



Duke Press Conference Quotes

Duke Canada Tour vs. Toronto



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Duke Junior Forward Javin DeLaurier

On the team's performance tonight:

"Today we didn't play well in the first half. We gave up a lot of open threes but I think after halftime guys really came out and did a good job of playing defense. We played really well together and went on a pretty big run. Guys came in off the bench and continued to do that and really fought through. Guys like Joey (Baker) and Antonio (Vrankovic) had a great game for us tonight. Brennan (Besser) came in and gave us a lot of energy. Everything was a great team effort tonight."

On impacting the game in different areas:

"I just try to affect the game in whatever way I can. I try to make as many winning plays as possible whether that be rebounds, diving on the floor getting loose balls, getting steals in the passing lanes, or whatever that may be."

Duke Freshman Forward R.J. Barrett

On tonight's game:

"I think we were less nervous as a whole. We still started out a little bit slow though but we ended up picking it up at the end of the second quarter and everybody played well."

On celebrating team success on the court:

"Coming to Duke really taught me a lot about team success. When my teammates score, I'm very happy for them. If I throw a lob to Zion (Williamson), that's the most fun time of the game. I really like to see for everyone do well and be successful."

Duke Junior Forward Jack White

On the differences in game one and game two:

"I think again we had a bit of a slow start today. Towards the end of the second quarter, we picked it up defensively a lot. I think they only scored four points in an eight-minute span. We were playing a lot of man and we were talking to each other really well on our rotations. We rebounded the ball well and we started moving the ball well and getting good looks. I think as these games go on, we're just going to get more and more comfortable with each other and that's kind of the main difference that I'm seeing right now."

On the great crowds in Toronto:

"The crowd has been fantastic. Obviously we have R.J. (Barrett), and he has a lot of support out here especially with it being kind of his home but I definitely didn't expect it to be at this level. The crowd has been great and they've given us a lot of energy in these games. The atmosphere has been great for us."