sr.; Masyn Zahursky, Berea-Midpark, sr.; Nathan Zappitelli, Lake Catholic, jr.

Guards

Robert Smith, Villa Angela-St. Joseph

Height, weight: 6-3, 301

Year: Senior

About Smith: A Boston College recruit, Smith is a big reason VASJ still powered through opposing defense for big running games even after Ohio State-bound Lamar "Bo" Jackson Jr. missed the second half of the season because of injury. While Jackson rushed for 588 yards and 10 TDs on just 40 carries, junior T.J. Moore gained 1,359 yards and 13 TDs in an 8-3 season. Smith also contributed at defensive tackle.

Matthew Kahley, Kirtland

Height, weight: 6-0, 240

Year: Senior

About Kahley: As an offensive lineman, Kahley earned the rare honor of being the Northeast Lakes District Offensive Player of the Year in the Division VI. He helped Kirtland (15-1) return to the state finals for a 13th time in the last 14 years. Kahley earned a spot on the All-Ohio team for a third straight year, including second consecutive first-team nod.

Second team: Colt Crosley, Walsh Jesuit, jr.; Nate Cross, Archbishop Hoban, sr.

Honorable mention: Ethan Ballentyne, Kenston, sr.; Brady Bendau, Highland, sr.; Nate Chapman, Columbia, sr.; Jake Clapper, Hudson, sr.; Andrew Flesher, North Ridgeville, sr.; Max Gembus, Villa Angela-St. Joseph, sr.; Tredell Graves, Chardon, sr.; Jackson Goodspeed, Elyria, jr.; Jack Marquard, St. Edward, so. Macin Padin, Keystone, sr.; Isaiah Ray, Lorain, sr.; Nathan Scheffler, Olmsted Falls, jr.; Derek Simpson, Riverside, sr.; Darshawn Spragling, Akron East, jr.; Ben Traux, Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy, jr.; Chase Voge, Columbia, sr.; Marquis Whipple, Glenville, jr.

Center

Connor Bingham, Avon

Height, weight: 6-1, 270

Year: Senior

About Bingham: A third-year starter, Bingham made the All-Ohio second team in Division II for the state champs. While Nolan Good and Matt Maxey had big individual seasons, Avon rushed for more than 2,600 yards between its top four rushers: Good, Tyler Kaufmann, Quiante' Smith and Cam Wendell. The Eagles gained 437 yards in the state championship game, including 294 yards on the ground.

Second team: Archer Soltis, St. Edward, sr.

Honorable mention: Lucci Cantini, Kirtland, so.; Shepard Charlton, Benedictine, jr.; Aiden Flynn, Cuyahoga Heights, jr.; Logan Labry, Riverside, sr.; Grant Lefeld, Nordonia, sr.; Jason Owens, Cleveland Heights, sr.; Joe Rozak, Revere, jr.

Kicker

Reece Polomsky, Avon Lake

Height, weight: 6-1, 180

Year: Senior

About Polomsky: He made 9 of 12 field goals, including a long of 42 yards to beat North Ridgeville with four of his kicks coming in that game. "You know what they say, you can't ice ice," Polomsky said after that 12-10 win in which the Rangers tried to ice him with a timeout. Polomsky made the All-Ohio third team.

Second team: Ethan Morris, Midview, sr.

Honorable mention: Stephen Cain, Rocky River, sr.; Ryan Cvitkovic, Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin, jr.; Jack Dinwiddie, Walsh Jesuit, sr.; Vincenzo DiTeodoro, Brunswick, jr.; Riley Edgehouse, Nordonia, jr.; Harley Forkins, Lake Catholic, sr.; Jeremy Hammel, Archbishop Hoban, so.; Chase Jozity, Holy Name, sr.; Roman Percic, Berkshire, jr.; Logan Sadowski, Streetsboro, so.; Dylan Tackett, Mentor, sr.; Calvin Warren, Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy, sr.; Owen Warrick, Avon, sr.

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