

Moore sees dream become reality with commitment to K-State



Louisburg senior Ashton Moore made it official this summer with a commitment to the Kansas State football program

Ever since his brother, Austin, joined the Kansas State football program, Ashton Moore wanted to follow in his footsteps.

Playing Division I football has always been a goal for Ashton, but like many athletes in Louisburg to come before him, scholarship offers to big time programs have been hard to come by.

So when he attended a K-State camp early this summer, Ashton's life changed.

The K-State coaching staff gave him the offer he was looking for, and about a month later, Ashton made it official and committed to the Wildcat program in early July.

“It’s been a goal of mine to play at K-State since I was in seventh grade, so to be able to announce my commitment there was like a dream come true,” Ashton said. “Committing was definitely a huge relief. For a long time I didn’t have the offers I wanted and didn’t know what decision I would have to make, so being able to commit to K-State really eased a lot of those worries.”

At the Kansas State camp, Ashton put together a strong performance for the Wildcat coaches and assistant Taylor Braet, pulled him aside and told him that head coach Chris Klieman wanted to chat with him.

The Wildcat coaches knew what they had in his older brother Austin, who is an All-Big 12 linebacker and entering his final year with the program, and they saw a lot of the same traits in Ashton.

*I'm excited to announce my commitment to Kansas State University! Thank you to my family, coaches, teammates and everyone who has supported me along the way, especially the Louisburg community. Go Cats! ☺☺ #EMAW
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– Ashton Moore (@ashtonmoore_21) July 10, 2024

As he walked over to talk with Coach Klieman, Ashton’s father, Tommy, and Austin were watching from the stands. Ashton got the news he was hoping for, but waited till the ride home to tell his family.

With his mom, Alison, on the phone, Ashton informed them all of his good news. Needless to say it was a loud ride home back

to Louisburg.

“Getting my offer was one of the best experiences of my entire life,” Ashton said, .”I had a good camp and getting to have my dad and Austin there to experience it with me was amazing. After watching Austin these last few years, I knew before they even offered me that’s where I wanted to go, so it made the decision very easy.”

It was about a month later when Ashton made his commitment official and he will join the Wildcat program for the 2025 season.

The recruiting journey has been a positive one, albeit stressful at times. Still, Ashton’s life has definitely changed since making his announcement.

“Since committing I’ve definitely met a lot of new people,” He said. “I’ve had a lot of K-State fans reach out to me over social media as well as my future teammates. I also had lots of coaches from other schools I had been talking to reach out and congratulate me and it was good to know all those relationships ended on good terms.”

Ashton had a big junior year for Louisburg as he earned first team All-Frontier League honors on both sides of the ball with 125 tackles at linebacker, and close to 1,500 total yards at running back with 18 touchdowns.

He will help lead the Wildcats this season as they try for a third consecutive Frontier League title.