



Duke University

Duke Player Quotes

February 5, 2019 – vs. Boston College

FRESHMAN FORWARD ZION WILLIAMSON

On what the key was to Duke's second half surge to pull away from Boston College:

"Being sharp in our half-court offense - we were not sharp at all in the first half in our half-court offense. But I think in the second half, we were very sharp and it made a big difference in the game."

On the play of Duke's Cam Reddish:

"I think he's playing with more confidence and confidence makes a big difference. He was shooting - he would miss like two shots but he would keep shooting. And that's what you like to see out of a shooter. If he keeps playing like that, I think we can do some really special things."

On Duke's upcoming matchup with Virginia:

"Obviously, that's going to be a big game because we already beat them once. That's a big game that everybody wants to play for. Coming into this game [against Boston College], everybody was saying this was like a trap game, but this was another business game for us. Every game means the same. If we lose to Boston College, it'll go as a loss. If we lose to Virginia, it'll go as a loss. If we win, it's a win. So you have to take every game the same."

FRESHMAN FORWARD RJ BARRETT

On what was different for Duke in the second half:

"Energy, effort, and intensity really. We just played harder. Tre [Jones] started to play harder, we started to play harder, and we were securing the rebounds and getting loose balls so we could get out in transition. We played hard [in the first half], but we're able to get our game to another level and that's what we did in the second half."

On having to play through foul trouble throughout the game:

"It's definitely part of the game. Not every game is just going to be easy. I'm glad that Coach [Mike Krzyzewski] trusted me to play through it."

When asked if conditioning was coming into play at all for Duke at this point in the season:

"I know I'm fine. Tre [Jones] is picking up full-court all game, so we're fine. We're good for right now."

FRESHMAN FORWARD CAM REDDISH

On his 24-point performance tonight:

"It felt great. I'm not going to change anything up. I'm going to continue to work hard before and after practice, just be in the gym as much as I can. It's as simple as that. I've been working so hard throughout these past few weeks to get back to who I am, and to see it pay off, it feels good. I was just being me really. I'm going to continue to work hard, stay with my faith, continue to pray. It's as simple as that."

When asked if there was anything different about tonight that contributed to his success:

"It's just confidence really. I've been in the gym with [Coaches] Scheyer and Carrawell, and my teammates have been pushing me to just be me, telling me to be aggressive and do everything I did in high school, and I did that tonight."

On how Duke's energy as a team is contagious when they're on the floor:

"That's just how we are. We love to see each other do well and it helps bring out ourselves. If we continue to do that, we'll be good."

On what was different for Duke in the second half:

"We knew we had to bring it. Every game counts, especially in the ACC. We had to just come out and play hard."