# BASKETBALL 

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## 2016-17 Schedule/Results

| Date | Opponent | Television | Time/Results |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NII | Mount St. Mary's | ROOT SPORTS | W/87-59 |
| N14 | Mississippi Valley State | ROOT SPORTS | W/107-66 |
| N2O | New Hampshire \& | ROOT SPORTS | W/100-41 |
| N24 | vs. Illinois | ESPNU | W/89-57 |
| N25 | vs. Temple ^ | ESPN2 | L/77-81 |
| N28 | Manhattan \& | ROOT SPORTS | W/108-61 |
| D3 | at Virginia | ESPNU | W/66-57 |
| D7 | vs. Western Carolina \# | ROOT SPORTS | W/90-37 |
| D10 | VMI | ROOT SPORTS | W/90-55 |
| D17 | UMKC | ROOT SPORTS | W/112-67 |
| D20 | Radford | Nextar | W/84-57 |
| D23 | Northern Kentucky | ROOT SPORTS | W/92-61 |
| D30 | at Oklahoma State * | ESPN2 | W/92-75 |
| J3 | at Texas Tech * | ESPNEWS | L/76-77 OT |
| J7 | TCU* | ESPNU | W/82-70 |
| J0 | Baylor * | ESPN2 | W/89-68 |
| J14 | at Texas * | ESPN2 | W/74-72 |
| J18 | Oklahoma * | ESPN2 | L/87-89 OT |
| J21 | at Kansas State * | ESPN2 | L/75-79 |
| J24 | Kansas* | ESPN | W/85-69 |
| J28 | Texas A\&M S | ESPN | W/81-77 |
| J31 | at lowa State * | ESPN2 | W/85-72 |
| F4 | Oklahoma State * | ESPNU | L/75-82 |
| F8 | at Oklahoma * | ESPN2 | W/61-50 |
| FII | Kansas State * | ESPN | W/85-66 |
| Fl3 | at Kansas * | ESPN | L/80-84 OT |
| F18 | Texas Tech * | ESPN2 | W/83-74 20T |
| F20 | Texas* | ESPN | W/77-62 |
| F25 | at TCU * | ESPN | W/61-60 |
| F27 | at Baylor * | ESPNU | L/62-71 |
| M3 | lowa State* | ESPN2 | W/87-76 |
| M9 | vs. Texas! | ESPNU | W/63-53 |
| MIO | vs. Kansas State! | ESPN2 | W/51-50 |
| MII | vs. Iowa State ! | ESPN | L/74-80 |
| M16 | vs. Bucknell \% | CBS | W/86-80 |
| M18 | vs. Notre Dame \% | CBS | 12:10 p.m. |
| \& NIT Season Tip-Off, Morgantown, W.Va. <br> ^ NIT Season Tip-Off, Barclays Center, Brooklyn, N.Y. <br> \# Charleston, W.Va. <br> s SEC/Big Challenge <br> * Big 12 Conference game <br> ! Phillips 66 Biğ 12 Championship, Kansas City, Mo. \% NCAA Championship. Buffalo, N.Y. |  |  |  |

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## Follow the Mountaineers on ... 



Notre Dame Fighting Irish (26-9)

## 2017 NCAA Men's Basketball Championship Second Round

- WVU is 3-0 in NCAA Tournament play in Buffalo. WVU won two games in 2010 and advanced to the Final Four.
- WVU is 12-4 all-time in Buffalo, New York, with six wins in a row. WVU is 4-0 at KeyBank Center.
- The Mountaineers have now scored 2,873 points this season, just 11 points shy of the school's record of 2,884 in 1959 .
- West Virginia's 27 victories match 1982 and 2007 for the third-most wins in school history. The 2010 team won 31 games on the way to the Final Four. West Virginia's other Final Four team in 1959 won 29 games. This is the third straight year the Mountaineers have won at least 25 games in a season.
- For the second year in a row, WVU finished second in the Big 12 Conference regular season and postseason tourney.
- WVU has reached the Sweet 16 in six of its last 10 NCAA appearances (2015, 2010, 2008, 2006, 2005 and 1998).
- West Virginia is $22-11$ in postseason games ( 10 NCAA and 3 NIT) in its last 13 appearances.
- WVU has made 13 postseason appearances in the last 14 years, including the NCAA Final Four in 2010.
- Jevon Carter was named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year, while Tarik Phillip was named the Big 12 Sixth Man of the Year. Carter was named to the All-Big 12 Second team, while Nathan Adrian was named to the All-Big 12 Third Team. Carter and Adrian were named to the All-Big 12 Defensive Team. Carter is just the third player in Big 12 history to earn three selections on the All-Big 12 Defensive Team.
- WVU is $36-23$ in March under Bob Huggins, and WVU is $51-30$ in its last 81 games in the month of March.
- Bob Huggins became the 10th NCAA Division I head coach to win 800 games on Dec. 17 against UMKC.
- Bob Huggins is in eighth place all-time on the NCAA Division I winningest coaches list. His record now stands at 818-329. Huggins trails Jim Phelan by 14 wins for seventh place all-time.
- Huggins is the third-winningest active Division I coach behind Mike Krzyzewski and Jim Boeheim.
- WVU did not lose a regular season game this season by double digits for the first time since the 1961 season.
- WVU has had back-to-back seasons of single-digit season losses. The last time that happened was in 1982-83.
- WVU is $36-18$ in the Big 12 regular season in the last three seasons. WVU is 78-27 overall since the beginning of 2014-15.
- West Virginia is 159-36 in its last 195 games against unranked teams, including 82 of its last 93 at the WVU Coliseum.
- Bob Huggins has wins over 38 ranked teams at WVU, including 14 wins over Top 10 teams and three over No. 1.
- WVU became the first team since Indiana in 2011-12 to beat No. 1 and No. 2 in the same season.
- WVU is the fourth team in AP history to beat an AP No. 1 and AP No. 2 by least 15 points each in a single season.
- WVU's 21-point win over No. 1 Baylor was the eighth-largest margin victory ever against a No. 1-ranked AP team.
- WVU is $7-4$ in its last 11 games vs. AP Top 25 teams, with two wins over No. 1 , one vs. No. 2 and two wins over No. 6 .
- Jevon Carter became West Virginia's 51st 1,000-point scorer on Feb. 27. He now ranks 42nd all-time with 1,073 points.
- WVU leads the country in turnover margin (8.2), turnovers forced (20.4) and steals (10.4). WVU ranks third in scoring margin (15.6), fifth in offensive rebounds (14.3), 16th in assists (16.7) and 21st in scoring offense (82.0).
- Baylor's 29 turnovers were the most forced by WVU in a league game in 24 years ( 30 vs. St. Bonaventure in 1992).
- The Mountaineers are forcing their opponents to turn it over on 27.5 percent of their possessions, tops in the country.
- WVU has nearly forced more turnovers (710) than its opponents have made field goals (786).
- WVU has attempted 369 more shots than its opponents this season -- 2,219 to 1,850 .
- The Mountaineers have been ranked 79 weeks in the AP poll under Bob Huggins, including 31 weeks in the AP Top 10. Huggins has had WVU ranked more weeks than any other coach in school history.
- Dating back to last year, WVU has been ranked for 35 consecutive weeks in the AP poll and 52 of the last 55 weeks in the AP rankings. WVU has been ranked 55 consecutive weeks in the USA Today Coaches poll.
- This is WVU's second longest streak of ranked weeks in the AP poll, behind 56 weeks from March 1956 to March 1960.
- The Mountaineers have won 60 of their last 61 games when holding opponents to 69 points or less.
- WVU is 181-30 under Huggins when holding opponents to 69 points or less. WVU has won 70 of its last 72 and 126 of its last 137 games when holding opponents under 69 points.
- West Virginia has allowed its opponent to shoot 50 percent or better only 58 times under Bob Huggins ( 346 games).
- West Virginia is $60-4$ under Bob Huggins when shooting 50 percent or better from the field.
- West Virginia is 177-32 under Bob Huggins when leading at halftime.
- West Virginia is 185-19 under Bob Huggins when leading by 10 or more points in a game.
- West Virginia is 156 -ll under Bob Huggins when posting a higher shooting percentage than its opponent.
- The Mountaineers are 168-33 under Bob Huggins when scoring 70 or more points in a game.
- West Virginia is 167-40 under Bob Huggins when outrebounding its opponent.


## Probable Mountaineer Starters

No．Name Pos．Ht．Wt．Cl．Statistic

| 11 | Nathan Adrian | F | $6-9$ | 235 | Sr． | $9.9 \mathrm{ppg}, 6.1 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
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| 45 | Elijah Macon | F | $6-9$ | 240 | Jr． | $6.2 \mathrm{ppg}, 4.1 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 23 | Esa Ahmad | F | $6-8$ | 225 | So． | $11.3 \mathrm{rpg}, 4.3 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 4 | Daxter Miles Jr． | G | $6-3$ | 200 | Jr． | $8.5 \mathrm{ppg}, 2.2 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 2 | Jevon Carter | G | $6-2$ | 200 | Jr． | $13.0 \mathrm{ppg}, 5.0 \mathrm{rpg}$ |

## Notes

138 games played－seventh most in school history Averaging 10.5 points， 6.7 boards in last 9 games Career－high 27 points in win over No． 2 Kansas Matched career high with 23 points vs．Iowa State Became WVU＇s 51st 1，000－point scorer on Feb． 27

## Mountaineers Off The Bench

| No． | Name | Pos． | Ht． | Wt． | Cl． | Statistics |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 12 | Tarik Phillip | G | $6-3$ | 195 | Sr． | $9.5 \mathrm{ppg}, 2.9 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 0 | Teyvon Myers | G | $6-2$ | 185 | Sr． | $6.0 \mathrm{ppg}, 1.4 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 15 | Lamont West | F | $6-8$ | 215 | r－Fr． | $5.9 \mathrm{ppg}, 1.9 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 20 | Brandon Watkins | F | $6-9$ | 225 | Sr． | $4.4 \mathrm{ppg}, 2.8 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 50 | Sagaba Konate | F | $6-8$ | 250 | Fr． | $4.1 \mathrm{ppg}, 2.9 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 3 | James Bolden | G | $6-0$ | 160 | r－Fr． | $3.6 \mathrm{ppg}, 0.8 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 13 | James Long | G | $5-11$ | 180 | Sr． | $1.9 \mathrm{ppg}, 0.2 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 25 | Maciej Bender | F | $6-10$ | 240 | Fr． | $1.6 \mathrm{ppg}, 1.3 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 14 | Chase Harler | G | $6-3$ | 200 | Fr． | $1.4 \mathrm{ppg}, 0.4 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 21 | Logan Routt | F | $6-11$ | 250 | r－Fr． | $1.1 \mathrm{ppg}, 1.1 \mathrm{rpg}$ |

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## Probable Notre Dame Starters

No．Name

| 3 | V．J．Beachem | F | $6-8$ | 201 | Sr． | $14.7 \mathrm{ppg}, 4.1 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
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| 35 | Bonzie Colson | F | $6-5$ | 225 | Jr． | $17.5 \mathrm{ppg}, 10.1 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 0 | Rex Plueger | G | $6-8$ | 202 | So． | $4.8 \mathrm{ppg}, 2.7 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 5 | Matt Farrell | G | $6-1$ | 178 | Jr． | $14.2 \mathrm{ppg}, 2.1 \mathrm{rpg}$ |
| 32 | Steve Vasturia | G | $6-8$ | 212 | Sr． | $13.2 \mathrm{ppg}, 3.9 \mathrm{rpg}$ |

## Scouting Notre Dame

－No． 14 Notre Dame is 26－9 overall and finished 12－6 in the Atlantic Coast Conference this season．
－The Fighting lrish have won nine of the last 11 ，including a 60－58 win over Princeton on Thursday．
－Notre Dame is 5－4 away from home and 5－3 on neutral courts this season．
－Mike Brey is $382-186$ in his 17 th season at Notre Dame．He is $481-238$ in his 22 nd season overall．

## Series Record Against Notre Dame

－West Virginia and Notre Dame，former members of the Big East from 1995－2012，will meet for the 40 th time in all－time series play．
－The Fighting lrish hold a 27－12 series advantage that began in 1969.
－Notre Dame has won two in a row in the series，but West Virginia has won four of the last seven．
－The last meeting took place on Feb．22，2012，a 71－44 Notre Dame win in South Bend，Indiana．
－Bob Huggins had 14 points in an 81－68 WVU win over Notre Dame in Morgantown on Feb．19， 1977.
－West Virginia is $2-2$ against the Fighting lrish on neutral courts．
－Bob Huggins is $4-5$ against Mike Brey and against Notre Dame all－time（4－4 at WVU and $0-1$ at Cincinnati）．

## WVU Basketball Tradition

－This is the 108th season and 114th year overall for West Virginia basketball，which began in 1903.
－The Mountaineers own a l，729－1，067 all－time record in intercollegiate basketball competition，ranking the Mountaineers 23rd in wins among all Division I schools．
－WVU has earned 28 NCAA berths and 16 NIT trips since 1941，and has finished in the Top 2520 times，including an amazing nine straight years from 1955－63．
－In the past 12 years，WVU has reached the NCAA Sweet 16 in 2015，NIT First Round in 2014，NCAA Second Round in 2012， NCAA Third Round in 2011，the NCAA Final Four in 2010，made the NCAA Tournament in 2009，reached the NCAA Sweet 16 in 2008，won the NIT in 2007，reached the NCAA Sweet 16 in 2006 and made it to the NCAA Elite Eight in 2005.
－In 1958，the Mountaineers finished the regular season ranked No． 1 in both polls and in 1959，West Virginia，led by All－America guard Jerry West，lost in the NCAA finals to California．
－West Virginia has had 11 first team All－Americans，headlined by West，who went on to become one of basketball＇s all－time greats with the NBA＇s Los Angeles Lakers．
－Most recently，Juwan Staten was named to the Lute Olson All－America team in 2015，Da＇Sean Butler earned All－America first team honors in 2010 by John Wooden and Basketball Times and Kevin Jones earned All－America first team honors in 2012 by John Wooden．
－Besides West，some of basketball＇s biggest names have been affiliated with the Old Gold \＆Blue，including former Lakers coach and general manager Fred Schaus，former NBA President of Basketball Operations Rod Thorn and former Utah Jazz broadcaster and NBA Hall of Famer＂Hot Rod＂Hundley．
－West Virginia has played in four different home venues：the ROTC Armory（1903－15），The Ark（1916－27），Stansbury Hall （1928－69）and the WVU Coliseum（1970－present）．When the WVU Coliseum was closed due to asbestos removal during the 1999－2000 season，WVU played home games in Charleston，Wheeling and Fairmont．

## When West Virginia

Plays a home game：16－2
Plays a road game：6－4
Plays a game at a neutral site：5－2
Plays a Big 12 game：14－7
Plays a non－conference game：13－1
Plays on Sunday：1－0
Plays on Monday：3－2
Plays on Tuesday： $4-1$
Plays on Wednesday：2－1
Plays on Thursday：3－0
Plays on Friday：5－1
Plays on Saturday：9－3
Wears white uniforms：15－5
Wears blue uniforms：7－3
Wears gold uniforms：5－0
Wears black uniforms：0－0
Wins the tipoff：9－6
Is ahead at halftime： $22-5$
Is behind at halftime：4－3
Is tied at halftime： $1-0$
Plays an overtime game：1－3
Leads by 10 or more points： $22-3$
Trails by 10 or more points：3－5
Leads entering the final minute： 26 －2
Is behind entering the final minute：0－6
Is tied entering the final minute： $1-0$
Shoots $50 \%$ or better from the field：1－1
Shoots less than $50 \%$ from the field： $22-7$ Allows the opponent to shoot $50 \%$ or better：0－4 Holds the opponent to less than 50\％：27－4 Outshoots the opponent：19－1

Outrebounds the opponent：17－5
Is outrebounded by the opponent：7－3
Has the same number of rebounds as the opponent：3－0
Outscores the opponent in bench scoring：24－6
Is outscored by the opponent＇s bench：3－2
Scores the same as the opponent＇s bench：0－0
Shoots more free throws than the opponent：18－3
Shoots fewer free throws than the opponent：8－5
Shoots the same number of free throws as the opponent：1－0
Commits more fouls than the opponent：7－6
Commits fewer fouls than the opponent：18－2
Commits the same number of fouls as the opponent：2－0
Has more turnovers than the opponent：1－4
Has fewer turnovers than the opponent：26－3
Has the same number of turnovers as the opponent： $0-1$
Scores less than 60 points：1－0
Scores 60－69 points：4－1
Scores 70－79 points：2－5
Scores 80 or more points： $20-2$
Allows the opponent less than 60 points：10－0
Allows the opponent 60－69 points：9－0
Allows the opponent 70－79 points：7－3
Allows the opponent more than 80 points： 1.5

## West Virginia

 In Its 27 Wins／8 LossesWVU＇s field goal percentage：46．2／44．2
WVU＇s free throw percentage：68．2／66．9
WVU＇s 3 －point field goal percentage：37．0／34．1
WVU＇s free throw attempts／game：24．9／21．9
WVU＇s offensive rebounds／game：14．9／12．5
WVU＇s rebounds／game：38．8／32．9
WVU＇s rebound margin／game：＋4．4－2．4
WVU＇s assists／game：17．5／14．1
WVU＇s turnovers／game：11．6／14．6
WVU＇s points／game：84．0／75．8
Opponent＇s field goal percentage：40．5／49．0
Opponent＇s points／game：62．7／80．4
Opponent＇s turnovers／game：21．7／15．6
Opponent＇s free throw attempts／game：20．4／28．3
Wins are first，followed by losses


No. 23/24 Iowa State 80, No. II/II West Virginia 74 March II, $2017 \bullet$ Sprint Center Kansas City, Mo. • Phillips 66 Big 12 Championship
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## Recap

For the second straight year, West Virginia advanced to the finals of the Phillips 66 Big 12 Championship, and for the second time the Mountaineers came up short, this time losing to lowa State 80-74.

In 2016, West Virginia reached the finals before falling to Kansas 81-71.

Playing before an overwhelmingly pro-lowa State crowd that cheered every good play made by the Cyclones, West Virginia (26-8) was unable to slow down lowa State's Monte Morris, who scored 17, and Deonte Burton, who contributed 16 .
lowa State won the game, in part, because it got nearly every loose ball near its basket. The Cyclones also out-rebounded the much bigger and more physical Mountaineers, 33-29, and they got just enough 3 -point shooting to hold off another second-half WVU surge.

After leading 35-29 at intermission, lowa State came out firing with back-to-back triples by Burton and Matt Thomas to open up a 10 -point lead.

The Cyclone advantage swelled to 12 three different times, the latest coming with $13: 14$ remaining before the Mountaineers began chipping away.

An Esa Ahmad layup with nine minutes to go reduced lowa State's lead to seven, $60-53$, and a Teyvon Myers driving layup made it a fivepoint game with 5:48 left.

But lowa State (23-10) answered with layups by Morris and Solomon Young to push the advantage back to nine, 69-60.

The Cyclones managed to keep it an eight-to-10-point game until Carter's 3 ahead of the horn made the final margin six.

WVU also hurt itself at the free throw line when it was chasing lowa State. During one stretch, the Mountaineers missed six consecutive free throws and finished the game converting only eight of 17 for 47.1 percent.

West Virginia got off to a strong start, building an early $12-4$ lead on baskets by Elijah Macon, Daxter Miles Jr. and Jevon Carter - two of those 3 s coming from Miles and Carter - and the Mountaineers led by eight, 16-8, following an Nathan Adrian steal and dunk.
lowa State took its first lead of the game with $5: 12$ remaining in the half when Darrell Bowie was fouled by Adrian while scoring close to the basket. He converted the free throw to give Cyclones a 23-22 advantage.

## Notebook

- Jevon Carter and Tarik Phillip were named to the Phillips 66 Big 12 All-Tournament Team.


## Came \#35

## No. $13 / 12$ West Virginia 86, Bucknell 80

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| Bucknell $80 \cdot 26-9$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| $\ldots \text { Player }$ |  |  |  |  |  | Rebounds |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | c | 7-10 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 4 | 18 | 1 | 2 | 30 | 0 | 30 |
| ${ }^{20}$ Fouiland, Nana |  | 9 | 7-15 | 5-7 | 4.4 |  | 3 | 3 | 4 | 23 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 38 |
| oz Brown, Stephen |  |  | 7-13 | 3-7 | 1-2 |  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 18 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 36 |
| 11 Toomer, Avi |  |  | 1-2 | 0-1 | 1-2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 0 | 0 | 24 |
| ${ }^{00}$ MacLeay, D.J. |  |  | 1-3 | 0-0 | 0.0 |  | 1 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| ${ }_{0} 04$ Sestina, Nate |  |  | 0-1 | 0-0 | $0 \cdot 0$ | 0 | 0 | , | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 0 | 0 | 3 |
| ${ }_{0}$ Azzinaro, John |  |  | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 |  | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |  |  | 0 |  | 2 |
| ${ }^{13}$ Moore, Bruce |  |  | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 5 Jones, Nate |  |  | 1-4 | 1-3 | 0.0 |  | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 |  |  | 0 |  | 18 |
| Team |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 | 5 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Totals |  |  | 27-59 | 9-20 | $17-23$ | 9 | 23 | 3225 | 25 | 80 | 13 | 15 | 48 | 812 | 200 |
|  | 38.7\% |  | Ind halt: | $15-28 \quad 53$ | 6\% Ga | ame: | 27.59 |  | 8\% |  |  |  |  |  | eastaal |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 14.3 \% \\ & \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  | 2nd halt: | $8.13 \quad 61$ |  | ame: | ${ }_{\text {9.20 }} 17.23$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| West Virginia 86-27-8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | 6-11 | 0-1 | 0-2 | 4 | 6 | 10 | 2 | 12 | 2 | 3 | 31 | 1 | 37 |
|  |  |  | 4-8 | 0.0 | 7-9 |  | 4 | 6 | 2 | 15 | 3 | 2 | 1 |  | 26 |
| 45 Macon, Elijah02 Carter, Jevon |  |  | 4.9 | 0-0 | 1-1 |  | , | 6 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
|  |  |  | 2-9 | 2-4 | 5-8 |  | 6 | 7 | 4 | 11 | 3 | 3 | 1 |  | 30 |
|  |  | 9 | 1-4 | 0-1 | 0.0 |  | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 25 |
|  |  |  | 2-5 | 0-0 | 0-0 |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| oo Myers, Teyvon |  |  | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| ${ }_{12}$ Phillip, Tarik |  |  | 4.8 | 1-2 | 7-7 |  |  | 2 | 2 | 16 | 2 | 0 | - | 0 | 16 |
| ${ }^{15}$ West, Lamont |  |  | 6-7 | 2-3 | 1-2 |  | 1 | 2 | - | 15 | 0 | 2 | 01 | 1 | 15 |
|  |  |  | 1-3 | 0-0 | 00 |  | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 11 | 1 | 10 |
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| Totals |  |  | $30-66$ $5-11$ $21-29$ 17 25 42 19 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 86 |  | 13 | 57 |  | 200 |
|  |  |  | 2nd half: 2nd half: | $\begin{array}{lll}13.3 & 43 \\ 2.4 & 43 \\ 16-21 & 56 \\ 76\end{array}$ | 3\% Ga |  | 30.66 |  | 5\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 5.11 |  | 5\% |  |  |  |  |  | eound |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | ame: | $21-29$ |  | 24\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Officials: Pat Driscoll, Bert Smith, Vlad Voyard-Tadal, Alt.J.Andersn Technical fouls: Bucknell-None. West Virginia-None. Attendance: 17806 <br> 2017 NCAA Tournament Buffalo, N.Y |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | 2nd | Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Score by periods | 33 | \|ist | 47 | 80 |  |  |  |  | Paint | T10 |  | Chance | Braak |  |  |
| West Virginia |  | 42 | 44 | 86 |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{15}^{13}$ |  |  | ${ }_{2}^{17}$ |  | ${ }_{37}^{5}$ |
| Last FG - BUCKNELL 2nd-00:07, WVU 2nd-03:44. Largest lead - BUCKNELL by 4 1st-18:28, WVU by 15 1st-12:15 BUCKNELL led for 03:20. WVU led for 35:25. Game was tied for 01:15 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Recap
Tarik Phillip scored 16 points, including six straight from the free throw line inside of a minute to play, to help fourth-seeded West Virginia hold off 13th-seed Bucknell, 86-80, in an NCAA Tournament first-round game at KeyBank Center in Buffalo.

West Virginia (27-8) jumped out to an early 15 -point lead, $27-12$, when Lamont West's drive to the basket capped a $13-0$ run.

But Bucknell (26-9) was able to hang around because of the inside scoring of 6 -foot-9-inch, 230 -pound, junior center Nana Foulland and the outside shooting of sophomore guard Kimbel Mackenzie.

Two Mackenzie free throws reduced Bucknell's deficit to eight, 29-21, and the Bison eventually got it down to three, 36-33, on an Avi Toomer layup with 3:24 remaining.

For the remainder of the first half West Virginia held the Bison scoreless.

A Brandon Watkins follow-up basket gave the Mountaineers a 39 -33 lead, and West completed the half with a driving layup off a steal from Jevon Carter.

The Mountaineers began the second half going inside to Elijah Macon, who scored close to the goal while being fouled by Foulland. His three-point play pushed WVU's advantage to $12,45-33$, but immediately Bucknell scored seven straight to make it a five-point game.

An Esa Ahmad tip-in basket, a Macon jumper and then a West 3 pushed the margin back to $11,52-41$, with $16: 40$ remaining.

Again, Bucknell battled back to outscore the Mountaineers 16-8 over the next five minutes to make it a three-point game, 58-55, and requiring Huggins to call timeout.

An important moment in the game came with 9:37 left when Foulland was called for his fourth foul as Carter was making a move to the basket. Foulland sat the next five minutes on the bench as West Virginia was able to build its lead to eight, 76-68, on Carter's 3 -West Virginia's final field goal of the game.

Following Carter's 3, Phillip took over at the line by getting free throws to go down at 1:00, at :41 and :26 to keep the margin a reasonably comfortable three-possession game.

## Notebook

- West Virginia had five players in double figures for the second time this season.
- Nathan Adrian recorded his third double-double of his career.
- The West Virginia bench outscored Bucknell's bench, 37-5.
- West Virginia has won all nine meetings against Bucknell. The two teams last played in 1977.

Overall record: 27-8 Conf: 12-6 Home: 16-2 Away: 6-4 Neutral: 5-2

|  |  | Total |  |  |  |  | 3-Point |  | F-Throw |  | Rebounds |  |  |  | pf |  | a | to | blk | stl | pts | avg |
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| \# | Player | gp-gs | min |  | fg-fga | fg\% | 3 fg -fga | 3fg\% | ft-fta | ft\% | off | def | tot | avg |  | dq |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 02 | Carter, Jevon | 35-34 | 1109 | 31.7 | 152-346 | . 439 | 64-171 | . 374 | 87-114 | . 763 | 35 | 139 | 174 | 5.0 | 88 | 0 | 135 | 66 | 8 | 90 | 455 | 13.0 |
| 23 | Ahmad, Esa | 32-30 | 760 | 23.8 | 125-259 | . 483 | 14-37 | . 378 | 99-150 | . 660 | 60 | 77 | 137 | 4.3 | 66 | 1 | 57 | 64 | 20 | 31 | 363 | 11.3 |
| 11 | Adrian, Nathan | 35-35 | 1065 | 30.4 | 122-285 | . 428 | 32-106 | . 302 | 71-99 | . 717 | 92 | 120 | 212 | 6.1 | 72 | 0 | 102 | 54 | 17 | 47 | 347 | 9.9 |
| 12 | Phillip, Tarik | 35-15 | 846 | 24.2 | 105-253 | . 415 | 34-87 | . 391 | 90-122 | . 738 | 23 | 78 | 101 | 2.9 | 67 | 1 | 108 | 53 | 11 | 62 | 334 | 9.5 |
| 04 | Miles Jr., Daxter | 31-24 | 638 | 20.6 | 97-217 | . 447 | 37-111 | . 333 | 34-59 | . 576 | 34 | 35 | 69 | 2.2 | 62 | 0 | 50 | 26 | 2 | 40 | 265 | 8.5 |
| 45 | Macon, Elijah | 33-25 | 515 | 15.6 | 83-149 | . 557 | 0-0 | . 000 | 40-64 | . 625 | 55 | 81 | 136 | 4.1 | 71 | 1 | 18 | 28 | 13 | 8 | 206 | 6.2 |
| 00 | Myers, Teyvon | 35-1 | 465 | 13.3 | 78-177 | . 441 | 12-29 | . 414 | 43-62 | . 694 | 16 | 33 | 49 | 1.4 | 37 | 0 | 52 | 37 | 1 | 21 | 211 | 6.0 |
| 15 | West, Lamont | 35-0 | 425 | 12.1 | 66-159 | . 415 | 35-98 | . 357 | 39-50 | . 780 | 25 | 42 | 67 | 1.9 | 55 | 0 | 16 | 13 | 8 | 10 | 206 | 5.9 |
| 20 | Watkins, Brandon | 34-9 | 415 | 12.2 | 64-109 | . 587 | 0-0 | . 000 | 23-44 | . 523 | 35 | 61 | 96 | 2.8 | 61 | 1 | 8 | 22 | 19 | 13 | 151 | 4. |
| 50 | Konate, Sagaba | 35-1 | 386 | 11.0 | 59-106 | . 557 | 0-0 | . 000 | 27-42 | . 643 | 43 | 57 | 100 | 2.9 | 74 | 0 | 10 | 31 | 51 | 14 | 145 | 4.1 |
| 03 | Bolden, James | 26-0 | 155 | 6.0 | 32-69 | . 464 | 22-49 | . 449 | 8-14 | . 571 | 7 | 14 | 21 | 0.8 | 21 | 0 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 94 | 3.6 |
| 13 | Long, James | 13-1 | 72 | 5.5 | 8-19 | . 421 | 7-15 | . 467 | 2-3 | . 667 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0.2 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 25 | 1.9 |
| 25 | Bender, Maciej | 23-0 | 148 | 6.4 | 13-38 | . 342 | 1-6 | . 167 | 9-16 | . 563 | 14 | 15 | 29 | 1.3 | 15 | 0 | 8 | 5 | 10 | 2 | 36 | 1.6 |
| 14 | Harler, Chase | 16-0 | 95 | 5.9 | 8-28 | . 286 | 4-13 | . 308 | 3-7 | . 429 | 1 | 5 | - | 0.4 | 11 | 0 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 23 | 1.4 |
| 21 | Routt, Logan | 11-0 | 31 | 2.8 | 4-5 | . 800 | 0-0 | . 000 | 4-6 | . 667 | 8 | 4 | 12 | 1.1 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 12 |  |
|  | Team |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 55 | 43 | 98 |  | 5 |  |  | 14 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total.......... | 35 | 7125 |  | 1016-2219 | . 458 | 262-722 | . 363 | 579-852 | . 680 | 504 |  | 1310 | 37.4 | 718 | 4 | 584 | 430 |  | 0 |  | 82.1 |
|  | Opponents...... | 35 | 7125 |  | 786-1850 | . 425 | 236-670 | . 352 | 527-778 | . 677 | 383 | 828 | 1211 | 34.6 | 749 | 23 | 423 | 710 | 136 | 198 | 2335 | 66. |


| TEAM STATISTICS | WVU | OPP |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
| SCORING | 2873 | 2335 |
| Points per game | 82.1 | 66.7 |
| Scoring margin | +15.4 | - |
| FIELD GOALS-ATT | $1016-2219$ | $786-1850$ |
| Field goal pct | .458 | .425 |
| 3 POINT FG-ATT | $262-722$ | $236-670$ |
| 3-point FG pct | .363 | .352 |
| 3-pt FG made per game | 7.5 | 6.7 |
| FREE THROWS-ATT | $579-852$ | $527-778$ |
| Free throw pct | .680 | .677 |
| F-Throws made per game | 16.5 | 15.1 |
| REBOUNDS | 1310 | 1211 |
| Rebounds per game | 37.4 | 34.6 |
| Rebounding margin | +2.8 | - |
| ASSISTS | 584 | 423 |
| Assists per game | 16.7 | 12.1 |
| TURNOVERS | 430 | 710 |
| Turnovers per game | 12.3 | 20.3 |
| Turnover margin | +8.0 | - |
| Assist/turnover ratio | 1.4 | 0.6 |
| STEALS | 360 | 198 |
| Steals per game | 10.3 | 5.7 |
| BLOCKS | 164 | 136 |
| Blocks per game | 4.7 | 3.9 |
| ATTENDANCE | 204742 | 204777 |
| Home games-Avg/Game | $18-11375$ | $10-11551$ |
| Neutral site-Avg/Game | - | $7-12753$ |


| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | OT | OT2 | Totals |
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| West Virginia | 1380 | 1446 | 34 | 13 | 2873 |
| Opponents | 1062 | 1228 | 41 | 4 | 2335 |


|  | Date | Opponent |  | Score |
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[^0]:    Notes
    Leads WVU with $a+/-$ of +369 this season Career－high 16 points at Texas Career－high 23 points vs．Texas on Feb． 20 Shooting 58.7 percent from the field 51 blocks most ever by a WVU freshman Scored 17 points in 10 minutes at Oklahoma Career－best 10 points against Manhattan Played for Poland in UZO European Champ． Two－time W．Va．State Player of the Year Had four points against UMKC

