

SEC Football Media Days
Arkansas Player Quotes
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Running Back Knile Davis

(On setting big goals) "I think the team as a whole is very confident. Since Coach Petrino got here, we've gotten a lot better every year and made improvements. We feel like setting big goals is the only way for us to get to the SEC Championship. We have the players to do it. We just don't see why we can't."

(On changing quarterbacks) "Tyler Wilson and Brandon Mitchell are both great quarterbacks. They've made huge strides in the offseason, and I'm confident in both of those guys."

(On how he compares to other running backs in the SEC) "I think I'm right up there with the rest of the great backs in the SEC, and we do have some very good ones. My main thing is just to get out there and compete with them and see how it turns out."

(On the large amount of talent on the offense) "I think it's a good problem to have. I'm confident in anybody who has the ball, whether it's a receiver or a running back."

Wide Receiver Jarius Wright

(On the difference between catching for Ryan Mallett and Tyler Wilson) "I wouldn't say there's too much difference. Both of them have great arm strength, great velocity with their throws and both can make pretty much any throw on the field."

(On this year's expectations) "I wouldn't say our preseason expectations have changes. We've had the same goals for two years now. We are coming back with the same goals we had last year and that's to play for and SEC Championship and to play for the National Championship. We came up short last year but our goals are still the same."

(On having the Alabama game circled) "I wouldn't say we have any specific game circled. If you lose any of the first three games before the Alabama game, the Alabama game won't mean as much."

(On the Alabama game being bigger) "It is bigger than the first three games, but you can't just bypass the first three games. If you are 0-3 when you play Alabama, whether you win or lose probably won't make much difference in the SEC."

Defensive End Tenarius Wright

(On the defensive expectations) "Our expectations are high, but as a team we do expect so much out of each other that the expectations are nothing to shy from. We know what's going to be in store for this upcoming season."

(On high expectations) "As a team, we talk about overcoming everything that comes at us. We know what it takes as a team, as players to reach the expectations and not have any let downs."

(On this upcoming season) "We know it's a lot of mental tasks that you have to go through leading up to the game. We know we have to watch film more, we know we have to visualize the game plan and visualize ourselves making plays."

(On recognition of the defense) "On defense, we have made a lot of plays, but we know that we have so much more to do, we have so much more to achieve. We don't feel like we are sitting on the back burner. We're just going to perfect what Coach Robinson has in store for us with the game plan."

(On improving) "All of the guys who have been here four or five years, we know that we have to pick it up. We know it's going to take more than last year because we only made it to the Sugar Bowl. We want to be in the National Championship."

(On playing in the SEC West) "It's like a dream come true. The SEC is a tough conference and we love competing with the best."