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There is no doubt that Notre Dame has done a terrific job attaining some great depth at the offensive line position, especially in the class of 2013 with five of the top offensive linemen in the nation committing to them.

With recruiting just getting on the way for the class of 2014, the Irish will be looking to add a couple more trench warriors to that list and have already offered a couple of the top juniors in the country. DeMatha (Hyattsville, Md.) big man [Brock Ruble](#) hopes they'll look his way as they continue their search.

“Even though I don't know too much about them at this point, I would still definitely be interested in Notre Dame,” said Ruble. “I've liked what I've seen from watching them on TV. They play as a team, they play really tough and they never give up. They've beaten teams by a lot, but they can gut it out also like we saw in the Pittsburgh and Stanford game. They're a great team and I would definitely be interested in Notre Dame.”

The 6-foot-9, 310-pound behemoth has already begun attracting the attention of a number of East Coast schools with his play on the field and work in the classroom.

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“Right now I'm sitting at five offers from Connecticut, North Carolina State, Pittsburgh, Rutgers and Virginia Tech,” he shared. “I've also been hearing from a number of other schools like Temple, Penn State, West Virginia and Wisconsin.”

Even with recruiting picking up for him the way it has, it really has been the last thing on the DeMatha standout's mind.

“I haven't started thinking about it a whole lot yet,” admitted the talented junior. “I'm just trying to put my head down and work as hard as I can to improve my game. Being in the playoffs you really just try to concentrate on that and then you can sort out recruiting after the season's done.”

What exactly could a college program expect out of Ruble, on the gridiron, if he would decide to choose their institution?

“That's a really hard question for me because I feel I do a lot of things well,” stated the Maryland standout. “Obviously I'm pretty big and I have good feet when I'm pass blocking. I'd say I'm more of a physical-style player in the type offense we run which includes the power and the Iso.

“I believe as an offensive lineman, you can never stop getting stronger. You can always work on your foot work and getting better. This is my first year on varsity, so I'm still trying to figure out our offense completely.”

This past weekend, DeMatha's season came to an end to the top team in the state of Maryland, which is Our Lady of Good Counsel, by the score of 26-14.

Though he hated to see his season come to an end, Ruble is now ready to start taking a look at the recruiting process and hopes to see the Irish come calling in the near future.

“I'd really like to hear from them and if Notre Dame decided to recruit me, it would definitely be a

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school I would probably visit.”