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[Melvin Keihn](#) has more offers than he count at this point, but that doesn't mean the 2014 Maryland defensive end/linebacker isn't hungry for more because he certainly is.

The 6-foot-3, 225-pounder from Baltimore's Gilman School currently has offers from schools like Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, Virginia Tech, North Carolina, Miami and Boston College among others.

Keihn understands the importance of his junior year, especially in the classroom, so he isn't really keeping track of who has and who hasn't offered yet, but he does know who's been showing interest. Notre Dame is one of the programs that is definitely interested.

"They have shown a lot of interest," Keihn said of the Irish. "I want to say they've offered me, but I'm not positive yet. I know the coaches came during our practice during the season. They are really, really interested in me and the coaching staff really likes me. I think that's going to be my next scholarship offer if they haven't offered me yet."

What Keihn knows about Notre Dame at this point, interests him.

"Of course, it's a great academic school," he said. "I know Notre Dame for having great

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academics and of course this year, they're having a great, tremendous year. Watching them this year, playing some of these games, it just shows hard they work and the coaching the coaches give to the kids."

Academics will be a key part of Keihn's ultimate decision.

"For every kid, the number one thing should be academics," said Keihn. "Of course every kid's dream is to go on to the next level and then to the next level. In this case, playing in college and going to the NFL is my dream, but number one, I want to have a good education."

Keihn already has an idea of what he wants to study after high school.

"Engineering is the kind of thing I want to do when I get to college," he said.

Keihn has already taken visits to Maryland and West Virginia and would like to visit Notre Dame eventually, but doesn't have anything scheduled.

"I'm not sure when yet. Right now, I want to focus on my junior year."