

National Youth Foundation *Presents:*

JALEN MILLS

THE GREEN GOBLIN



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Jalen Mills joined the Philadelphia Eagles in 2016. The Eagles were founded in 1933. Although they won three football championships in 1948, 1949 and 1960, they had not won a Super Bowl. This all changed in 2018, and Jalen played a key part of this big change.

first National League game

Foot Ball

TONIGHT



EAGLES
vs. Portsmouth
SPARTANS

8:30 P.M.

50c, 75c, \$ 1.00, \$ 1.50

tickets on sale at—

PHILLIES
Ball PARK



Growing up in Dallas, Jalen enjoyed playing sports. To earn extra money, he sold newspapers when he was 14. This taught him how to work hard and to be responsible. Hard work and determination would help him later in life when he became a professional player.



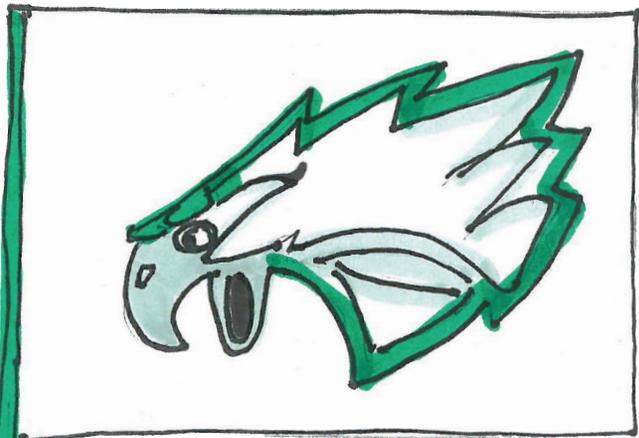
Jalen went to college in 2012 at Louisiana State University, also known as LSU. During his freshman year, he started in all 13 games, recording 57 tackles and 2 interceptions. Off the field, he began meditating to help him relax. It worked because he was a star player for all four years in college.



When Jalen was in his senior year of college, he hurt his leg. This injury caused him to miss the first six games. Despite the missed time, he was named a 2015 All-American by CBS Sports.



Jalen was selected by the Philadelphia Eagles in the 2016 draft. The team needed a cornerback, and they got one of the best. The position of cornerback is a part of the defense. They stop the other team from scoring. They also intercept passes and run the ball back to score touchdowns.

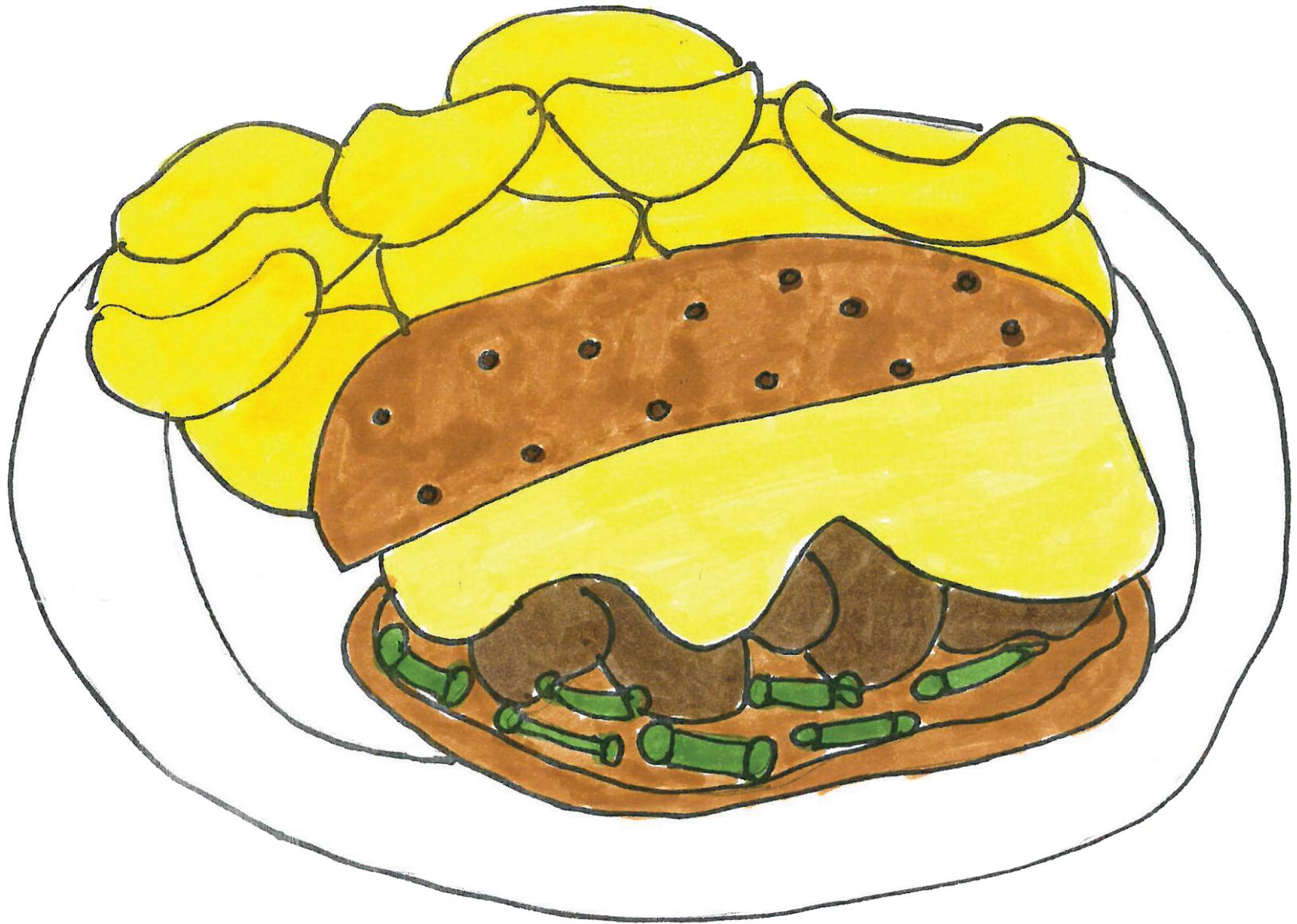


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When Jalen got to Philadelphia, he kept hearing about Philly's famous cheesesteaks. He had never had one before. When he ordered his food, the worker knew that it was his first time ordering a cheesesteak. They were helpful to Jalen. Cheesesteaks became one of his favorite foods.



Jalen first dyed his hair with his friends. He decided to keep it green after his friends and family liked it. When he went to Eagles practice with it green, his teammates in the locker room came up to him saying, “Dude, your hair is green.”



After Jalen dyed his hair green, his teammates gave him the cool nickname of the Green Goblin. He played with his green hair in a number of games and ended the 2017 season with three interceptions and one touchdown. In addition to his green hair, he has custom Green Goblin cleats.



GREEN
GOBLIN

Going into Super Bowl LII (52), the Philadelphia Eagles were the underdogs. Their quarterback was injured and people underestimated their talent. The team did not accept this prediction. They rose above the negativity. During the Super Bowl, Jalen stopped the Patriots from scoring on a key 3rd-down play. He knocked the ball away from a player who was much bigger than him. Jalen's team beat the New England Patriots on February 4, 2018 in Minneapolis. The Eagles became the Super Bowl Champions.



After winning the Super Bowl, the City of Philadelphia threw the Eagles a huge parade. The team also became even more famous. Jalen decided to use his fame to help kids take a stand against bullying. It is reported that 47 students are bullied every five minutes in the United States. Jalen Mills wants to bring this number down to zero.



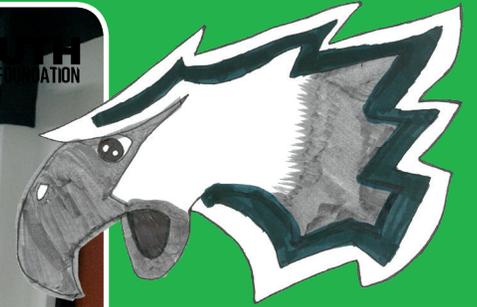
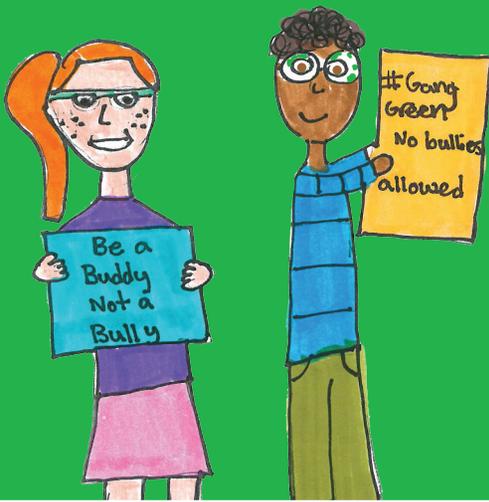
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Don't be a Bully
be a Champion



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