

WR O **KEON COLEMAN** 

AGE: 21 (May 17, 2003) **COLLEGE:** Florida State

HOMETOWN: Opelousas, LA ACQUIRED: Draft (2024, R2)

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NFL EXP: Rookie

# FIRST-AND-10

KEON COLEMAN was selected by the Bills in the second round in 2024. Coleman, who earned first-team All-ACC honors in 2023, became the second wide receiver from Florida State ever drafted by Buffalo (Kevin Knox in 1994).

## SHOUTOUTS

- Had a team high 4 receptions and 51 yards in his NFL debut vs ARI (9/8/24) he also recorded a game high 28 yard reception that set the Bills up for a touchdown score.
- Played his one and only season at Florida State in 2023 and finished with 50 catches for 658 yards and 11 touchdowns, while posting 25 punt returns for 300 yards. Earned first-team All-ACC honors as a wide receiver, all-purpose player and return specialist. Also was a second-team All-America selection by Sports Illustrated and Fox Sports.
- Spent two seasons (2021-22) at Michigan State and caught 65 passes for 848 yards and 8 TDs before transferring to Florida State.
- Registered 9 catches for 140 yards and a TD vs. Syracuse (10/14/23), including a career-long 58-yard grab for a score. Also had a 72-yard punt return.
- Recorded 7 receptions for 66 yards and 2 touchdowns at Wake Forest (10/28/23).
- In his first game with the Seminoles, tallied 9 catches for 122 yards and 3 touchdowns in a win vs. LSU (9/3/23).
- Led Michigan State in receptions (58), receiving yards (798) and TD catches (7) in 2022, while earning thirdteam All-Big Ten honors.
- Posted three 100+-yard receiving games for the Spartans in 2022 (116 at Washington, 9/17/22, 155 at Michigan, 10/29/22, and 107 vs. Indiana, 11/19/22).
- Saw action in 10 games as a freshman in 2021, catching 7 balls for 50 yards and a TD.
- Recorded his first career touchdown, a 12-yard catch, at Ohio State (11/20/21).

## IF YOU HAVEN'T HERD

#### "SHE DESERVES THE CREDIT"

Coleman is the son of a single mom, Ravin Savoy, who raised five children. Times were tough. The streets were tougher. She sought help from folks like Randy Livingston, his AAU basketball coach and longtime family friend, and Jonathan Fisher to help with her two daughters and to keep her three boys from finding trouble.

"He's had hardships that most kids would struggle with," said Fisher, a director at Hope for Opelousas, a non-profit focused on community development, outreach and support. "He made it because of his mom. She did everything to make sure he never got away. She used resources like us."

"It's been so many years of him against everybody else," said Savoy, through some tears. "It's always him against everybody else. No one believed in him. Even them from his home place." (Ross Dellenger, Yahoo.com, September 4, 2023)

# **BREAKFAST AT THE WAFFLE HOUSE**

"Waffle House is a way of life in Opelousas. I know people in Atlanta take it serious but in Opelousas? We really like that. It's to a point where we an just walk in and the folks behind the counter just say 'hi' and get to cooking your usual order. We have St. Landry Parish (regional airport) and the RaceTrac (gas station) and Waffle House. People from Lafayette come up to us cause they know how we get down in that place. It got to point one day where I went behind the counter had the sleeve on and made my own sausage egg and cheese grit bowl with a pork chop with no fat."

## **PERSONAL**

Is the son of Ravin Savoy. Has an older brother, Kalin, who has "pretty much been my trainer, my brother, part father figure. He's just been everything helping me with all that," Coleman told WLNS.com in 2022. Named an all-state performer in both football and basketball at Opelousas (LA) Catholic School. Earned second-team all-state honors in basketball his junior year after averaging 26.0 points per game. Hobbies include golf and playing the guitar. Also competed in track and field. Majored in communications.