



2021 PENN STATE MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

APRIL 24, 2021 | MATCH 24 | EIVA CHAMPIONSHIP



#8 PENN STATE NITTANY LIONS
HEAD COACH: MARK PAVLIK
(20-3, 16-2 EIVA)

VS



#13 GEORGE MASON PATRIOTS
HEAD COACH: JAY HOSACK
(15-6, 11-5 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	OH/L	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, 604-208 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	W, 3-0
March 20	* at #11 NJIT	W, 3-0
March 26	* SACRED HEART	W, 3-0
March 27	* SACRED HEART	W, 3-0
April 2	* at #15 George Mason	W, 3-0
April 3	* at #15 George Mason	L, 2-3
April 9	* at Charleston	W, 3-0
April 10	* at Charleston	W, 3-0
April 22	! vs. Saint Francis	W, 3-0
April 24	! vs. #13 George Mason	7:00 p.m.
May 3-8	NCAA Tournament	TBA

* EIVA Contest
! EIVA Tournament
- AVCA rankings listed at time of matchup

PSU MATCH NOTES & INFORMATION

- Penn State leads the all-time series 111-18 over George Mason, including a 19-2 mark in the EIVA postseason. Last postseason matchup: 4/18/19 EIVA semis, 3-2 PSU at Princeton. Last championship matchup: 5/1/15, 3-0 PSU at Rec Hall.
- The Nittany Lions are 3-1 against the Patriots this season and have served particularly well against GMU in those matchups with 27 aces over 15 sets.
- Penn State is aiming to win its 32nd EIVA Tournament title and its first since 2017, which was also the last time PSU qualified for the NCAA tournament. Penn State has won the EIVA title on its home court 24 times.
- Head coach Mark Pavlik became the fifth coach in men's volleyball history to reach 600 career wins March 27 vs. SHU. His 604 wins are the most among active DI-II men's coaches.
- Penn State nationally: 1st in aces (158) 2nd in aces per set (2.08), 3rd in opponent H% (.187), and 6th in hitting percentage (.328).
- In Penn State's EIVA semifinal sweep over Saint Francis, Michal Kowal led Penn State with 12 kills and hit .455. Brett Wildman added 10 kills and two blocks and Cal Fisher tacked on 8 kills and two aces. Sam Marsh also had 3 aces, 3 kills, and 2 blocks.
- Penn State hit .390 as a team to down SFU, marking the 11th time in 2021 PSU has hit over .350. They are 11-0 in those matches.
- The Nittany Lions' 20 wins in 2021 mark the first time they've reached 20 wins since the 2017 season. That win total is also the most in the nation entering Saturday's contest.

TEAM STAT LEADERS

	PENN STATE	GEORGE MASON
Points per set	Fisher (4.25)	Wagner (4.63)
Kills per set	Fisher (3.33)	Wagner (3.89)
Hit % (min 60 kills)	Marsh (.387)	Creamer (.488)
Aces	Fisher (53)	Wagner (23)
Assists per set	Bogner (9.55)	Talamoa (10.02)
Blocks per set	Marsh (0.84)	Creamer (0.89)
Digs per set	Bantle (1.76)	Kennan (2.00)

AVCA TOP 15

#	Team (1st votes)	Pts	Record	Prev.
1	Hawaii (15)	239	15-0	1
2	BYU (1)	224	17-3	2
3	UC Santa Barbara	198	13-4	3
4	Lewis	192	19-2	4
5	Pepperdine	173	11-5	5
6	UCLA	170	14-5	6
7	Long Beach State	137	6-4	7
8 Penn State	128	19-3	8	
9	Grand Canyon	110	8-10	9
10	Loyola Chicago	95	15-5	10
11	NJIT	69	13-5	11
12	McKendree	51	11-6	12
13	George Mason	38	13-6	14
14	UC San Diego	34	3-12	13
15	Ball State	25	12-8	15

Others receiving votes and listed on two or more ballots: UC Irvine 15; CSUN 10; Belmont Abbey 2
*Poll and records as of April 19

2021 EIVA STANDINGS

Team	EIVA				Overall					
	W-L	Win. %	SW	SL	MP	W-L	Win. %	SW	SL	Streak
Penn State	16-2	0.889	50	11	23	20-3	0.870	62	14	W3
NJIT	13-3	0.813	40	14	19	13-6	0.684	42	23	L1
George Mason	11-5	0.688	35	22	21	15-6	0.714	48	27	W2
Saint Francis (Pa.)	6-12	0.333	26	40	27	8-19	0.296	40	63	L1
Charleston (W.V.)	4-12	0.250	19	39	17	4-13	0.235	20	42	L9
Sacred Heart	0-16	0.000	4	48	20	1-19	0.050	10	58	L5



2021 PENN STATE MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

2021 PENN STATE STATISTICS

Overall Record: 20-3 Conf: 16-2 Home: 12-1 Away: 8-2 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	46	24	0.52	10	47	.298	3	0.07	1	5	0.02	4	48	1.04	0	2	2.0	0.04	0	0	26.0
3	Shampine, Jack	13	28	2.15	14	64	.219	0	0.00	4	11	0.31	0	8	0.62	0	5	5.0	0.38	0	0	34.5
4	Valenzi, Michael	48	112	2.33	44	231	.294	6	0.13	8	29	0.17	18	62	1.29	1	7	8.0	0.17	4	1	124.5
6	Bogner, Cole	73	31	0.42	9	74	.297	697	9.55	13	40	0.18	1	109	1.49	5	31	36.0	0.49	5	2	64.5
8	Kowal, Michal	60	73	1.22	23	153	.327	7	0.12	16	27	0.27	18	54	0.90	2	10	12.0	0.20	1	0	96.0
9	Kerr, John	23	12	0.52	4	24	.333	1	0.04	0	2	0.00	2	0	0.00	0	6	6.0	0.26	0	0	15.0
11	Driscoll, Jack	32	1	0.03	0	1	1.000	23	0.72	5	15	0.16	0	10	0.31	0	1	1.0	0.03	1	1	6.5
12	Wildman, Brett	62	196	3.16	60	412	.330	14	0.23	20	50	0.32	10	94	1.52	3	26	29.0	0.47	6	0	232.0
13	Watts, Andrew	9	6	0.67	0	6	1.000	1	0.11	1	4	0.11	0	0	0.00	0	1	1.0	0.11	0	0	7.5
14	Marsh, Sam	70	67	0.96	19	124	.387	7	0.10	16	53	0.23	1	13	0.19	7	52	59.0	0.84	6	3	116.0
15	Tuman, Canyon	70	77	1.10	20	165	.345	3	0.04	14	37	0.20	0	24	0.34	6	42	48.0	0.69	4	0	118.0
16	Argento, Ian	5	2	0.40	2	8	.000	0	0.00	2	2	0.40	1	0	0.00	0	9	9.0	1.80	0	0	8.5
18	Ezeonu, Toby	18	16	0.89	1	27	.556	0	0.00	2	9	0.11	0	0	0.00	1	5	6.0	0.33	3	0	21.5
19	Fisher, Cal	70	233	3.33	61	513	.335	8	0.11	53	57	0.76	2	111	1.59	0	23	23.0	0.33	1	0	297.5
20	Bantle, Will	76	1	0.01	0	3	.333	57	0.75	0	0	0.00	19	134	1.76	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	1.0
TM	Team	68	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	4	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0
Totals		76	879	11.57	267	1852	.330	827	10.88	155	341	2.04	80	667	8.78	25	220	135.0	1.78	31	8	1,169.0
Opponents		76	752	9.89	388	1908	.191	706	9.29	80	378	1.05	146	568	7.47	29	164	111.0	1.46	24	9	943.0

Team Statistics	PSU	OPP
ATTACK		
Kills	879	752
Errors	267	388
Total Attacks	1852	1908
Attacks Pct	.330	.191
Kills/Set	11.6	9.9
SET		
Assists	827	706
Assists Per Set	10.9	9.3
SERVE		
Aces	155	80
Errors	341	378
Aces Per Set	2.0	1.1
SERVE/RECEPTIONS		
Errors	80	146
Errors Per Set	1.1	1.9
DEFENSE		
Digs	667	568
Digs Per Set	8.8	7.5
BLOCKING		
Solo	25	29
Assists	220	164
Blocks	135.0	111.0
Blocks Per Set	1.8	1.5
Errors	31	24
Ball Handling Errors	8	9
ATTENDANCE		
Total	1,858	475
Dates-Avg Per Date	13/143	10/48
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
*	3/19/2021	at NJIT	W	3-0	33-31, 25-23, 25-21		0
*	3/20/2021	at NJIT	W	3-0	25-20, 25-18, 25-21		0
*	3/26/2021	SACRED HEART	W	3-0	25-13, 25-20, 25-18		164
*	3/27/2021	SACRED HEART	W	3-0	25-12, 25-17, 25-18		110
*	4/02/2021	at George Mason	W	3-0	25-19, 27-25, 25-16		224
*	4/03/2021	at George Mason	L	2-3	20-25, 25-12, 19-25, 25-23, 11-15		250
*	4/09/2021	at Charleston (WV)	W	3-0	25-12, 25-16, 25-15		1
*	4/10/2021	at Charleston (WV)	W	3-0	25-11, 25-6, 25-20		0
	4/22/2021	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W	3-0	25-16, 25-22, 25-20		340

* = Conference game

