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NICO COLLINS: I feel like it's going good. I'm out here trying to get better every day. Learning from the vets. Just having fun every day.

Q. What has been the most challenging part of the transition to this level?

NICO COLLINS: I'd say just the speed. Everybody's good. In the NFL, everybody is good. Just coming out here to camp, competing with the best. I feel like that's good for me to get up to speed. Just to get in really well with the camp and with the team. Like I said, everything is going well, having fun.

Q. Who have you leaned on so far?

NICO COLLINS: Just pretty much everybody in my position group. Chris Conley, Brandin Cooks, just leaning on him every day, asking him for tips, soaking up their mind. Do whatever I can to improve my game on the field because they have a lot of experience. I ask them every day just ways I can do to get better. They're right there by my side just helping me.

Q. David Culley was saying he wants you to stack days and be consistent. Would you agree with that assessment so far?

NICO COLLINS: Every day I'm coming to stack days. That's my plan. That's my goal. Just come out here and get better each and every day. Learn from the day before and practice on the things I feel like I need to work on. That's what I do.

Q. How do you feel about Davis Mills so far in this camp?

NICO COLLINS: He's coming out every day and competing. Stacking days, just like we all are. Just coming out here trying to learn, just trying to fit everything in to come out here and have a great camp.



Q. What do you think he brings to the offense?

NICO COLLINS: A lot. He has a great skill set, just like the rest of the quarterbacks. I feel like he's going to be a great player.

Q. Do you talk outside of practice?

NICO COLLINS: We talk all the time, man. Yeah, cool, chill guy. Outside of football, we just chill. We're just chilling, talking about anything. Just like that.

Q. When you go back and watch the film, what do you think you do need to work on?

NICO COLLINS: Just everything. There's always room to improve in my game. That's what I do every day. Every day I feel like it's an opportunity to come out here and work on the things I feel like I need to work on.

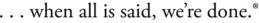
Q. Does anything surprise you about your game translating to this level?

NICO COLLINS: Just coming out here to compete. Great DBs, great defensive backs. Come out here to catch up speed with them. So I feel like that's one thing I've got to improve on, just straight behind. They get me better, I'm getting them better. I ask them what they feel like I need to work on, and they tell me. So that's what I try to improve on.

Q. What do you think you would like to accomplish in your first game?

NICO COLLINS: I feel like the first NFL game is everybody's dream. I'm going out there prepared, great camp. So I'm going out there just working on things I've been working on through camp. Go out there and have fun. First NFL preseason game. It's a big dream. It's a blessing, sure. Just taking advantage of every opportunity I get.

Q. When you look at yourself and like your size and what you bring and you look at the rest of the wide





receiver group, like how do you think -- you know, assess how you guys play off of each other and open things up with each other?

NICO COLLINS: I'm a big receiver, different from Cooks. He's a slot, shifty. We all learn a receiver. It's a receiver thing. I take tips from him, like footwork, releases, and things like that. So there's always room to get better in my game. So I nitpick Cooks' brain, just small things all around to become a better receiver.

Q. What are some of the small things that you've done for yourself so far?

NICO COLLINS: Just the film study, hang with the best a little bit. I watch film, just whatever, to up my level and get prepared for the season.

Q. What have you learned from Bradley Roby aside from he went to Ohio State? What do you learn from Bradley Roby?

NICO COLLINS: He give me a hard time every day. But it's all good. We're out here competing every day. He gets me better. I get him better. We take every rep serious and that's iron shaping iron.

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