

Could Pryor Be Headed North?

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Controversial Ohio State quarterback Terrelle Pryor was given an opportunity to continue his playing career on Wednesday.

Pryor, who will forgo his senior year with the Buckeyes, has been placed on the Saskatchewan Roughriders' negotiation list, which gives them exclusive rights to negotiate a possible deal with the star quarterback. On Monday, Pryor announced he would forego his senior year at Ohio State. The NCAA suspended Pryor and four of his teammates for the first five games of the 2011 season for accepting improper benefits. Pryor's departure also comes just over a week after Jim Tressel stepped down as Buckeyes coach.

Pryor, who stands 6-foot-3 and weighs 233 pounds, has made himself available for the NFL Supplemental Draft, but with the current lockout, he finds himself in limbo. His options at the moment are to sit out the year, and make himself available for the NFL draft in 2012, or he could sign with the Roughriders or a team in the United Football League this season. And according to his attorney, Larry James, Pryor will consider the possibility of playing in Canada this season. James is serving as Pryor's legal advisor. Pryor has not yet signed with an agent.

Pryor enjoyed a stellar career at Ohio State. He was 31-4 as Ohio State's starting quarterback, he threw for 6,177 yards and he ran for 2,164 yards, which is a school record for quarterbacks. Pryor also led the Buckeyes to three Big Ten championships.