



2021 TIGHT END HAYDEN CONNER IMPRESSED BY LSU

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Sometimes in the world of sports, age doesn't matter, and for sixth grader Hayden Conner, he put that on full display last week when he was a standout at LSU's high school camp.

Conner is a 6'3, 236 pound tight end from Katy, Texas for the class of 2021. Possessing exceptional size and athleticism for someone his age, Conner set out east to Baton Rouge to show the members of the LSU coaching staff what he was all about.

"It was a great experience, that's number one," Conner said. "I learned a lot, I got to talk to Coach (Les) Miles a little bit. He gave me some feedback on how I was doing."

It was a high school camp, but that didn't stop Conner from standing out as a middle school athlete.

"I got moved up to the senior group when I started off with the freshman group," Conner said. "It was a really good experience for me, and I thought I did really good."

Conner got a chance to perform in various drills throughout the camp, competing with some of the top high school prospects around the area. He felt that he did a good job, and the coaches provided him with some positive feedback and instruction.

"I think I did really good in the drills. I think I was one of the fastest out of everybody," Conner said. "They said that I need to continue to work on my catching and my release off the ball. They said that was one of my weakest things."

Of all the people Conner got a chance to speak with, one of them stood out the most – LSU head coach Les Miles.

Miles, who has made LSU one of the most successful programs in the country, spoke with Conner and made sure to let him know that he has his eye on him.

"It was good. He said that I was doing really good for my age when I was there," Conner said. "He said that he was going to keep an eye on me the entire time moving forward."

Speaking of LSU, Conner did mention that the school definitely caught his attention. With the winning tradition and recent national success they've had, it has become a possible future destination for the tight end.

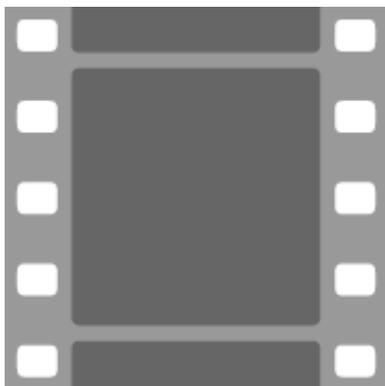


"There were really nice people there, and they have a good tradition, too," Conner said. "That would be a place I would want to go to when I get older."

As for the rest of the summer, Conner said he is going to try to get to a few more collegiate camps around the country. He mentioned Texas A&M, Alabama, and Arizona State as places he would like to get to.

Along with visiting those camps, he's got FBU Houston and the Texas state 7-on-7 tournament, where his team is looking to repeat as champions. He will also spend a lot of time working on his game, as he tries to get ready for the upcoming football season.

"I'm trying to become an all-around good player. I'm always working on my game," Conner said. "I hope to get stronger, start lifting more, get more flexible, which is one thing I really need to work on. Just keep on becoming a better athlete every single year."



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