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Louisville Cardinals Tyler Shough

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THE MODERATOR: Questions for Tyler.

Q. As coach said, you have one more season. Obviously you want to end on a high note. Why Louisville? Why was that the fit that made sense after Texas Tech?

TYLER SHOUGH: I think for me it was being able to play under coach Jeff Brohm, Brian Brohm, their pedigree with quarterbacks in the past, and being able to put them in the league and keep them in the league. Their offensive system being a little more complex, putting a lot on my plate. We run a lot of different formations, personnel groups. I think that was really attractive to me to come in there and contribute to the team with a high standard.

There was no doubt in my mind this was the place to be.

Q. From Oregon to Texas Tech and now to Louisville, what has been the differences of culture between the three schools?

TYLER SHOUGH: I think for Louisville, especially the whole city, I think there's just a lot of avenues that you can grow, the community is so vast, a lot of really good people. I think Lubbock, Eugene, smaller college towns, have its own benefits.

Here the networking opportunities on the coaching staff, they're all from here, have a lot of pride in this place, what they bring to the table. I think there's a lot of pride in the whole city. You want to go out there and play well for them and do everything that you can.

So far it's been great. We've loved living here. There's a lot of good things to do, good food spots, places to go out and spend time with your teammates.

I have no complaints so far.

Q. Can we talk about Jack Plummer? You grow up

playing 10 miles from each other. A lot of the coaches that fly out to see you are flying out to see him as well. You spent time in the Pac-12, middle of the country, now you're following him at Louisville. Is this a coincidence?

TYLER SHOUGH: Yeah, we've developed a relationship over the years just through quarterback play, obviously being from Arizona, then transferring as well. He was a big part of my process for me coming here, just knowing about the team, knowing about the coaches. Him and Jawhar. It's kind of a full-circle moment being able to come here and trying to recruit Jawhar back, being able to come play for the same team they were on, with a lot of the same guys.

He did such a great job last year putting them in positions to be successful. Obviously they wanted to finish the year stronger. Watching him on tape, what they were able to do, it's helped me develop in this offense, see how we can grow and continue to get better. Obviously wish him nothing but the best going forward in his NFL career. He's going to do really well because of the coaching he's had and who he is.

Q. You've had some injury issues in the past. Frustrating. What do you learn about yourself as a player when you're out from time to time?

TYLER SHOUGH: Yeah, I think it develops your character, really what you're playing the game for. For me, I wouldn't change anything because it's put a chip on my shoulder, want to go out there and prove myself, what I can do. It's part of the game. I don't think anybody is immune to a season-ending injury. It's how do you respond from that.

A player that has had success throughout their whole career, how long does that last, what are you going to do when something bad happens, and how do you bounce back from that, and prove to NFL GMs and your coaches that you are going to be the main guy, you are going to be in there every single day no matter what is happening, how you are going to lead the team and go forward from there.



I've taken that as a growing opportunity. It's a blessing in disguise to come here for my last year, put out all out on the field. I couldn't be more excited to silence that and prove myself right just because I know what I can do, what this team can do. With the amount of talent, coaches and players that we have, it's going to be a lot of fun.

Q. From multiple different schools to now ending the journey in Louisville, what do you want to see from yourself, to deem this a successful last season?

TYLER SHOUGH: I think for me team success brings individual success. If we can go out there and win an ACC championship, get in the Playoff, win a national championship, like Coach Brohm was saying, having those high standards of goals, I think that's going to hopefully bring some individual success as well.

I think for me staying healthy and being able to be there for my teammates every single day has been a goal of mine. I think everything else is going to take care of itself and it's all going to work out the way it's supposed to.

Q. I understand that you grew up with Cody Bellinger and his brother.

TYLER SHOUGH: He's obviously doing his own thing, Instagram. He has his own family. He's killing it so far.

There's some times where I wish I would be still be playing baseball, trying to play multiple sports. Yeah, they're obviously killing it, doing everything they can.

Q. We've talked about your relationship with Jeff Brohm, his experience working with quarterbacks. What is it like learning from him?

TYLER SHOUGH: They've been some of my favorite coaches because they played the position, been behind the facemask. When we're watching film, it's not like, You should have done this better, this is the look. It's like, I would have thrown this, I see this coverage as this. They offer a unique perspective to where they played it, they've done it at a high level in college and the NFL.

They can offer insight to maybe, This could be a better way to do it, this drop would be better with this concept, but maybe you like this better.

They offer just a lot of really good tidbits. For me just being able to continue to learn from them and grow is why I wanted to come here and why I want to continue to get better under them.

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