
PLAISTED GONE??? ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by gmoney - 2008/04/10 09:03

incredible, he decided to enter the draft with no agent. whatever: maybe by june he will pull out and realize its a mistake. I guess there is no harm in testing out the waters.

<http://sports.espn.go.com/nba/draft2008/news/story?id=3339516>

Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by bostoncoug - 2008/04/10 09:06

This actually doesn't suprise me whatsoever. By not hiring an agent, he can play the field and determine his draft stock, and he can still take his name out of the draft by some time in June and retain his eligibility. I personally don't see any way an NBA team takes him in the first round, (which is the only guaranteed money in the NBA), so I think that he'll be pulling his name out of draft consideration.

Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by dloug - 2008/04/10 09:17

This is probably the smartest decision he could make in the situation he's in. He can see where he might be drafted and then make a decision. I think this is the right move for him.

I personally feel that it will show him that he needs to come back for one more year, but if it shows that he is ready then good for him and it was great that he was a Cougar for as long as he was.

Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by loopycoug - 2008/04/10 09:23

"Enters Draft" is accurate.

"Gone" is a little premature

Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by WACoug - 2008/04/10 09:37

Just yesterday or the day before they reported that he had "one foot in the door" but just hadn't made it official yet. This is not really surprising and I guess is the epitome of having "one foot in the door".

Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by jbar1221 - 2008/04/10 09:45

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Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by harlinestillopen - 2008/04/10 09:49

Not a big deal, he'll find out that he's not as good as he thinks he is, nbadraft.net has him going at #52. I doubt he'll leave if he's not atleast a firt rounder. Unless he has AMAZING workouts he'll be here next year

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Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by CougarPokes - 2008/04/10 09:50

Underclassmen declaring for the draft without hiring an agent is common practice. Last year Jaycee Carroll of USU did the same thing. It is actually a smart move, Trent will be evaluated and get to play against some other talent if he gets invited to some of the pre-draft camps. He can also gauge what the interest is of NBA teams. Now, if he does all this and then decides to hire an agent, well then that would be stupid. He still needs one more year to develop...but this is a good way to get his name out there.

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Re:PLAISTED GONE??? ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by Yndian - 2008/04/10 10:43

Dick Harmon said:

Plaisted would need to withdraw from the draft by June 16, if he wants to return and play at BYU. The NBA draft is June 26.

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Re:PLAISTED GONE??? ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by timmyboy - 2008/04/10 10:53

Great choice for him. But, I bet he'll be back come June 26.

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Re:PLAISTED GONE??? ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by Real.Men.Wear.Blue - 2008/04/10 11:13

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Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by MizzouCoug - 2008/04/10 11:36

Smart move, but no worries. He'll be coming back for his Sr. season.

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Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by MizzouCoug - 2008/04/10 11:41

Oh and I'm trying to upload a pic, but everytime it just comes up saying "session expired." Anyone know what's going on?

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Posted by mormonrasta - 2008/04/10 11:41

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Posted by lovelldog - 2008/04/10 11:42

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Playing pro ball doesn't mean you can't capitalize on your college education later in life. Not that I think I would compare my pitiful income from my college education to someone making millions a year anyway.

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I agree with both points. Good news for Trent and for us. I think it will take some great workouts to go pro this year but I do think he is somewhat hampered by Coach Rose's system so he might be able to pull it out. If not I am very much looking forward to a great year next year with him and Lee tearing it up.

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Re:PLAISTED not GONE??? Just ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by imuakahuku - 2008/04/10 12:35

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I don't know of many college graduates that make almost \$450,000. If he played he few years he might be able to go back to school and finish if he can afford the \$3,800 tuition. But I do know that BYU tries hard to provide jobs for the students so they can earn money for college.

<http://www.insidehoops.com/minimum-nba-salary.shtml>

Re:PLAISTED not GONE??? Just ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by Gunk - 2008/04/10 13:16

Trent is done with his classes. He could graduate if he wanted so no need to get on him for not finishing school, choosing money over education, etc. Unlike the majority of studenst at BYU Trent actually completed his major in 4 years.

Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by MizzouCoug - 2008/04/10 14:04

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Posted by lovelldog - 2008/04/10 17:11

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Go back and watch the Louisville game sometime and I think you will see him doing what he does best. Maybe partly he just needs to move more but I think more than that it is the players around him that dictate a system.

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Posted by BoiseBYU - 2008/04/10 18:57

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Re:PLAISTED GONE??? ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by Beef05 - 2008/04/11 13:08

Good, He's overrated.

Re:PLAISTED GONE??? ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by lovelldog - 2008/04/11 14:27

Beef05 wrote:
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I don't know about overrated, all the mock drafts I have seen don't have him going in the first round but rather the 2nd which I think is legitimate.

Besides who cares whether he is overrated or not he is still by far the best post player on the team and one of the best two players on the team without question. How can him leaving be good unless you are excited to see him go on his career?

Re:PLAISTED GONE, ENTERS DRAFT

Posted by nuk13 - 2008/04/11 14:48

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If this is true, it may be more important to fix this than whether Trent stays or not. It appears that adjustments need to be made to get past UNLV and the first game of the Ncaa's. At this point the other post players are not at Trent's level but if the system were to improve they may become much better.

I would also say again that the team needs a take charge guy like Danny Ainge. A lot of you have written about quarterbacks that have "it". That's what the BB team needs. He may be on the team now if one of them steps up next year.