



TYLER MATAKEVICH

LINEBACKER

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5th YEAR



DECEMBER 22, 1992 (AGE 27)



EAST HAVEN, CT



ST. JOSEPH HS



TEMPLE



FREE AGENT: 2020

SHOUTOUTS

- Recorded his first kickoff return when he returned an onside kick, which he returned for two yards vs. NE (11/1/20). He also recorded two special teams tackles.
- Tied for the NFL lead in 2019 with 16 tackles on special teams. He appeared in all 16 games and also had 14 tackles on defense.
- Played in all 16 games in 2018 and had 10 tackles on special teams. Also contributed on defense with 15 tackles.
- In 2017, played in 15 games during the regular season and led the Steelers' special teams unit in tackling with 14 tackles including two deflected punts.
- In 2016, played in all 16 games during the regular season and recorded a team-best 12 special teams tackles during the regular season.
- Named 2015 Consensus All-American and AAC Defensive Player of the Year. He was also awarded both the Bronko Nagurski Trophy and Chuck Bednarik Award in 2015.
- He ended his collegiate career as Temple's all-time leading tackler with 493 tackles.



FIRST-AND-10

TYLER MATAKEVICH enters his first season with the Bills after spending the first four seasons of his career in Pittsburgh (2016-19). He was drafted in the seventh round (246th overall) of the 2016 NFL Draft by the Steelers.

IF YOU HAVEN'T 'HERD'

SHOW YOUR SOFT SIDE

Off the football field, one of Matakevich's biggest passions is hanging out with his dog, Bailey. That passion extends to Matakevich working with animal adoption campaigns and supporting Show Your Soft Side.

Per the organization's website, Show Your Soft Side is a public service campaign that was created to change the mindset of young people who all-too-often view the maiming and torturing of defenseless cats and dogs as a sign of "toughness" or "manhood." They uses athletes and actors to spread the message that compassion toward animals is a sign of strength, not weakness.

Matakevich appeared in advertisements with his dog Bailey along with the message, "Only a punk would hurt a cat or dog."

Matakevich adopted Bailey when he first became involved with the organization and did a photoshoot in Philadelphia in 2016 with Bailey and four other 8-week-old puppies in need of a home.

PERSONAL

The son of David and Kim Matakevich, Tyler as an older sister named Ashley. He earned a degree in adult and organizational development from Temple.



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TYLER MATAKEVICH'S NFL REGULAR SEASON DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

DATE	TEAM	GP	TACKLES								INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			ST				MISC			
			GS	TK	S	A	TFL	YDS	SK	YDS	QBH	NO	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	TK	S	A	FF	FR	S	A
2016	Steelers	16	0	8	6	2	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	10	2	0	0	0	0
2017	Steelers	15	0	9	7	2	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	14	11	3	0	0	0	0	
2018	Steelers	16	1	6	3	3	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	9	1	0	0	0	0	
2019	Steelers	16	0	2	2	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	14	2	0	0	0	0	
2020	Bills	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	2	5	0	0	0	0	
TOTALS		74	1	25	18	7	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	59	46	13	0	0	0	0	

TYLER MATAKEVICH'S NFL POSTSEASON DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

DATE	TEAM	GP	TACKLES								INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			ST				MISC		
			GS	TK	S	A	TFL	YDS	SK	YDS	QBH	NO	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	TK	S	A	FF	FR	S
2016	Steelers	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
2017	Steelers	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0

SINGLE-GAME HIGHS: DEFENSIVE

Total Tackles 8 at Miami Dolphins, Oct 16, 2016
Passes Defensed 1 vs. Minnesota Vikings, Sep 17, 2017

Special Teams Tackles 3 at Cleveland Browns, Sep 09, 2018

2020 GAME-BY-GAME REGULAR SEASON STATISTICS (BILLS)

DATE	OPP	P/S	TACKLES								INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			ST				MISC		W/L	SCORE	
			TK	S	A	SK	YDS	TFL	YDS	QBH	NO	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	TK	S	A	FF	FR	S			A
09/13	Jets	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	27-17
09/20	at Dolphins	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	31-28
09/27	Rams	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	35-32
10/04	at Raiders	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	W	30-23
10/13	at Titans	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	16-42
10/19	Chiefs	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	L	17-26
10/25	at Jets	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	W	18-10
11/01	Patriots	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	W	24-21
11/08	Seahawks	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	44-34
11/15	at Cardinals	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	30-32
11/29	Chargers	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	W	27-17
2020 TOTALS		11-0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	8-3	