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KENDRICK GREEN

BORN: December 22, 1998 | **HT:** 6-3 | **WT:** 310 | **5th year****COLLEGE:** Illinois**ACQUIRED:** Free Agent (2025) **The_fridge53** **kjgreen_53**

FIRST-AND-10

KENDRICK GREEN signed a one-year contract with the Bills on March 14, 2025. A first-team All Big Ten selection out of Illinois, Green entered the NFL in 2021 as a third round pick (87th overall) of the Pittsburgh Steelers. Green spent two seasons in Pittsburgh (2021-22) before being traded to the Houston Texans (2023-24).

SHOUTOUTS

- Since entering the NFL, has started 19-of-36 games played.
- Made his playoff debut in a win vs. LAC (1/11/25), appearing on the Texans special teams units.
- In 2024, saw action in all 17 games for the Texans, including one start.
- In 2023, started at left guard in three-of-four games with the Texans before his season was cut short due to injury.
- Played and started in 15 games as a rookie in 2021.
- Made his NFL debut when he started at center in Week 1 at Buf. (9/12/21). Became the first rookie center to start for the Steelers since Maurkice Pouncey in 2010 and only rookie center in the NFL to start in a season opener in 2021.
- Started 33 career games at Illinois (2017-20), including four at center and 29 at left guard.
- During his final college season was named 2020 USA TODAY second-team All-America and AP first-team All-Big Ten. Finished his collegiate career with a streak of 33 consecutive starts.

THE STAMPEDE

Favorite TV show: Top Boy**Favorite movie:** Wolf of Wall Street**Favorite musical artist:** Daniel Caesar**Favorite food:** Oxtail**Favorite restaurant:** Truth Italian in Chicago**Favorite vacation spot:** Europe**Favorite athlete:** Jon Jones

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SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF

The Peoria High School practice football fields sit tucked back off of Peoria's busy Knoxville Ave. and a block away from a section of North Street that has appropriately been renamed "Shaun Livingston Way."

The practice field was full of campers between the ages of six and 14 with music pumping through speakers set up on the track with a big Pittsburgh Steelers canopy one end and a Peoria High School canopy on the other. Kendrick Green, an offensive lineman for the Pittsburgh Steelers, was back in his hometown hosting his second annual Kendrick Green's Camp 53. "It's home," Green told Illini Inquirer. "This place will always be special to me. People do welcome me with open arms. That's why I love it here so much."

Green was back on the practice field that helped shape him into a three-star, highly-sought after recruit, a standout at the University of Illinois and a third-round pick of the Pittsburgh Steelers who started 15 games as a rookie last season. Green was also back in the city that molded him and a block away from a street sign that celebrated one of Peoria's favorite sons, Shaun Livingston, who inspired Green to want to host a camp in the first place. Livingston is an icon to Green's generation — and several generations — of Peoria athletes. He was a standout of Peoria High who was drafted No. 4 overall in the 2004 NBA Draft by the Los Angeles Clippers and often hosted camps in his hometown, many attended by Green.

"It's great. It's fulfilling," Green said. "It's stuff that people before me did and I just want to do it and maybe a kid out here one day might be in my position. I want them to do the same thing. Just trying to keep passing down tradition."
(Joey Wagner, 247Sports,)

PERSONAL

Graduated from Illinois with a degree in sociology. Attended Peoria High School in Peoria, Illinois, where he also played baseball, football and wrestled. Qualified for states wrestling during his senior year, finishing fourth overall.