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### **Desert Mountain's Easton Wahlstrom makes early pledge**

It didn't take long for Scottsdale (Az.) Desert Mountain long snapper [Easton Wahlstrom](#) to make his verbal commitment once he received his first scholarship offer. DM head coach Tony Tabor says, "Easton committed to [Arizona State](#). He is all set to graduate early and enroll midyear."

Wahlstrom comments on his commitment, "I was born in Scottsdale, I grew up here and I am a Sun Devil fan. My brothers went there and it's my school and always has been. The main reason I committed is I have been recruited by several other major schools including BYU, Tulsa, Fresno St, Utah, Houston, NAU and Michigan State, was at their camps this summer, except Michigan State, and ASU and the PAC 12 is just really awesome and I have a good idea how it compares to other top schools."

He continues, "Both Coach Erickson and Coach Bryce Erickson have taken a great personal interest in me, made it really clear I would be the snapper heading into the spring as everyone is graduating and that they consider me one of the top guys in the country. It is the best opportunity to play right away, I can come in for spring and get to work early, the coaches are awesome and the school is ready to be a top 15 school every year the way Coach Erickson is recruiting and building it. The academic support is great and I just know this is for me."

"It looks like I committed quickly but long snappers and specialist offers and opportunities are different than other positions, even the best guys might only get one or two offers. I have been talking to ASU since early June so this has been an on going process. I have a great high school coach in Tony Tabor and a top long snapping Coach in Ben Bernard who both have a lot of experience and they stressed finding the right opportunity to play where they really want me and to not play the game of trying to stack up a lot of offers. ASU has everything I want, I have a full load academically to get ready to enroll in January and I want to get my high school back to the playoffs this year, so I didn't want to be worrying about recruiting this fall. They are the right school for me and they have told me I am the right snapper for them, I want to be on campus in January, so why wait. They will work out in a few weeks which class they slot me in, but I trust them and my dad to work out those details. I just know I am going to be a Sun Devil and work to make ASU's special teams the best in the country and get ASU to the Rose Bowl."

Here is long snapper guru Chris Rubio's take on Wahlstrom:

**"Easton is a long snapper that shows good speed and accuracy with a terrific frame. Would love to see him use his entire frame by raising up his stance a bit. He is so low that it is hard for him to get through the process of the snap. Also, he needs to bring his arms in a bit which will be easy once he raises up. So far extended with his reach that it is difficult for him to get all the way through and tends to lead to him falling forward after the snap instead of sitting back down and getting ready to block. Good potential due to his size and strength."**

**Kohl's kicking says this about Wahlstrom, "Easton has good size and snaps the ball with tremendous force. Has very good accuracy and has worked hard to become the polished snapper that he is today. Easton has very good mechanics and is a strong young man that loves to work and enjoys the payoffs."**