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Posted by SFCougar - 2008/03/13 11:24

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Posted by TimO - 2008/03/13 11:26

that is neat-i hope he's not the usc type to manipulate players into the "your a better example here...but can't serve a mission" thing. As bad as Weis team was a year ago, at least their games are always on Nat'l tv though.

Re:Xavier Su'a-Filo article

Posted by Hengst - 2008/03/13 11:34

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Posted by CougarBandit - 2008/03/13 12:09

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BYU offered him after his sophomore year. He'll graduate in 2009 and he also has scholarship offers from LSU, Miami(FL), Notre Dame, Stanford, USC, and utah. Definitely a top OL prospect.

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Posted by x_rugger - 2008/03/13 15:15

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By 2009, BYU may be ready for a run at the Nat. Championship. Maybe that'll help persuade him that he'll look really good in blue! :lol:

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Posted by BYZoo - 2008/03/13 15:45

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I can't stomach that. This is a kid BYU needs to land. He is in our backyard, he is LDS, and he's a great football player. I'll be pretty disappointed if we don't land him.

Re:Xavier Su'a-Filo article

Posted by craigscarson - 2008/03/13 15:49

Charlie Weis says. "Just to get it out of the way, if you want to never win a bowl game, come play for us...that's cool." "In fact, if you never want to have a winning record.....and play for a new coach in a year or so."

Re:Xavier Su'a-Filo article

Posted by ColoradoBlueZone - 2008/03/13 17:07

My inside sources say BYU is not heavily recruiting him. BYU better get their butts in gear and show a little bit more interest or we are going to lose him to a big time program.

Re:Xavier Su'a-Filo article

Posted by Short_Changed - 2008/03/13 21:39

I've seen Xavier play quite a few times and he is the most talented high school O-lineman I've ever seen. I think he was a TE his freshman year and then moved to OT. The kid is really fast, really strong, and very athletic. I hope we get him, he's the real deal.

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The thing that is impressive about that is the fact that Notre Dame doesn't use red shirts, so someone starting in the program and not being finished four years later would be quite an anomaly.

In a total selfish mode, I just don't want him at USC more than anyone else. We end up with several blue chip LDS athletes at USC and it will just make it harder and harder to recruit against them.

When you're dealing with immature, by a more adult standard, 17-19 year olds, it's hard to recruit against glamour and glitz, but someone really needs to be convinced that they want to be at BYU. I see very few that come that don't thoroughly enjoy it. It just seems though that we get a lower amount of the blue-chip LDS recruits than we want and the two biggest reasons given seems to be exposure and wanting to play closer to home. I can handle the later reason much better than the first.

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I see in the article that he quotes the Asst Coach as encouraging him to go out of state. Where are you hearing that the HC wants him to go out of state too? Is there a source or do you have some personal connections?

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If this is true, then that is ridiculous. I can understand wanting to play together. But if no D-1 schools offered him, shouldn't that be a sign? Unless there is a school that you are not mentioning. If Xavier doesn't come because of that, then he is not the type of player that BYU would want. Hopefully, if this is true, he realizes the folly in his reasoning and comes back to BYU.

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I like the other way around. Offering Chambers one scholarship, and getting 5 players out of it :-)

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by the way, i thought moe was real good, but from what i heard his size was the deal killer, and 5-11 is generous. he is tuff, and big hitter, but an inside backer has to take on o-linemen. imho mike alisa was the timpwview lb'er we couldn't miss out on, and we didn't. we was better then, not only katoa, but every other lb'er i was last year.

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Posted by craigoscarson - 2008/03/17 18:07

Man, I've been out of Utah for a while now (last time i thought of Dixie, it was Scott Young coming to the Y). He could always go on a mission and go anywhere he wanted afterwards; but if he's going to Dixie, you'd assume he's staying...otherwise why not JUCO then D1?

Apparently Dixie isn't that good either.

<http://dixieathletics.com/teams/football/schedule.cfm>

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Thanks for the clarification, I thought I was going nuts when they said it was 4 yr non juco football.

Although that schedule above would appear that they're playing non-juco teams so?

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