



GET TO KNOW A DREAM BOWLER!

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Hello Tra! It's great to catch up with you. Thank you for taking the time out to answer some questions!

Can you tell the folks out there your full name, position and school?

Travion Fletcher, I play receiver, punt and kick return.

What positions did you play in high school? Did you play more than one sport?

In high school I also played receiver, punt return and kick return. I also play basketball which I played on varsity all four years at Mceachern High School in Power Springs, GA.

Were you highly recruited coming out of high school?

In high school I was 19th prospect in GA. Growing up I had little money, so I couldn't afford the camps others go to for exposure. Grades were good, and I never got in trouble. It was other reasons I feel why I wasn't recruited like I was supposed to be.

Can you name the schools you were at before you ended up at West Alabama?

Before I landed at UWA, I attended Arkansas State University in 2012 where I red-shirted. That next year I sat out and decided to leave ASU. I left and sat out got cut from two tryouts and finally got a call from Dean college 2 Year school in Franklin, MA. I played a year there and ended up at UWA.

What do you enjoy most about the football?

Most importantly I like have fun when I play football. I love learning new ways and studying new ways to beat a defender.

Do you have a pregame ritual?

Before games I talk to God. I was the leader of all the chants at my school, so I got everybody in their right mind set.

Do you have any hidden talents?

Basketball is my hidden talent. It's actually my favorite sport and my first love.

What is an NFL or CFL team getting in Tra Fletcher?

Any team getting me will get a player who is eager to learn. They will get a player who has heart and want to. Any team will get a player that won't make the same mistakes over again. They will get probably the smallest thing on the field due to height but plays like one of the biggest. Any team will get a player who is dedicated to his craft and wants to help any organization rise on and off the field. I just want to be the best. All my life I been told I can't do this I can't do that. I was told I can do whatever I put mine mind too. I could have given up school and this dream to play ball. I managed to graduate with two

degrees and this opportunity. It's only the beginning.

If you can't find a home in the NFL or CFL, what will you pursue as a career?

If I can't find a home honestly I won't stop until I know for sure there 'is nothing I can do. I'd like to be a coach at a local high school back at home. I also will try to open a training facility, so I could train local kids who have the same dream as me.

Your dad was a highly decorated College Basketball player at Arkansas State. He was the 2x Sun Belt POY. He also played in the NCAA Tournament. What is the best advice he has given you?

The best advice my pop has gave me was keep the main thing the main thing and that was having fun. I come from an athletic background and have always been around basketball and football. He has taught me everything I know today. He also told me not to give up on my dreams if I feel it in my heart to do whatever I want to do...do it.

In closing, is there anything else you want to add? Or is there anything else you feel the fans should know about you?

As I said before, it's been a bumpy road, but I have not given up on anything. In high school I was getting looked at by many schools up until my senior year. My senior year I did not receive not one letter. Which was unheard of because I had started since my sophomore year on varsity at Mceachern High School. I was receiving them sophomore through my junior year, then my senior year came I didn't receive one. I was lost and confused because my grades were good, I scored well on SAT with a 1300. I never got in trouble in school. So, I was very down at that point, but ended up at Arkansas state. When I left the team after my redshirt year I tried out again that next year for ASU and got cut. When I left I also tried out for Kilgore college in Texas got cut. At that point I didn't know what I was going to do but I kept myself in shape and was ready when my opportunity came. I graduated with a AA and BA degree and full scholarship at UWA. I'm here so obviously somebody seen something in me, and I'm thankful for it. I just want to say to anybody listening or interested in my story to just never give up on your dreams I sat out for two years and still managed to overcome obstacles. If you think you can do it do it.

Tra thank you so much for your time! Were extremely thankful you chose to accept your invite to our event. The scouts and the Dream Bowl staff look forward to watching you ball out this week! And don't forget to have fun out there!

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