

# NBA Draft

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## Jordan Hawkins



### Q. Talk about what you'll bring to the Pelicans.

JORDAN HAWKINS: You're going to get the best shooter in the draft, championship player, a guy that can space the floor out for Zion and Bl.

### Q. I saw you outside kind of celebrating. I think I heard was it your cousin Angel (Reese) on the phone?

JORDAN HAWKINS: Yeah.

### Q. What did she say to you?

JORDAN HAWKINS: She's in Baton Rouge. She was really happy for me. She was giving me congratulations. So it's pretty cool we're going to be in the same state.

### Q. Did you work out for New Orleans and did you have a feeling they might pick you?

JORDAN HAWKINS: Yeah, I did work out with them. It was one of my better workouts. I had no clue really where I was going to go. A couple of the teams passed up on me that I worked out for, but they took the chance on me.

### Q. Can you walk me through your emotions of hearing your name called and being with your family and getting up there? What are you going through right now?

JORDAN HAWKINS: A whole bunch of emotions. I told somebody I wasn't going to cry, but I wimped out. It was a really cool experience.

### Q. What was the first thing Coach Hurley said to you when you got picked, and what has he really meant to you?

JORDAN HAWKINS: He's meant everything to me. Just said he loved me. I love that guy to death. Without him, none of this is possible. He helped me so much through my career, the two years I was with him. I'm really grateful for him.

### Q. How cool is it to get in the lottery and get your banner up on the wall there?

JORDAN HAWKINS: They're going to have to see my face every single day. That's going to be lovely.

### Q. I know you said you have family in Baton Rouge, but how familiar are you with the city? Have you been to New Orleans?

JORDAN HAWKINS: I was there for one of my workouts. I was only there for two days, but it's an amazing city. I heard the food is really, really good.

### Q. Did you get a chance to go to any jazz clubs?

JORDAN HAWKINS: I didn't get the chance to. I was kind of sick when I was up there, too. I didn't leave my hotel room. I'm probably going to gain a couple of pounds because of the food. So that will be a good thing.

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