



**Michael Porter Jr.**

### **Biographical Information**

Michael Porter Jr. was selected 14<sup>th</sup> overall pick by the Denver Nuggets on June 21, 2018, and on July 3, 2018, Porter signed a multi-year contract with the Nuggets. Due to his back problems on July 19, 2018, the Nuggets announced that Porter had undergone a second back surgery.

On October 31, 2019, Porter made his debut in NBA, coming off the bench with fifteen points, four rebounds and an assist in a 107–122 loss to the New Orleans Pelicans. On December 29, Porter made his first career start in the NBA, finishing with 19 points, along with six rebounds and an assist in 26 minutes in a 120–115 win over the Sacramento Kings. He set a new career high with 25 points in 23 minutes just four days later in a win against the Indiana Pacers. On August 4, 2020, returning from the suspension of the season due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Porter Jr. led the Nuggets to their first victory in the Orlando bubble, scoring a career-high 37 points en route to a 121–113 overtime win over Oklahoma City Thunder.

Porter played his collegiate basketball for the Missouri Tigers. On March 29, 2017 he was named MVP at the McDonald's All-American Game leading the West in a 109–107 win over the East team. Porter also participated in the 2017 Nike Hoop Summit, leading Team USA to a 98–87 victory over the World Select Team with 19 points in 23 minutes of play. and was ranked as one of the top prospects in the class of 2017.

**Strong pedigree:** Porter is one of eight siblings to Lisa and Michael Porter Sr. His mother played college basketball at Iowa and went on to play professionally in Europe. His father played at the University of New Orleans and has been an assistant coach for the University of Missouri and the University of Washington in Seattle.