
Kessman suspended

Posted by Hengst - 2008/04/12 19:46

<http://www.greatfallstribune.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20080412/SPORTS/804120311>

Gotta say, i'm not really sad he's gone. For his sake I hope he grows up and does well at Montana, but it's not looking promising.

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Re:Kessman suspended

Posted by niqmadu - 2008/04/12 20:17

ouch....

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Re:Kessman suspended

Posted by Yndian - 2008/04/12 22:30

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Posted by snoscythe - 2008/04/12 22:33

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Re:Kessman suspended

Posted by Cougfan84 - 2008/04/12 22:51

This kid is above the rules...he has the old T.O. syndrome where he thinks he is more important than his teammates and the team rules. The kid has talent, but definitely needs to grow up...I think he will end up transferring from that school too. I bet Kyle Whittingham gives him a call, the U likes those players that to make mistakes off the field, he could be roommates with Marquis Wilson. Kessman, you need to listen to Collie on this one. If you do things right on and OFF the field...Magic Happens! ;)

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Posted by lawman - 2008/04/12 23:14

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karma for echoing my thoughts!!

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Well there's always Sacramento City College... :huh:

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Re:Kessman suspended

Posted by Mars - 2008/04/13 14:00

You know what Kessman's motto is:

When life hands you lemons, throw them at little children... maybe then you'll get a good laugh out of it. :S

What a dummy.

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Re:Kessman suspended

Posted by KYCoug - 2008/04/13 15:11

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Posted by ammoncougar1 - 2008/04/13 16:37

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Posted by dshelley - 2008/04/13 20:19

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Maybe this time it was an orange mocha frapiccino with a shot of espresso on the side ;)

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Posted by jhw5 - 2008/04/14 06:26

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I agree, but it sounded like he's at least been running late to team meetings, practices, etc.

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Re:Kessman suspended

Posted by JaredCowley - 2008/04/14 09:27

The saddest thing about Kessman isn't that he's a prima donna, spoiled amateur athlete. It's that it seems like he has a father who enables, possibly even encourages his behavior. I don't know all the details obviously, but it seems to me that if Kessman's dad would have tried to be a good parent to his son, instead of a good agent, things may have turned out differently for Kessman.

Jared Cowley

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Posted by Slugger - 2008/04/14 09:36

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Re:Kessman suspended

Posted by mountaincougar - 2008/04/14 10:50

Amen to slugger's comments. I don't know what happened but they don't do this without reason. Knew a kid pretty well who BYU recruited several years who was disaster waiting to happen. Well he lasted through Dec or so his freshman year and was gone. No surprise to anyone who knew him. But why did BYU insist on recruiting people who, falling off the rule wagon is just a matter of time, not if at all. I would be interested to hear the why of this one, if anyone knows. It seems last time his dad did all the crying of him to whoever would listen.

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Not to change this to a religious discussion but couldn't the same question be asked of Heavenly Father on behalf of several people we individually know who seemed like they were born with the personality to "fail this life"? And He would probably answer with something related to agency and hope. I can see the point to your question and don't mean to trivialize it with a trite answer but I'm glad we have the staff at BYU who are willing to take some risks even when they seem like dead ends. I would rather see that and see one success story than no risks and zero success stories.

Go Cougs!!!

J. Child
Ammon, ID

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Posted by Real.Men.Wear.Blue - 2008/04/14 11:42

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Like I said, "very few..." not all. Mahe is a great example of a kid that learned from mistakes and matured and bettered himself. There are a few other examples, though I can't name them right now. I just find it interesting from a philosophical and sociological perspective. We all know religion is a powerful influence, for good or for bad. When people make mistakes pertaining to religion they often rebel against that religion and develop hatred for it, which only spreads to other parts of their character and behavior. Just an observational question to throw out there. CJ Ah You went on to have a solid career at Oklahoma and Ofa Moheau has seen the field alot at Texas Tech. I know not everyone is cut out for BYU, myself included. Lifelong member of the church, graduate of both seminary and institute, served an honorable mission, blah blah blah. But yet I never cared to even apply to BYU. I just knew I would be a better fit somewhere else. I just wish some of these young men had the fortitude and foresight to see how they could mature and grow by making sacrifices, all while getting a great college education and the experience of a lifetime of playing D1 football for a historical program? I guess maybe I expect too much... But sincerely, good luck to Kessman and all those that leave BYU. I have no ill feelings and wish them well.

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Damn Mountain Dew did it again. :dry:

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I kind of have to make the opposite argument. I say we should care now. For all the flack that BYU caught with Kessman, you'd think that what's happening at Montana would bolster our argument and support how Bronco handled the issue. The more people that hear it, the more it sounds like Kessman was the problem and not BYU (I realize that realistic BYU fans knew who the problem was from the get go, but let's think outside of our biodome and consider the national and recruiting perspective). Considering the fact that we also have had the eclesiatical endorsement issue come up this year too with athletics, I'd prefer that Kessmans dirty laundry be aired for everyone to see. BYU simply is not a hyperrestrictive petri dish where only one type of person can grow; however some people won't grow wherever they go (ala Kessman).

Has the Des News or Tribune made any mention of Kessmann screwing up again? Considering the relative mountain out of a molehill that was made out of the "cappucino gate" incident, you'd think that those papers would be willing to make mention of the fact that Kessmann managed to get in trouble again, at a D1AA school that doesn't even have an honor code; especially the Des News.

It seems to me that by putting out the fact that Kessman managed to break the rules elsewhere supports what happened at BYU and makes it look a lot less like nit picky and petty cappucino issues. Those papers had no problem printing articles about cappucino gate last fall, they should have no problem backing Bronco and his decision making when the object of the controversy screws up at another school.

I dont' expect them to post an editorial about the issue, I think just the fact that Kessman had been suspended at Montana for breaking team rules and a look back at last fall would be an appropriate article. It seems to me that writing such an article is justified and timely.

I don't want to pile on Kessman; obviously the kid has a lot of issues that he has to deal with and it's easier to pity him than dislike the kid; but BYU football is bigger than any player and I'd prefer that if disinformation exists that it be countered by the relative truth. Mentioning that he screwed up again and has been suspended by Montana is fact; you'd think that the local media would want to make mention of that; especially considering they didnt' hesitate to mention the cappucino issues, etc. in the fall.

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I think you would benefit from reading the article done a few years back (I couldn't find it) about the implementation of Bronco's recruiting scheme. He speaks to parents, the recruit, and more importantly the religious leader about the character of the recruit. Whethter that a Father, Minister, Pastor, Rabbi, Bishop (if LDS), or whoever. If these people have been deceived it isn't the schools or their own fault, but the recruits problem.

Although the S.L. Trib loves to embellish potential problems with BYU and the religion behind the school, across the nation it gets minor attention.

Bronco is doing a great deal to ensure that the recruits don't mess up like Crowtons recruits, but you can only do so much. I think that he is doing a fantastic job. He can't help it if the one's closest to the recruit are deceived or even lie to him to get their boy a scholarship.

Re:Kessman suspended

Posted by Isola - 2008/04/14 12:57

Cougfan84 wrote:

...I think he will end up transferring from that school too.

Just one more year of transferring and he will be able to declare for the draft. It is the only thing for him to do with that much talent.

Seriously, I hope he gets his head on straight. There are more talented people who see it all wasted because they can't get over themselves.