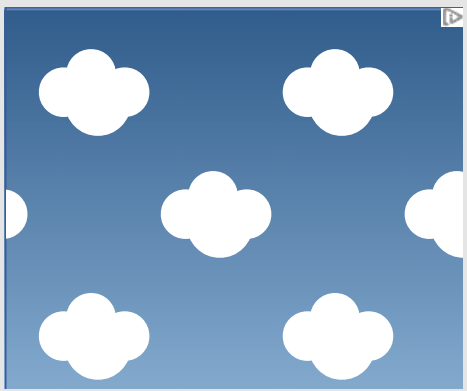


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Beavers add JUCO receiver

 **ANGIE MACHADO**
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Mesa (Arizona) Mesa Community College wide receiver Dionte Sykes received an offer from Oregon State less than 24 hours ago. He didn't wait long to make his decision.





Dionte Sykes

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The Beavers are in need of some playmakers on offense and on Thursday afternoon, the added a 6-foot-4, 213 pound receiver from Mesa Community College in **Dionte Sykes**. It has been a quick recruitment for the former Chandler (Arizona) Chandler prospect. Oregon State extended the offer less than 24 hours prior to him ultimately making his commitment to play for the orange and black.

For Sykes, it was an easy decision for many reasons and he has a long standing relationship with Coach McGiven.

"Well my sophomore year of high school I transferred to Chandler High to play with one of my best friends, **Darell Garretson**, and Coach McGiven was always on me hard throughout my recruitment in high school and in junior college," Sykes told BeaverBlitz. He is a great coach and I know him and Coach Andersen are guys I can trust to make me a better man and football player."

He as spent the off-seasons training with Garretson, so the two already have an on the field bond as well. Sykes was also teammates with current Beaver Mason Moran and is excited to get back together with his former Chandler teammates.

"All of us Chandler guys like **T.J. Green** are all really close and have been together for awhile," he added.

Sykes also is a legacy player. His mother and father both attended Oregon State. His dad Kelron played for the Beavers in 1999.

"My parents are super excited," he said. "All of my mom's side of the family still lives in Oregon so it'll be great to go play in front of them."

So far this season Sykes has 356 yards and nine touchdowns for Mesa. He has two years to

play two and plans to join the team in May.



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