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2016-17 SCHEDULE

OPPONENT INFORMATION

Nov. 8	CAMPBELL!	L, 17 -29	1			Vest Virginia I UNTAINEERS			No. 23 Pitt Panthers
	OHIO!	L, 11-25				Sammie Henson		4	Coach: Jason Peters
Nov. 13	Journeymen Collegiate Classic	NTS			0-	3, 0-0 Big 12			3-2, 0-1 ACC
Nov. 18	at No. 7 Nebraska	L, 6-42		®					
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Dec. 11	at Pitt	/ 10 111		day, Jan. 11					@WVUWrestling
Dec. 18	vs. Virginia Tech ^	2 p.m.	Time: 2 p.ı	m. ET					© 1110 most may
Jan. 3	at Cal Poly			gerald Field	House				
Jan. 4	at CSU Bakersfield	9 p.m.	City: Pittsb	ourgh, Pa.				U	/WVUWrestling
Jan. 14	vs. Binghamton &	9 a.m.	Stats: Trac	kWrestling				_	
Jan. 14	vs. Rider &	10:30 a.m.	Video: ACC	C Digital Net	work/E	SPN3			@WVUWrestling
Jan. 14	vs. Harvard &	1:30 p.m.							-
Jan. 20	at Oklahoma State *	8 p.m.				PROBABL	E LINE	UP	
Jan. 22	at Oklahoma *	1 p.m.							
Feb. 5	at NC State	1 p.m.	<u>School</u>	Weight	Rank	Name	Year	Record	Hometown/Previous School
Feb. 9	South Dakota State *	7 p.m.	WVU	125		Devin Brown	r-Fr.	1-7	Export, Pa./Franklin Regional
Feb. 12	IOWA STATE *	2 p.m	PITT			LJ Bentley	So.	5-6	Twinsburgh, Ohio/St. Edward
Feb. 17	EDINBORO	7 p.m.	WVU	100		Cary Ctainbrook	r Cr	6 5	Ctrootoboro Obio/Molob Joquit
Feb. 19	at Clarion	2 p.m.	PITT	133	7	Cory Stainbrook Dom Forys	r-Sr. Jr.	6-5 7-1	Streetsboro, Ohio/Walsh Jesuit Pittsburgh, Pa./North Allegheny
Mar. 4	at Big 12 Championship	All Day			•	•	011		
Mar. 4	at Big 12 Championship	All Day	WVU	141		Joe Wheeling	r-So.	1-6	Waterford, Pa./General McLane
Mar. 16	at NCAA Championships	All Day	PITT PITT			Robert Lee Nick Zanetta	So. r-Jr.	4-4 1-2	Kaukauna, Wis./Kaukauna Pittsburgh, Pa./Keystone Oaks
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Mar. 18	at NCAA Championships	All Day\	WVU	149		Christian Monserrat	r-So.	7-2	Methuen, Mass./Methuen
			PITT			Mikey Racciato	Sr.	5-5	Pen Argyl, Pa./Pen Argyl
Home ma	atches in bold /all caps.		WVU	157		Dayton Garrett	Fr.	1-7	Tuttle, Okla./Tuttle
	Eastern & subject to change		PITT			Taleb Rahmani	r-Fr.	9-2	Marysville, Ohio/Marysville
* indicat	es Big 12 match		PITT			Jake Wentzel	Fr.	6-3	South Park, Pa./South Park
	iineer Quad - Morgantown, W.Va		WVU	165		Ryan Lopez	r-Fr.	0-2	Morgantown, W.Va./University
	rsburgh HS - Parkersburg, W.Va.		PITT	100	11	TeShan Campbell	So.	7-2	Pittsburgh, Pa./Penn Hills
	als - Pittsburgh, Pa.			474		- A.		0.7	00.11
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NCAA Ch	ampionships - St. Louis, Mo.		PITT			Cam Jacobson	So.	9-5	Pittsburgh, Pa./Taylor Allderdice
	RANKINGS								
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	en Mat5th, D. Co	, ,	WVU	HWT	4-	Brandon Ngati	Fr.		Gaithersburg, Md./South Hagerstown
The Op	en Mat 9th, J. S	mitn (197)	PITT		15	Ryan Solomon	r-Jr.	2-1	Milton, Pa./Milton

SERIES HISTORY

The Mountaineers and the Panthers meet for the 62nd time on Sunday in the longest-running series in WVU history. The two first squared off 1934; 13 years after West Virginia started a program. The Panthers lead the series, 33-26, and the two have tied on a pair of occasions.

UPSET ALERT

Despite Pitt maintaining a lead in the all-time series, the Mountaineers have taken the Backyard Brawl the last two season. In February of 2014, then-unranked West Virginia upset No. 18 Pitt, 24-14, at Fitzgerald Field House on a pin by Jacob A. Smith at 197. It marked WVU's first win in the series since 2007. The Mountaineers registered an 18-12 victory over the No. 17 Panthers at the WVU Coliseum last February.

LOCAL TIES

Redshirt freshman Devin Brown makes his debut in the series after taking a redshirt year last season. Brown hails from Export, Pennsylvania, and wrestled at Franklin Regional High School, which is less than 20 miles from Pitt.

SMITH POSTS PODIUM FINISH AT CLIFF KEEN

Jacob A. Smith went 4-2 on his way to a fourth-place finish at the 2016 Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational last weekend. Smith worked his way through the championship bracket with wins over Jake Waste of Cal Baptist (Dec., 5-0) and Austin Severn of Central Michigan (Dec., 6-1). He then defeated No. 16 Tom Sleigh of Bucknell in a 6-1 decision in the quarterfinals to advance to the semifinals. Smith dropped a 6-4 decision in sudden victory to No. 2 Jared Haught of Virginia Tech in the semifinals before bouncing back with an 8-1 win over No. 15 Ricky Robertson of Wisconsin in the consolation semifinals to move to the third-place match. He suffered a 9-7 setback to No. 12 Kollin Moore of Ohio State, taking fourth place for the second straight year.

SMITH, COTRRELL REMAIN IN RANKINGS

A pair of West Virginia University wrestlers remain nationally ranked at their respective weights, as Dylan Cottrell (165) and Jacob A. Smith (197) are both in the top-20 in the latest rankings released on Tuesday After going 4-2 for a fourth-place finish at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational last weekend, Smith currently ranks at No. 6 according to InterMat after ranking seventh by the publication last week. He stays at No. 8 in FloWrestling's rankings and moves from No. 10 to No. 9 in rankings released by The Open Mat. Smith defeated No. 16 Tom Sleigh of Bucknell and No. 15 Ricky Robertson of Wisconsin while dropping a 6-4 decision in sudden victory to No. 2 Jared Haught of Parkersburg. Cottrell remains at No. 8 in InterMat's rankings and No. 9 in FloWrestling's rankings. He moves up two spots from No. 7 to No. 5 in rankings by The Open Mat. The senior from Spencer, West Virginia, has missed the previous two competitions with a minor injury.

PROGRAM LOOKING FOR 600th WIN

West Virginia enters Sunday's match looking for the program's 600th win. Since the program's inception in 1921 (no wrestling occurred during WWII), the Mountaineers have accrued 599 wins. WVU is 17-22 in Sammie Henson's first two seasons at the helm.

SMITH NAMED BIG 12 WRESTLER OF THE WEEK

After downing a top-10 opponent on Nov. 17, Smith was named the Big 12 Co-Wrestler of the Week for the third week of the season, as announced by the league on Nov. 20. It marks the third time in his career Smith has earned a Big 12 weekly awards. He shared the honor with Jacobe Smith of Oklahoma State. Ranked No. 9/10 at 197 pounds, Smith earned a 2-0 decision over No. 6 Aaron Studebaker in the Mountaineers' dual at No. 7 Nebraska on Friday. The two previously met in the first round of the 2015 NCAA Championships, with Studebaker taking the win.

<u>University Information</u>	
Location	Morgantown, W.Va.
Enrollment	32,348
Founded	1867
	Mountaineers
	PMS 124 and Blue (PMS 295)
	Big 12 Conference
	Dr. E. Gordon Gee
	Utah, 1968
	Shane Lyons
	West Virginia, 1987
	WVU Coliseum
Capacity	14,000
Program Information	
2015-16 Record	8-10
2015-16 Conference Record	0-4
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TRIO UNDEFEATED AT JOURNEYMEN

Three Mountaineers finished the 2016 Journeymen ASICS Collegiate Classic undefeated, as Dylan Cottrell and Christian Monserrat went 3-0 to win their pools at 165 and 149, respectively, while James Dekrone went 4-0 to win his pool at 149 as well. All three remain undefeated this season: Cottrell and Monserrat move to 5-0 while Dekrone is 4-0.

COTTRELL TOPS RANKED FOES

In going 3-0 on the day, Cottrell topped a pair of nationally ranked opponents. He used an early takedown and nearly 3:00 of riding time to earn a 6-5 decision over No. 9 Anthony Valencia of Arizona State. Cottrell later used an escape with four seconds remaining for a 1-0 decision over Big 12 foe No. 10/12 Clark Glass of Oklahoma.

COTTRELL MOVES INTO TOP-10 RANKINGS

Following a 3-0 performance at last weekend's Journeymen Classic, Cottrell has moved in the top 10 in a trio of national rankings, as announced by various publications on Tuesday. InterMat and The Open Mat have Cottrell ranked at No. 8 in the nation at 165 pounds, while FloWrestling placed him at No. 9 in their poll. He was previously ranked No. 13 by InterMat and Flo.

COTTRELL NAMED WRESTLER OF THE WEEK

Following his three-win performance at the 2016 Journeymen Classic, West Virginia University's Dylan Cottrell has been named the Big 12 Wrestler of the Week, as announced by the league on Monday. Cottrell, ranked No. 13 in the nation, went 3-0 at 165 pounds to win his pool. The Spencer, West Virginia, native topped a pair of nationally ranked opponents on his way, pushing his overall mark to 5-0 and 3-0 against ranked foes. It marks his second career Big 12 honor.

MONSERRAT STEPS IN

With Zachary Moore taking a redshirt season after starting at 149 last year, Christian Monserrat has stepped into the lineup and gotten off to a strong start. The Methuen, Massachusetts, native went 2-0 to start the season. More impressively, he grabbed recorded a first-period pin in his first career dual match against Campbell, and went on to add a major decision against Ohio. Monserrat led WVU with 10 team points in the Mountaineers' opening weekend.

COTTRELL DEBUTS AT 165

After spending the 2015-16 season nationally ranked at 157, Dylan Cottrell made his debut at 165 pounds last season. The senior captain went 2-0, winning a 5-2 decision over Campbell's Quentin Perez in his first match at his new weight. Cottrell then defeated Ohio's No. 17/19 Austin Reese, who made the round of eight at 2016 NCAAs, by major decision.

HENSON ANNOUNCES TEAM CAPTAINS

West Virginia University wrestling coach Sammie Henson announced on Wednesday that seniors Dylan Cottrell, Tony DeAngelo and Cory Stainbrook will serve as team captains for the 2016-17 season. Cottrell, who will wrestle at 165 this season, transferred to WVU from Appalachian State in January of 2015. The Spencer, West Virginia, native took third at 157 pounds at last season's Big 12 Championship and is a two-time NCAA qualifier. Cottrell posted a 30-9 mark as a junior and enters the season ranked at No. 15 in his weight class. Hailing from Mebane, North Carolina, DeAngelo enters his third season in Morgantown after transferring from Missouri in the summer of 2014. He registered 18 wins at 141 pounds, taking fifth at the 2016 Big 12 Championship in March and seventh at the Southern Scuffle. Stainbrook enters his fifth year at WVU.

USA TODAY/NWCA COACHES' POLL

Rank	School	Record	Points	<u>Previous</u>
1	Oklahoma State (11)	4-0	395	1
2	Penn State (5)	3-0	387	2
3	lowa	4-0	367	3
4	Ohio State	3-0	350	4
5	Missouri	2-0	340	5
6	Virginia Tech	4-1	318	6
7	Nebraska	5-0	303	7
8	Cornell	3-0	283	8
9	NC State	3-0	275	9
10	Michigan	3-0	254	10
11	Lehigh	3-1	241	11
12	Rutgers	5-1	222	12
13	Illinois	0-0	207	13
14	Central Michigan	1-0	194	14
15	Stanford	2-1	175	15
16	Wisconsin	1-0	146	17
17	Oklahoma	1-2	131	16
18	Minnesota	1-1	130	18
19	Arizona State	1-1	122	19
20	South Dakota State	4-2	96	20
21	Northern Iowa	3-1	76	22
22	Appalachian State	5-1	64	23
23	Pittsburgh	3-2	59	21
24	Drexel	6-1	21	NR
25	Virginia	4-2	13	NR

2016-17 SEASON LEADERS

Wins	7, Christian Monserrat (149)
Pins	2, Christian Monserrat (149)
	2, James Dekrone (149)
Tech. Falls	1, James Dekrone (149)
Major Decisions	1, four wrestlers tied
Team Points	48, Dylan Cottrell (157)
Match Points	64, James Dekrone (149)
Takedowns	8, Christian Monserrat (149)
Escapes	8, James Dekrone (149)
Reversals	2, Parker VonEgidy (184)

The Streetsboro, Ohio, native qualified for the 2014 NCAA Championships at 125 pounds after placing third at the Big 12 Championship that season. He moved up to 133 pounds for the 2014-15 and 2015-16 season, compiling 20 wins. Stainbrook will drop down to 125 pounds this season.

HENSON ANNOUNCES CHANGES TO LINEUP

Sammie Henson made a pair of changes to his prospective lineup in the preseason, announcing that Zeke Moisey will sit out the 2016-17 season, while senior Dylan Cottrell will compete at 165 pounds. Moisey, who enters his third year with the Mountaineers, will redshirt the season after competing at 125 pounds in his first two seasons. Most notably, the native of Northampton, Pennsylvania, upset four seeded opponents on his way to a runner-up finish at the 2015 NCAA Championships in St. Louis, Missouri. Moisey earned an at-large bid to the 2016 NCAA Championships, but was forced to withdraw due to injury.

MOORE BROS. LEAD THE WAY AT UNIVERSITY NATIONALS

Zachary Moore and Keegan Moore both earned spots on the podium to lead the way for Mountaineer wrestlers at the 2016 University Freestyle Nationals at Stile Athletic Field House in Akron, Ohio, this past June. Representing the Morgantown-based Mountaineer Regional Training Center, Zachary Moore went 7-1 with three tech. falls on his way to a third-place finish at 65 kg. Keegan Moore posted a 6-2 mark with five tech. falls as he took seventh place at 61 kg. Devin Brown, William Jenkins, James Dekrone and Christian Monserrat also competed at the event. After starting with a bye, Zachary Moore won a 12-1 tech. fall Pittsburgh Wrestling Club's Robert Lee before winning a 10-0 tech. fall over Bloomsburg Wrestling's Grant Bond. He won a hard-fought 8-6 decision against Jordan Shearer of Nebraska WTC to advance to the quarterfinals, where he fell to BWC's Mitch Bengston. Moore bounced back with a 4-2 decision win over Billy Rupp of Terrapin Wrestling Club, then added a 10-0 tech. fall over Jamel Sharp of Packer Wrestling Academy in the ninth round of the consolation bracket. A 10-4 tech. fall of 2015 NCAA All-American Kevin Jack of Wolfpack Wrestling Club put Moore into the third-place match, where he avenged his earlier loss with a 10-3 decision over Bengtson. Keegan Moore rolled to a 4-0 start after posting tech. falls against Greyhound Wrestling Club's Kyle Keller (10-0), Scarlet Knights Wrestling Club's Josh Patrick (10-0) and Virginia Beach RTC's Brandon Jones (11-0) before defeating Jacob Rubio of Sooner Wrestling Club in a 6-5 decision. He dropped a 10-0 tech. fall to Tyler Graff of NYAC in the quarterfinals, but bounced back with a 10-0 tech. fall of Wolfpack Wrestling Club's Sean Fausz in the consolation bracket. He suffered an 8-7 setback to Phillip Laux of Iowa before winning a 10-0 tech. fall over Ohio RTC's Jose Rodriguez for seventh place. Brown went 3-2 with a trio of tech. falls at 57 kg, defeating Buffalo Valley RTC's Michael Macklin, 10-0, and Blue and Gold Wrestling Club's Jacob Martin, 12-1. He also won a 12-0 tech. fall over Clarion Wrestling Club's Brandon Howard. Christian Monserrat won a 13-7 decision over App. State RTC's Michael Longo, 13-7, at 70 kg while James Dekrone defeated Minnesota Storm's James Berg in an 11-0 tech. fall at 70 kg.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Please note that the Mountaineers boast two wrestlers name Jake Smith on the roster. The first is a junior certified at 149 pounds and will go by Jake S. Smith. The second is a junior who wrestles at 197 pounds and will go by Jacob A. Smith. Please be mindful of this when selecting wrestlers for scoring in Track Wrestling.

BIG 12 ADDS AFFILIATE MEMBERS

The Big 12 Conference has added six affiliate members to its postseason wrestling competition as Air Force, Northern Colorado, North Dakota State, South Dakota State, Utah Valley and Wyoming will join Iowa State, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State and West Virginia in future Big 12 Wrestling Championships. The affiliate member additions are effective beginning with the 2015-16 academic year. Affiliate members will compete for the Conference's postseason

championship and the league's automatic qualification to NCAA postseason competition.

BIG 12 CHAMPIONSHIP SITES ANNOUNCED

With the addition of six new members in 2016, the Big 12 Wrestling Championship will shifted to a neutral site rather than the school host locations. The 2017 Championship will be held at the BOK Center in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and is slated to run March 4 and 5, 2017. The 2018 tournament will also take place in Tulsa.

TICKET/PROMOTIONAL INFO

Tickets for the West Virginia University wrestling team's 2016-17 season are now on sale through the Mountaineer Ticket Office. The Mountaineers will host four events at the WVU Coliseum, as well as an additional match in Parkersburg, West Virginia. Tickets are available for purchase at WVUGame. com, by calling 1-800-WVU-GAME or by visiting the Mountaineer Ticket Office inside the WVU Coliseum. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for youth and senior citizens and \$2 for groups of 10 or more. Admission is free for all students with a valid WVU student I.D.

West Virginia opens the 2016-17 season at home with the Mountaineer Quad on Sunday, Nov. 6. The Mountaineers will host Campbell at 10 a.m. and Ohio at 2 p.m. Pitt will also be in attendance, though the Mountaineers and Panthers will not meet. Fans will gain entrance to all five matches with the purchase of one ticket, and veterans and military members will receive free admission with a valid military I.D. The Mountaineers will sign autographs after the conclusion of the final dual.

On Sunday, Dec. 18, WVU will host Virginia Tech in the Black Diamond Brawl at Parkersburg High at 2 p.m. A free youth clinic will be held prior to the match, and all participants will receive free admission to the match. Fans can purchase tickets for the match now through the Mountaineer Ticket Office, though the "print at home" option will be unavailable. Tickets can also be purchased at a later date through Parkersburg High. More information on the match and clinic will be released in the following weeks.

West Virginia hosts its annual Cradles for Cancer match on Thursday, Feb. 9, when South Dakota State travels to Morgantown for a 7 p.m. tilt. The dual will be sponsored by WVU Medicine. Fans who make a donation of \$10 or more will receive WVU's official pink shirt, and tickets are just \$3 for attendees who wear pink to the match. The Mountaineers will sign autographs following the conclusion of the match.

Big 12 foe lowa State comes to town on Sunday, Feb. 12. The first 250 fans in attendance for the 2 p.m. match will receive a WVU wrestling "Bull Trained" t-shirt, and WVU will hold a post-match autograph session. West Virginia will wrap up its home slate on Friday, Feb. 17, when it hosts Edinboro at the Coliseum at 7 p.m. The Mountaineers will honor the departing seniors prior to the match as part of the team's annual Senior Night celebration. It will also be a Dollar Night, as fans can purchase tickets for a cost of \$1. WVU will sign autographs following the match.

2016-17 WVU WRESTLING ROSTER									
NAME	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	YEAR	HOMETOWN	HIGH SCHOOL/PREVIOUS SCHOOL				
Bryson Begley	6-0	HWT	Jr.	Kingsport, Tenn.	Dobyins-Bennett High School				
Devin Brown	5-2	125	r-Fr.	Export, Pa.	Franklin Regional				
Conner Buttry	5-10	184	Fr.	Osterburg, Pa.	Chestnut Ridge				
Louis Colonna	5-6	149	Jr.	Montgomery, N.J.	Montgomery High School				
Dylan Cottrell	5-10	165	Sr.	Spencer, W.Va	Roane County/Appalachian State				
Tony DeAngelo	5-9	141	Sr.	Mebane, N.C.	Southern Alamance/Missouri				
James Dekrone	5-7	149	Sr.	Northport, N.Y.	John Glenn HS/Nassau Community College				
Ryan Elliott	5-8	133	So.	Fairmont, W.Va.	North Marion				
Dayton Garrett	5-9	157	Fr.	Tuttle, Okla.	Tuttle				
JD Gregory	5-5	133	r-Fr.	Hanover, Va.	Hanover				
William Jenkins	5-11	157	Jr.	Abindgon, Va.	Abingdon				
Hunter Jones	5-7	157	Fr.	Charleston, W.Va.	George Washington				
Tucker Leavitt	5-6	165	Fr.	Pocatello, Idaho	Highland				
Ryan Lopez	5-9	157	r-Fr.	Morgantown, W.Va.	University High				
Ty Millward	5-10	165	Jr.	State College, Pa.	State College High School				
Zeke Moisey	5-5	125	Jr.	Northampton, Pa.	Bethlehem Catholic				
Christian Monserrat	5-10	149	So.	Methuen, Mass.	Methuen				
Keegan Moore	5-5	133	So.	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Putnam City				
Zachary Moore	5-5	149	So.	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Putnam City				
Brandon Ngati	5-10	HWT	Fr.	Gaithersburg, Md.	South Hagerstown				
Kyler Rea	5-5	149	Fr.	Neosho, Mo.	Neosho				
Kyle Rogers	5-10	174	r-Fr.	Jane Lew, W.Va.	Lewis County				
Matthew Schmitt	5-7	125	Fr.	Platte City, Mo.	Platte County				
Zach Schrader	5-11	197	Fr.	Manhattan Beach, Calif.	Army & Navy HS				
Jacob A. Smith	6-0	197	r-Jr.	Charleston, W.Va.	George Washington/Cleveland State				
Jake S. Smith	5-8	149	Sr.	Clifton, Va.	Newark Memorial/Appalachian State				
Cory Stainbrook	5-7	125	Sr.	Streetsboro, Ohio	Walsh Jesuit High				
Parker VonEgidy	5-9	184	Jr.	Marshville, N.C.	Piedmont/Missouri				
Joe Wheeling	5-6	141	So.	Waterford, Pa.	General McLane				
Logan Wilson	5-6	133	Fr.	Bethesda, Md.					

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Sammie Henson (Third Season, Missouri '95)
Assistant Coach: Danny Felix (Seventh Season, Arizona State, '98)
Assistant Coach: Nick Marable (Third Season, Missouri '10)
Volunteer Assistant: Chris Nelson (First Season, West Virginia '16)

Strength & Conditioning Coach: Tanner Kolb

Athletic Trainer: Erin Asbury Team Dietitian: Nettie Freshour Student Manager: Kala Ibarra

	PRONUN	CIATIONS
Louis Colonna	cuh-LOW-nuh	Brandon N
Dylan Cottrell	CAW-trill	Kyler Rea.
Tucker Leavitt	LEH-viht	Parker Von
Zeke Moisey	MOY-zee	
Christian Monserrat		

Brandon Ngati	nuh-GAH-tee
Kyler Rea	RAY
Parker VonEgidy	von-egg-UH-dee



SAMMIE HENSON Head Coach | Third Season Missouri, 1995



- World Champion
- · Olympic Silver Medalist
- · World Bronze Medalist
- 2x NCAA Champion
- 71-0 at Clemson
- . Head Coach Sunkist

Sammie Henson was named the eighth head coach in WVU program history in May of 2014, and is quickly bringing the program to new heights.

Henson brought with him a 17-year streak of All-Americans, having coached a total of 20 with five NCAA national champions. In Morgantown, he was challenged with the task of extending that streak in a program that hadn't had a wrestler finish in the top eight since 2007. He succeeded.

Pulling freshman Zeke Moisey's redshirt two weeks into the season proved to be one of the most crucial decisions of Henson's career. Entering the 2015 NCAA National Championships unseeded, Moisey put together an historic run, upsetting the No. 15, No. 2 and No. 7 seeds to become WVU's first All-American since Brandon Rader in 2007. He then went on to pin No. 6 Thomas Gilman of Iowa in 52 seconds in the semifinals to become the first unseeded wrestler to advance to the finals since 2003. Moisey dropped a 9-5 decision to No. 4 Nathan Tomasello of Ohio State to cap his season as the NCAA runner-up.

However, the turnaround of the WVU wrestling program started long before the NCAA Championships. The Sammie Henson era opened in Morgantown on November 13, when the Mountaineers hosted former WVU assistant and the Arizona State Sun Devils at the WVU Coliseum. Though the Sun Devils took the match, 19-13, the match in front of 1,200 fans rejuvenated interest in the program. The team went on to place a trio of wrestles on the podium at the Cliff Keen Invitational, with the 16th-place finish marking WVU's best showing since 2007. In dual action, the Mountaineers topped No. 25 Bucknell in early January, briefly entering the NCAA top-25 that month, before ending the regular season with a win at No. 18 Pitt. It was the first time since 2007 WVU had taken the annual Backyard Brawl. In between, the Mountaineers sought revenge on ASU, twice taking victories from the Sun Devils.

West Virginia put together it's best-ever showing at the Big 12 Championship in March, accruing a team-high 35 points with four finalists. A.J. Vizcarrondo became the program's first ever two-time Big 12 finalist and was the runner-up at heavyweight for the second straight year. He was joined on the podium by Moisey (runner-up 125), Roman Perryman (runner-up at 149), Jake A. Smith (runner-up at 197) and Bubba Scheffel (third at 184).

Along with senior Michael Morales (149), Smith, Moisey and Scheffel earned at-large bids to nationals. The four combined to post eight wins, marking WVU's best finish in 10 years. The Mountaineers finished in 20th place with 23.5 points, their first top-25 finish since 2005, helping Henson earn Amatuer Wrestling News Rookie Coach of the Year accolades.

In 2016, Henson guided a pair of in-state natives to the NCAA Championship. Jacob A. Smihth of Charleston and Dylan Cotrell of Morgantown spent the season inside the nation's top-20 of their respective weights. The duo, along wtih Bubba Scheffel, qulaified for the 2016 NCAA Championships at Madison Square Garden.

In addition to his work with the Mountaineers, Henson started the Mountaineer Regional Training Center, drawing a number of national and international-level wrestlers to Morgantown to train. In the summer of 2014, he guided assistant coach Nick Marable to a spot on the U.S. World Team, and continues to coach Marable, former Olympian Clarissa Chun and national team member Jessica Medina through the MRTC.

A native of St. Charles, Mo., Henson came to WVU from Missouri, where he spent two seasons as head assistant coach. In just two

seasons at Missouri, he assisted in producing the No. 2-ranked recruiting class in the nation in 2013 in addition to leading the Tigers to two consecutive conference titles and seven All-America finishes, including one national champion this past season.

Prior to Missouri, Henson was the assistant head coach at Oklahoma from 2009-11. While there, he helped secure the No. 2 recruiting class in the country, coached seven wrestlers to All-America status at the NCAA Championships and helped the program become the top academic squad in the Big 12 during his tenure. Before Henson arrived at Oklahoma, the Sooners hadn't had an All-American in two years.

Prior to his stint with Oklahoma, Henson served as the head assistant at Cal Poly (2007-09), volunteer assistant at Nebraska (2006-07), along with stops as an assistant at Army (2002-03) and Penn State (2000-02)

During his time at Penn State, Henson assisted head coach Troy Sunderland in taking the Nittany Lions from 35th in the country to sixth with a pair of top-five recruiting classes in just two years. He has mentored numerous national champions, such as Michael Lightner (Oklahoma), Byron Tucker (Oklahoma), Paul Donahoe (Nebraska) and J'den Cox (Missouri), along with several All-Americans, Big 12 Champions, Big 10 Champions and Pac 12 Champions, including: Shane and Dane Valdez (Oklahoma), Witt Durden (Oklahoma) and Josh and Scott Moore (Penn State), Chad Mendes (Cal Poly), Chase Pami (Cal Poly), Boris Novachkov (Cal Poly), Jarrod Patterson (Oklahoma), Zach Bailey (Oklahoma), Kyle Terry (Oklahoma), Tyler Caldwell (Oklahoma) and Eric Lapotsky (Oklahoma).

Henson has been widely recognized as one of the elite assistant coaches in the country. Tim Foley of Intermat rated him as the best in the nation in an article from 2010, stating that "Henson's intensity is legendary and seemingly always transferred to his grapplers. There is nothing coincidental about his arrival in Norman and the Sooners impressive 2009-2010 turnaround."

Along with collegiate coaching, Henson is also the current head coach for the Sunkist Kids Wrestling Club, which has more current world and Olympic wrestlers than any other wrestling club in the United States. Out of the seven freestyle wrestlers who represented Team USA at the 2012 Olympic Games in London, three came from the Sunkist Kids. Included in that group is Olympic gold medalist Jordan Burroughs at 74 kg/163 lbs. Also representing the United States in the Olympics in 2012 were Sam Hazewenkil (55 kg/121.3 lbs. and Tervel Dlagney (120 kg/264.6 lbs.).

Henson's resume as a competitor speaks for itself. He went on to become one of the most celebrated wrestlers in the history of the United States, as one of just a few wrestlers in USA history to earn three world medals. In 1998, Henson became a world champion for Team USA at the World Wrestling Championships, in Tehran, Iran, which eventually led to him winning the John Smith Award for USA Wrestler of the Year. He earned a silver medal at the 2000 Olympic Games at 55 kg (121 lbs.) in Sydney, Australia, and won the bronze medal at the 2006 World Wrestling Championships at 35 years of age.

Additionally, Henson was named USOC Athlete of the Month of September 1998, and was a finalist for the Sullivan Award in 1999 for his efforts in the World Championships. In all, Henson has won more than 15 freestyle titles at the international level.

Henson started his collegiate wrestling career at Missouri, where he was a Big Eight Champion and All-American for Missouri in 1991. He then transferred to Clemson, where he became a two-time NCAA Champion, finishing his career with a 71-0 record. He was named as Clemson's Male Athlete of the Year in 1994 and was inducted into the Clemson Athletics Hall of Fame in 2000. Henson returned to Missouri in 1995 to earn a degree in parks, recreation and tourism management.

Henson and his wife, Stephanie, have four children: Jackson, Wyatt, Ruby and Georgia-Kate. They also have two dogs Biggie Smalls and Nelly.

2016-17 Mestling Statistics



0-3 Overall, 0-0 Big 12

Name	Wt.	Overall	Dual	Points	vs. Ranked	MD	TF	Pins	TD
Devin Brown	125	1-7	0-3	0	0-3	0	0	0	-
Ryan Elliot	125	2-1	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	1	-
Cory Stainbrook	133	6-5	1-2	6	0-7	0	0	1	4
Joe Wheeling	133	1-6	0-1	0	0-2	0	0	0	1
Tony DeAngelo	141	2-3	1-1	3	0-1	0	0	0	2
Christian Monserrat	149	7-2	3-0	13	0-0	1	0	2	8
Louis Colonna	149	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	-
James Dekrone	149	4-0	0-0	0	0-0	1	1	2	-
Jake S. Smith	149	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	-
Dayton Garrett	157	1-7	0-3	0	0-1	0	0	0	-
Dylan Cottrell	165	5-0	2-0	7	1-0	1	0	0	4
Ryan Lopez	165	0-2	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	-
Ryan Lopez	174	0-3	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	-
Ty Millward	174	2-7	0-3	0	0-2	0	0	0	-
Parker VonEgidy	184	3-5	1-1	0	0-0	0	0	0	3
Jacob A. Smith	197	5-3	1-1	3	2-2	0	0	0	-
Bryson Begley	HWT	2-3	0-2	0	0-0	1	0	0	-
Brandon Ngati	HWT	0-6	0-1	0	0-0	0	0	0	-



125 | DEVIN BROWN r-Sophomore

Export, Pa. Franklin Regional

AWARDS & HONORS

PERSONAL

- Parents are Michael and Theresa
- One of four children

- Birthday is September 17 Intends to major in education Chose WVU over Maryland, N.C. State and Clarion

Date	vs.	School	W/L	Туре	Score	TD	Place
11/6	Nathan Kraisser	Campbell	L	Fall	2:43		
11/6	Shakur Laney	Ohio	L	MD	5-13		
11/13	Dalton Duffield	Oklahoma	L	Dec.	3-8		
11/13	Brendan Calas	Rider	W	Dec.	10-3		
11/13	James Szymanski	North Carolina	L	Dec.	2-3		
11/17	No. 9 Tim Lambert	Nebraska	L	TF	1-19 (4:48)		
12/2	No. 2 Joey Dance	Virginia Tech	L	TF	4-19		
12/2	Jordan Gessner	Bucknell	L	Dec.	9-10		

Season	Weight	Overall	Duals	Big 12	Falls	MD	TF
2016-17	125	1-7	0-3	0-1	0	0	0
Total		1-7	0-3	0-1	0	0	0



133 | CORY STAINBROOK r-Senior

Streetsboro, Ohio Walsh Jesuit

AWARDS & HONORS2014 NCAA Qualifier (125) WVU Student-Athlete of the Week (Feb. 2014)

PERSONAL

- Son of Tom and Tammy Stainbrook
- Has one brother
- Birthday is Feb. 19
- Majoring in sport and exercise psychology
- Garrett Ford Academic Honor Roll
- Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll

Date	vs.	School	W/L	Type	Score	TD	Place
11/6	Jonathan Ryan	Campbell	W	Fall	5:41		
11/6	Cameron Kelly	Ohio	L	Dec.	5-6		
11/13	Sean Fausz	NC State	W	Dec.	4-2		
11/13	Ali Naser	Arizona State	L	Dec.	3-4		
11/13	Trae Blackwell	Oklahoma	W	Dec.	4-2		
11/17	No. 4 Eric Montoya	Nebraska	L	Dec.	3-7		
12/2	Zach Firestone	Bucknell	W	Dec.	6-2		
12/2	No. 18 Mark Grey	Cornell	L	Dec.	3-6		
12/2	Alec Kelly	Columbia	W	Dec.	11-5		
12/2	Korbin Myers	Edinboro	W	Dec.	6-3		
12/3	Corey Keener	Central Michgian	L	Dec.	4-11		

Season	Weight	Overall	Duals	Big 12	Falls	MD	<u>TF</u>
2013-14	125	14-16	10-7	2-3	3	5	1
2014-15	133	14-19	8-10	0-5	2	3	0
2015-16	133	6-12	3-10	2-3	0	1	0
2016-17	133	6-5	1-2	1-0	1	0	0
Total		40-52	22-29	5-11	6	9	1



141 | JOE WHEELING r-Sophomore

Waterford, Pa. General McLane

AWARDS & HONORS

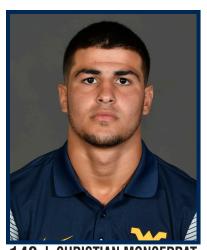
2015 Big 12 All-Rookie Team Garrett Ford Academic Honor Roll Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll

PERSONAL

- Parents are Mike and Theresa Wheeling
- Has a brother, Tim, and a sister, Becca
- Tim also wrestled at WVU while Becca runs cross country at Mercyhurst
- Born October 6
- Major is Geology

Date	vs.	School	W/L	Туре	Score	TD	Place
11/13	Ronald Perry	Lock Haven	L	Dec.	2-9		
11/13	Mike Longo	Oklahoma	L	Fall	3:21		
11/13	Evam Fidelibus	Rider	L	Fall	2:01		
11/18	No. 15 Colton McCrystal	Nebraska	L	Fall	4:07		
12/2	No. 13 Brock Zacherl	Clarion	L	Dec.	1-8		
12/2	Jeff Bizzle	Nebraska Kearney	W	Dec.	11-4		
12/2	Jeff Mutchnik	American	L	Dec.	0-1		

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2015-16	133	8-5	0-0	0-0	0	2	1
2016-17	141	1-6	0-1	0-1	0	0	0
Total		9-11	0-1	0-1	0	2	1



149 | CHRISTIAN MONSERRAT r-Sophomore

Methuen, Mass. Methuen

AWARDS & HONORS

PERSONAL

- Son of Roberto Monserrat and Maria Coco
- One brother and one sister
- Born August 24 Chose WVU over Buffalo

Date	vs.	School	W/L	Туре	Score	TD	Place
11/6	Lucas Stewart	Campbell	W	Fall	2:14		
11/6	Cullen Cummings	Ohio	W	MD	10-2		
11/13	Oliver Pierce	Arizona State	W	Dec.	2-0		
11/13	Jesse Rodgers	Rider	W	Dec.	5-4		
11/13	Jon Mele	Lehigh	W	Fall	3:34		
11/17	Jordan Shearer	Nebraska	W	Dec.	9-7		
12/2	Coleman Hammond	CSU Bakersfield	L	MD	2-14		
12/2	Peter Cunningham	Cal Baptist	W	Dec.	12-6		
12/2	Fredy Stroker	Minnesota	L	Dec.	4-5		

Season	Weight	Overall	Duals	Big 12	Falls	MD	TF
2016-17	141	14-8	0-0	0-0	1	2	2
2015-16	149	7-2	3-0	0-0	2	1	0
Total		21-10	3-0	0-0	3	3	2



Freshman

Tuttle, Okla. Tuttle

AWARDS & HONORS

PERSONAL

- Parents are David and Dava
- Chose WVU over West Point
- Major is nursing

Date	vs.	School	W/L	Туре	Score	TD	Place
11/6	Austin Kraisser	Campbell	L	Fall	4:07		
11/6	Kade Kowalski	Ohio	L	Dec.	1-2		
11/13	Al Ciccitto	Ithaca	W	Dec.	2-1		
11/13	Kyle Hammond	Lock Haven	L	MD	5-16		
11/13	Kent Lane	Lehigh	L	Fall	2:49		
11/17	No. 8 Tyler Berger	Nebraska	L	TF	1-17 (2:41)		
12/2	Jake Short	Minnesota	L	MD	1-12		
12/2	Chase Delande	Edinboro	L	Dec.	0-6		

Season	Weight	Overall	Duals	Big 12	Falls	MD	<u>TF</u>
2016-17	165	1-7	0-3	0-0	0	0	0
Total		1-7	0-3	0-0	0	0	0



165 | DYLAN COTTR r-Senior

Spencer, W.Va. Roane County/App. State

AWARDS & HONORS

Ranked No. 8 (InterMat/The Open Mat) Ranked No. 9 (FloWrestling)
Big 12 Wrestler of the Week (2x) 2014, 2015 NCAA Qualifier 2016 Big 12 Championship - 3rd place 2015 Cliff Keen - 3rd place

PERSONAL

- Son of Debbie and Tim Cottrell
- One sister, Morgan
- Strategic communications major Garrett Ford Academic Honor Roll

2016 MATCH-BY-MATCH STATS

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Date	vs.	School	W/L	Type	Score	TD	Place
11/6	Quentin Perez	Campbell	W	Dec.	5-2		
11/6	Austin Reese	Ohio	W	MD	15-1		
11/13	Cole Walter	Lehigh	W	Dec.	3-1		
11/13	#9 Anthony Valencia	Arizona State	W	Dec.	6-5		
11/13	#10/12 Clark Glass	Oklahoma	W	Dec.	1-0		

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2015-16	157	30-9	14-4	5-5	3	10	2
2016-17	165	5-0	2-0	1-0	0	1	0
Total		35-9	16-4	6-5	3	11	2



165 | RYAN LOPEZ r-Freshman

Morgantown, W.Va. University HS

AWARDS & HONORS

PERSONAL

Date	vs.	School	W/L	Type	Score	TD	Place
11/13	Ryan Preisch	Lehigh	L	TF	1-17 (5:09)		
11/13	Ryan Christiansen	Wisconsin	L	TF	2-17 (7:00)		
11/13	Hayden Hansen	Oklahoma	L	Dec.	4-9		
12/2	Logan Parks	Central Michigan	L	Dec.	1-9		
12/2	Kyle Bierdumpfel	Harvard	L	MD	0-12		

Season	Weight	Overall	Duals	Big 12	Falls	MD	<u>TF</u>
2016-17	174	0-3	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
	165	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Total		0-5	0-0	0-1	0	0	0



174 | TY MILLWARD r-Junior

State College, Pa. State College Area

AWARDS & HONORS

PERSONAL

- Son of Ron Millward and Sarah Nolten
- Member of West Virginia University ROTC
- Is an only child
- Birthday is April 11
- Majoring in Business
- Garrett Ford Academic Honor Roll
- Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll
- Academic All-Big 12 Rookie Team

Date	vs.	School	W/L	Type	Score	TD	Place
11/6	Alex Herringshaw	Campbell	L	Dec.	1-3		
11/6	Arsen Arshugyhan	Ohio	L	Dec.	1-4		
11/13	Dan Arkow	LIU Post	W	Dec.	3-1		
11/13	Austin Weigel	Buffalo	L	Dec.	1-7		
11/13	Jaison White	Ithaca	L	Dec.	1-3		
11/17	No. 17 Micah Barnes	Nebraska	L	TF	4-20 (5:52)		
12/2	Chaz Polson	Wyoming	L	TF	0-16 (4:40)		
12/2	Spencer Kiehm	Harvard	W	Dec.	4-1		
12/2	Alex Aguilar	North Idaho	L	Dec.	2-6		

<u>Season</u>	Weight	Overall	<u>Duals</u>	Big 12	<u> Falls</u>	MD	<u>TF</u>
2014-15	149	3-8	0-0	0-0	1	1	0
2015-16	149	3-8	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
2016-17	174	2-7	0-3	0-1	0	0	0
Total		8-23	0-3	0-2	1	1	0



184 | PARKER VON r-Junior

Marshville, N.C. Piedmont/Missouri

AWARDS & HONORS

Ranked No. 12 (InterMat) Ranked No. 11 (Flo Wrestling) 2016 Southern Scuffle - 3rd place 2015 Joe Parisi Open - 2nd place 2015 NCAA Runner-Up (125) 2015 NCAA All-American 2015 Big 12 Runner-up Big 12 Wrestler of the Week (2014-15) Amateur Wrestling News All-Rookie 2014 Cliff Keen - 8th place 2014 MSU Open - 3rd place

PERSONAL

- Full name is Weston Parker Von
- Parents are Wesley and Cheryle Von
- Birthday is March 29
- Has one brother, Cory.

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Date	vs.	School	W/L	Type	Score	TD	Place
11/6	Ville Heino	Campbell	L	Dec.	4-6		
11/6	Hunter Yeargan	Ohio	W	Dec.	9-6		
11/13	Andrew Dixon	Oklahoma	W	Dec.	8-4		
11/13	Elijah Kerr-Brow	North Carolina	W	Dec.	11-9		
11/13	#2 Myles Martin	Ohio State	L	TF	7-22 (5:55)		
11/17	No. 4 T.J. Dudley	Nebraska	L	Fall	2:58		
12/2	Dylan Gabel	Nothern Colorado	L	MD	0-14		
12/2	Bobby Stevenson	Minnesota	L	MD	5-14		

Season	Weight	Overall	Duals	Big 12	Falls	MD	TF
2014-15	174	7-12	0-0	0-5	1	3	0
2015-16	174	8-4	5-1	0-0	0	4	0
2016-17	184	3-5	1-2	1-1	0	0	0
Total		18-21	6-3	1-7	1	7	0



197 | JACOB A. SMITH r-Junior

Charleston, W.Va. George Washington/CSU

AWARDS & HONORS

Big 12 Wrestler of the Week (11/20/16) 2015, 2016 NCAA Qualifier 2016 Cliff Keen - 4th place 2016 Southern Scuffle - 4th place

PERSONAL

- Son of Jim and Tracy Smith
- Has two sisters
- Born July 10
- Majoring in Exercise PhysiologyRecruited by Cleveland State, Bucknell, North Carolina

Date	vs.	School	W/L	Туре	Score	TD	Place
11/6	Willie Bevins	Campbell	L	DQ			
11/17	No. 6 Aaron Studebaker	Nebraska	W	Dec.	2-0		
12/2	Jake Waste	Cal Baptist	W	Dec.	5-0		
12/2	Austin Severn	Central Michigan	W	Dec.	6-1		
12/2	No. 16 Tom Sleigh	Bucknell	W	Dec.	6-1		
12/3	No. 2 Jared Haught	Virginia Tech	L	Dec.	4-6 SV-1		
12/3	No. 15 Ricky Robertson	Wisconsin	W	Dec.	8-1		
12/3	No. 12 Kollin Moore	Ohio State	L	Dec.	7-9		

Season	Weight	Overall	<u>Duals</u>	Big 12	<u>Falls</u>	MD	<u>TF</u>
2014-15	197	26-13	14-3	2-2	3	3	0
2015-16	197	30-10	16-2	10-3	5	2	0
2016-17	197	5-3	1-1	0-0	0	0	0
Total		61-26	41-6	12-5	8	5	0



BRANDON NGATI Freshman

Gaithersburg, Md. South Hagerstown

AWARDS & HONORS

PERSONAL

- Son of Alexander and Hannah
- Two-time all-academic team selection
- Chose WVU over Maryland and Campbell
- Major is engineering

Date	vs.	School	W/L	Туре	Score	TD	Place
11/6	Zak Parker	Ohio	L	Dec.	2-5		
11/13	Jake O'Brien	Ithaca	L	Dec.	1-4		
11/13	Ryan Cloud	Rider	L	Dec.	0-6		
11/13	Josh Fox	Ohio State	L	Dec.	2-8		
11/20	Andrew Gunning	North Carolina	L	Dec.	1-2		
11/20	Zach Schrader	West Virginia	W	Dec.	6-3		
11/20	Ben Stone	Wisconsin	L	MD	2-10		
12/2	Paul Head	Cal Baptist	L	Dec.	2-3		
12/2	Garrett Ryan	Columbia	L	Fall	3:53		

Season	Weight	Overall	Duals	Big 12	Falls	MD	<u>TF</u>
2016-17	HWT	1-8	0-1	1-0	0	0	0
Total		1-8	0-1	1-0	0	0	0