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2014 Doak Walker Award Semifinalists Announced

DALLAS, TEXAS – The PwC SMU Athletic Forum Board of Directors announced today the ten semifinalists for the 2014 Doak Walker Award. The semifinalists (in alphabetical order) are:

Ameer Abdullah (Sr.)	Nebraska	Tevin Coleman (Jr.)	Indiana
Jay Ajayi (Jr.)	Boise State	James Conner (So.)	Pittsburgh
Javorius Allen (Jr.)	USC	Melvin Gordon (Jr.)	Wisconsin
Cameron Artis-Payne (Sr.)	Auburn	Devon Johnson (Jr.)	Marshall
Matt Breida (So.)	Georgia Southern	Duke Johnson (Jr.)	Miami

Members of the Doak Walker Award National Selection Committee will cast their votes to determine the 2014 finalists. On Tuesday, November 25, three finalists will be named. A second vote by the Doak Walker Award National Selection Committee will determine the recipient. The 2014 Doak Walker Award recipient will be announced live on *The Home Depot College Football Awards* on Thursday, December 11, on ESPN.

The Award is named after three-time SMU All-America running back and 1948 Heisman Trophy winner Doak Walker. Walker, who also punted, returned kicks and kicked extra points, led the Mustangs to two Southwest Conference Championships. He was drafted by the Detroit Lions and led the league in scoring his rookie year. During his six years with the Lions, he led the team to two NFL championships and was chosen All-Pro four times. Walker is a member of both the College and Pro Football Halls of Fame.

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