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Tiger Football Alum Selected By Steelers

Moon Area High School Class of 2004 graduate and Penn State University graduate A.Q. Shipley will join his childhood heroes in the black and gold this NFL season as he was drafted by the Pittsburgh Steelers in the seventh-round and 226th choice overall yesterday.

His selection follows a stellar senior season for the Nittany Lions where Shipley was awarded 2008 Rimington Trophy winner honoring his performance as the best center in college football and named to the 2008 Walter Camp Foundation All-America team.

At Penn State, Shipley started 26 games for the Nittany Lions since his switch to center in 2006. He was named an offensive co-captain by his teammates for the 2008 season along with many other honors including 2007 First Team All-Big Ten center and ESPN.com All-Bowl team for his performance in Penn State's Alamo Bowl win over Texas A&M.

While at Moon, Shipley was named to the 2003 PIAA All-State First Team, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette Fab 22 and Parkway All-Conference First Team as offensive and defensive lineman during his senior year.

Shipley graduated in December with a degree in labor and industrial relations.

Check out some A.Q. news stories from around the state.

- [“The Hometown Kid: Steelers Draft PSU's Shipley in 7th Round”](#) - Altoona Mirror
- [“Steelers Find Depth in the Draft”](#) – Johnstown Tribune-Democrat
- [“Draft, Day Two: Steelers Take Moon's Shipley”](#) – Beaver County Times
- [“Three WPIAL Alums Drafted on Second Day”](#) – Pittsburgh Tribune-Review