



Height: 6-3
Weight: 295
Date Of Birth: November 5, 1987
Hometown: Cleveland, OH

VITALS

HS: Cleveland Heights
College: Cincinnati
NFL Experience: 6th Year
Draft Pick: D6a-11 (191st overall) by Philadelphia

IN THE TRENCHES

Favorite O-lineman:
 Lou Groza

Most underrated attribute of playing O-line:
 Intelligence

Most memorable block:
 "Snow Bowl vs. Detroit. The entire O-line pushed the Lions defense into the end zone on a QB sneak."

THREE-STEP DROP

In any other sport, what position would you play and what team:

Center for the Philadelphia Flyers

Three must-haves on a deserted island: Duct tape, lighter, fishing pole

Three favorite throwbacks jerseys: Chuck Bednarik, Eagles; Jim Brown, Browns; Wayne Gretzky, Oilers

Pregame ritual: Listen to Christmas music and comb my beard

Favorite movies: *The Big Lebowski*, *The Last Gladiators*

First job: Working at a youth ice hockey camp at 14 years old

First football team: Roxboro Rockets in the 7th grade. Played LB and FB

Pro Bowls: 2015, 2017

"He's the conductor of the whole band. It's a pleasure to coach him. He does it all for us out there."

- Eagles Offensive Line Coach Jeff Stoutland

Jason Kelce arrived at the University of Cincinnati as a walk-on linebacker in 2006 and is now a 2-time Pro Bowl center with the Eagles. Between then and now, Kelce used an incredible amount of athleticism, diligent work ethic, and intelligence to make his present a reality. A 6th-round draft pick of the Eagles in 2012, Kelce made the most of his opportunity as a rookie and became an immediate starter. Following the 2013 season, he was rewarded with a seven-year contract extension through 2020.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- In 2016, earned his second Pro Bowl trip in three years after becoming the only Eagles player to see action in all 1,133 offensive snaps
- Voted to the Pro Bowl for the first time in 2014, becoming the first Eagles center to gain such recognition since Jim Ringo was named to his 10th Pro Bowl following the 1967 campaign

2016 HIGHLIGHTS

- Earned his second trip to the Pro Bowl as he was the only Eagles offensive player to see action in all 1,133 snaps

BIRDSEED

- Serves as a spokesman for Dietz & Watson, a deli foods manufacturer based in Philadelphia. Said Kelce, "It's been a lifelong dream to be affiliated with the official meat provider of a National Football League team." Kelce also supports the company's military appreciation efforts
- His experience as a linebacker and running back in high school have helped him become the player he is today. "Playing linebacker definitely helped me as an offensive lineman. If you can get in the head of the players you are going up against, that's a huge advantage, like a quarterback who knows what the safeties are thinking."
- In 2014, Kelce became the first professional athlete to compete in Wing Bowl, an annual chicken wing eating contest conducted by the Eagles flagship radio station, 94 WIP. He ate 65 wings in 14 minutes



KELCE'S CAREER SERVICE

Regular Season			Playoffs		
Year	Team	GP/GS	Year	Team	GP/GS
2011	Philadelphia	16/16	2013	Philadelphia	1/1
2012	Philadelphia	2/2	Totals		1/1
2013	Philadelphia	16/16	First NFL game and start:		
2014	Philadelphia	12/12	9/11/11 at StL		
2015	Philadelphia	16/16			
2016	Philadelphia	16/16			
Totals		78/78			



PERSONAL

- Attended Cleveland Heights (OH) High School, performing as a linebacker and running back for head coach Mike Jones. Was a two-time All Lake Erie-Lake League selection
- Graduated from Cincinnati with a degree in marketing
- Comes from a football lineage, as his younger brother, Travis, was a teammate at Cincinnati (2008-10) as a tight end and was drafted by Kansas City in 2013. His uncle, Don Blalock, played defensive tackle for Purdue (1976-77) and his grandfather, Don Blalock, played football at Ohio University
- Grew up playing a variety of different sports including hockey, lacrosse, soccer and baseball. "Playing all of those sports has helped me adapt to any circumstance that is thrown my way."
- Son of Donna and Ed Kelce. Donna works in banking, while Ed is a sales rep in the steel business. Cites his dad as the biggest influence on his career. "He really pushed me to be the best I could be and was somebody that I've always looked up to."
- Favorite teams/players growing up: "I was a huge fan of all the Cleveland sports teams. I was also a fan of the star players like Michael Jordan, Wayne Gretzky and Jerome Bettis."
- Pundits have compared him to All-Pro Jeff Saturday. Kelce met with Saturday after his rookie season to pick his brain. "One of the things I learned from him is that it's not only a physical battle between you and the defensive linemen, but it's also a mental battle."
- Twitter: @Jkelce; Instagram: @jkelce

2014 HIGHLIGHTS

- Voted to the Pro Bowl for the first time, becoming the first Eagles center to gain such recognition since Jim Ringo was named to his 10th Pro Bowl following the 1967 campaign
- Helped the Eagles generate 6,348 total yards of offense: the fifth-highest total in the NFL. Also paved the way for LeSean McCoy, who finished third in the NFL with 1,319 yards

2013 HIGHLIGHTS

- Named the team's Ed Block Courage Award recipient in 2013. The award honors those NFL players who exemplify commitment to the principles of sportsmanship and courage and is given by a vote of the team for efforts as well as individual performance
- Garnered *USA Today's* 2013 All-Joe team honors, which recognizes the NFL players whose work doesn't necessarily garner headlines, but is integral to the success of their team
- Part of an offensive line that helped block for the NFL's leading rusher, LeSean McCoy, who finished with a franchise-best 1,607 yards
- Helped Eagles set a team record with 6,676 total yards of offense and a then-team record 442 points

2011 HIGHLIGHTS

- Was named to *Dallas Morning News* columnist Rick Gosselin's NFL All-Rookie team after starting all 16 games for an offense that set a team record in first downs (356) and a then-team record in total net yards (6,386)
- Along with Danny Watkins, became the first Eagles rookie line-men duo to start 10-or-more games in the same season

KELCE'S BROTHERLY LOVE



Jason's brother, Travis (shown left on both photos above), is a tight end for the Kansas City Chiefs. The two were teammates at Cincinnati in 2008-10.

- Became the first Eagles rookie offensive lineman to start all 16 games since Doug Brzezineski did so in 1999 and the first rookie in team history to start every game at center. He is also just the 16th player in NFL history to start every game at center during a rookie campaign
- Was part of an offensive line that received the Madden Protector Award at NYG (11/20) and vs. Dal. (10/30). This award is given each week of the regular season to the NFL's top performing offensive line and recognizes the fundamental role offensive linemen play in their teams' success

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Kelce started his final 38 games at Cincinnati during a 47-game career – 26 at left guard and 12 at center
- Started 12 games at center in 2010, and was an All-American honorable mention and All-Big East Conference first-team selection by *The NFL Draft Report*, adding second-team All-Big East honors from the league's coaches
- Helped an inexperienced unit lead the Big East in passing offense (260.7 yards per game), total offense (417.3 yards per game) and scoring offense (27.1 points per game), despite injuries at the quarterback position
- As a junior in 2009, earned All-Big East Conference second-team honors while starting all 13 games at left guard
- In 2008, earned Sophomore All-American third-team and All-Big East Conference second-team honors from *The NFL Draft Report* in his first season as a starter. Lined up at left offensive guard for all 13 games and paved the way for an offense that averaged 370.6 yards per game
- In 2007, the former walk-on linebacker added over 40 pounds to his frame during the offseason, shifting to the offensive line, where he competed in nine games as a reserve at center and both offensive guard positions
- Joined the team as a walk-on in 2006, earning Scout Team Defensive Player of the Year honors while lining up as a 240-pound linebacker

INJURY HISTORY

- Was inactive at SF (9/28/14), vs. StL (10/5/14), vs. NYG (10/12/14) and at Ari. (10/26/14) due to a sports hernia suffered vs. Was. (9/21/14)
- Placed on season-ending injured reserved after suffering a partially-torn ACL and a torn MCL during the third quarter vs. Bal. (9/16/12)

TRANSACTIONS

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| 2011 | Drafted by PHI in 6th round ... signed 4-year contract |
| 9/18/12 | Placed on Injured Reserve (knee) |
| 2/27/14 | Signed by PHI to a 7-year contract through 2020 |