

JOE SANDERS

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Ready 2 Break Out

Campus Press: As a Tennessee native, how different is Boulder from your hometown of Nashville?
Joe Sanders: Boulder is definitely smaller and has different kinds of people than we had back home. There are some eccentric people here, but that's good because I came out here for something different.

CP: You redshirted your freshman year due to a shoulder injury. Will you be ready to play in the fall?

JS: Definitely. I'm excited to get back on the field.

CP: You played both tight end and linebacker in high school. Do you miss playing linebacker at CU?

JS: Actually, they just moved me to linebacker because our middle linebacker has a fractured foot. It is possible that I will be playing both positions next season.

CP: In high school basketball, you averaged 13 points, 8 rebounds and 3 assists per game. Are you sure you're playing the right sport?

JS: I talked to coach Patton on my recruiting visit, and he wanted Chris (Russell) and I to walk-on. It's still a possibility that we could play.

CP: How often do you go back to Tennessee?

JS: It's hard to get back home because of football, but I was there for Christmas and will go back for a week in May. Boulder is my home now.

CP: I hear CU students senior Samantha Blake and sophomore Summer Moore are starting a Joe Sanders fan club. How do you feel about that?

JS: I love it. There should be more support.

CP: As a young boy, you acted in a few commercials and a made-for-TV movie. Have you acted in anything lately?

JS: The (Miss Goldie's) chicken commercial was more fun than the movie. The last time I acted was for a motocross advertisement my freshman year of high school.

CP: When will your jersey be ready for purchase?

JS: You can actually get it on eBay now, but look for it in two years in the book store.

CP: Do you have an end zone victory dance?

JS: I didn't have one, but now I'm going with the Terrell Owens pompon dance.

CP: What's your favorite post-game snack?

JS: Chinese food.

CP: Are you really friends with the guys in Nappy Roots?

JS: Two of the guys grew up next to my grandma in Louisville, Ky., and another recorded with some guys from my high school. So, yes, I knew three of the guys from Nappy Roots.

CP: What do you love most about football?

JS: It's a violent, contact sport that's paying for my college education.

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