



2021 PENN STATE MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

MARCH 19-20 | MATCHES 15-16



#9/10 PENN STATE NITTANY LIONS
HEAD COACH: MARK PAVLIK
(12-2, 9-1 EIVA)

VS.



#11/RV NJIT HIGHLANDERS
HEAD COACH: DANNY GONCLAVES
(11-3, 11-1 EIVA)

2021 PENN STATE ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS.	YR.	HT.	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL
1	Luke Snyder	S	Fr.	6-3	Manhattan Beach, Calif. / Mira Costa High School
2	Tim Herget	L/OH	So.	6-2	Darien, Conn. / Darien High School
3	Jack Shampine	OH	So.	6-5	Glenview, Ill. / Glenbrook South High School
4	Michael Valenzi	OH	Fr.	6-2	Boca Raton, Fla. / Cardinal Gibbons High School
5	Mitch Tucker	OH	Fr.	6-6	Fairport, N.Y. / Fairport High School
6	Cole Bogner	S	Jr.	6-3	Chesapeake, Va. / Hickory High School
7	Bogdan Ivanov	OPP	Fr.	6-8	Boston, Mass. / Boston Latin
8	Michal Kowal	OH	Fr.	6-2	Rzeszów, Poland / AKS Resovia Rzeszów
9	John Kerr	OH	So.	6-6	Derry, Pa. / Derry Area High School
10	Gabe Hartke	OH	So.	6-4	Barrington, Ill. / Barrington Community HS
11	Jack Driscoll	S/OPP	So.	6-4	Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y. / Sachem North
12	Brett Wildman	OH	Jr.	6-5	Virginia Beach, Va. / Frank W. Cox
13	Andrew Watts	MB	So.	6-7	Northport, N.Y. / Northport High School
14	Sam Marsh	MB	Jr.	6-6	London, England / Southgate School
15	Canyon Tuman	MB	Jr.	6-6	Sewickley, Pa. / North Allegheny High School
16	Ian Argento	MB	Fr.	6-9	Seymour, Conn. / Saint Joseph High School
17	Will Kuhns	OH	Fr.	6-3	Greensburg, Pa. / Hempfield Area High School
18	Toby Ezeonu	MB	Fr.	6-7	North Brunswick, N.J. / North Brunswick Township HS
19	Cal Fisher	OPP/OH	Jr.	6-3	Pittsburgh, Pa. / Riverview High School
20	Will Bantle	L	R-Jr.	6-5	Pacific Palisades, Calif. / Loyola High School

Head Coach: Mark Pavlik (27th season, 596-207 record)
Associate Head Coach: Colin McMillan (14th season)
Assistant Coach: Ryan Walthall (5th season)
Returners (starters)/lost (starters lost): 12 (5) / 8 (4)
Key Returners: OH Brett Wildman, L Will Bantle, S Cole Bogner, OPP Cal Fisher, MB Sam Marsh, MB Canyon Tuman
Newcomers: 8
Key Newcomers: OH Michael Valenzi, OH Michal Kowal, MB Toby Ezeonu, MB Ian Argento

Cole Bogner.....BOWG-ner (like "row")
Toby Ezeonu.....EE-zee-oh-new
Gabe Hartke.....HEART-kee
Michal Kowal.....MEE-howl KO-vol
Jack Shampine.....SHAM-pine
Canyon Tuman.....TOO-man
Brett Wildman.....WILD-man
Ryan Walthall.....WALL-thall

2021 SCHEDULE

Jan. 22	at #14 Ohio State	W, 3-0
Jan. 23	at #14 Ohio State	L, 0-3
Jan. 29	#13 OHIO STATE	W, 3-0
Jan. 30	#13 OHIO STATE	W, 3-0
Feb. 4	* SAINT FRANCIS	W, 3-0
Feb. 6	* SAINT FRANCIS	W, 3-2
Feb. 13	* NJIT	W, 3-1
Feb. 14	* NJIT	L, 0-3
Feb. 20	* at Sacred Heart	W, 3-0
Feb. 21	* at Sacred Heart	W, 3-1
Feb. 26	* #12 GEORGE MASON	W, 3-1
Feb. 27	* #12 GEORGE MASON	W, 3-0
March 5	* CHARLESTON	W, 3-0
March 6	* CHARLESTON	W, 3-0
March 12	* at Saint Francis	Cancelled
March 13	* at Saint Francis	Cancelled
March 19	* at #11 NJIT	4 p.m.
March 20	* at #11 NJIT	4 p.m.
March 26	* SACRED HEART	TBA
March 27	* SACRED HEART	TBA
April 2	* at George Mason	7 p.m.
April 3	* at George Mason	7 p.m.
April 9	* at Charleston	7 p.m.
April 10	* at Charleston	7 p.m.
April 16-18	EIVA First Round	TBA
April 22-25	EIVA Final Four	TBA
TBA	NCAA Tournament	TBA

* EIVA Contest
- AVCA rankings listed at time of matchup
- All times EST and subject to change

PSU MATCH NOTES & INFORMATION

- Penn State leads the all-time series 46-2 over NJIT. Both teams last lost matches when they split their series Feb. 13-14 at Rec Hall (3-1 PSU, 3-0 NJIT)
- Out of an abundance of caution for the student-athletes, coaches and team staff, last weekend's two-match set at Saint Francis was cancelled and is not scheduled to be made up.
- The Nittany Lions cracked the top 10 in this week's AVCA poll tied for No. 9, tied for its highest ranking this season and 18th-straight week in the poll. PSU also ranked 10th in the Off the Block media poll.
- Head coach Mark Pavlik leads all active NCAA men's volleyball coaches with 596 career wins, a mark that ranks sixth all time across all divisions.
- Penn State nationally: 2nd in aces (99), T2nd in aces per set (2.11), 5th in hitting percentage (.318) and 10th in opponent hitting percentage (.222).
- Junior opposite hitter Cal Fisher is one of the best servers and point scorers in the nation. His 35 service-ace total leads all players in the country. Fisher also has double-digit points in every Penn State win this season.
- Junior setter Cole Bogner has paced PSU's offense to solid performances of late. The Nittany Lions have hit above .325 in each of their last four matches, including a season-best .519 last time out March 6 against Charleston.
- Junior outside hitter Brett Wildman has been hot of late with five-straight double-digit kill matches, including a 10-kill match hitting a career-best .667 without an error March 6 vs. Charleston.
- When PSU has won this season, its largely due to its passing. RS junior libero Will Bantle has a .943 serve-receive % on a team-high 210 attempts. Wildman only has five receiving errors in 141 attempts this season (.965).

TEAM STAT LEADERS

	PENN STATE	NJIT
Points per set	Fisher (4.24)	Gimeno (4.21)
Kills per set	Fisher (3.32)	Gimeno (3.38)
Hit % (min 50 kills)	Wildman (.371)	Berger (.488)
Aces	Fisher (35)	Gimeno (22)
Assists per set	Bogner (9.78)	Fieseler (9.37)
Blocks per set	Marsh (0.80)	Berger (1.16)
Digs per set	Bantle (1.45)	Meissner (1.50)

AVCA TOP 15

#	Team (1st votes)	Pts	Record	Prev.
1	Hawaii (15)	239	7-0	1
2	BYU (1)	225	10-2	2
3	UC Santa Barbara	199	4-3	3
4	Pepperdine	192	8-3	4
5	Lewis	176	11-2	5
6	UCLA	142	9-4	8
7	Grand Canyon	134	2-4	7
8	McKendree	126	8-1	6
9 Penn State	102	12-2	9	
10	Long Beach State	94	0-0	9
11	NJIT	86	11-3	11
12	UC Irvine	61	1-5	12
13	UC San Diego	50	1-5	13
14	George Mason	28	8-5	15
15	Ball State	22	8-4	NR

Others receiving votes and listed on two or more ballots: Ohio State 17; Concordia Irvine 16; Loyola-Chicago 3

2021 EIVA STANDINGS

Team	EIVA				Overall					
	W-L	Win. %	SW	SL	MP	W-L	Win. %	SW	SL	Streak
NJIT	11-1	0.917	34	6	14	11-3	0.786	36	12	W9
Penn State	9-1	0.900	27	8	14	12-2	0.857	36	11	W6
George Mason	6-4	0.600	20	15	14	9-5	0.643	30	20	W2
Charleston (W.V.)	4-8	0.333	17	27	12	4-8	0.333	17	27	L4
Saint Francis (Pa.)	2-8	0.200	10	25	17	3-14	0.176	21	44	W2
Sacred Heart	0-10	0.000	3	30	10	0-10	0.000	3	30	L10



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2021 PENN STATE STATISTICS

Overall Record: 12-2 Conf: 9-1 Home: 9-1 Away: 3-1 Neutral: 0-0

#	Player	SP	Attack					Set		Serve			Dig			Block					PTS	
			K	K/S	E	TA	Pct	A	A/S	SA	SE	SA/S	RE	DIG	DIG/S	BS	BA	BLK	BLK/S	BE		BHE
2	Herget, Tim	33	10	0.30	6	21	.190	3	0.09	0	0	0.00	3	33	1.00	0	1	1.0	0.03	0	0	10.5
3	Shampine, Jack	4	9	2.25	7	28	.071	0	0.00	2	4	0.50	0	3	0.75	0	4	4.0	1.00	0	0	13.0
4	Valenzi, Michael	42	87	2.07	38	185	.265	6	0.14	7	23	0.17	17	54	1.29	1	7	8.0	0.19	4	1	98.5
6	Bogner, Cole	45	16	0.36	6	41	.244	440	9.78	9	35	0.20	0	65	1.44	3	19	22.0	0.49	5	0	37.5
8	Kowal, Michal	39	39	1.00	11	78	.359	1	0.03	7	16	0.18	12	36	0.92	0	6	6.0	0.15	1	0	49.0
9	Kerr, John	7	5	0.71	3	11	.182	1	0.14	0	1	0.00	2	0	0.00	0	1	1.0	0.14	0	0	5.5
11	Driscoll, Jack	21	0	0.00	0	0	.000	11	0.52	5	11	0.24	0	5	0.24	0	1	1.0	0.05	0	1	5.5
12	Wildman, Brett	33	97	2.94	25	194	.371	4	0.12	15	26	0.45	5	43	1.30	1	9	10.0	0.30	5	0	117.5
13	Watts, Andrew	2	1	0.50	0	1	1.000	0	0.00	0	1	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	1.0
14	Marsh, Sam	44	46	1.05	15	88	.352	6	0.14	8	30	0.18	1	8	0.18	4	31	35.0	0.80	3	2	73.5
15	Tuman, Canyon	44	55	1.25	15	116	.345	0	0.00	8	22	0.18	0	11	0.25	4	24	28.0	0.64	4	0	79.0
16	Argento, Ian	3	2	0.67	0	4	.500	0	0.00	2	1	0.67	0	0	0.00	0	5	5.0	1.67	0	0	6.5
18	Ezeonu, Toby	8	4	0.50	0	11	.364	0	0.00	1	5	0.13	0	0	0.00	0	3	3.0	0.38	3	0	6.5
19	Fisher, Cal	47	156	3.32	45	339	.327	2	0.04	35	37	0.74	2	63	1.34	0	17	17.0	0.36	1	0	199.5
20	Bantle, Will	47	0	0.00	0	2	.000	33	0.70	0	0	0.00	12	68	1.45	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	0
TM	Team	41	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0
Totals		47	527	11.21	171	1119	.318	507	10.79	99	212	2.11	54	389	8.28	13	128	77.0	1.64	26	5	703.0
Opponents		47	488	10.38	228	1170	.222	459	9.77	54	253	1.15	99	352	7.49	18	110	73.0	1.55	15	5	615.0

Team Statistics	PSU	OPP
ATTACK		
Kills	527	488
Errors	171	228
Total Attacks	1119	1170
Attacks Pct	.318	.222
Kills/Set	11.2	10.4
SET		
Assists	507	459
Assists Per Set	10.8	9.8
SERVE		
Aces	99	54
Errors	212	253
Aces Per Set	2.1	1.1
SERVE/RECEPTIONS		
Errors	54	99
Errors Per Set	1.1	2.1
DEFENSE		
Digs	389	352
Digs Per Set	8.3	7.5
BLOCKING		
Solo	13	18
Assists	128	110
Blocks	77.0	73.0
Blocks Per Set	1.6	1.6
Errors	26	15
Ball Handling Errors	5	5
ATTENDANCE		
Total	1,244	0
Dates-Avg Per Date	10/124	4/
Neutral Site #-Avg	0/	-

C	Date	Opponent	W	L	Score	Score by Set	Att.
	1/22/2021	at Ohio State	W	3-0	25-20, 25-23, 25-22		0
	1/23/2021	at Ohio State	L	0-3	22-25, 23-25, 17-25		0
	1/29/2021	OHIO ST.	W	3-0	25-16, 25-17, 25-21		135
	1/30/2021	OHIO ST.	W	3-0	25-23, 25-20, 25-18		140
*	2/04/2021	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W	3-0	25-17, 25-16, 25-19		134
*	2/06/2021	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W	3-2	25-27, 25-13, 23-25, 25-21, 16-14		141
*	2/13/2021	NJIT	W	3-1	25-17, 21-25, 25-17, 25-21		97
*	2/14/2021	NJIT	L	0-3	21-25, 22-25, 9-25		128
*	2/19/2021	at Sacred Heart	W	3-0	25-16, 25-14, 25-15		0
*	2/20/2021	at Sacred Heart	W	3-1	25-16, 25-17, 23-25, 25-19		0
*	2/26/2021	GEORGE MASON	W	3-1	26-24, 25-20, 24-26, 25-16		153
*	2/27/2021	GEORGE MASON	W	3-0	25-19, 25-21, 25-16		163
*	3/05/2021	CHARLESTON (WV)	W	3-0	25-20, 25-14, 25-21		20
*	3/06/2021	CHARLESTON (WV)	W	3-0	25-16, 25-23, 25-23		133

* = Conference game

