

## 2021 College Football Playoff National Championship Game

### Ohio State Notes

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- Ohio State's fourth-year seniors have a career record of 45-5 with four Big Ten championships and two consecutive College Football Playoff appearances.
- QB **Justin Fields** is 20-2 in his career as a starter. It's the second-highest winning percentage (.909) for a starting QB in Ohio State history (minimum 16 starts). Only Rex Kern (25-2, .925 from 1968-70) has a better mark.
- Fields' 63 career touchdown passes in just 22 career games at Ohio State ranks 17th all-time in Big Ten history.
- Fields finished the season with a .702 completion percentage, the highest in Ohio State single-season history. Dwayne Haskins previously held the mark of .700 in 2018.
- Head coach Ryan Day's career record at Ohio State is 23-2. He's 10-2 against AP Top 25 ranked teams and 5-2 against top 10 teams.
- Day is the third consecutive Ohio State coach to reach the national championship within the first three years of his tenure. Jim Tressel did it in 2002, his second season, and Urban Meyer in 2014, his third.
- The Buckeyes were appearing in their fifth national championship game of the BCS/Playoff era. Their previous appearances came following the 2002, 2006, 2007 and 2014 seasons.
- Tonight was the fifth meeting all-time between Ohio State and Alabama. The Crimson Tide hold a 4-1 edge in the series.
- Ohio State's bowl record falls to 25-27 all-time.
- Since 2012 (nine seasons), Ohio State has 106 wins, third most nationally during that span.
- Senior captain **Tuf Borland** played his 49th game as a Buckeye and started for the 34 time.
- Borland set a career high with 14 tackles. His previous high was 12 vs. Army on Sept. 16, 2017.
- Other Buckeye seniors who started included DE **Jonathon Cooper** (45th game played), LB **Pete Werner** (47th game played), LB **Justin Hilliard** (48th game played), RT **Thayer Munford** (46th game played), **Haskell Garrett** (41st game played) and **Marcus Williamson** (35th game played).
- LB **Pete Werner** started for the 28th consecutive game, the longest active streak on the team. RG **Wyatt Davis** is second with 24 consecutive starts.
- RB **Master Teague** registered the fourth multi-TD game of his 24-game Ohio State career. Three of those games have come this season: vs. Nebraska, vs. Indiana and vs. Alabama.
- The 23-yard field goal by K **Jake Seibert** in the second quarter was the first of his career.
- WR **Garrett Wilson** caught a touchdown pass for the fifth time in eight games this season.
- CB **Sevyn Banks** finished with a career-high seven tackles.
- WR **Chris Olave** finished with a team-high eight catches for 69 yards. He averaged 7.1 receptions per game this year, which is tied with David Boston for most in a single season.