

INSIDER: Super Sophomore's making names in Kansas football '24

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whose hot in the Kansas class of 2024, sophomore eye catchers



INSIDER: Super Sophomore's making names in Kansas football '24 – We look at some of the top performers in the super sophomore class this year, players like '24 lineman Gillis, a starter that has not allowed a sack in the opening two weeks and shows a ton of potential, his teammate at Blue Valley Southwest High School DB Ethan Peters is another great looking early reps big timer to know. QB's Ferralez of Hesston and Deweese of Washburn Rural are elite hot arms to know in the 2024 class as well, Alexander of McPherson could be the speed threat of the class, a 4.5 in the 40 RB and LB already making some big waves in the program. Topeka Seaman's Mauldin impressed us this offseason and has been tough and impressive in the early going this year as well.

Javyn Alexander, 5-11, 170, RB/LB, 2024, McPherson @javyn_alexander

McPherson high school's super speedster Javyn Alexander is one of the hot ones in the class of '24, this RB/OLB is a 5'11, 170 blazer on the field who runs the 40 in a very impressive time of 4.5 and uses that speed on the field to be a major exciting play maker for McPherson. Great power already also, Alexander can bench 250, squats 360 and has a vertical of 38" standing and a broad jump of 10'8. Alexander is one of the hardest runner and hardest to take down RBs out there. Shows great aggressive style of play on defense and does what it takes. His top skills are making the right read and getting there fast also finding holes to run through. Huge things in store for Alexander at McPherson.



Branton DeWeese, 6-0, 170, QB, 2024, Washburn Rural @BrantonDeweese

No doubt a player that is elite, top QB potentially in his class and really wasting no time showing that this season as DeWeese had a great initial game showing and really showed his powerful arm off in week one of action. Branton no doubt picked apart the crosstown Topeka West defense to the tune of a 45-6 victory and tossed it 205 yards with a 4 TD total in the hot start to his sophomore season run with Washburn Rural. Not a hotter QB in the state right now that can really air it out and put it in just the right spot, one of the major talents to know we are excited to see what this long season ahead will bring for this major hot standout athlete. No doubt a player that has some of the top skills in the state, we really like him to jump onto several college radars early with such impressive performances and is a sophomore talented enough to start getting some next level offers as well.



Hudson Ferralez, 6-0, 170, QB, 2024, Hesston @FerralezHudson

Hillsboro was week two and Hudson again really is showing his skills off and is just getting better and better, this past week he went 33-for-51 for a good looking 354 yards and one touchdown, Ferralez in the opening week also was stellar against Haven in a huge win of 45-8 and Hudson led the way going 17-for-23 for a big 208 yards & 3TDs. One of those huge talents that can make some huge plays happen and a player that has gained a lot of experience in 2020 as a freshman that will translate well and really put him ahead of many younger arms that didn't see as much action. Ferralez has a big time arm and is one of those players that has the ability to be a high stock riser in the class, we are very excited to see a full varsity season in 2021 for the sophomore and are interested to see how impressive he will be against competition this upcoming season. Hesston for sure will look the use a major potent passing attack this year and be a team that will have a lots of passing yards. Ferralez has been one of the guys that impressed us the most this past offseason as well, at the 6Star Football Showcase he had one of the best and most impressive arms we saw.

Brent Gillis, 6-0, 270, OL, 2024, Blue Valley SW @BrentGillis4

This stud in the class of 2024 is one major standout on the offensive line at Blue Valley Southwest Football, Gillis can play C/NG and his really showing he is among the top looking offensive lineman in the Kansas 2024 class with some great early season play. Gillis, the starting center

as a sophomore, has constantly been making big blocks that lead to touchdowns and has done a great job of using his strong base to wash down guys that are bigger and has allowed 0 sacks this season. One of the big men on the hot list early in 2021.



Riley Mauldin, 5-7,140, RB/OLB, 2024, Topeka Seaman @MauldinRiley

Mauldin is a player that is really looking good in the Kansas class of 2024, will look to keep the Seaman tough defensive tradition alive and is tough as nails and brings that ferocious attitude to the game. A very talented up and coming defensive standout and RB to know and one of those guys with a very bright future ahead. You are not going to find many sophomores that are as physically built as Mauldin, not an overall big guy but a very powerful pound for pound strength guy that brings it on the football field and is one of the more intense competitors we have seen. Really should be a major force and may just be seeing which side of the ball needs him the most, RB or LB for the talented speed and strength play maker to take some major notice of this 2021 season. Topeka has a loaded with talent 2024 class and we like Mauldin to be one of those risers that will really make a name for himself in 2021.

Carson Melchior, 6-5, 245, OL/DE, 2024, Aquinas @CarsonMelchior

Aquinas 24' standout and top looking two way player Carson Melchior has been impressive and will be a starter on the O line this year. In freshmen action last year in 2020 Melchior was a major DE power pressure play maker who racked up 14 sacks and was unblockable. No doubt we expect him to be a major force on their offensive line for many years to come. Super tough guy that has been a big time impressive player in the trenches.

Josue Navarro, 5-6, 147, WR/RB, 2024, Ottawa @Josuenavarro77

Lighting it up this season has been this major impressive talent from Ottawa, Navarro is coming off a huge week vs. Ballwin in which he had four touches, scored two touchdowns and rushed for 174 yards. This play maker may not be big but for sure is big time fast, the WR/RB and kick return specialist is a class of 2024 baller with a 4.0 GPA. Great speed also Navarro ran the 40 dash in a time of 4.65 and can bench 250, squats 350, and cleans 185. One of the major stars coming up in the class of 2024.

Emmitt Peters, 6-1, 175, WR/DB, 2024, Blue Valley SW @Emmittpeters4

One of the KC metro athletes that we really like a lot in the early going this season is Emmitt Peters, a 6-1, 175 two way DB and WR to take some major notice of. Peters is getting better and better every game no doubt about that as well, Emmitt is already the starting Safety for his team. Last week he even forced a fumble in Blue Valley Southwest's win against DeSoto. The 2024 class at BVSU is really deep so they should be good for the years up to come. Another sophomore (2024) who is also in the secondary with Peters to know is Trey Thomas.

He plays corner and has a very good also at reading for the ball. Peters top skills are in his ball and coverage skills for his game on the defensive side of the ball. Also plays WR but he won't be able to play there as much this year sense he is already starting at safety. But next Peters should be able to solidify a starting role at WR.

Wyatt Potter, 5-10, 185, LB, 2024, Aquinas @WyattPotter11

Potter, a 5-10, 185 middle and outside linebacker for the powerhouse Aquinas program, has started both of he opening games this year and is one of those players showing he is built for backer, a great looker that has racked up a very impressive looking 10 solo tackles and 4 tackle assists in his first two games, no doubt this guy is on a big time mission this year and its showing. Hot in the 2024, Potter is a big time gamer to know.

Easton Sears, 6-4, 240, OL, 2024, Shawnee Mission East @EastonSears4

At 6-4, 240 no doubt Sears is one of the young offensive lineman of Kansas that can really stand out in the huddle and on the offensive line for Shawnee Mission East High School. Sears, the left tackle, is a big man that also gets it done in the classroom and holds a 3.6 grade point average. Sears is a major physical outside presence and a tough blocker, loves to get his hands on your and dominate at the point of contact, big timer physical and tough, loving what this big man brings to his team.