



# JASON KELCE

CENTER | 62



**Height:** 6-3 **Weight:** 295 **DOB:** Nov. 5, 1987 (Age 35)  
**NFL Experience:** 12th Year (12th with Eagles) **Draft:** D6a-11 (191st overall) by PHI  
**College:** Cincinnati **Hometown (HS):** Cleveland, OH (Cleveland Heights)

**SUPER BOWL CHAMPION:** 2017 (LII) **ALL-PRO:** 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022 **PRO BOWL:** 2015, 2017, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

### CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Team	GP/S	STARTS	OFF SNAPS	
			C	No	Pct
2011	Philadelphia	16/16	16	N/A	N/A
2012	Philadelphia	2/2	2	136	12%
2013	Philadelphia	16/16	16	1,095	99%
2014	Philadelphia	12/12	12	828	70%
2015	Philadelphia	16/16	16	1,156	100%
2016	Philadelphia	16/16	16	1,133	100%
2017	Philadelphia	16/16	16	1,079	95%
2018	Philadelphia	16/16	16	1,037	95%
2019	Philadelphia	16/16	16	1,183	100%
2020	Philadelphia	16/16	16	1,124	99%
2021	Philadelphia	17/17	17	993	89%
2022	Philadelphia	17/17	17	1,151	98%
<b>Totals</b>		<b>176/176</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>

### PLAYOFFS

Year	Team	GP/S	C	No	Pct
2013	Philadelphia	1/1	1	58	100%
2017	Philadelphia	3/3	3	207	100%
2018	Philadelphia	2/2	2	119	100%
2019	Philadelphia	1/1	1	69	100%
2021	Philadelphia	1/1	1	66	100%
2022	Philadelphia	3/3	3	210	96%
<b>Totals</b>		<b>11/11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>

**If he could play another sport, what position/team:** Center for the Philadelphia Flyers ... **First job:** Worked a youth hockey camp when he was 14 years old ... **First football team:** Played LB and FB for the Roxboro Rockets in 7th grade ... **Three items needed on deserted island:** Duct tape, lighter, fishing pole ... **Three favorite throwback jerseys:** Chuck Bednarik, Philadelphia Eagles; Jim Brown, Cleveland Browns; Wayne Gretzky, Edmonton Oilers ... **Pregame ritual:** Listens to Christmas music and combs his beard ... **Favorite movies:** *The Big Lebowski* and *The Last Gladiators* ... **Favorite teams/athletes as a kid:** All Cleveland teams, Michael Jordan, Wayne Gretzky and Jerome Bettis



### CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Is a six-time **Pro Bowl** honoree (2015, '17, '20, '21, '22, '23), five-time AP first-team **All-Pro** (2017, '18, '19, '21, '22) and **Super Bowl LII** champion
- ▶ Is the third center since the 1970 NFL merger to be named first-team All-Pro five times in their career, joining **Dermontti Dawson** (six) and **Mike Webster** (five) ... Dawson and Webster are all members of the Pro Football Hall of Fame ... Among that group, only Kelce and Webster have won a Super Bowl
- ▶ Became the fifth player in franchise history to earn at least five first-team All-Pro selections, joining **Chuck Bednarik** (six), **Reggie White** (six), **Pete Pihos** (five) and **Steve Van Buren** (five)
- ▶ Has received the 2nd-most Pro Bowl nods ever by an Eagles OL (most by a center in team history), trailing only **Jason Peters** (seven)

### BIRDSEED

- ▶ Founded the Be Philly Foundation in 2022, which aims to invest in the next generation of Philadelphians ... Part of the foundation's launch includes the proceeds of his "Underdog" clothing brand, which notably features the logo of the dog mask that became popular during the Eagles' **Super Bowl LII**-winning postseason run, along with numerous T-shirts sporting caricatures of his current teammates
- ▶ Started a podcast venture with his brother, Chiefs TE **Travis Kelce**, in 2022, entitled "New Heights with Jason & Travis Kelce"
- ▶ Has provided significant time and resources to benefit the Eagles Autism Foundation over the years ... His wife, Kylie, works in a classroom for children with special needs and she grew up with a neighbor and close friend who was diagnosed with autism ... He is an ambassador to multiple events tied to the Eagles Autism Foundation, including the Eagles Autism Challenge and Huddle Up for Autism events ... Hosted his second "Team 62" celebrity bartending fundraiser at Ocean Drive in Sea Isle City, NJ, in June 2022, generating more than \$100,000 for the Eagles Autism Foundation ... He and his wife then donated another \$50,000, bringing the total to an outstanding \$150,000 for the day
- ▶ Sang the National Anthem before the Philadelphia 76ers' game against the Denver Nuggets at the Wells Fargo Center on March 14, 2022 ... In 2021, he agreed to do so if he helped former teammate **Connor Barwin's** Make The World Better Foundation raise more than \$100,000 by the end of the year (the organization raised over \$114,000)
- ▶ Guest-hosted a three-hour shift on the WIP Morning Show on SportsRadio 94WIP during the 2022 offseason ... One day later, surrounded by speculation that he would retire, announced on social media with a video of him pouring a beer from a keg that he was, in fact, retiring - but from sports talk radio, not football ... The keg was sent to him earlier by **Nick Sirianni** in a plea for him to keep playing
- ▶ Nominated by the Eagles as their 2021 Walter Payton Man of the Year candidate ... The award is considered the NFL's most prestigious honor and recognizes players who have exhibited excellence on the field as well as a passion to impact the lives of others in their community



- ▶ Dressed in Mummers regalia on the steps of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, closed the Super Bowl LII Parade of Champions with an iconic speech that solidified his unique place in Philadelphia folklore ... Inspired by the “underdog” theme associated with their postseason run, delivered an ode to his teammates and the city’s resilient spirit
- ▶ Comes from a football lineage ... His younger brother, **Travis Kelce**, is an All-Pro TE who was drafted by the Kansas City Chiefs in 2013 ... His uncle, Don Blalock Jr., played DT for Purdue (1976-77) and his grandfather, Don Blalock, was a member of Ohio’s football team



#### NOTES TO KNOW

- ▶ Has started 139 consecutive games, which is the 2nd-longest active streak in the NFL, behind **Jake Matthews** (144) ... It is the 2nd-longest streak in Eagles history, trailing only **Jon Runyan** (144, 2000-08).
- ▶ Owns the 5th-most regular-season games played (176) in Eagles history, which is the most games played by an offensive lineman in franchise history

#### 2022 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Produced the 2nd-highest *PFF* pass-blocking grade (82.0) among NFL centers ... Joined **Corey Linsley** as the only centers to not allow a sack or QB hit (min. 250 snaps) ... Also finished with the 2nd-highest *PFF* run blocking grade (89.4) among NFL centers
- ▶ Started all 17 games for an offense that scored a franchise-record 477 points and set team records in third-down conversion rate (45.9%) and red zone TD efficiency (67.8%) ... Also blocked for an OL that produced 32 rushing TDs, which is tied for the 3rd-most in NFL history
- ▶ Anchored an OL that totaled 363 rushing yards in the 40-33 win vs. GB (11/27/22) ... It marked the team’s highest single-game total since posting a franchise record 376 rushing yards on 11/21/48 vs. Was.

#### 2021 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Recorded the 3rd-highest *PFF* offensive grade (84.4) among NFL centers, behind **Creed Humphrey** (91.4) and **Corey Linsley** (85.7) (min. 800 snaps) ... Also ranked 2nd among centers with an 89.4 run-blocking grade, trailing only Humphrey (92.5) (min. 300 run-blocking snaps)
- ▶ Led all NFL centers with a 0.2% knockdown percentage, allowing just 1 sack in 557 opportunities (min. 500 pass-blocking snaps)
- ▶ Blocked for an OL that helped the team lead the NFL in rushing offense (159.7 avg.), rushing TDs (25) and explosive plays (163) ... The Eagles established single-season franchise records in rushing yards (2,715), rushing TDs (tied) and third-down percentage (45.7%)

#### 2020 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Registered the 2nd-best *PFF* run-blocking grade (79.0) among NFL centers, behind **Frank Ragnow** (80.9) (min. 300 run-blocking snaps)

#### 2019 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Posted the No. 1 *PFF* offensive grade (81.0) among NFL centers (min. 800 snaps) ... Also ranked 1st among the league’s centers in run-blocking grade (82.4) (min. 300 run-blocking snaps)

#### 2018 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Finished with the best *PFF* offensive grade (88.8) among NFL centers (min. 800 snaps) ... Paced his league-wide position group with an 88.2 run-blocking grade as well (min. 300 run-blocking snaps)
- ▶ Allowed only 1 sack, 3 QB hits and 8 hurries in 657 opportunities, resulting in the 2nd-lowest pressure percentage (1.8%) among centers, behind **Rodney Hudson** (0.9%) (min. 500 pass-blocking snaps)

#### 2017 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Recorded the top *PFF* offensive grade (94.4) among NFL centers (min. 800 snaps), which is the highest mark of his career ... Produced a position-leading 95.5 run-blocking grade (min. 300 run-blocking snaps)

- ▶ Blocked for one of the most dominant OLs in the league during Philadelphia’s **Super Bowl LII**-winning season ... Helped the Eagles lead the NFL in red zone offense (65.5%) and rank 3rd in both rushing offense (132.2 ypg) and offensive points per game (26.3)

#### 2016 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Appeared in 1,133 offensive snaps and allowed only 1 sack

#### 2015 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Logged the 6th-highest *PFF* offensive grade (74.1) among NFL centers (min. 800 snaps) ... Saw action in 1,156 offensive snaps

#### 2014 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Ranked 3rd among NFL centers with a 78.0 *PFF* offensive grade, behind **Travis Frederick** (86.6) and **Nick Mangold** (84.6) (min. 800 snaps)
- ▶ Helped an offense that ranked 3rd in scoring (29.6 ppg), 5th in total yards (396.8 ypg), 6th in passing (272.3 ypg) and 9th in rushing (124.5 ypg), while setting team records in points (474) and TDs (54)

#### 2013 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Owned the 2nd-highest *PFF* offensive grade (88.7) among NFL centers, trailing only **Chris Myers** (90.8) (min. 800 snaps) ... Also ranked 3rd in run-blocking grade (89.3) (min. 300 run-blocking snaps)
- ▶ Paved the way for the NFL’s leading rusher – **LeSean McCoy** (1,607 yards) ... A member of the league’s No. 2 offense (417.3 ypg), which also ranked 1st in rushing (160.4 ypg) and 4th in scoring (27.6 ppg)

#### 2012 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Played in 136 offensive snaps over two appearances

#### 2011 SEASON - EAGLES

- ▶ Became the first Eagles rookie OL to start all 16 contests since **Doug Brzezinski** in 1999 (first Eagles rookie center to do so)

#### COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Played in 47 career games at Cincinnati and started each of his final 38 contests at LG (26) and C (12) ... Started all 12 games at C during his senior season in 2010, earning All-America honorable mention and first-team All-Big East accolades ... Named second-team All-Big East following the 2008-09 seasons
- ▶ Added more than 40 pounds to his frame in 2007 and transitioned to OL ... Originally joined as a walk-on in 2006, when he received Scout Team Defensive Player of the Year honors as a 240-pound LB

#### PERSONAL

- ▶ Is the son of Donna and Ed Kelce ... Donna works in banking and Ed is a sales representative in the steel business ... He and his wife, Kylie, have two daughters, Wyatt Elizabeth and Elliotte Ray

#### TRANSACTIONS

- ▶ **2011** - Drafted by PHI in 6th round (191st overall) ... **9/8/12** - Placed on Reserve/Injured ... **2/27/14** - Signed by PHI to 7-year contract extension ... **3/2/19** - Agreed to terms with PHI on 1-year contract extension ... **1/3/22** - Placed on Reserve/COVID-19 ... **1/7/22** - Activated from Reserve/COVID-19