## PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

		2020 NF	L Draft Re	esults					
Fanta	sy Football Depth Chart	Rd	Pick	<u>Player</u>	Pos	School	Week	Time (PST)	OPP
QB	Carson Wentz	1	21	Jalen Reagor	WR	тси	1 2	10:00 AM 10:00 AM	@WAS LAC
	Jalen Hurts	2	21	Jalen Hurts	QB	Oklahoma	3	10:00 AM	CIN
RB	Miles Sanders	3	39	Davion Taylor	OLB	Colorado	4	5:20 PM (SNF)	@SF
	Boston Scott	4	21	K'Von Wallace	S	Clemson	5	10:00 AM	@PIT
	Corey Clement	4	39	Jack Driscoll	OG	Auburn	6	10:00 AM	BAL
WR	Alshon Jeffery	4	40	Tyler Biadasz	СВ	Wisconsin	7	5:20 PM (TNF)	NYG
	DeSean Jackson	5	22	John Hightower	WR	Boise St	8 9	5:20 PM (SNF) BYE	DAL BYE
	Jalen Reagor J.J. Arcega-Whiteside	6	17	Shaun Bradley	ILB	Temple	10	10:00 AM	@NYG
	Greg Ward	6	21	Quez Watkins	WR	S. Mississippi	11	10:00 AM	@CLE
TE	Zach Ertz	6	31	Prince Tega Wanogho	ОТ	Auburn	12	5:15 PM (MNF)	SEA
	Dallas Goedert	7	19	Casey Toohill	DE	Stanford	13 14	1:25 PM 1:25 PM	@GB NO
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		Jalen Reagor,			KEY FANTASY LOSSES Brandon Brooks, G (Injury)			1:05 PM 1:25 PM	@ARI @DAL
		Jalen Hurts, C	В	Jordan H	Jordan Howard, RB			10:00 AM	WAS

#### WHAT TO REMEMBER FROM 2019

- Of all 2019 rookie running backs, who do you think scored the most fantasy points per touch? Well, given that this is the Eagles' page, I hope you answered <u>Miles Sanders</u>. Sanders also ended the year as the highest-scoring rookie RB, but a lot of that had to do with Josh Jacobs going in-and-out of the lineup with a shoulder injury. Sanders didn't get his opportunity until a Jordan Howard stinger bounced him to the inactive list, but when he took over, he averaged 18.7 touches, 98 yards, and paced out to score ten TDs.
- 2) Nobody threw more footballs to tight ends than the Eagles in 2020 (219 targets), and they ranked #2 in tight end targets in 2018. Zach Ertz and <u>Dallas Goedert</u> both finished as top-ten TEs, and Goedert, like Sanders, is on an upswing. Goedert already had a mini-breakout last year and was more efficient than Ertz. Goedert ranked #14 in fantasy points per route among TEs last year, and Ertz sixteenth. Both represent top-ten value on draft day, but Ertz has a top-five price tag.
- 3) The Eagles lost a lot of WR targets to injury. Nelson Agholor and Alshon Jeffery led them with 10 WR starts. To compare, Emmanuel Sanders joined the 49ers on Halloween and played in ten games for them. There's an idea that the Eagles churned through wide receivers but they didn't. Only five WRs had a target for the 2019 Eagles, which was the second-fewest. In reality, they funneled more targets to the tight ends and guys like <u>Boston Scott</u>. In the last four games, Scott received 25 targets. He turned those targets into 50 receiving yards per game. He also chipped in 38 rushing yards, turning him into a late-season force that tipped the balance in some fantasy leagues.
- 4) I'm not mad, J.J. Arcega-Whiteside, I'm just disappointed. The second rounder went off the board before guys like D.K. Metcalf, Terry McLaurin, and Hunter Renfrow. Then, he just disappeared. I He had plenty of opportunity, as JJAW didn't miss a game, he just never showed up. Thirty-two rookie WRs had at least ten targets in 2019, and JJAW ranked 18th in fantasy points per target.
- 5) <u>Carson Wentz</u> finally put together a second 16-game season in his four years. 2019 marked the second time in three years that Wentz finished within the top-ten at quarterbacks. I've already detailed the attrition that went in the Eagles' WR room, which makes Wentz's achievements more impressive. The reason for Wentz's return to form isn't difficult. Twenty-eight quarterbacks started at least ten games last season, and Wentz ranked sixth in TDs minus interceptions. In short, Wentz throws a lot of TDs (fifth-most) and not a lot of interceptions (tenth-fewest). That's what you're looking for from a QB. A successful quarterback in the National Football League is a quarterback that throws a lot of TDs, and a quarterback that does not throw a lot of interce—Booger McFarland? How did you get here?

#### Sleeper - Jalen Reagor, Wide Receiver (WR57, 154 overall)

One or both of DeSean Jackson and Alshon Jeffery won't be available to start the season, creating a big hole in the Eagles' wide receiver corps. In steps Jalen Reagor, who I have seen people lazily compare to DeSean Jackson. That's not entirely true; whereas Jackson is more of a burner, the former Horned Frog is more of an all-around athletic beast. He's fast, sure, nobody is doubting that. But he's more than the one-trick pony that we've come to expect from a DeSean Jackson comparison. Plus, he's free. He's literally undrafted by ADP in ten-team, fifteen-round leagues. Take a shot on a guy who is going to fall into a situation where he's competing with J.J. Arcega-Whiteside and Greg Ward for targets. He was a first-round pick for a reason and has the best chance to succeed out of any of the rookie wide receivers this season.

#### Breakout - Miles Sanders, Running Back (RB11, 21 overall)

Pretty much everyone and their mama have Miles Sanders pegged for a 2020 breakout season, hence his elevated rank off of half of a season last year. The main reason to doubt what Sanders did following their week ten bye (RB7 on 98 rush yards and four receptions per contest). He's *really good* and there's an anti-breakout drumbeat from those who want to point to the Eagles using a split backfield in the past the evidence that they will in the future. That would probably work, except GM Howie Roseman, upon drafting Sanders, opined that they'd been looking for a back like him for years. A back they could dump everything onto.

Boston Scott truthers will point to how he performed down the stretch, wallpapering over three short-yardage touchdowns in the second half against a 4-12 Giants team that had packed it in for the season at that point. I do not fear what Boston Scott brings to the table, and if they add Devonta Freeman, I won't fear him, either. It's all systems go for Miles Sanders in 2020.

#### Bust – Zach Ertz, Tight End (TE4, 38 overall)

This one isn't that I think that Zach Ertz isn't going to be a true bust, but rather that he isn't the tight end I want to own in Philadelphia. I think that Ertz is going to be a top-seven tight end, but that you could get 85% of his production 100 picks later. Dallas Goedert is out there for free in fantasy football drafts, and we are flocking to the big name instead, in Zach Ertz. This isn't a statement that Ertz will be a true bust, but rather a lesson in relative value. Down the stretch last season (last six games), Goedert averaged six receptions for 58 yards per contest, to Ertz's seven receptions for 65 yards per game. When accounting for touchdowns, Goedert came out to the #6 tight end in HPPR in that timeframe, and Ertz the #1. A big difference in the ranking, but both very useful difference-makers down the stretch. The problem in snake drafts with Zach Ertz comes when you consider who you are skipping to take him. To pass on Ertz at his ADP makes you able to snatch up JuJu Smith-Schuster or Calvin Ridley. Snagging Goedert 100 picks later will have you passing on Robby Anderson and Golden Tate. You can see my point, here, right? I'm not crazy? Don't pay the premium for Zach Ertz.

## PHILADELPHIA EAGLES ROOKIES Round 1, Pick 21: Jalen Reagor, Wide Receiver, TCU (5'11" 206 lbs)

#### TALENT

Reagor was not the best wide receiver in the 2020 class, but he wasn't too far from the discussion. He has a lot of good and easy speed, and incredible athleticism. He isn't the most physical guy, but his speed and athleticism rule the day. The only problem is that he shies away from all contact. He gains a lot of chunk plays through raw speed and agility, but can be shut down through press coverage at the next level. Ideally, he isn't a team's WR1, but if he is, he will be in the Antonio Brown mold.

#### 2020 OPPORTUNITY

There isn't a 2020 rookie WR with a better circumstance than Jalen Reagor. The Eagles desperately needed wide receivers, and went out and got the new centerpiece of their wide receiver passing game with Jalen Reagor. DeSean Jackson and Alshon Jeffery might not make it to the 2020 season as Eagles, cementing Jalen Reagor as the top wide receiver option in Philadelphia. The only problem comes from the fact that the Eagles hardly use the wide receiver, throwing to the WR less than 50% of the time in each of the last two years. That might limit Reagor's target upside, especially given that the Eagles quickly filled up their wide receiver room. By adding Reagor, Marquise Goodwin, John Hightower and Quez Watkins, Philadelphia added four receivers who were not on their roster when the draft started (though Goodwin has opted out of 2020). Still, Reagor should top the room, as only Goodwin has any sort of appreciable talent if Jeffery and Jackson find their way off the roster.

#### 2020 FANTASY FOOTBALL OUTLOOK

Jalen Reagor has a shot to end up as the #1 rookie WR when all is said and done, especially in PPR/half-PPR leagues. I don't think he has the best shot at it, but given his likely volume, he's ending up in the top-three among rookies when the dust settles. He's worth a middling pick on his upside, somewhere around round eight or nine. He should end up on a roster, and if he starts slow or gets cut, pick him up. Talent tends to win out in the second half of talented WR's rookie campaigns.

TALENT	2020 OPPORTUNITY	2020 FANTASY FOOTBALL OUTLOOK
4/5	4/5	4/5

### Round 2, Pick 21: Jalen Hurts, Quarterback, Oklahoma (6'1" 222 lbs)

#### TALENT

Jalen Hurts has the highest fantasy football ceiling of any rookie taken this year, including Tua Tagovailoa. Unfortunately, his floor is subterranean. Hurts is a gunslinger who loves to tuck and run. Unfortunately, sometimes he tucks, wonders if he should run, and gets swallowed up by defenses. His ball security is a significant issue, as he is the King of the YOLO pass, even trying a behind the back pass against Texas. He has an incredibly strong arm but struggles with ball placement. At times, he threw CeeDee Lamb open and other times he threw him into walls. He needs coaching to help smooth out his more erratic traits but hopefully doesn't play in 2020.

#### **2020 OPPORTUNITY**

This was a really weird pick for the Eagles! They talked about how the future of the league is securing a top-level backup, which is also what I would say if I signed by started to a big, long-term deal, and then literally the second player I took in the draft was a quarterback. Trey Wingo & Company really tried to analyze this pick without saying that the Eagles might worry that Carson Wentz is toast and can't stay healthy. It's also really weird to think about that Carson Wentz got hurt in the playoff game last year, so if the Cowboys had won the NFC East, Philly might not have ended up in this position. That having been said, it sounds a lot like Hurts will see action similar to sophomore year Colin Kaepernick, pre-Alex Smith concussion. Jim Harbaugh & company would bring in Kaepernick for designed runs, for wildcat plays, and for package plays that needed his massive cannon. Unless Wentz gets hurt, which seems like an inevitability, Hurts has no fantasy football upside.

#### 2020 FANTASY FOOTBALL OUTLOOK

Assuming Wentz does get hurt, which has been a safe bet lately, Hurts is worth a pickup.

TALENT	2020 OPPORTUNITY	2020 FANTASY FOOTBALL OUTLOOK
4/5	2/5 (Wentz injury hedge)	2/5

### Round 5, Pick 22: John Hightower, Wide Receiver, Boise State (6'1" 189 lbs)

#### TALENT

John Hightower doesn't excite me at all for fantasy football . He body catches everything, which slows him considerably. He's just a guy and is down-roster filler.

#### **2020 OPPORTUNITY**

Just look at that depth chart and read everything I said about Jalen Reagor.

More like John Lowtower, folks.									
TALENT	2020 OPPORTUNITY	2020 FANTASY FOOTBALL OUTLOOK							
0/5	0/5	0/5							

### Round 6, Pick 21: Quez Watkins, Wide Receiver, Southern Mississippi (6'0" 185 lbs)

#### TALENT

Watkins has a difficult time working himself open on his own. The times that he usually is open, it's due to offensive scheming. He turned out to be the star of Southern Mississippi's passing game, but that's an incredibly low hurdle to jump. The thing that most concerns me with Watkins is his drops. He can't get open and struggles mightily with any sort of tight coverage, and this leads to drops. When Watkins can get the ball in his hands, however, he is legit fast (4.35 40-yard dash) and has enough wiggle to hit home runs. He'll likely be a low ceiling gadget player in year one, getting a lot of jet sweeps, and a couple of targets a game as their WR4.

#### 2020 OPPORTUNITY

Watkins has a shot at landing on the practice squad, though his special teams prowess could earn him a weekly roster spot. Granted, if the Eagles' WR corps falls apart like it did last season, then Watkins can have plenty of opportunities. Just like how Rico rose through the ranks in *Starship Troopers!* 

2020 FANTAS	Y FOOTBALL OUTLOOK	
Don't worry al	oout it.	
TALENT	2020 OPPORTUNITY	2020 FANTASY FC
0/5	0/5	0/5

2020 FANTASY FOOTBALL OUTLOOK

## CARSON WENTZ, Philadelphia | 2019: QB10 (4 PPTD), QB7 (6 PPTD)

Height: 6'3'	" Weight: 237 lbs		Col	lege	North	Dakota	a State		Dra	aft: #	‡2 (Ro	ound 1	) by F	Philad	elph	nia, 2	016	
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2020 ADP & AAV: Snake: QB11, #85 ove Auction: \$3	erall	FPts     2019     2018     2017	4 PP 275 192 281	9 .7	6 PPTD 329.9 234.7 347.7	4 PP 17 17 21	.2	20.0 21.2 26.7	.34		Rushi 2019 2018 2017	9 6 8 3	2 2 4 9	43 93	1 0	YPC 3.9 2.7 4.7	Att/G 3.9 3.1 4.9	Yd/G   15.2 8.5   23.0 1000000000000000000000000000000000000
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#### LEGEND

G = Games | GS = Games Started | Att = Pass Attempts | Comp = Pass Completions | Yds = Yards | TD = Touchdowns | Int = Interceptions | 4PPTD = 4 points per passing touchdown | 6PPT = 6 points per passing touchdown Air Yards = total amount of yardage between quarterback and catch point on all targets | aDOT = average depth of target, the average air yards per target | aDOT + aDOT compared to league average Y/A = Passing yards per pass attempt | TD% = percentage of pass attempts that are touchdowns | INT% = percentage of pass attempts that are interceptions

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5.2%

7.5%

1.7%

1.6%

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28

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2018

2017

#### **Overview:**

There's almost no chance that Carson Wentz ends up within the top-five at the position, and in fact, he was the luckiest quarterback in 2019 and ended up as just QB9 last year. That's one of the reasons why I'm pretty much out on Carson Wentz, given that he's barely going at a discount, and that he's going around guys I would rather have for their floor (Matthew Stafford) and their upside (Daniel Jones). There's almost no reason to take Carson Wentz. He's an uninspiring guy who you will constantly want to replace and he missed 25% of his games in 2017 and 2018.

Wentz also has serious wide receiver problems. Seriously, their depth chart is a mess. Their #1 has a non-functional foot, their #2 is a raging anti-semite, their #3 is a rookie, their #4 is a sophomore who completely disappeared last season, their #5 opted out of the 2020 season and their #6 is a quarterback. Dallas Goedert and Zach Ertz can make the offense go, but aren't likely to get those massive plays that can get you 65 and a touchdown in 10 seconds, boosting Wentz's final line. Wentz is pretty much the profile of a guy who is pretty good but not great. His touchdown rate ranked 12th, his adjusted yards per attempt was 14th. His interception rate was the fourth-best in 2019, though that was luck more than anything else (see the article above). He ranked 10th in quarterback rating in 2019. That's where he's been for his career, has over the last four seasons he ranks 13th in passing yards, 10th in touchdowns, and 17th in interceptions. He's fine. Not great, not bad, just fine.

#### Strategy:

Auction Value: \$1

Carson Wentz feels like the *Bing Bang Theory* of fantasy quarterbacks. Everyone knows about it, everyone talks about how it should be good... but nobody actually admits to liking it or seeking it out (except moms and uncles). That's where he sits in fantasy football drafts. He goes after the QBs players actually want (the top-five guys) and before the upside guys (Daniel Jones, Matthew Stafford, Baker Mayfield). Wentz also goes last in this tier, after Matt Ryan, Drew Brees, and Aaron Rodgers.

There isn't much to say about Wentz. He is exactly what he is, an above-average quarterback who doesn't offer much in the way of fantasy football anymore, but doesn't offer so little that he doesn't belong on a roster. This is the Philip Rivers-Ben Roethlisberger class of quarterback, who has traditionally been somewhere around QB8 to QB12 at season's end. I don't like Wentz at his overall price (#85 overall) but I have no qualms with him as the eleventh QB off the board. He's the quintessential "ah shoot I need a QB, who is around?" quarterback. He's Cream of Wheat, he's hospital food, he's *Iron Man 3*. He's a close approximation of something you want but he's mostly just filler. If you need or want filler, get Wentz. If you don't want filler, go somewhere else.

#### Best Case Scenario:

He starts to run again after averaging just 12.4 yards per game over the last two seasons and ends up somewhere around QB7.

#### Worst Case Scenario:

A complete lack of valuable wide receivers tank his year before he misses a few games after getting banged up. He ends up around QB17.

## MILES SANDERS, Philadelphia | 2019: RB16 (STD), RB15 (PPR)

College: Penn State

Height: 5'11"

Weight: 211 lbs

DEPTH CHARTRB1Miles SandersRB2Boston ScottRB3Corey ClementRB4Elijah HolyfieldRB5Michael Warren

2020 ADP & AAV:						
STD: RB11, #22 overall						
PPR: RB13, #25 overall						
Auction: \$35						

Stats	G	GS	Ru	Yds	TD	Tgt	Rec	Yards	TD	Tch	Opp.	Total Yds
2019	16	11	179	818	3	63	50	509	3	229	242	1327
2018	_	_		_	_	_	-	-	_	-	_	_
2017	_		_	_		Ι	-			_		-

Draft: #53 (Round 2) by Philadelphia, 2019

Stats	YPC	Ru/G	Ru Yd/G	Tgt/G	Rec/G	Catch%	Yds/Tgt	Yds/Rec	Tch/G	Opp./G	Yds/G
2019	4.57	11.2	51.1	3.94	3.13	79.4%	8.08	10.18	14.31	15.13	82.94
2018	_	_	-	_	-	_	-	_	_	_	—
2017	_		I		_					_	—

Year	Std Pts	HPPR Pts	PPR Pts	Pts/G	HPPR Pts/G	PPR Pts/G	Pts/Tch	Pts/Tch (HPPR)	Pts/Tch (PPR)
2019	168.7	193.7	218.7	10.54	12.11	13.67	0.74	0.85	0.96
2018	_	-	-	-	—		_	_	—
2017	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

#### LEGEND

G = Games | GS = Games Started | Ru = Rush Attempts | Yds = Yards | TD = Touchdowns | Tgt = Targets | Rec = Receptions | Tch = Total Touches | Opp. = Opportunities (Rush Attempts + Targets) YPC = Rushing Yards Per Carry | Catch% = percentage of passes to player that are caught Std = Standard Fantasy Scoring ("zero PPR") | HPPR = Half Point Per Reception Fantasy Scoring | PPR = Full Point Per Reception Fantasy Scoring

#### Overview:

Last year, I basically called Miles Sanders, who was Saquon Barkley's understudy at Penn State, a baby Saquon Barkley. His biggest problem last year was Doug Pederson's insistence on using multiple backs. Well, the league has caught up with ol' Dougie, and basically all the backs who don't get rotated out on a regular basis go safely tucked inside the first round (with Joe Mixon and Josh Jacobs spilling out the sides into the second round). However, given that Howie Roseman, upon drafting him said, "We've been looking for a runner like Miles for a few years." I have a feeling that Pederson unleashes Sanders this year.

The team making no significant addition to the running back room in the draft, and making no significant addition to the running back room in free agency (if they sign Devonta Freeman, this does not require an update, he is not a significant addition), it seems as though the Eagles are ready to turn it over to Sanders. What does turning it over to Miles Sanders look like? If we take the six games between Jordan Howard's stinger costing him the season and Sanders leaving the season early due to a week seventeen injury, here's what "turning it over to Miles Sanders" looks like 16 carries, 6 targets per game for 106 total yards per game and a ten touchdown pace. That's pretty good! Also, that's an understatement. Nearly 1,700 yards and double-digit touchdowns is first-round production.

#### Strategy:

#### Auction Value: \$50

If Miles Sanders is there in the second half of the second-round, go ahead and snag him. Heck, if he's there in the middle of the second-round, go ahead and take him. I am going to warn you, however: do not take Miles Sanders in the first round. If you're picking at the swing and want to get cute, sure, but the best-case scenario for Miles Sanders is that he returns that first-round value. *Best-case scenario*. Of course, I've now reverse jinxed Sanders into becoming a massive annual first-round talent. But, I am not in the habit of taking first-round guys on the hope and promise that they might return first-round production for the first time. It's not how I'm wired. I'm okay being wrong about a player in that regard.

#### Best Case Scenario:

Miles Sanders joins the Mile From Scrimmage club and hits double-digit touchdowns while the Eagles run through three or four quarterbacks due to injury.

#### Worst Case Scenario:

The Eagles run through three or four *running backs* due to injury.

## ALSHON JEFFERY, Philadelphia | 2019: WR59 (STD), WR59 (PPR)

Height: 6	3"
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Weight: 216 lbs

**College:** South Carolina

Draft: #45 (Round 2) by Chicago, 2012

<u>DEPTH</u>	<u>CHART</u>
WR1	Alshon Jeffery
WR2	DeSean Jackson
WR3	Jalen Reagor
WR4	J.J. Arcega-Whiteside
WR5	Marquise Goodwin

2020 ADP & AAV:								
STD: WR46, #116 overall								
PPR: WR60, #164 overall								
Auction: \$1								

Stats	G	GS	Tgt	Rec	Yds	TD	Tgt/G	Rec/G	Rec%	Yds/Tgt	Yds/Rec
2019	10	10	73	43	490	4	4.56	2.69	58.9%	6.71	11.40
2018	13	13	92	65	843	6	5.75	4.06	70.7%	9.16	12.97
2017	16	16	120	57	789	9	7.50	3.56	47.5%	6.58	13.84

FPts	STD	HPPR	PPR	STD/G	HPPR/G	PPR/G	STD/Tgt	HPPR/Tgt	PPR/Tgt
2019	79.2	100.7	122.2	7.9	10.1	12.2	1.08	1.38	1.67
2018	120.3	152.8	185.3	9.3	11.8	14.3	1.31	1.66	2.01
2017	138.9	167.4	195.9	8.7	10.5	12.2	1.16	1.40	1.63

Adv	Air Yards	aDOT	YAC	YAC/Tgt	YAC/Rec	YAC%	AY MS	Tgt MS
2019	808	11.1	111	1.52	2.58	22.7%	30%	23%
2018	1002	11.1	262	2.91	4.16	32.1%	29%	19%
2017	1681	14	202	1.68	3.54	25.6%	32%	21%

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#### Overview:

Friends, Phillies, Countrymen, lend me your ear...

Eagles fans throw debris at Vikings fans in ugly scene Andrew Joseph Andrew Joseph Andrew Joseph

Down, girl: I'm on your side, here. I want to talk about Alshon Jeffery, your expected wide receiver one. I can't emphasize this, enough: He is one thrown battery away from a season-ending injury. Surely, if you can't respect him as an Eagle who occasionally struggles, you can respect him as a fellow American, right? Okay that looks bad, initially, but some benefit of the doubt: Maybe Eagles fans were aggressively policing mascots that are considered racist by many. After all, it's not like we have a <u>universally-respected mascot</u> that could serve as a control group to see if Eagles fans were attacking racism or just anything.

Okay, fine. Many people will use these stories to argue that Philadelphians are all some human-hating mob, but I argue that's not true: They don't just hate humans, they hate everything:

Alshon Jeffery, your only hope is turning heel in order to put over rookie Jalen Reagor by looking worse than him. Yeah, I used pro wrestling terminology there: I'm talking to Philadelphia fans. Jeffery's biggest bugaboo is that he cannot stay healthy, and he is unhealthy right now. Alshon is recovering from Lisfranc surgery and his availability to start the year is in doubt. Frankly, his roster spot would be in doubt if it weren't for his cap hit.

### Strategy:

Auction Value: \$0

Jeffery symbolizes why I strongly prefer auction to snake drafts. In snake drafts, it's around round 12 or 13 when I say, "I have to pick one of these guys?! Fine, give me Jeffery I guess, even though he's finished as a top 12 WR ten times in the last three years, the exact same number of times his missed a game due to injury. Maybe I'll get lucky and start him during the right weeks. Fine!!!" In an auction, I don't have to do that. In an auction, I can say, "I don't want these Jefferys in the \$1 bargain bin, I'd rather spend \$2-3 and get players like Emmanuel Sanders, Jerry Jeudy, or Brandin Cooks." To summarize, Jeffery is a gamble in late rounds of snake drafts, but if you grab him in an auction you could have spent a little more to do a lot better.

#### Best Case Scenario:

You grab him as a bye week fill-in and he manages to return you top-24 value during those weeks, maybe even grabs a couple of scores if you get lucky.

#### Worst Case Scenario:

Eagles fans storm the field after Jeffery drops a pass to give him a monster wedgie. PennU hackers leak the entire ESPN and Yahoo! fantasy database, allowing the unruly Eagles mob to hunt down every Jeffery fantasy owner and give them monster wedgies. The Nanny State is here, mob rule is our au pair, and there will be no appearances by the delightful Fran Drescher.

#### HOLIDAYS IN PHILLY Confirmed: ESPN will bring up throwing snowballs at Santa on Christmas

snowballs at Santa on Christmas 'With an Eagles home game on Christmas night, the timing is just too perfect.'

NATION HOW Hitchhiking robot destroyed in Philadelphia, ending cross-country trek

Height: 5'11"Weight: 197 lbsCollege: TCUDraft: #21 (Round 1) by Philadelphia, 2020														
<b>DEPTH</b>	<u>CHART</u>	1	:	Stats	G G	S Tgt	Rec	Yds	TD	Tgt/G	Rec/G	Rec%	Yds/Tgt	Yds/Rec
WR1	Alshon Jeffery			2019			_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
WR2	DeSean Jackson		-			-	-							
WR3	Jalen Reagor		ŀ	2018				_	_	_			_	
WR4	J.J. Arcega-Whiteside		:	2017		·	-	-	_	—	—	—	—	-
WR5	Greg Ward					•	•		•				·	
		-	FPts	STD	HPF	R PI	R S	rD/G	HPPR/	G PPF	R/G ST	D/Tgt	HPPR/Tgt	PPR/Tgt
	<b>DP &amp; AAV:</b> /R64, #173 overall		2019	_	-	-	-	_	_	-	-	_	_	_

2018

2017

							-	-
Adv	Air Yards	aDOT	YAC	YAC/Tgt	YAC/Rec	YAC%	AY MS	Tgt MS
2019	—		_	—	-		—	—
2018	—	_	_	_	-	_	_	—
2017	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	—

#### LEGEND

PPR: WR52, #138 overall

Auction: \$1

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#### Overview:

Hey, Kids! Are you looking for the hottest new toy this fantasy season? It's Jalen Reagor!

Jalen Reagor packs hours of fun into a HUGE 5-foot-11 frame. Have a blast watching his 42-inch vertical leap, his 4.47 40-yard-dash time, and his N/A Wonderlic score!

But that's not all! Reagor is the latest edition to the Carson Wentz playset, so combining them brings even more fantasy fun! Clear out your toy chest of all your DeSean Jackson and Alshon Jeffreys, and watch Wentz and Reagor spread it all over the field!

[NOTE: Carson Wentz and Jalen Reagor each sold separately. Reagor is not compatible with DeSean Jackson. Rooting for any Philadelphia Eagle comes with the risk of being ostracized from social circles with any bit of decorum. Discontinue use of Reagor if any of the following symptoms occur: Sadness, excessive rage, or diarrhea. Previous users of all rookie wide receivers have experienced frequent heartburn and nausea.]

It's Jalen Reagor! Available at most drafts for the low-low price of a 12th round pick or 1 American dollar!

#### Strategy:

#### Auction Value: \$1

This is a good guy for a late-round, buck-or-two lottery ticket. Unless Alshon Jeffrey and DeSean Jackson somehow combine their working body parts into some giant half-anti-Semitic Frankenstein creation called DelShon Jackrey, Reagor should be seeing the majority of passes early in the season. However, if the Eagles get rid of either of their "top" two receivers before your draft has happened, Reagor's ADP and AAV will spike up like a punch bowl spiked with hallucinogens: Too high.

#### Best Case Scenario:

Reagor ends up with like 70 catches, 800 yards, maybe 5 touchdowns, which would make him an acceptable flex play. DeSean Jackson and Alshon Jeffrey happily retire and form a foundation to help victims of rookie wide receiver busts.

#### Worst Case Scenario:

Eh, he never pans out? We're talking about a 12th round pick here, it's okay to whiff harder than a whiff of napalm in the morning (or a fantasy football writer trying to effectively use word repetition).

	ZACH	ERTZ, Phila	del	phi	a	20	<b>D19</b>	: T	E5	(ST	<b>D),</b> 1	TE4	3 (1	PPR	2)	
	Height: 6'5"	Weight: 249 lbs	C	ollege	: Sta	anford	k	[	Draft:	#35 (R	ound 2	) by P	hilad	delphia	a, 2013	
DEPTH	<u>CHART</u>		:	Stats	G	GS	Tgt	Rec	Yds	5 TD	Tgt/G	Rec	:/G	Rec%	Yds/Tgt	Yds/Rec
TE1	Zach Ertz		:	2019	15	15	135	88	916	6 6	9.0	5.8	37	61.1	6.79	6.785
TE2 TE3	Dallas Goedert Joshua Perkins		:	2018	16	16	156	116	116	3 8	9.8	7.2	25	72.7	7.46	7.455
TE3	Noah Togiai		:	2017	14	13	110	74	824	8	7.9	5.2	29	58.9	7.49	7.491
			FPts	STD	Н	IPPR	PPR	ST	D/G	HPPR	/G PP	R/G	STD,	/Tgt	HPPR/Tgt	PPR/Tgt
	DP & AAV:		2019	127.0	5 2	03.6	215.6	5 9	9.1	14.5	5 1!	5.4	0.9	95	1.51	1.60
	E4, #39 overall E3, #40 overall		2018	164.3	3 2	62.3	280.3	3 1	0.3	16.4	1	7.5	1.0	05	1.68	1.80
Auction	n: \$14		2017	128.4	4 1	98.4	202.4	4 8	3.6	13.2	13	3.5	1.	17	1.80	1.84

Adv	Air Yards	aDOT	YAC	YAC/Tgt	YAC/Rec	YAC%	AY MS	Tgt MS
2019	1167	8.6	255	1.89	2.90	27.8%	25%	24%
2018	1122	7.2	351	2.26	3.05	30.4%	25%	26%
2017	862	7.8	243	2.21	3.28	29.5%	19%	23%

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#### Overview:

Zach Ertz has been one of the most-targeted tight ends in football over the last few years. The Eagles targeted wide receivers less than half the time in each of the last two years, mostly due to Zach Ertz and teammate Dallas Goedert's immense skillsets. Last offseason, we learned that Goedert was poised to get a bigger chunk of that pie. That didn't happen because of a nasty calf injury that hobbled Goedert for about half of the season. By the time the dust settled, all the wide receivers were dead, and Goedert and Ertz paced out for over 180 combined targets last year. That's... a lot of targets.

This is my fear with Zach Ertz in 2020: the much-ballyhooed Dallas Goedert breakout season finally happens, and it happens at Ertz's expense. His targets drop down to the 100 or so range, and he does not return his top-four price at TE. Much like Darren Waller, I don't think Ertz has much of a chance of ending up outside the top-ten at TE, but I also don't feel good about his chances of ending up top-three. There are suddenly a ton of mouths to feed in Philly, and an upstart sophomore running back. Too many questions surround Zach Ertz this year.

#### Strategy:

#### Auction Value: \$15

Zach Ertz's upside is Zach Ertz's asking price in drafts. He's a top-three player who has so many question marks for 2020. Unfortunately, the best support his defenders can give is to point to the near past, before those question marks existed. I am fully out on Zach Ertz, not because I think he will not be a top-ten TE, but merely because I am not interested in investing in a player with his downside at his price. Please do not quote his target volume to me in years past, we do not get fantasy football points for 2019 production in 2020. If you do a league like that, hit me up, I would *crush* with the benefit of hindsight. At least, I would have made fun of DeVante Parker less going into last year.

Anyway, Zach Ertz draft strategy. If you want him, get him at a steep discount. I'm talking the hypotenuse on a 10-80-90 right triangle steep. The Dallas Goedert Question looms heavily in Philadelphia, as does the "why did they spend so much on Jalen Hurts?" question. As well as the "wait they got Jalen Reagor *and* Quez Watkins during the draft? Also, the J.J. Arcega-Whiteside redemption tour looms large in the potential 2020 target volume for Philadelphia. If I'm spending up for a tight end, I don't want one with so many question marks. This year, Waller and Ertz both have a ton of question marks regarding their volume. If I don't already have a TE when they show up for auction or on my draft room queue, I'm passing on these guys and dipping my toe in the water later.

#### Best Case Scenario:

Zach Ertz and Dallas Goedert are both top-ten tight ends, with Ertz finishing the year over Goedert.

#### Worst Case Scenario:

Zach Ertz and Dallas Goedert are both top-ten tight ends, with Goedert finishing the year over Ertz.

# DALLAS GOEDERT, Philadelphia | 2019: TE10 (STD), TE9 (PPR)

Height: 6'5" V

Weight: 256 lbs

College: South Dakota State

Draft: #49 (Round 2) by Philadelphia, 2018

DEPTH	CHART	Γ	Stats	G	GS	Tgt	Rec	Yds	TD	Tgt/G	Rec/G	G Rec%	G Yds/Tgt	Yds/Rec
TE1	Zach Ertz		2019	15	9	87	58	607	5	5.8	3.87	40.5	6.98	6.977
TE2 TE3	Dallas Goedert Joshua Perkins		2018	16	8	44	33	334	4	2.8	2.06	20.9	7.59	7.591
TE4	Noah Togiai		2017	_	—	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
		FPts	STD	н	IPPR	PPR	8 S1	D/G	HPPR,	G PPF	R/G ST	D/Tgt	HPPR/Tgt	PPR/Tgt
-	<b>DP &amp; AAV:</b> E13, #122 overall	2019	86.7	1	31.7	144.	7	5.8	8.8	9	.6	1.00	1.51	1.66
	E16, #145 overall	2018	57.4	6	57.9	90.4	1	3.6	4.2	5	.7	1.30	1.54	2.05
Auctio	n: \$1	2017	-		_	_		-	_	-	-	_	_	_

Adv	Air Yards	aDOT	YAC	YAC/Tgt	YAC/Rec	YAC%	AY MS	Tgt MS
2019	499	5.7	331	3.80	5.71	54.5%	11%	15%
2018	310	7.6	161	3.93	5.03	49.1%	8%	8%
2017	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

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#### Overview:

Prior to last season, we heard a lot about how Dallas Goedert would be running in two tight end sets with Zach Ertz, and that his time in the sun was just over the horizon. Then, Goedert injured his calf in the preseason, leading to a missed week two and not playing 75% or more of snaps until week eight. Things were bad for Goedert to start 2019, but they sure didn't end that way.

Starting in week nine of 2019, Goedert received at least 79% of snaps in 6-of-8 games and played on a 120-target, 850-yards, 4-touchdown pace for the second half of the year. In this span, Goedert was the #8 tight end in half-PPR leagues, definitely worth an own. Especially when you consider that the Eagles threw out of three-WR sets at the third-lowest rate last year, and out of two-TE sets at the highest rate in 2019.

Well, what about 2020? Alshon Jeffery will be ba- What's that? Lisfranc? No timetable?

Oh, hm. Well remember DeSean Jackson? He shou—HE SAID WHAT?

Well second-rounder J.J. Arcega-Whiteside certainly did something to show he deserves more targets in 2020, right? And newcomer Marquise Goodwin certainly didn't opt out, opening up more targets, right??

So what you're telling me is that it's Zach Ertz, rookie Jalen Reagor, and Dallas Goedert in line for targets in Philadelphia?

#### Strategy:

Auction Value: \$2

Dallas Goedert is basically free in drafts or going in the range of players I would call "basically free." There's a big drop off in ADP and price because conceivably any of these guys could end up in the top-five at tight end but also well outside the top-twenty. Dallas Goedert falls in that range, but has a much higher floor, to me. The Eagles have nothing but questions at wide receiver and responded the last two years to questions by peppering tight ends with targets. This year should be no different, as there are a lot of things that could break wrong for the Eagles' wide receivers. That leaves lots of targets for Ertz and Goedert. Ertz is going at a premium, Goedert isn't. They were both top-ten tight ends when Philadelphia needed them last year. This isn't rocket surgery!

#### Best Case Scenario:

This is the year that Ertz and Goedert flip-flop their final rankings, and Goedert ends up inside the top-five at tight end.

### Worst Case Scenario:

This is the year that Ertz and Goedert flip-flop their final rankings, though both end up outside the top-ten at tight end.