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Sterling Shepard

Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: We'll jump into questions.

Q. It's been announced that we'll be having a full stadium, 100% of its capacity. No mask if you are fully vaccinated. How do you feel about it?

STERLING SHEPARD: I feel great about it. I mean, I missed the fans a lot. Last season was a little weird playing without them. Happy to get them back in the stands, cheering us on.

Q. Shep, do you think it hinders an offense's chemistry at all that everybody who you'd be working with come the fall isn't here at this time? I know it's voluntary. Do you think it's important that guys should be here, especially guys new to the team?

STERLING SHEPARD: No, like you said it's voluntary. I'm confident that everybody is getting the work they need right now. No, I don't feel like it does.

Q. Sterling, one of the guys that's not out there is Kenny. Have you had a chance to interact with him? What do you think he's going to add to the offense?

STERLING SHEPARD: Yeah, he's a big body guy, someone that can stretch the field, something that we need as an offense.

If you have any questions who is here and who is not here, you can take that up with Coach Judge.

Q. How excited are you to see all the additions that have been added to the offense, looking forward to see all you guys being together on the field at once?

STERLING SHEPARD: Yeah, I mean, super excited about it. Like I said in a previous interview, we're adding play-makers to this offense. That's something that we needed. We needed guys you can get the ball to and they can make something special happen after the catch. I'm really happy about the additions.



Q. Why the number change?

STERLING SHEPARD: Yeah, something that means a lot to me. It's been a number that I've been since I was a little kid, after my father passed. He wore No. 3 in college. That's something that meant a lot to me, a lot to his teammates. I wanted to carry that on.

When I came into the league, you couldn't get single digits. Whenever the rule changed, I was happy to grab that.

Q. As far as your training this off-season, trying to stay healthy, have you done anything different to get ready?

STERLING SHEPARD: No.

Q. How excited are you in general looking forward to the fall, looking forward to being with these guys? Do you think Giants fans have something to look forward to?

STERLING SHEPARD: Yeah, for sure. I mean, like I said earlier, I'm super excited about the additions. I can't wait to see those guys get out there and get to running around. I got to run around with KG a little bit. The way he plucks the ball is something special. Can't wait to get out there on Sundays with him, get going.

THE MODERATOR: Thank you.

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