

No clear leader in Steelers backup QB battle as all three impress

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PITTSBURGH — If only Mike McCarthy graded on production, then Drew Allar would be in for smooth sailing when the Pittsburgh Steelers sit down to dissect their preseason-opening win over Green Bay.

The rookie quarterback, however, is already well-versed in how his head coach's mind works. Yes, McCarthy was pleased after watching Allar throw for a pair of scores and run for another.

Yet the final product on a given play is only a piece of the puzzle. McCarthy is just as fixated on the process it takes to get there, which is why the 22-year-old Allar couldn't help but grin when asked about how his fundamentals are coming along, perhaps knowing the feedback he was going to receive in the aftermath.

"I'll probably get a minus grade on some of my footwork," Allar said. "It was kind of a crazy reverse out under center exchange. Other than that, I felt pretty good."

Just as importantly, he looked pretty good while leading three long scoring drives. The third-round pick was accurate while completing 10 of 13 passes. He frequently made the right decision on where to go with the ball and showcased his athleticism while diving over for a 3-yard touchdown run.

Not bad for his first game action since last fall, when his final year at Penn State ended prematurely with a left ankle injury.

"I feel like the first rushing touchdown I had was the first hit I've had in, I don't know how long, but since mid-October," Allar said. "I feel like that



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Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Drew Allar (16) dives over Green Bay Packers linebacker Kristian Welch into the end zone for a touchdown in the second half of a preseason NFL football game in Pittsburgh on Thursday.

kind of got the physical part out of the way. I feel like going against our defense every day in practice really helped me mentally prepare for the game."

Allar wasn't the only student of McCarthy's "quarterback school" who aced their first test. Will Howard, playing for the first time since leading Ohio State to the College Football Playoff championship in early 2025, had no issues running the two-minute offense. He connected

with tight end Robert Tonyan frequently and didn't panic during a fourth down call near midfield that required him to roll to his left, where he flipped the ball to wide receiver Ben Skowronek for a first down.

The result was great, sure. So was the jolt of confidence felt when Howard heard the play call.

"You're, like, man, 'Coach is throwing the ball on fourth-and-1, and he's putting the ball in my hands,'" he said. "That feels great. I knew they were going to really trigger on that run. I think Aaron (Rodgers) had a little input on getting that play out there, and I appreciate him for that."

Rodgers, watching from the sideline with a

headset on, promised to crack some dad jokes to keep the mood light. The reality is he spent most of the night serving as an experienced resource for Allar, Howard, and Mason Rudolph, as no clear front-runner to win the quarterback derby to serve as Rodgers' backup emerged.

McCarthy appears to be in no hurry to make any sort of decision. Rudolph got the start and settled in after some shaky play by the first-team offensive line early. He consistently found rookie wide receiver Gernie Bernard and did his best to keep plays alive to give the young playmakers around him time to get open.

"Not to be a broken record, I've been talking about it pretty much since the spring ... I really like the room," McCarthy said. "I think it's a really good quarterback room, and I thought they played that way tonight."

The guys behind center weren't the only ones who stood out. Tonyan, who caught 11 touch-

down passes from Rodgers when both were in Green Bay in 2020, finished with four receptions for 61 yards. Bernard caught four passes for 51 yards, and rookie Kaden Wetjen showed his elusiveness on a 74-yard catch-and-run and later pulled in a touchdown pass from Allar.

Sure, it was just an exhibition game, and both sides were more focused on getting through it healthy than on coming up with some elaborate game plan. The scheming will come later.

The preseason opener was mostly just a progress report. Plenty of work remains, but for a first-year coaching staff trying to lay a foundation and for three quarterbacks trying to prove their worth, it was a promising start.

"We have a lot to clean up, but the passing game ... I know the numbers were pretty good," McCarthy said. "I liked the way our quarterbacks ran the offense, and that's a big thing."

The Hopkinsville-Christian County Public Library, established under KRS 65.210, provides library services to citizens in Christian County, Kentucky. In accordance with Chapter 65A and 424 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, the financial records of the Hopkinsville-Christian County Public Library for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 may be inspected at the Hopkinsville-Christian County Public Library, 1101 Bethel St., Hopkinsville, Kentucky during administrative office hours; Monday through Friday 10:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Inquiries should be made to the library director.

Stateline Liquor, LLC mailing address
98 Stateline Road, Oak Grove, KY 42262
Hereby declares intention(s) to apply for a
Quota Retail Package Liquor/Wine, NQ Retail Malt Beverage License no later than **9/30/26**
The business to be licensed will be located at
98 Stateline Road, Oak Grove, Kentucky 42263 doing business as
Stateline Liquor LLC
The owner(s), Principal Officers and Directors: **Limited Partners or Members are as follows:**
Member, Tarnel Rascoe of 1195 Sandstream Ct, Clarksville, Tennessee, 37042

Any person may protest the approval of the license by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control within thirty (30) days of the date of legal publication.

INVITATION TO BID
NOTICE is hereby given that Christian County Fiscal Court will accept sealed bids for a Design to Build Bid for upgrades to the Christian County Animal Shelter.

Sealed bids will be accepted in the Office of the County Judge/Executive, 216 West 7th Street, Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42240, until 2:00 p.m., prevailing time, Wednesday, August 26, 2026. Immediately thereafter, bids will be opened and read aloud publicly at the Office of the County Judge/Executive.

Bidding instructions, specifications, and bid forms may be obtained at the Office of the Christian County Judge/Executive, or Christian County Animal Shelter, 2935 Russellville Road, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, during regular business hours Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Christian County Fiscal Court reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids and to waive all formalities in the bidding process.

The Todd County Extension District Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 25, at 2:00 p.m. at the Todd County Extension Office, 240 Pond River Road, Elkton, KY, for the purpose of obtaining comments from the public regarding proposed FY26 rates. All rates are per \$100 assessed valuation of property.

The tax levied last year was:

Real Property last year was 0.0410 and produced revenue of \$317,858.22.
Personal Property last year was 0.0549 and produced revenue of \$72,059.20.

This year's compensating rates are:

0.0410 Real Property and would produce \$363,100.41 revenue.
0.0579 Personal Property and would produce \$79,260.78 revenue.

The County Extension District Board proposes tax rates of:

0.0420 Real Property and would produce \$371,956.52 revenue.
0.0593 Personal Property and would produce \$81,177.28 revenue.

Additional revenue generated will be used for building loan repayment and funding personnel positions of the Extension District.

General Assembly has required publication of this advertisement and the information contained therein.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMISSIONER'S SALE NOTICE

PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, against Lee Porter, as Executor for the Estate of Nellie Ruth Porter, AKA Nellie Porter, AKA Ruth Porter, et al., Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO. 25-CI-01038

BY VIRTUE of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Christian Circuit Court, rendered on May 12, 2026 in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the **OFFICE OF THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY MASTER COMMISSIONER, LEE M. HARTON**, at 1606 SOUTH MAIN STREET, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, to the highest bidder at **PUBLIC AUCTION** on Monday, August 24, 2026, at or about the hour of 11:00 a.m., upon a credit of 10% of the sale price on day of sale, balance in 30 days, the real estate located at 309 East Nashville Street, Pembroke, Kentucky, and described with particularity in Deed Book 462, Page 535, Office of the Christian County Clerk.

The judgment in this case is for approximately \$ 85,800.00 for the balance of the purchase price, the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing interest at 4.34% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. This sale is subject to all *ad valorem* taxes for 2026, *et seq*.

Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Manley Law Firm, LLC.
Columbus, OH.
Counsel for Plaintiff

LEE M HARTON
MASTER COMMISSIONER
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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Sale was this day served by United States mail, postage prepaid, to all parties not in default for failure to appear in accordance with CR 53.02 and 53.02(1).

Dated this ____ day of ____, 2026.

/s/ Lee M. Harton
LEE M. HARTON

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMISSIONER'S SALE NOTICE

CITY OF HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY, a Municipal Corporation of the Home Rule Class, Plaintiff, Against Sands M. Chewning, Executor of the Estate of Gay Nell Rittenberry, et al., Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO. 26-CI-00194

BY VIRTUE of an Amended Judgment and Order of Sale of the Christian Circuit Court, rendered on July 23, 2026 in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the **OFFICE OF THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY MASTER COMMISSIONER, LEE M. HARTON**, at 1606 SOUTH MAIN STREET, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, to the highest bidder at **PUBLIC AUCTION** on Monday, August 24, 2026, at or about the hour of 11:00 a.m., upon a credit of 10% of the sale price on day of sale, balance in 30 days, the real estate located at 1723 South Main Street, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and described with particularity in Deed Book 390, Page 262, Office of the Christian County Clerk.

The judgment in this case is for approximately \$ 12,000.00 for the balance of the purchase price, the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing interest at 6% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. This sale is subject to all *ad valorem* taxes for 2026, *et seq*.

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H. Douglas Willen
Hopkinsville, KY.
Counsel for Plaintiff

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMISSIONER'S SALE NOTICE

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff, against Anthony W. Long, as Possible Heir to William A. Long, et al., Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO. 25-CI-00473

BY VIRTUE of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Christian Circuit Court, rendered on July 15, 2026 in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the **OFFICE OF THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY MASTER COMMISSIONER, LEE M. HARTON**, at 1606 SOUTH MAIN STREET, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, to the highest bidder at **PUBLIC AUCTION** on Monday, August 24, 2026, at or about the hour of 11:00 a.m., upon a credit of 10% of the sale price on day of sale, balance in 30 days, the real estate located at 420 Millbrooke Drive, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and described with particularity in Deed Book 680, Page 676, Office of the Christian County Clerk.

The judgment in this case is for approximately \$ 80,100.00 for the balance of the purchase price, the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing interest at 4% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. This sale is subject to all *ad valorem* taxes for 2026, *et seq*.

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/s/ Lee M. Harton
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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMISSIONER'S SALE NOTICE

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff, against Tiffany Warrington AKA Tiffany Patterson, et al., Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO. 25-CI-00879

BY VIRTUE of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Christian Circuit Court, rendered on July 7, 2026 in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the **OFFICE OF THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY MASTER COMMISSIONER, LEE M. HARTON**, at 1606 SOUTH MAIN STREET, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, to the highest bidder at **PUBLIC AUCTION** on Monday, August 24, 2026, at or about the hour of 11:00 a.m., upon a credit of 10% of the sale price on day of sale, balance in 30 days, the real estate located at 3805 Bahama Drive, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and described with particularity in Deed Book 792, Page 437, Office of the Christian County Clerk.

The judgment in this case is for approximately \$ 250,000.00 for the balance of the purchase price, the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing interest at 5.50000% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. This sale is subject to all *ad valorem* taxes for 2026, *et seq*.

Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Tiffany & Bosco, P.A.
Newport, KY.
Counsel for Plaintiff

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