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# KJ HAMLER

AGE: 25 (July 8, 1999) | HT: 5-9 | WT: 178

COLLEGE: Penn State

NFL EXP: 4 Years

HOMETOWN: Pontiac, MI

ACQUIRED: Free Agent (2024)

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## FIRST-AND-10

**KJ HAMLER** signed a reserve/futures contract on January 20, 2024. Hamler originally entered the NFL as a second round pick (46th overall) of the Denver Broncos where he spent his first three seasons. Hamler spent the 2023 season on the Indianapolis Colts practice squad.

## SHOUTOUTS

- Over his four year career Hamler has appeared in 23 career games (6 starts) for the Broncos, recording 42 catches for 620 yards with three touchdowns.
- Spent the 2023 season on the Indianapolis Colts practice squad.
- He played in seven games and recorded seven receptions for 165 yards in the 2022 season.
- Played in 13 games (4 starts) with the Broncos in 2020, totaling 30 receptions for 381 yards and three touchdowns with nine rushes for 40 yards.
- Recorded first career multi-touchdown game at CAR (12/13/20) with 2 TD grabs setting a career high in receiving yards with 86.
- Hamler recorded his first career touchdown catch with no time remaining on the clock to help the Broncos win vs LAC (11/1/20).
- Recorded three receptions for 48 yards and one rushing attempt for 9 yards in his NFL debut at PIT (9/20/20).

## PERSONAL

Full name is Kahlee Jacoby Hamler is the son of Latonya Gooding and Thomas Hamler and has one older sister, Michelle Hamler. Majored in journalism at Penn State. He attended IMG Academy in Bradenton, FL, but sat out the 2016 season with an injury. Attended St. Mary's Preparatory High School in Orchard Lake, MI, where he helped the team to the Division 3 State Championship in his sophomore and junior years. Ran track for two seasons and was named the team's MVP.

## IF YOU HAVEN'T HERD

### GRANNY BABY

During the 2022 season KJ Hamler was selected as the Denver Broncos Ed Block Courage Award winner. Each year, the Ed Block Courage Award honors players who exemplify commitments to the principles of sportsmanship and courage.



"It's been a tough journey, to be honest," Hamler told denver-broncos.com. "There was such much stuff I was dealing with and being piled up on top of each other. At one point, just dealing with the ACL and then some more things with family situations. The love of my life passed — my grandmother — so that was the toughest thing. That was on my back for a while. I wish I never did it by myself. I wish I would have asked for help, because it was at one point in my life—and I'm going to just be honest with you all because I'm more vulnerable and more confident in myself by just saying it — at one point, I didn't want to be here. God gave me the strength to just get out of that hole because he knew I was strong enough to get through it. I didn't feel like I was at the time. Just getting out of that hole was very hard, very tough. Just having all of these things going on and piling on top of each other, it was a hard process. Just to see where I am at from where I started and where I'm at now, it's been a big change. I'm proud of myself and I know my grandmother is proud."  
(Ben Swanson, denverbroncos.com, 12/30/22)

## THE STAMPEDE

**Favorite food:** Bang Bang chicken and shrimp

**Hobbies:** Making music and cooking

**Mythical Creature:** Megladon

**Favorite TV show:** Sopranos or Game of Thrones

**Fun fact:** Played lacrosse in middle school and high school

**Dream vacation spot:** Tokyo and Greece

**Favorite comedian:** Katt Williams and Bernie Mac

**Bucket list item:** Sky dive

**Least favorite class in school:** English

**Favorite movie:** Scarface