## **2022-23 UK MEN'S BASKETBALL QUICK FACTS**

Location	Lexii	ngton, Ky.
Enrollment		31,800
Founded		1865
Colors	Blue	& White
Nickname		Wildcats
Conference	Sou	theastern
All-Time Record	2,353-73	6-1 (.762)
Arena	Rupp Arena	a (20,500)
Arena Record	633-77, .892	(46 years)
NCAA Championships	8 (1948, '49, '51, '58, '78, '96, '	98, 2012)
NCAA Runners-up	4 (1966, 1975, 19	97, 2014)
NCAA Tournament Record	129	-53 (.709)
Last NCAA Tourament Appeara	ince 2022, NCAA Fi	rst Round
Joe Craft Center Ticket Office	800.	928.CATS
Rupp Arena Ticket Office	859.	.233.3535

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

President	Dr. Eli Capilouto (Alabama, '71)
Faculty Representative	Joseph L. Fink III
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#### **BASKETBALL STAFF**

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Head Coach	John Calipari (Clarion, '82)
Overall College Record	NCAA Total: 768-239 (30 years) .763
	On-Court Total: 810-241 (30 years) .771
	Kentucky: 365-101 (13 years) .783
NCAA Appearances (Record)	19 (47-18)
	On-Court Total: 21 (56-20)
Associate to the Head Coach	James "Bruiser" Flint (Saint Joseph's, '87)
Associate Coach	Orlando Antigua (Pittsburgh, '95)
Assistant Coaches	Ronald "Chin" Coleman (Lamar, '97)
	K.T. Turner (Oklahoma City, '03)
Associate AD/Basketball Oper	ations Chris Woolard (UCLA, '97)
Director of Player Developme	nt TJ Beisner (Kentucky, '08)
Director of Basketball Adminis	stration Will Barton (Kentucky, '12)
Equipment Manager	Mark Evans (Kentucky, '13)
Strength and Conditioning Co.	ach Brady Welsh (Eastern Illinois, '15)
Head Athletic Trainer	Geoffrey Staton (North Carolina, '07)
Graduate Assistant Coach	Riley Welch (Kentucky, '21)
<b>Director of Academic Services</b>	Michael Stone (Kentucky, '97)
Team Physicians	Dr. Scott Mair; Dr. Robert Hosey
Administrative Asst. to the He	ead Coach Lunetha Moseley (859.257.8024)
Administrative Asstistant	Linda Carmack (859.257.1916)

#### **2021-22 REVIEW**

**Record:** 26-8 (14-4)

Home: 18-0, Away: 6-5, Neutral: 2-3

**SEC Postseason Record:** Lost to Tennessee in semifinals, 69-62 **NCAA Postseason Record:** Lost to Saint Peter's in first round, 85-79 OT

#### **2022-23 PREVIEW**

Starte	rs Lost: 3					
No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	CI.	PPG	RPG
12	Keion Brooks Jr.	F	6-7	Jr.	10.8	4.4
31	Kellan Grady	G	6-5	Gr.	11.4	2.1
3	TyTy Washington Jr.	G	6-3	Fr.	12.5	3.9*
Other	Players Lost: 5					
11	Dontaie Allen#	G	6-6	RS-So.	2.3	1.2
23	Bryce Hopkins#	F	6-6	Fr.	2.1	1.4
10	Davion Mintz	G	6-3	Gr.	8.5	2.2
20	Zan Payne%#	G/F	6-4	RS-Jr.	0.9	0.2
21	Shaedon Sharpe+	G	6-6	Fr.	-	
Player	s Returning: 7					
14	Brennan Canada%	F	6-6	Sr.	0.7	0.1
4	Daimion Collins	F	6-9	So.	2.9	2.0
0	Jacob Toppin	F	6-9	Sr.	6.2	3.2
34	Oscar Tshiebwe	F	6-9	Sr.	17.4	15.1
55	Lance Ware	F	6-9	Jr.	1.5	1.9
25	Kareem Watkins%	G	5-8	Jr.	0.0	0.3
2	Sahvir Wheeler	G	5-9	Sr.	10.1	6.9*
Newco	Newcomers: 6					
13	Grant Darbyshire%	G	6-2	Fr.	2.5	1.1
21	Walker Horn%	G	6-4	Fr.	9.3	5.2*
24	Chris Livingston <sup>^</sup>	F	6-6	Fr.	18.2	9.1
12	Antonio Reeves!	G	6-5	Sr.	20.1	3.5
3	Adou Thiero^	G	6-6	Fr.	23.3	10.3
22	Cason Wallace^	G	6-4	Fr.	19.9	7.4

Stats are from last season

\*Assists per game; #Transferred at the end of the season; †Joined team in January and did not play; %Walk-on; ! Stats are from junior season at Illinois State; ^ High school statistics

Starters Returning/Lost: 2/3
Players Returning/Lost: 7/8

Top Returning Scorer: Oscar Tshiebwe - 17.4 ppg
Top Returning Rebounder: Oscar Tshiebwe - 15.1 rpg
Top Returning in Assists: Sahvir Wheeler - 6.9 apg
Top Returning in Blocks: Oscar Tshiebwe - 1.6 bpg
Top Returning in Steals: Oscar Tshiebwe - 1.8 spg

Top Returning FG% (min. 50 FGA): Oscar Tshiebwe - 60.6%

Top Returning 3-Point FG% (min. 20 3FG%): Sahvir Wheeler - 30.8%

Top Returning FT% (min. 25 FTA): Sahvir Wheeler - 78.0%

Percentage of Minutes Returning: 42.9%
Percentage of Points Returning: 44.3%
Percentage of Rebounds Returning: 58.4%
Percentage of Assists Returning: 51.8%
Percentage of Blocks Returning: 72.9%
Percentage of Steals Returning: 50.0%

## 2022-23 KENTUCKY BASKETBALL ROSTER

#### **NUMERICAL**

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	CI.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Jacob Toppin	F	6-9	205	Sr.	Brooklyn, N.Y. (University of Rhode Island)
1	CJ Fredrick	G	6-3	185	RS-Sr.	Cincinnati (University of Iowa)
2	Sahvir Wheeler	G	5-9	180	Sr.	Houston (University of Georgia)
3	Adou Thiero	G	6-6	200	Fr.	Leetsdale, Pa. (Quaker Valley High School)
4	Daimion Collins	F	6-9	210	So.	Atlanta, Texas (Atlanta High School)
12	Antonio Reeves	G	6-5	205	Sr.	Chicago (Illinois State University)
13	<b>Grant Darbyshire</b>	G	6-2	190	Fr.	Cincinnati (Sycamore High School)
14	Brennan Canada	F	6-6	205	Sr.	Mount Sterling, Ky. (George Rogers Clark High School)
21	Walker Horn	G	6-4	200	Fr.	Austin, Texas (Westlake High School)
22	Cason Wallace	G	6-4	193	Fr.	Dallas (Richardson High School)
24	Chris Livingston	F	6-6	220	Fr.	Akron, Ohio (Oak Hill Academy)
25	Kareem Watkins	G	5-8	175	Jr.	Camden, N.J. (Kingsway Regional High School)
34	Oscar Tshiebwe	F	6-9	260	Sr.	Lubumbashi, Democratic Republic of the Congo (West Virginia Univ.)
55	Lance Ware	F	6-9	235	Jr.	Camden, N.J. (Camden High School)

#### **ALPHABETICAL**

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	CI.	Hometown (Previous School)
14	Brennan Canada	F	6-6	205	Sr.	Mount Sterling, Ky. (George Rogers Clark High School)
4	Daimion Collins	F	6-9	210	So.	Atlanta, Texas (Atlanta High School)
13	Grant Darbyshire	G	6-2	190	Fr.	Cincinnati (Sycamore High School)
1	CJ Fredrick	G	6-3	185	RS-Sr.	Cincinnati (University of Iowa)
21	Walker Horn	G	6-4	200	Fr.	Austin, Texas (Westlake High School)
24	Chris Livingston	F	6-6	220	Fr.	Akron, Ohio (Oak Hill Academy)
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<sup>\*</sup>Heights and weights are unofficial until the start of the season

Head Coach: John Calipari (Clarion, 1982)

Associate to the Head Coach: Bruiser Flint (Saint Joseph's, 1987)

Associate Coach: Orlando Antigua (Pittsburgh, 1995)
Assistant Coaches: Chin Coleman (Lamar, 1997)
K.T. Turner (Oklahoma City, 2003)

Associate AD/Basketball Operations: Chris Woolard (UCLA, 1997)

Strength and Conditioning Coach: Brady Welsh (Eastern Illinois, 2015)

**Head Athletic Trainer:** Geoffrey Staton (North Carolina, 2007) **Director of Player Development:** TJ Beisner (Kentucky, 2008)

#### **PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

TJ BEISNER - BIZE-ner

John CALIPARI - cal-uh-PEAR-ee

**Geoffrey STATON - STATE-in** 

ADOU THIERO - uh-DUE THEE-air-oh

Oscar TSHIEBWE - SHEE-bway

SAHVIR Wheeler - sahhh-VEER

## FROM THE OFFSEASON NOTEBOOK

## PLAYER-LED OPEN PRACTICE LEADS TO MORE THAN \$3 MIL-LION RAISED FOR KENTUCKY FLOOD RELIEF

The Kentucky men's basketball players put servant leadership in action with the conception of an open practice and telethon to raise funds for the state's latest natural disaster with devesating flooding.

The UK men's basketball team and head coach John Calipari hosted an open practice in Rupp Arena and in conjunction Joe and Kelly Craft, the American Red Cross, LEX 18 and Rupp Arena at Central Bank Center – hosted a telethon on Aug. 2 to raise funding for the Kentucky Flood Relief.

"Our players approached me about helping our state," Calipari said. "They knew that our state is hurting again, and they wanted to do anything they could to help. It was their idea to hold an open practice, and the Red Cross, LEX 18 and Rupp Arena were quick to offer assistance to help make this happen. Joe and Kelly Craft helped host the event as they have in the past."

At the conclusion of the three-hour open practice session, the effort had raised \$2,410,000. With additional funding -- which included a \$350,000 donation from Anthony Davis -- that number has grown beyond \$3 million.

Donations for the Kentucky Flood Relief were accepted in a number of ways on that night, including donations at the door, via the phone lines open courtside at Rupp with UK student-athletes and staff from multiple teams, as well as online. All the proceeds are going to the American Red Cross to benefit the immediate needs of Kentuckians impacted by the floods.

Fans who still wish to participate can continue to donate. Donations for the Kentucky Flood Relief can be made at the following:

Website — https://www.redcross.org/donate/cm/wlextv-pub.html/

Mail a check to: American Red Cross Bluegrass Chapter Attn: Kentucky Floods 1450 Newtown Pike Lexington, KY 40511

## TSHIEBWE HEADLINES RETURNERS

Oscar Tshiebwe, the nation's most decorated college basketball player, will return to suit up for Kentucky for a senior season in 2022-23.

Tshiebwe swept all six of the major National Player of the Year honors after a historic junior season. He became the first player in program history to win the top accolade from The Sporting News, the National Association of Basketball Coaches, the Associated Press, the United States Basketball Writers Association, the Naismith Trophy and the Wooden Award.

Since 1977 when all six began being awarded in every season, 28 players have swept the honors. Tshiebwe is the second player coached by John Calipari to earn that distinction, also joining Marcus Camby of UMass in 1996. In addition to becoming the first player in program history to achieve the feat, he is the first player in Southeastern Conference history to win all six awards in the same season.

Tshiebwe not only averaged a double-double, but did so with a considerable margin — averaging a team-best 17.4 points and a nation-leading 15.1 rebounds per game. He is the first Division I player who averaged at least 15.0 points and at least 15.0 rebounds per game since Drake's Lewis Lloyd and Alcorn State's Larry Smith each did during the 1979-80 season, and the first major-conference player who averaged at least 16.0 points and at least 15.0 rebounds for a season since Bill Walton at UCLA in 1972-73. He became the first Wildcat to do it since Bob Burrow tallied 19.1 points and 17.7 rebounds per game in

He will become just the second player in the Calipari era to return after leading the team in scoring the season before, joining Davion Mintz who played a second season in 2021-22 after pacing the Cats with 11.5 points per game in his first season. Tshiebwe averaged 17.4 points per game, the third best in a single season among all Calipari players. Only Jamal Murray (20.0) and Malik Monk (19.8) averaged more points per game than Tshiebwe.

With 30 points in the NCAA Tournament, Tshiebwe topped 1,000 for his career. In one season with the Wildcats, he poured in 590 points which ranks among the top 35 in single-season UK history.

The Lubumbashi, Democratic Republic of the Congo native is the first consensus National Player of the Year to return to college basketball since North Carolina's Tyler Hansbrough in 2008-09. Since the inception of the Wooden Award in 1976, Tshiebwe will join Hansbrough and Virginia's Ralph Sampson (1982-83) to return to school after winning all six major honors.

Tshiebwe was a force in all facets of the game and was the only major conference player who averaged at least 1.6 blocked shots and 1.6 steals per game during the regular season. He also became only the third

player in program history to amass at least 500 rebounds in a season. Tshiebwe finished the year with 515 boards.

A consensus All-American, Tshiebwe corralled at least 10 boards in all but two games last season and finished the season with 21 straight games with double-digit rebounds. That's a record for the Wildcats dating back to the 1967-68 season with complete game-bygame rebounding records. Dan Issel had two stretches of 12 such games. It's also the longest stretch by any SEC player since at least 1996-97. It's also the longest streak in one season by any Division I player since Rokas Gustys of Hofstra had 23 straight in 2016.

Tshiebwe was elite on the glass from the very beginning of the season. He set new records for the Champions Classic and UK debut with 20 boards vs. Duke in the season opener, nearly tied the Rupp Arena record with 20 rebounds in his first home game, and then shattered that Rupp record with 28 boards vs. Western Kentucky. That easily surpassed Shaquille O'Neal's previous mark of 21. It's worth noting Tshiebwe did that primarily against the tallest player in college basketball, Jamarion Sharp, who stands at 7-foot-5. With 20 boards the following game against Missouri, his 48 boards tied for the most over a two-game span by any Division I player over the last 25 seasons (according to ESPN Stats &

The SEC Player of the Year concluded the season with 16 straight double-doubles, the longest streak since complete game-by-game rebounding records were kept dating back to 1969 for the Wildcats. He totaled 28 double-doubles which is a new UK single-season record.

Tshiebwe ended the season becoming only the second Wildcat since 1978-79 to finish the season leading the team in points per game (17.4), rebounds per game (15.1), steals per game (1.8), blocks per game (1.6) and field-goal percentage with a minimum of 100 attempts (60.6%). Anthony Davis was the other to achieve the feat.

At the conclusion of the season, Tshiebwe was responsible for 37.8% of all of UK's rebounds. Taking away team rebounds, that number jumped to 41.2%.

Additional returners to 2022-23 roster:

- Sahvir Wheeler who led the SEC in assists per game (6.9) for the second straight season and was a Bob Cousy Award finalist
- Jacob Toppin who tested the NBA Draft waters and averaged 6.2 points and 3.2 rebounds per game
- Daimion Collins, a former top-15 high school prospect, who shot 57.7% from the

field and 85.7% from the free-throw line in 27 appearances

- Lance Ware appeared in 28 games last season and participated in a Sports Reach trip to Brazil in May where he averaged 30 points and 8.3 rebounds in three games against teams such as Paul Metters, one of São Paulo's top clubs
- CJ Fredrick is in his second season with the Wildcats after missing the entire 2021-22 season with a hamstring injury. He was the nation's leading returning player in 3-point field goal percentage (46.6%) entering last season

## LIVINGSTON, WALLACE LEAD FRESHMAN CLASS

The nation's best recruiter, John Calipari, hauled in another special class in 2022 with the additions of top-10 players Chris Livingston and Cason Wallace and fast-rising prospect Adou Thiero.

Livingston is a consensus five-star prospect who was ranked as high as the No. 10 overall player by Rivals. He averaged 18.2 points, 9.1 rebounds, 3.9 assists and 1.9 steals per game during his senior season at Oak Hill. He capped his senior year as the 2022 Gatorade Virginia Player of the Year and was named a McDonald's All American and to the Jordan Brand Classic roster. Livingston was named the MVP of the 2019 FIBA Americans U16 Championship after leading Team USA to a gold medal while averaging 14.8 points and 8.0 rebounds

Wallace is ranked as the No. 7 overall player by Rivals and averaged 19.9 points, 7.4 boards and 6.1 assists per game as a senior at Richardson. He was tabbed the 2022 Texas Gatorade Player of the Year and The Dallas Morning News' Player of the Year, while also repeating as the District's MVP. He joined Livingston on the McDonald's All American and Jordan Brand Classic rosters. Wallace averaged 15.7 points, 7.0 rebounds, 5.6 assists, 1.4 blocks and 1.3 steals in the 2021 Nike EYBL and shot 51.2% from the field en route to being tabbed the Circuit's Most Valuable Player of Nike EYBL Session I.

Thiero is a combo guard who averaged 23.3 points, 10.3 rebounds, 5.9 assists, 3.9 steals and 2.3 blocks per game and directed Quaker Valley to a 27-1 record and a 14-0 mark in league play as a senior. He finished his career with 1,624 career points which ranked as the third-most in team history and was named the 4A Player of the Year, the WPIAL Player of the Year and the 2022 TribLive HSSN Boys Basketball Player of the Year.

## WILDCATS ADD TRANSFER ANTONIO REEVES

Illinois State transfer Antonio Reeves, who ranked among the top 20 Division I scorers last season, signed with the Kentucky men's basketball team.

Reeves, a 6-foot-6 guard from Chicago, averaged 20.1 points, 3.6 rebounds and 1.8 assists per game during his junior season with the Redbirds.

Reeves has played in 89 career games and scored 1,195 career points. His 662 points in 33 games during his junior season was the fourth-most in Illinois State history. Reeves was the first Redbird to average at least 20 points per game in a season since 2001.

Reeves was named to the All-Missouri Valley Conference Second Team and claimed a team captain spot on the All-MVC Most Improved Team. He was also a member of the All-District 16 team from the National Association of Basketball Coaches.

He scored in double figures in 31 of Illinois State's 33 games in 2021-22, including 18 games with 20 or more which was tied for the sixth-most in program history. He finished the season ranking 19th among all Division I scorers with 20.1 points per game. The sharpshooter had a career-high 34 points with five 3-pointers against Valparaiso.

Reeves was an efficient scorer for the Redbirds, making 47% of his shots from the field, 39% from 3-point range and 82% from the free-throw line.

He has shown steady growth to his game in each season of collegiate basketball. As a freshman, Reeves averaged 7.2 points per game in 31 games. He improved his mark to 12.4 points per game as a sophomore and moved his field-goal percentage from 38% to 43%.

Reeves played in 25 games and made 24 starts as a sophomore. He scored in double-figures in 19 games and logged a then career-high 27 points against Drake. As a freshman, he was named to the MVC All-Bench Team after playing 31 games and making three starts. He scored in double-figures in 10 games and had a season-high 17 points against Missouri State.

He has made at least 33 3-pointers in each of his three collegiate seasons. He made 33 in 31 games as a freshman and sank 33 as a sophomore in 25 games. Last season, he made 76 from long range and had 13 games with at least three from deep.

#### ONYENSO SIGNS, WILL JOIN TEAM IN FALL SEMESTER

Ugonna Kingsley Onyenso (ooo-GAH-na ON-yen-so), an imposing frontcourt player in the 2023 class, has signed with the Kentucky

men's basketball program and will reclassify to join the 2022-23 roster.

Onyenso is a 6-foot-11, 225-pound big with the size and speed to wreak havoc in the paint on both ends of the court. His frame allows him to impose his will in the paint, and he has the potential to develop into an elite rebounder and shot blocker with terrific natural instincts.

The Owerri, Imo State, Nigeria, native spent this past season at Putnam Science Academy in Connecticut, the same program that former Wildcat Hamidou Diallo hailed from. With his reclassification, Onyenso is ranked in the top 35 by Rivals in the 2022 class and in the top 40 by 247Sports. He was rated in the top 25 by both outlets while in the 2023 class.

He joined Putnam in January and the squad was a perfect 20-0 with Onyenso on the roster. He averaged 11.4 points, 9.0 rebounds and 5.7 blocks per game. Onyenso shot 64.4% from the floor and had five games with at least 10 blocked shots. The highlight of his season was a 24-point, 11-rebound and 11-block triple-double.

Playing at the NBA Academy Games this summer, Onyenso scored in double figures in each of the six games he appeared. He averaged 13.2 points, 9.2 rebounds and 2.7 blocks per game, while also connecting on 64.4% of his field-goal attempts. Onyenso was particularly good on the offensive glass, registering 32 total boards (5.3 per game) on that end.

He is one of the youngest players ever to make the senior men's Nigerian National Team. Onyenso made his debut with the team at the FIBA Basketball World Cup 2023 African Qualifiers in November of 2021. He scored 10 points on 5-of-8 shooting and had four rebounds and two blocks in 16 minutes in a 96-69 win over Uganda.

## STAFF CHANGES: TURNER, WELSH JOIN

Kentucky's staff will take on a new look in 2022-23 with the addition of new assistant coach K.T. Turner and new strength and conditioning coach Brady Welsh.

Turner, who has been a mainstay in the college basketball coaching profession for nearly 20 years, comes to Lexington after spending one season with Oklahoma as an associate head coach under Porter Moser in his first year as head coach. The Sooners went 19-16 and advanced to the second round of the National Invitation Tournament.

Prior to his stop in Norman, Oklahoma, Turner was the associate head coach at Texas in 2020-21. The Longhorns amassed a 19-8 overall mark, won the Big 12 Championship and earned a No. 3 seed in the NCAA Tournament. Turner was instrumental in

the development of Kai Jones, who was named the Big 12 Sixth Man of the Year. The Longhorns led the Big 12 in field-goal percentage defense (40.8%), 3-point field-goal percentage defense (31.7%), rebounding (38.4 per game) and defensive rebounds per game (27.6).

Turner spent seven seasons as an assistant at SMU prior to joining Texas. The Mustangs accumulated a 160-71 record, won a pair of American Athletic Conference regular-season titles and two AAC Tournament championships with Turner on the bench. He also helped guide the Mustangs to two NCAA Tournament appearances and were ranked in the Associated Press Top 25 in four of the seven seasons. The Mustangs climbed as high as No. 8 in 2015-16. Turner spent three seasons under the tutelage of Larry Brown, before working for Tim Jankovich during his final four seasons.

Three Mustang players earned AAC Player of the Year with Turner on staff. SMU's players garnered 15 All-AAC selections over the course of those seven seasons, which were the most in the stretch by any school in the league during that time. While at SMU, Turner also helped coach three NBA Draft selections in Semi Ojeleye, Sterling Brown and Shake Milton.

Prior to his work in Dallas, Turner was on the Wichita State staff in 2012-13. The Shockers registered a 30-9 mark and advanced to the Final Four.

He began his collegiate playing career at Hutchinson Community College where he earned all-conference honors, while playing under Jankovich. He finished his career at Oklahoma City University and helped the Stars claim the Sooner Athletic Conference regularseason and tournament titles and advance to the NAIA quarterfinals.

In conjunction with Calipari and the men's basketball staff, Welsh will be responsible for the day-to-day fitness and performance of the men's basketball team.

Welsh joins the Wildcats after serving in the same role with the Purdue men's basket-ball team in 2021-22. He directed and implemented all aspects of the program related to performance and served as the contact for creating a new performance center for basketball, including a nutrition center and sports science efforts.

Prior to his time in West Lafayette, Indiana, Welsh was the Director of Basketball Sports Performance at Temple University. Before spending two seasons with the Owls, Welsh worked for two years at the IMG Academy where he was responsible for the programming, delivering, and scheduling for the basketball programs.

Welsh began his career as an assistant

strength and conditioning coach at the University of Illinois. He was tasked with the supervision of team workouts and guided and implemented nutrition for athlete performance.

# COACH CAL NAMED TO CONFERENCE USA HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2022

Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Famer John Calipari has added another accomplishment to his lengthy list of honors as Conference USA has named him part of its 2022 Hall of Fame Class.

Conference USA created its Hall of Fame in 2019 in conjunction with the league's 25th anniversary. The 2022 class is the fourth to be inducted. Calipari is one of five inductees this year.

"Ellen and I relish our time in Conference USA and this honor does not happen without support of the tremendous staff and players we had, as well as the support of a great athletic director like R.C. Johnson," Coach Cal said. "Thank you Conference USA and all of my staff and players for your role in this."

Calipari is being honored by the league for his impressive tenure as head men's basketball coach at the University of Memphis, where he coached from the 2000-01 season through 2008-09. Calipari led the Tigers to the 2008 NCAA title game, including 38 wins that season, making him the winningest coach for a single season in NCAA history. As a result, he earned his second Naismith National Coach of the Year honor, becoming only the second coach to earn the honor multiple times since its inception in 1987. He was also C-USA Coach of the Year that season.

Calipari, the 2009 Sports Illustrated
National Coach of the Year, led the Tigers
to nine straight 20-win campaigns and nine
consecutive postseason appearances, the only
Memphis coach to do that. He posted 252
on-court wins — 28.0 wins per season — as
the Tigers' head coach, making him the winningest coach in school history. From 2006-08,
the Tigers won 104 games, making Calipari
the winningest head coach in NCAA Division I
history in a three-year span.

The 2006 C-USA Coach of the Year, Calipari led Memphis to three consecutive NCAA Tournament Elite Eight appearances, the first time in school history that was accomplished. He directed the Tigers to the 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 C-USA regular season crowns, which was the first time in school history the program has won three consecutive outright league regular-season titles. The program also won the C-USA Tournament each of those three seasons. Calipari led Memphis to nine straight 20-win seasons and nine straight

postseasons. Fifteen of his final 18 seniors who came through the Memphis program earned their bachelor's degrees

After bringing the University of Massachusetts basketball program to national prominence in the '90s and resurrecting the Memphis basketball program in the 2000s, Calipari became the 22nd coach in UK history and seventh in the last 80 years. A 2004-05 UMASS Athletic Hall of Fame inductee, Calipari has been honored in recent years with a statue at UMASS and his alma mater Clarion named its basketball playing surface Coach Cal Court.

Calipari's overall on-court record is 810-241 (77.1%) following his 13th season at UK. He finished the 2020-21 season with the second-highest on-court winning percentage among active NCAA Division I coaches with 10 years of experience at college basketball's Division I level, trailing only Mark Few.

Calipari is one of only two coaches (also Roy Williams) in NCAA Division I history with 400 or more wins in his first 16 years as a head coach, and his 173 victories from 2008-12 are the most ever for a coach over a five-year span in Division I history. He earned his 800th career on-court victory in 2021-22 and became the fourth-fastest coach to achieve that milestone.

His 11 30-win on-court seasons are third most for a head coach in NCAA Division I history, and he is the first coach in NCAA Division I history to record five straight on-court 30-win seasons. For his college career as a head coach (30 seasons), Calipari has 27 on-court seasons of 20 or more on-court wins and 20 different seasons of 25 on-court campaigns. His 26 consecutive on-court 20-win seasons, which was snapped in 2020-21, is the second-longest streak in NCAA history, trailing only Dean Smith, who had 27.

His NCAA Tournament on-court record is 56-20, a .737 winning percentage, and his 31 NCAA Tournament wins are the most in school history. His six Final Four appearances are tied for seventh most by a coach all-time, and his 11 straight NCAA Tournament wins prior to the 2014 national championship loss was the longest winning streak in the tournament since the Florida Gators won 12 straight in 2006 and 2007.

When UK won the 2017 SEC regular-season title, Calipari became the first NCAA Division I coach to lead three different programs (UMass, Memphis, Kentucky) to five on-court regular-season league titles five different times. His 31 combined regular-season and conference championships trails only Few (39 titles) among all active coaches. All-time, Calipari trails only the great Adolph Rupp (41) and Few.

# JOHN CALIPARI, KROGER PARTNER IN RELIEF EFFORTS FOR WESTERN KY TORNADO VICTIMS

As part of Kentucky men's basketball's continued commitment to provide relief to victims of the devastating tornadoes in western Kentucky this past December, head coach John Calipari partnered with Kroger for a five-stop autograph tour that provided an opportunity for Kentuckians to support their friends in the western part of the state.

Calipari, along with players and staff members, made stops at Kroger locations in Louisville, London, Somerset, Georgetown and Morehead, signing autographs and taking photos with fans.

Fans were asked to consider donating a gift card that could be given to those in need in western Kentucky and help them with the rising cost of gas, groceries, clothing, school supplies, etc. Fans, along with Kroger's Zero Hunger Zero Waste Foundation and Coca-Cola helped raise more than \$55 thousand in funds.

In addition to signing his autograph, Calipari asked Big Blue Nation for their autographs. Last season, as a tribute to his friend and former UK head coach Joe B. Hall, Calipari carried a rolled-up program with him to the bench for every game, following Hall's passing on January 15.

This season, Calipari intends to honor Hall in the same way, but will have his own program which are now filled with signatures and well wishes from fans across the state. This will allow Calipari to bring the passion of Big Blue Nation with him onto the bench for every game.

## UK MEN'S BASKETBALL HALL OF FAMER AND UK SPORTS NETWORK RADIO ANALYST MIKE PRATT DIES

Mike Pratt, a University of Kentucky Athletics Hall of Famer and UK Sports Network men's basketball radio color analyst, died on June 16. He was 73.

Pratt (1967-70) was inducted into the UK Athletics Hall of Fame in 2009, the Kentucky Sports Hall of Fame in 2010 and the Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame in 2019. He was a second-team All-America selection in 1970 with the Wildcats and finished his career with 1,359 points and 718 rebounds.

"Mike Pratt has been part of the fabric of UK Athletics for more than a half-century," said Mitch Barnhart, UK Director of Athletics. "As an All-America and All-SEC player, Mike played a significant role in our basketball history. For the last two decades, he brought our

games to life with his insightful commentary on our radio broadcasts. He will be missed by the Big Blue Nation and our sympathies are with his wife, Marcia, and their family and friends."

A two-time first-team All-Southeastern Conference selection by the league's coaches (1969, '70), Pratt was named an Academic All-American in 1970. He helped lead UK to three SEC championships and two Elite Eight appearances, finishing the regular season ranked No. 1 his senior season.

A native of Dayton, Ohio, he was a threeyear starter for the Wildcats and was a part of one of the best trios in program history under legendary head coach Adolph Rupp. The trio, which included Dan Issel and Mike Casey, accounted for more than 5,000 points and 2,300 rebounds in just three seasons of varsity action.

"We lost a family member, a part of the Kentucky family and a friend. If you ever had the pleasure of meeting Mike Pratt, you knew what a special person he was," UK head coach John Calipari said. "Mike was a dear friend to me and was an integral part in helping me become head coach here. Ellen and I will forever be grateful to him for his support and kindness. We should all be thankful that he was in our lives. Mike knew that the University and the Big Blue Nation loved him, and they never forgot what he did as a player and then later as a connection for the program. I'm going to miss him."

The 6-foot-4 forward averaged 16.8 points per game and 8.9 rebounds per outing in 81 career games played at UK. Pratt also amassed 29 double-doubles throughout his career.

His best performance came in a 102-100 win against Notre Dame in Freedom Hall on Dec. 27, 1969. Pratt poured in a career-high 42 points and added eight rebounds. He was a perfect 10 for 10 at the free-throw line.

Pratt and the Wildcats went 71-12 overall and 48-6 against league foes during his career and were ranked in the Associated Press top five for 33 weeks, including the duration of his senior season.

Pratt played two seasons with the Kentucky Colonels of the American Basketball Association and was later an assistant coach on UNC Charlotte's 1977 Final Four Team, before becoming head coach of the 49ers in 1978.

Following a stint as a professional scout, he then moved into broadcasting in 1985. Pratt worked with the Charlotte Hornets Television Network, ESPN and Fox Sports South.

Since the 2001-02 season, Pratt has been courtside for every Kentucky men's basketball game as the UK Sports Network's radio color analyst alongside play-by-play announcer Tom

Leach

"My heart is broken," Leach said. "He was more brother than broadcaster partner to me and producer Jim Barnhart through so many good times. We loved him just like the Big Blue Nation did. He was an outstanding basketball analyst, but an even better husband, father, grandfather and friend."

Pratt has been on the call for 558 wins, highlighted by the 2012 National Championship victory. The Wildcats have also claimed the SEC regular-season title eight times, the SEC Tournament crown eight times, and advanced to four Final Fours and nine Elite Eights with Pratt on the radio team.

"Mike Pratt made everyone feel like a friend," Kim Shelton, JMI Sports President, UK Sports and Campus Marketing, said. "His passion and honesty paired with his perspective as a former player, coach and scout brought an authentic insight to our fans. Everyone at the UK Sports Network feels lucky to have worked beside and known Mike. When you heard Mike Pratt there was never a doubt he loved Kentucky basketball and there is no doubt we love Mike Pratt. Our prayers are with Mike's family."

He is survived by his wife Marcia Schmidt Pratt, brother Patrick Pratt and his wife Andrea, daughter Tamaryn Pratt and her husband Jonas Tanenbaum, son Christopher Pratt and his wife Amy, and stepchildren Christina Stone and her husband Tyler, Andy Schultz and his wife Kaelin, Tim Schultz and his wife Sarah, as well as 10 grandchildren.

#### WILDCATS RAKE IN NBA HONORS, HERRO NAMED SIXTH MAN OF THE YEAR

Four former Kentucky men's basketball players were awarded with NBA end-of-season honors. Devin Booker hauled in All-NBA First Team accolades, while Karl-Anthony Towns was an All-NBA Third Team selection and Bam Adebayo claimed second team All-Defensive Team. Tyler Herro was tabbed the NBA's Sixth Man of the Year.

The honor is the first of Booker's career. Towns earned his second third-team honor after also being selected in 2018. Adebayo was named to the NBA All-Defensive Second Team for a third consecutive season.

With Booker and Towns' inclusion on the All-NBA Teams, at least one former UK player has made one of the All-NBA teams in seven of the last eight seasons. Kentucky players have also made the NBA All-Defensive Team in seven of the last eight seasons.

Kentucky has earned 11 combined All-NBA selections since 2015 from six John Caliparicoached players (Booker, Towns, Julius Randle, Anthony Davis, DeMarcus Cousins

and John Wall). Including Derrick Rose at Memphis, Calipari has coached seven All-NBA players in his college career.

A staggering 27 players from Kentucky were on 2021-22 NBA opening-day rosters (including two-way and inactive lists), the most of any school. The number grew to 32 players throughout the regular-season as several players earned roster spots and 10-day contracts throughout the year.

Herro topped Cleveland's Kevin Love and Phoenix's Cam Johnson with a commanding 96 first-place votes and 488 total points in voting conducted from a global panel of 100 sportswriters and broadcasters. Players were awarded five points for each first-place vote, three points for each second-place vote and one point for each third-place vote. Love finished in second with three first-place votes and 214 total points.

Herro becomes the first Wildcat to win the award as well as the first player from the Miami Heat to claim the honor, which began in 1983

UK head coach John Calipari has now coached a player that has won Most Valuable Player (Derrick Rose – 2011), Rookie of the Year (Rose – 2009, Tyreke Evans – 2010, Karl-Anthony Towns – 2016), Most Improved Player (Julius Randle – 2021), Defensive Player of the Year (Marcus Camby – 2007) and Sixth Man of the Year. He is the only collegiate coach in history to have a former player win each of the major NBA honors.

#### TWO MORE CATS GET DRAFTED

Kentucky men's basketball head coach John Calipari has dubbed the NBA Draft as his program's graduation night, and continuing with the annual tradition, two more Wildcats were selected in the NBA Draft on Thursday at the Barclay's Center in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Shaedon Sharpe (No. 7, Portland Trail Blazers) and TyTy Washington Jr. (No. 29, Memphis Grizzlies) were picked during the opening round of the 2022 NBA Draft.

In 13 seasons with Calipari at the helm, Kentucky has churned out three No. 1 selections, 34 first-rounders, 22 lottery picks and 45 total players in the NBA Draft. The 45 draft picks are 12 more than the next closest school (Duke).

With both players earning selection in the opening round, UK has now had at least one player taken in the first round in each of the last 13 drafts under Calipari. That's the longest streak in the modern draft era (since 1966).

The Wildcats have had more top-10 picks, more lottery selections and more first-round picks in the Calipari era than any other team in the country. UK has had multiple first-round

selections in all but one draft during Calipari's tenure.

Kentucky has had 136 players drafted 138 times in its illustrious history with 59 players selected in the opening round.

Calipari is the only coach to have multiple players selected in 15 consecutive NBA Drafts, dating back to his time at Memphis.

Of the 32 players at UK in the Calipari era who have declared for the NBA Draft after their freshman seasons, 29 have been firstround draft picks after both Sharpe's and Washington's selection (does not include the late Terrence Clarke). All previous players (not including Sharpe and Washington) have played in an NBA game.

Of the 74 players who have finished their college careers at UK under Calipari, 45 have been selected in the NBA Draft, a 60.8% success rate. Another five of those made the NBA, and the majority of the rest were walkons. This number does not include Clarke.

Graduate students Kellan Grady and Davion Mintz went undrafted, but both signed free-agent deals to play in the NBA's Summer League.

#### WARE, WATKINS PARTICIPAT-ED IN SPORTS REACH TRIP TO BRAZIL

Kentucky men's basketball players Lance Ware and Kareem Watkins traveled to Brazil with Sports Reach for a 10-day outreach trip that combined competition with service to local communities in May.

The Kentucky duo traveled to the likes of São Paulo, Campinas and Valinhos to compete in four games, while also conducting several clinics for local Brazilians. Included in the competition was a game against Paul Metters, one of São Paulo's top clubs.

Ware averaged 30 points and 8.3 rebounds during the trip, while Watkins drained at least one 3-pointer in each contest.

Ware and Watkins are not the first Wildcats under John Calipari to have participated in the cultural exchange opportunity. Other players who have participated include Josh Harrellson, Jon Hood, Eloy Vargas and Dominique Hawkins. Harrellson's trip came in the summer of 2010 and was followed by a breakout senior campaign in which he averaged 7.6 points and 8.7 rebounds per game while shooting 61% from the field and helping UK to its first Final Four appearance in the Calipari era.

Founded in 1986 by Robby Speer, Sports Reach attempts to reach the world through sports. For more information on Sports Reach, visit sportsreach.org.



## KENTUCKY BASKETBALL HEAD COACH

# JOHN CALIPARI

A "players-first" coach with a penchant for helping people reach their dreams, John Calipari, a Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Famer, has guided six teams to the Final Four, led one to a national championship and helped 56 players earn selection in the NBA Draft during his 30-year college coaching career.

Calipari guided Kentucky to its eighth national championship and his first national title in 2012. In becoming only the second coach in NCAA history to lead three different schools to the Final Four, he has racked up more than 800 on-court victories, 21 NCAA Tournament on-court appearances, six Final Fours and numerous national coach of the year honors.

From UMass to Memphis and now Kentucky, Calipari's career has been successful throughout, but his most recent run in Lexington has been the best stretch of his career. During Calipari's first 13 seasons at UK, he has led all coaches in NCAA Tournament wins (31), Final Fours (four), Elite Eights (seven) and Sweet 16s (eight).

In 2015, Coach Cal led college basketball's first ever 38-0 team, and became one of just three coaches to make four Final Fours in a five-year span. At the end of the season, Calipari became the 96th coach to join the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

While building a program out of obscurity at UMass, laying the foundation at Memphis and restoring luster at the sport's greatest program at Kentucky, he totaled the second-most wins in NCAA history in the first 20 years of a college coaching career.

Quite honestly, though, Calipari's on-court success overshadows a much more significant picture.

In his goal to lead a players-first program, he has helped more than 50 young men realize their dreams and reach the NBA level with 56 players earning NBA Draft selections, including a record five first-round draft picks in 2010. Two years later, six Wildcats heard their names called at the 2012 draft, the most in the two-round draft era. UK, with Calipari's help, would tie those six picks again in 2015, including a record-tying four lottery selections. His four No. 1 overall picks are more than any other coach, and he has had 45 players drafted during his first 13 years at Kentucky, including 34 first-round picks.

Calipari's players have entered the league NBA-ready. His players have garnered 28 All-Star selections -- all since 2010 -- with Anthony Davis winning the game's MVP honor in 2017. Derrick Rose was named NBA MVP in 2011. Six of his players have been tabbed All-NBA (11 times), three have been named NBA Rookie of the Year and 15 players from Calipari's first 13 teams at Kentucky have made the NBA All-Rookie teams. He is the only coach in history to have a player win each of the NBA's major honors: MVP, Rookie of the Year, Most Improved Player and Sixth Man of the Year.

Much like he did at UMass, where his players graduated at nearly 80%, Calipari has stressed academics. Seventeen of his last 20 seniors at Memphis earned their bachelor's degrees, and all 23 players at UK who were eligible to graduate by the end of their senior years walked away with a diploma in hand, including five players who earned their degree in just three years. Calipari's teams routinely have posted a combined team grade-point average of 3.0 or better.

Calipari has raised millions of dollars to help the lives of those in need in the Commonwealth and beyond. He has had a particular passion to assist those impacted by natural disasters. For instance, in 2010, he used a telethon to raise more than \$1 million for victims of the devastating earthquake in Haiti. He followed that up with telethons in 2012, raising \$1 million for victims of Superstorm Sandy, in 2017 for victims of Hurricane Harvey, and played a leading role in the "Kentucky United" efforts that generated more than \$5 million for victims of devastating tornadoes in Western Kentucky in 2021. Led by a player-driven initiative, Calipari and the Cats raised more than \$3 million for the Kentucky Flood Relief in August of 2022 with an open practice and telethon in Rupp Arena.

Calipari launched his foundation in 2012, and since then the foundation has worked with several key partners and donated more than \$1.5 million, a figure that does not include matching funds that have been contributed from individuals and corporations. In 2013, Calipari initiated hosting an annual alumni weekend around his basketball fantasy experience with the intent to raise money for charity. After generating \$350,000 for selected organizations and charities during the inaugural game, the weekend has generated millions of dollars for charity since its inception.

In 2019, when federal workers were without pay due to a government shutdown, he, his wife and his foundation assisted workers with financial help and grocery gift cards. He and his wife, Ellen, teamed up with Fayette County Public Schools to help families in need during the COVID-19 pandemic.

His latest efforts include spearheading the creation of the John McLendon Minority Leadership Initiative, a nationwide coach-driven initiative to provide minorities a jump-start to their careers through practical experiences, opportunities to build their network and instilling the values of John McLendon: integrity, education, leadership and mentorship. Participants in the initiative will be known as MLI Future Leaders.

In 2017, Coach Cal was named the head coach of the 2017 USA Basketball Men's U19 World Cup Team, which finished third at the 2017 FIBA U19 World Cup in Cairo.

Author of five books, including the New York Times Best Seller "Players First: Coaching from the Inside Out," Calipari is a master of communication and maximizing talent. He lives by the motto that "it's never a matter of how far you have fallen, but instead it's about how high you bounce back."

#### **BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**

Date of Birth: Feb. 10, 1959

Wife - Ellen

Children - Erin Sue, Megan Rae, Bradley Vincent

#### **EDUCATION**

Clarion State (1982)

#### **HEAD COACHING EXPERIENCE**

University of Massachusetts (1989 - 96)

New Jersey Nets (NBA) (1997 - 99)

University of Memphis (2001 - 09)

University of Kentucky (2010 - present)

#### **COACHING AWARDS**

- 2021 NABC Guardians of the Game Pillar Award Inclusion
- 2020 NABC District 20 Coach of the Year
- 2020 USBWA District IV Coach of the Year
- 2020 SEC Coach of the Year (Coaches)
- 2019 The Sporting News Coach of the Decade
- 2018 Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame 'Service Above Self' Honoree
- 2018 NABC Metropolitan Award
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- 2015 Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame Inductee
- 2015 AP National Coach of the Year
- 2015 Naismith National Coach of the Year
- 2015 NABC National Coach of the Year
- 2015 The Sporting News National Coach of the Year
- 2015 Adolph Rupp National Coach of the Year
- 2015 SEC Coach of the Year (AP/Coaches)
- 2015 USBWA District IV Coach of the Year
- 2012 Nell & John Wooden Coach of the Year Leadership Award
- 2012 Naismith National Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2012 SEC Coach of the Year (AP/Coaches)
- 2010 Adolph Rupp National Coach of the Year
- 2010 Naismith National Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2010 SEC Coach of the Year (AP)
- 2010 Sporting News SEC Coach of the Year
- 2010 Yahoo! Sports SEC Coach of the Year
- 2010 USBWA District IV Coach of the Year
  2009 NABC National Co-Coach of the Year
- 2009 Sports Illustrated National Coach of the Year
- 2009 Phelan National Coach of the Year
- 2009 Iba National Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2009 C-USA Coach of the Year
- 2008 Naismith National Coach of the Year
- 2008 C-USA Coach of the Year
- 2008 Iba National Coach of the Year Finalist
  2008 Phelan National Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2007 Phelan National Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2007 USBWA District IV Coach of the Year
- 2007 Basketball Times South Region Coach of the Year
- 2006 C-USA Coach of the Year
- 2004 NABC District 7 Coach of the Year
- 1996 Naismith National Coach of the Year
- 1996 NABC National Coach of the Year
- 1996 The Sporting News National Coach of the Year
- 1996 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year
- 1995 Naismith National Coach of the Year Finalist
- 1994 Naismith National Coach of the Year Finalist
- 1994 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year
- 1993 USBWA District I Coach of the Year
- 1993 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year
- 1992 Eastern Basketball Coach of the Year



## KENTUCKY BASKETBALL HEAD COACH

# **JOHN CALIPARI**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS ON-COURT RECORDS**

- Calipari owns the NCAA's most single-season wins with 38, tying his own record (Memphis in '08 and UK in '12) in 2015 with 38 wins. He owns the most single-season wins at UMass, Memphis and UK
- Calipari is the winningest coach in NCAA Division I history for a five-year span with 173 victories (2008-12)
- Calipari is the first coach in NCAA Division I history to record five straight on-court 30-win seasons. Memphis hit the 30-win plateau from 2006-09
- Calipari is one of only two coaches (Rick Pitino) to lead three different schools to a Final Four
- Calipari is one of only three coaches (John Wooden, Mike Kzryzewski) to go to four Final Fours in five seasons
- Calipari has advanced to the Sweet Sixteen in 12 of the last 16 NCAA Tournaments and the Elite Eight in 10 of the last 16
- Calipari started with a 54-0 record in Rupp Arena as head coach of the Wildcats
- Calipari has helped 45 players earn selection in the NBA Draft (34 first-round picks) over the last 13 seasons
- Calipari has more wins (327) in a 10-year period (2006-15) than any other coach in college basketball history
- Calipari is the fourth-fastest NCAA Division I men's basketball coach to reach 300 victories at a single school
- Calipari's 31 combined regular season and tournament league titles trail only Mark Few (39) of Gonzaga for the most among active coaches
- Calipari is the fourth-fastest coach to 800 on-court wins, behind Adolph Rupp, Roy Williams and Dean Smith
- Calipari has the second-most wins in school history, behind only Adolph Rupp
- Calipari's 31 NCAA Tournament wins are the most in school history. Rupp had 30

## SINCE 2005-06 ...

Since the 2005-06 season, John Calipari's on-court record ranks him as one of the winningest coaches. Totals through the 2021-22 season.

	СОАСН	RECORD
1.	Bill Self	509-108
2.	John Calipari	502-115
3.	Mark Few	499-92
4.	Mike Krzyzewski	481-122
5.	Jay Wright	443-142

#### **HEAD COACHING RECORD**

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Season	Team	W-L	Pct.	Accomplishments
1988-89	UMass	10-18	.357	
1989-90	UMass	17-14	.548	NIT
1990-91	UMass	20-13	.606	NIT Final Four
1991-92	UMass	30-5	.857	A-10 Champ (R/T); NCAA Sweet 16
1992-93	UMass	24-7	.774	A-10 Champ (R/T); NCAA 2nd Rd.
1993-94	UMass	28-7	.800	A-10 Champ (R/T); NCAA 2nd Rd.
1994-95	UMass	29-5	.853	A-10 Champ (R/T); NCAA Elite 8
1995-96	UMass*	31-1	.969	A-10 Champ (R/T); NCAA Final Four
1996-97	NJ Nets	26-56	.317	
1997-98	NJ Nets	43-39	.524	NBA Playoffs
1998-99	NJ Nets	3-17	.150	
2000-01	Memphis	21-15	.583	NIT Final Four
2001-02	Memphis	27-9	.750	C-USA Div. Champ; NIT Champ
2002-03	Memphis	23-7	.767	C-USA Nat'l Div. Champ; NCAA
2003-04	Memphis	22-8	.733	C-USA Champ (R); NCAA 2nd Rd.
2004-05	Memphis	22-16	.579	NIT Final Four
2005-06	Memphis	33-4	.892	C-USA Champ (R/T); NCAA Elite 8
2006-07	Memphis	33-4	.892	C-USA Champ (R/T); NCAA Elite 8
2007-08	Memphis*	0-1	.000	C-USA Champ (R/T); NCAA Finals
2008-09	Memphis	33-4	.892	C-USA Champ (R/T); NCAA Sweet 16
2009-10	Kentucky	35-3	.921	SEC Champ (R/T); NCAA Elite 8
2010-11	Kentucky	29-9	.743	SEC Champ (T); NCAA Final Four
2011-12	Kentucky	38-2	.950	SEC Champ (R); NCAA Champion
2012-13	Kentucky	21-12	.636	NIT
2013-14	Kentucky	29-11	.725	NCAA Runner-Up
2014-15	Kentucky	38-1	.974	SEC Champ (R/T); NCAA Final Four
2015-16	Kentucky	27-9	.711	SEC Champ (R/T); NCAA 2nd Rd.
2016-17	Kentucky	32-6	.842	SEC Champ (R/T); NCAA Elite 8
2017-18	Kentucky	26-11	.703	SEC Champ (T); NCAA Sweet 16
2018-19	Kentucky	30-7	.811	NCAA Elite 8
2019-20	Kentucky^	25-6	.806	SEC Champ (R)
2020-21	Kentucky	9-16	.360	
2021-22	Kentucky	26-8	.765	NCAA First Round

#### NCAA Totals 768-239 .763

\*-season includes games later vacated due to NCAA sanctions; actual on-court records were 35-2 in 1995-96 and 38-2 in 2007-08. NCAA Tournament appearances were also vacated in 1996 and 2008. Actual on-court won-lost record overall is 810-241 for a .771 winning percentage;

^2019-20 postseason canceled due to COVID-19 pandemic



## JACOB **TOPPIN**

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#### 2021-22

Named to the Southeastern Conference Winter Academic Honor Roll ... Saw action in 29 games and made four starts in his second season with the Wildcats ... Averaged 6.2 points and 3.2 rebounds per game in 17.7 minutes ... Missed five games due to injury ... Scored in double figures in seven games ... Had career highs in scoring, blocks, assists, fieldgoal percentage and 3-point field-goal percentage ... Averaged 7.6 points and 4.1 rebounds per game over his final seven games of the regular season ... Tallied nine points with a trio of dunks and three points from the charity stripe against Saint Peter's in the NCAA Tournament ... Logged 10 points and three blocks in the SEC Tournament quarterfinals against Vanderbilt ... Contributed eight points and six rebounds in 39 minutes of the win over LSU at home ... Had 13 points, six boards and three assists in a career-high 40 minutes in the home victory over Alabama ... Tallied 11 points and contributed six rebounds at Tennessee ... Scored 10 points and had three rebounds in just six minutes at South Carolina before injuring an ankle ... Logged 11 points and three rebounds in the win at Kansas ... Contributed nine points, six boards, two assists, a block and a steal in the come-from-behind win at Texas A&M ... Had season highs with 14 points and eight rebounds at LSU ... Notched 12 points and a career-high six assists in the win over Western Kentucky ... Had seven points, five rebounds and three assists in a win against North Carolina ... Had seven points in the win over Central Michigan ... Made his season debut after missing much of the preseason with a shoulder injury against Duke in the Champions Classic with four points and six rebounds.

#### 2020-21

Southeastern Conference First-Year Academic Honor Roll member ... Appeared in 24 of 25 games with two starts ... Originally slated to redshirt in 2020-21, became a key player off the bench for the Wildcats, impacting the game in key spurts in the scoring column and on the boards ... Averaged 5.2 points and 3.5 rebounds on the season ... Four games in double-figure scoring ... Made a greater impact as the season progressed, averaging 7.7 points and 4.4 rebounds in 23.0 minutes over the final seven regular-season games ... Came up with a career-high three steals in addition to five boards at Ole Miss ... Scored 11 points in 21 minutes in the home loss to Florida ... Recorded a careerhigh 16 points on 5-of-9 shooting in 23 minutes at Vanderbilt ... Totaled five points and a season-high seven rebounds in the home victory vs. Auburn ... Solid game vs. Arkansas with nine points and six rebounds ... Provided a spark in the loss at Auburn with 10 points and six rebounds ... Six rebounds to go along with five points in the home loss to Alabama ... Posted six points and six boards in the

home win vs. Vanderbilt ... Went for 10 points and six rebounds in the narrow loss at rival Louisville ... Posted six points and three rebounds vs. No. 7/5

#### 2019-20 (AT RHODE ISLAND)

Appeared in all 30 games, making three starts ... Immediate contributor for a Rhode Island team that went 21-9 on the season and finished 13-5 in the Atlantic 10 ... Averaged 5.1 points and 3.9 rebounds per game ... Scored in double figures five times ... Showed an ability to stretch the floor with 13 3-pointers ... Started and scored nine points, grabbed six rebounds, had three assists and hit the game-winning free throws with 6.6 seconds left in a 76-75 win at Fordham ... Scored five points and grabbed two rebounds at Davidson ... Had 12 points, two rebounds and one block against Saint Joseph's ... Recorded four points and three rebounds at Dayton ... Posted six points and four rebounds at George Washington ... Scored seven points with four rebounds at St. Bonaventure ... Made his first career start and posted nine points and four rebounds against Davidson ... Scored a career-high 12 points with eight rebounds against Richmond ... Recorded five points and five rebounds vs. Western Kentucky ... Scored five points and grabbed five rebounds against Providence ... Had five points and six rebounds at West Virginia ... Scored four points and grabbed three rebounds against Manhattan ... Posted 10 points and three rebounds vs. LSU ... Scored 11 points and was 3 of 4 from 3-point range against Alabama ... Hauled in six rebounds at Maryland ... Scored 11 points, grabbed seven rebounds and blocked one shot in his collegiate debut against LIU Brooklyn.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Averaged 15.6 points and 8.8 rebounds per game for Woodstock Academy his senior season ... Unranked prospect who received his first offer six months before signing a national letter of intent ... Was an All-Section honoree ... Also played football and volleyball ... Honor-roll student.

#### **PERSONAL**

Born May 8 in Brooklyn, New York ... Parents are Roni and Obadiah Toppin ... Has a brother, Obi, who was the consensus National Player of the Year in 2020 for Dayton and current New York Knick ... Major is communication ... Chose Kentucky over Oregon and Iowa State ... Lists his mother as his greatest influence ... Most memorable moment as a basketball player is playing against his brother during his freshman season of college at Rhode Island ... Chose No. 0 because it's always been his number ... Favorite food is Italian ... Pregame superstition is eating candy ... Off the court hobbies include playing video games ... Can play the piano.

#### **2021-22 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS**

Points

Season 14, at LSU (1/4/22) Career 16, at Vanderbilt (2/17/21)

Rebounds

Season 8, at LSU (1/4/22) 8, 2x, last at LSU (1/4/22)

Career **Field Goals** 

Season 6, at LSU (1/4/22)

Career 6, at LSU (1/4/22) Field Goals Attempted

Season

9, 4x, last ALABAMA (2/19/22) Career 11, vs. LSU (11/24/19)

3-Point Field Goals

1, 4x, last LSU (2/23/22) Season 3, ALABAMA (11/15/19) Career

3-Point Field Goals Attempted

2, 2x, last LSU (2/23/22) Season Career 4, 3x, last at Fordham (2/26/20)

Free Throws

3, 5x, last vs. Saint Peter's (3/17/22) Season

6, FLORIDA (2/27/21) Career

Free Throws Attempted

4, 4x, last vs. Saint Peter's (3/17/22) Season

Career 8, FLORIDA (2/27/21)

Assists Season

6. WESTERN KENTUCKY (12/22/21) 6, WESTERN KENTUCKY (12/22/21) Career

Steals

Season 2, 2x, last at Auburn (1/22/22)

Career 3, at Ole Miss (3/2/21)

**Blocked Shots** 

4, SOUTHERN (12/7/21) Season

4, SOUTHERN (12/7/21) Career

Minutes Played

Season 40, ALABAMA (2/19/22) Career 40, ALABAMA (2/19/22)

MISCELLANEOUS	2021-22	CAREER*
Dunks	31	54
Double-Figure		
Scoring Games	7	16
Double-Figure		
Rebounding Games	0	0
Games With		
Double-Double	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Scoring	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Rebounding	0	2
Games Led UK		
in Assists	1	3
Games Led UK		
in Steals	2	3
Games Led UK		
in Blocks	4	9
Games With		
3+ Assists	4	5
Games With		
3+ Blocks	2	2
Games With		
3+ Steals	0	1
Games With		
3+ Three-Pointers	0	1
*includes Rhode Island s	tatistics	·

#### **Career Statistics** Off-Def-Tot-Avg Year GP-GS Min-Avg FG-FGA Pct 3FG-FGA Pct FT-FTA Pct PF-FO Ast TΩ Rlk Stl Pts Avg 2019-20 55-129 13-53 .245 29-45 .644 42-75-117-3.9 63-0 17 12 11 152 30-3 556-18.5 .426 15 5.1 2020-21 24-2 412-17.2 44-99 444 4-13 .308 32-41 .780 22-63-8-5-3.5 26-0 16 20 6 11 124 5.2 2021-22 28-4 513-17.7 70-126 .556 4-10 .400 35-47 .745 29-64-93-3.2 35-1 32 17 16 10 179 6.2 TOTAL 83-9 1481-17.8 169-354 .477 21-76 .276 96-133 .722 93-202-295-3.6 124-1 63 34 32



# CJ FREDRICK

RS-Senior | Guard | 6-3 | 185 lbs | Cincinnati | University of Iowa

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#### 2021-22

Missed the entire 2021-22 season after undergoing surgery in mid-November to repair a left hamstring injury ... Before the injury, was entering the season as the nation's leading returner in career 3-point field-goal percentage (46.6%) with a minimum of 150 attempts ... Won the 2021 Big Blue Madness 3-point contest ... SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll and a member of the NABC Honors Court.

#### 2020-21 (AT IOWA)

Named All-Big Ten Honorable Mention by the league's media ... Earned the lowa Men's Basketball Big Ten Sportsmanship Award ... Started all 27 games he appeared in ... Missed four games due to injury ... Averaged 7.5 points and 1.9 assists per game ... Posted six double-figure scoring efforts ... Made three or more 3s in six games ... Shot 47.4% from 3, which ranked as the second-best clip by a sophomore in program history ... Posted a 5.2 assist-to-turnover ratio ... Tallied 18 points in a win over Penn State ... Scored 19 points in a win over Northwestern ... Poured in a career-high 23 points with five 3s at Minnesota ... Recorded 21 points and a career-high-tying five 3-pointers in a win over North Carolina.

#### 2019-20 (AT IOWA)

Named to the All-Big Ten Freshman Team ... Earned Big Ten Freshman of the Week honors on Jan. 20 ... Saw action in 25 games ... One of only three players nationally and the only player from a major conference dating back to 1993 with 65 or more assists, 32 or fewer turnovers and 46% shooting clip or better from 3-point range .... Averaged 10.2 points and 2.8 assists per game ... Topped the Big Ten with a 46.1% clip (47 of 102) from 3-point range ... Scored in double figures in 13 games ... Recorded a season-high 21 points on three occasions ... Had at least five assists in six games ... Averaged 13 points per game on 60% shooting at the Las Vegas Invitational ... Named to the Las Vegas Invitational All-Tournament Team ... Made three or more 3s in six games ... Posted 18 points in a win over Illinois ... Scored 17 points in a win over Wisconsin ... Totaled a season-high 21 points in a win over No. 19 Michigan ... Logged 21 points against Cincinnati ... Notched 21 points for the first time against Cal Poly.

#### 2018-19 (AT IOWA)

Did not compete in any games as a freshman ... Used the season as a redshirt year.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Named the 2018 Kentucky Gatorade Player of the Year, 2018 Prep Hoops Kentucky Player of the Year, Bluegrass Preps Kentucky Player of the Year, Cincinnati Enquirer/Northern Kentucky Player of

the Year, Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky Basketball Hall of Fame Player of the Year ... Led Covington Catholic to a state title and a 35-4 record his senior season ... Averaged 27.8 points with two 32-point games during the run ... Shot 63% from the field ... Tabbed the Whitaker Bank Kentucky Sweet 16 Most Valuable Player ... Set his high school's single-season program records for points (900), field goals (315) and 3s (107) ... Averaged 23.1 points per game as a senior and shot 48.4% from long range ... 3-point percentage ranked second in school history ... Capped his career scoring 1,651 points, which ranked fourth in school history ... Ninth all-time in Kentucky Sweet 16 scoring ... 2016 and 2017 King of the Bluegrass Holiday Classic All-Tournament Team ... 2017 Battle of the Villages All-Tournament ... 2019 Covington Catholic Dan Tieman Classic MVP ... Named the MVP of the Kentucky/Indiana Hall of Fame Game ... Named All-State by the Lexington Herald-Leader, Courier Journal, Bluegrass Preps, USA Today/American Family Insurance ... Team captain both his junior and senior seasons ... Named the 2017 Most Outstanding Player of the 35th District Boys Basketball Tournament ... 2016 and 2017 Northern Kentucky Coaches Association All-Star Team member ... 2017 Adidas AAU No. 1 Class of 2018 Top 3-point percentage shooter (.506) ... Also played baseball, football and golf ... Member of the Drug Gree Club, Magnify Giving Club and Ambassador Club ... Participated in numerous community service projects including Friars Club Coach/Mentor, Mentor of Boys of Hope, Habitat for Humanity, Meals on Wheels and served meals at local soup kitchens.

#### **PERSONAL**

Born July 10 in Cincinnati ... Parents are Chuck and Laura Fredrick ... Has a sister, Julia ... Chose Kentucky over North Carolina, Kansas and Gonzaga ... Major is community and leadership development ... Comes from a family of athletes ... Father played basketball at Rollins College ... An uncle, Joe, played basketball at Notre Dame ... An aunt, Maureen, played basketball at Xavier ... Grandfather, Charlie, played football at Notre Dame ... An uncle, Jerry, and grandfather, Reno Masotti, played baseball at Northwestern ... Plays video games or cards, hangs with friends or watches Netflix away from the court ... Favorite food is Skyline ... Off the court talents includes board games and puzzles ... Prays before every game ... Lil Baby or Drake is on his pregame setlist ... First car he ever drove was a Jeep Wrangler ... Lists Wedding Crashers as his favorite movie ... His most memorable moment as a basketball player is winning the 2018 Kentucky State High School Championship in Rupp Arena.

2020-	21 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS*
Points	
Season	23, at Minnesota (12/25/20)
Career	23, at Minnesota (12/25/20)
Rebounds	•
Season	3, vs. NORTHWESTERN (12/29/20)
Career	5, vs. ORAL ROBERTS (11/15/19)
Field Goal	ls
Season	8, vs. NORTH CAROLINA (12/8/20)
Career	8, vs. NORTH CAROLINA (12/8/20)
Field Goal	Attempted
Season	12, at Minnesota (12/25/20)
Career	12, 2x, last at Minnesota (12/25/20)
3-Point Fi	eld Goals
Season	5, 2x, last at Minnesota (12/25/20)
Career	5, 3x, last at Minnesota (12/25/20)
3-Point Fi	eld Goals Attempted
Season	7, 2x, last vs. PENN STATE (2/21/21)
Career	8, at Maryland (1/30/20)
Free Thro	ws
Season	4, 2x, last vs. NORTHWESTERN (12/29/20)
Career	6, 2x, last vs. MICHIGAN (1/17/20)
Free Thro	ws Attempted
Season	7, at Minnesota (12/25/20)
Career	8, vs. Cincinnati (12/21/19)
Assists	
Season	6, vs. SOUTHERN (11/27/20)
Career	6, vs. SOUTHERN (11/27/20)
Steals	
Season	2, vs. NORTH CAROLINA (12/8/20)
Career	2, 5x, last vs. NORTH CAROLINA (12/8/20)
Blocked S	hots
Season	1, 4x, last vs. Grand Canyon (3/20/21)
Career	1, 9x, last vs. Grand Canyon (3/20/21)
Minutes F	Played
Season	39, at Minnesota (12/25/20)
Career	39, at Minnesota (12/25/20)

MISCELLANEOUS	2020-21	CAREER*
Dunks	0	0
Double-Figure		
Scoring Games	6	19
Double-Figure		
Rebounding Games	0	0
Games With		
Double-Double	0	0
Games Led UK <sup>^</sup>		
in Scoring	0	4
Games Led UK <sup>^</sup>		
in Rebounding	0	0
Games Led UK <sup>^</sup>		
in Assists	1	5
Games Led UK <sup>^</sup>		
in Steals	2	7
Games Led UK <sup>^</sup>		
in Blocks	1	3
Games With		
3+ Assists	7	21
Games With		
3+ Blocks	0	0
Games With		
3+ Steals	0	0
Games With		
3+ Three-Pointers	6	12
*includes Iowa statistics		

							Career !	Statis	tics							
Year	GP-GS	Min-Avg	FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off-Def-Tot-Avg	PF-FO	Ast	то	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
2019-20	25-25	715-29.8	87-180	.483	47-102	.461	35-44	.795	16-32-48-1.9	43-0	69	32	5	17	256	10.2
2020-21	27-27	666-24.7	72-152	.474	36-76	.474	23-34	.676	5-24-29-1.1	25-0	52	10	4	10	203	7.5
TOTAL	53-53	1,381-26.1	159-332	.479	83-178	.466	58-78	.744	21-56-77-1.5	68-0	121	42	9	27	459	8.8



## SAHVIR WHEELER

Senior | Guard | 5-9 | 180 lbs | Houston | University of Georgia

#### 2021-22

Bob Cousy Award finalist for the nation's best point guard ... All-SEC Second Team by both the league's coaches and the media ... Third in the nation and first in the SEC for the second straight season with an average of 6.9 assists per game ... Finished with 207 assists on the season which is the fourth most in a single season in UK history, that mark was also a career high ... Was second in the SEC with a 2.27 assist-to-turnover ratio ... Totaled 12 games with at least eight assists and had five or more in 12 of the final 13 games of the season ... Scored in double figures in 16 outings ... Totaled a pair of double-doubles in the points-assists variety ... Had a career low in turnovers ... Shot 78% from the free-throw line, the best mark of his career ... Produced 28 games with at least three assists and led the team in that category 25 times ... Started 29 of the 30 games he played ... Missed four games due to injury ... Averaged 10.1 points, 6.9 assists, 2.6 rebounds and 1.1 steals per game ... Had 11 points and a team-high six assists in the NCAA Tournament ... Logged 10 points and six rebounds against Tennessee in the SEC Tournament semifinals ... Produced eight points and 11 assists in the SEC Tournament quarterfinals win against Vanderbilt ... Scored 13 points, had five assists and two steals in the win at Florida ... Logged 16 points and seven assists in the win over Ole Miss ... Had 14 points and five assists at Arkansas after missing two games with an injury ... Had 11 assists and four rebounds in the win at South Carolina ... Totaled seven points, eight assists and three rebounds in the win at Kansas ... Scored 15 points and chipped in with six assists in the overtime win over Mississippi State ... Was the team's leading scorer with 17 points at Auburn ... Had 21 points, eight assists and two steals following a two-game absence due to injury in the historic win over Tennessee at home ... Logged 11 points and nine assists in the SEC regular-season opener vs. Missouri ... Scored a seasonhigh 26 points to couple with eight assists and a seasonbest four steals in the win over North Carolina ... Was named the SEC Player of the Week and the NCAA March Madness National Player of the Week following the performance ... Tallied 12 points and a career-high 14 assists in the win over North Florida for his second double-double ... Logged 16 points and 10 assists in his season debut against Duke in the Champions Classic.

#### 2020-21 (AT GEORGIA)

An All-Southeastern Conference Second Team selection by both the coaches and the Associated Press ... Started all 26 games ... Averaged 14.0 points, 7.4 assists and 3.8 rebounds per game ... Led the team in points, assists and steals per game (1.7) ... Set Georgia's single-season assists record with 193 assists ... It bettered the previous mark of 169 set by Pertha Robinson in 1995 ... Led the league in assists per game and assist-to-turnover ratio ... He ranked fifth nationally in assists per game ... Became just the fourth player in the 2000s to lead the league in both assists per game and assist-to-turnover ratio ... Recorded 22 double-figure scoring games ... Posted the program's first-ever triple-double with 14 points, 13 assists and 11 rebounds against LSU ... Tallied eight double-doubles ... Dished out an SEC Tournament record 13 assists against Missouri ... Recorded 18 points and 10 assists against Alabama in the regular-season finale ... Totaled a career-high 27 points along with a career-best five steals at Florida ... Posted 10 points and 10 assists at home against the Gators ... Notched 18 points and nine assists at Ole Miss ... Logged 21 points and 10 assists at LSU ... Began the season with three straight double-doubles ... Had 21 points and 10 assists against Jacksonville ... Scored 17 points and passed out 10 assists vs. North Georgia ... Opened the season with 12 points and 12 assists against Florida A&M.

#### 2019-20 (AT GEORGIA)

Appeared in all 31 games as a freshman at Georgia ... Made 17 starts ... Set Georgia's freshman assists record with 139 dimes, topping the old mark of 133 set by Litterial Green in 1989 ... Averaged 9.0 points, 4.5 assists and 2.5 rebounds per game ... 11 double-figure scoring games ... Ranked 87th nationally in assists per game and also sixth among freshmen ... Fourth in the SEC in assists per game ... Earned SEC Freshman of the Week honors on Dec. 23 ... Sunk a halfcourt buzzer-beater in the SEC Tournament, which was the No. 1 moment on Sportscenter's Top 10 plays ... Had a season-high 24 points in an overtime loss to Alabama ... Logged 16 points at Florida ... Had a pair of layups at the end of both overtimes against SMU ... Scored with four seconds remaining in the first overtime period to tie the game and then scored again with 1.9 seconds to go in the second overtime to secure the win vs. SMU ... Posted nine points and eight assists in that win over the Mustangs ... Scored 19 points in the season opener against Western Carolina, equaling the third-most points ever scored by a freshman in program history ... It trailed only Dominique Wilkins (26) and Anthony Edwards (24).

#### HIGH SCHOOL

Two-time state champion at Houston Christian High School in Houston ... High school squad combined to go 61-13 in 2018 and 2019 ... All-time steals and assists leader ... School record holder for points in a game (47), assists (18) and 3s (10) ... Selected as the co-MVP of the 2019 Big Baller Brand All-America Game, where he posted 34 points and dished out eight assists ... Named the Houston Private School MVP by the Houston Chronicle ... Four-time All-State selection ... Three-time team MVP ... Was a four-star recruit ... Ranked the No. 78 player by ESPN, No. 88 by Rivals and No. 93 by 247Sports in his signing class.

Born Jan. 17 in New York ... Pursuing a degree in communication ... Parents are Teddy and Jacqueline Wheeler ... Has five siblings, Sage, Montana, Lincoln, Lola and Liv ... An uncle, Bernard Wheeler, played basketball at the University at Buffalo ... Chose his jersey number because it was the first number he received in any sport ... Favorite movies are The Dark Knight and The Dark Knight Rises ... Pregame superstitious include taking a shower before leaving for the arena and listening to music ... His favorite food is chicken wings ... Lists Kobe Bryant as his favorite basketball player ... His dad has been his life's greatest influence ... Dunked for the first time at age 17 at the Houston Christian High School practice gym ... Chose Kentucky over Kansas, Oklahoma State and LSU.

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#### 2021-22 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

**Points** 

Season 26, vs. North Carolina (12/18/21) Career 27, at Florida (2/20/21)

Rebounds

Season 6, 3x, last vs. Tennessee (3/12/22)

Career 11, LSU (2/23/21)

**Field Goals** 

12, vs. North Carolina (12/18/21) Season

Career 12, vs. North Carolina (12/18/21)

Field Goals Attempted 15 2x last vs North Carolina Season

(12/18/21)

Career

18, 2x, last AUBURN (1/13/21) Career

3-Point Field Goals

Season 2, 4x, last vs. OLE MISS (3/1/22) 3, 2x, last at LSU (1/6/21)

3-Point Field Goals Attempted

4, at Arkansas (2/26/22) Season

Career 8, at LSU (1/6/21)

Free Throws

5 2x last MISSISSIPPI STATE Season

(1/25/22)

8, at Florida (2/20/21) Career

Free Throws Attempted

Season 7, MISSISSIPPI STATE (1/25/22)

Career 11, OLE MISS (1/30/21)

Assists

14. NORTH FLORIDA (11/26/21) Season Career 14, NORTH FLORIDA (11/26/21)

Steals

Season

4, vs. North Carolina (12/18/21) Career 5, at Florida (2/20/21)

Blocked Shots

1, 2x, last vs. Tennessee (3/12/22) Season

Career 1, 3x, last vs. Tennessee (3/12/22)

Minutes Played

Season 39, 2x, last vs. Saint Peter's (3/17/22)

Career 42, ALABAMA (2/8/20)

MISCELLANEOUS	2021-22	CAREER*
Dunks	0	0
Double-Figure		
Scoring Games	16	49
Double-Figure		
Rebounding Games	0	1
Games With		
Double-Double	2	10
Games Led UK		
in Scoring	3	10
Games Led UK		
in Rebounding	0	2
Games Led UK		
in Assists	25	73
Games Led UK		
in Steals	7	22
Games Led UK		
in Blocks	1	2
Games With		
3+ Assists	28	77
Games With		
3+ Blocks	0	0
Games With		
3+ Steals	3	12
Games With		
3+ Three-Pointers	0	2
*includes Georgia stati	stics	

#### **Career Statistics** FT-FTA Off-Def-Tot-Avg Year GP-GS Min-Avg FG-FGA Pct 3FG-FGA Pct Pct PF-FO Ast TO Blk Stl Pts Avg 2019-20 31-17 846-27.3 103-218 .472 16-50 .320 58-83 .699 17-59-76-2.5 85-1 139 91 0 280 9.0 2020-21 906-34.8 135-338 18-80 .225 76-103 .738 18-82-100-3.8 70-3 193 115 44 364 14.0 26-26 399 18-59-77-2.6 2021-22 30-29 937-31.2 120-272 .441 16-52 .308 46-59 780 71-0 207 91 33 302 10.1 53-200-253-2.9 TOTAL 87-72 2689-30.9 358-828 50-182 .275 180-245 .735 226-4 297 3 103 946 10.9 .432 539



## DAIMION COLLINS

Sophomore | Forward | 6-9 | 210 lbs | Atlanta, Texas | Atlanta High School

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#### 2021-22

Saw action in 27 games and made one start in his freshman season ... Scored 78 points, had 55 rebounds and tallied 20 blocks ... Produced three double-figure scoring efforts ... Led the team in blocks in seven games and tallied three or more on three occasions ... Totaled six points and two boards in just four minutes of a win against Alabama at home ... Produced 10 points and six rebounds in nine minutes of a crucial win at Alabama ... Scored six points and added eight rebounds in the win over High Point at home ... Had four points and a pair of blocks against Western Kentucky ... Had eight points, six rebounds and three rejections in the win over Southern ... Scored 12 points and added six rebounds in his lone start of the season against North Florida ... Contributed six points, three boards and three blocks against Albany ... Logged a career-high 14 points, six rebounds and a careerbest four blocks in his home debut against Robert Morris

HIGH SCHOOL

A consensus five-star prospect ... Averaged 35.2 points, 14.4 rebounds, 7.0 assists and 6.2 blocks per game for Atlanta High School his senior season ... Led his team to a 19-5 record ... Named the Texas Gatorade Player of the Year ... A Naismith All-America Third Team selection and was also named to the MaxPreps All-America First Team ... Consensus top-20 prospect in the class of 2021 ... Ranked the No. 13 overall player by 247Sports ... Named to the McDonald's All America Game, the Jordan Brand Classic roster and the Allen Iverson Roundball Classic ... Earned Sports Illustrated All-America Third Team honors ... Texas 3A All-State member ... MaxPreps Texas Player of the Year ... Three-time District Most Valuable Player in high school ... Led his team to three undefeated district seasons ... Three times Atlanta High School was the bi-district champions and three-time won the area championship ... Won the AAU Peach Jam title ... Also competed in track as a high jumper his senior season where he won the district and regional title ... Played football as a freshman ... Honor-roll student.

#### **Personal**

Born Oct. 28 in Atlanta, Texas ... Parents are Benjamin Jr. and Kimberly Collins ... Has four siblings, Dailen, Makayla and Diamond Collins and Jamin Powell ... Away from the court he enjoys riding horses ... Lists his parents as his life's greatest influence ... Major is agricultural economics ... Has to listen to music before every game ... Soul food is his favorite meal ... Favorite basketball player is

Points	LL JEASON, CARLER IIIdii
Season	14, ROBERT MORRIS (11/12/21)
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Career	14, ROBERT MORRIS (11/12/21)
Rebounds	
Season	8, HIGH POINT (12/31/21)
Career	8, HIGH POINT (12/31/21)
Field Goa	•
Season	7, ROBERT MORRIS (11/12/21)
	7, ROBERT MORRIS (11/12/21)
	ls Attempted
	10, NORTH FLORIDA (11/26/21)
	10, NORTH FLORIDA (11/26/21)
3-Point Fi	eld Goals
Season	-
Career	=
	eld Goals Attempted
Season	2, NORTH FLORIDA (11/26/21)
Career	2, NORTH FLORIDA (11/26/21))
Free Thro	ws
Season	6, at Alabama (2/5/22)
Career	6, at Alabama (2/5/22)
Free Thro	ws Attempted
Season	6, at Alabama (2/5/22)
Career	6, at Alabama (2/5/22)
Assists	
Season	3, ROBERT MORRIS (11/12/21)
Career	3, ROBERT MORRIS (11/12/21)
Steals	
Season	1, 6x, last at Texas A&M (1/19/22)
Career	1, 6x, last at Texas A&M (1/19/22)
Blocked S	
Season	4, ROBERT MORRIS (11/12/21)
Career	4, ROBERT MORRIS (11/12/21)
Minutes F	
Season	25, NORTH FLORIDA (11/26/21)
Career	25, NORTH FLORIDA (11/26/21)

2021-22 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

MISCELLANEOUS	2021-22	CAREER
Dunks	22	22
Double-Figure		
Scoring Games	3	3
Double-Figure		
Rebounding Games	0	0
Games With		
Double-Double	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Scoring	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Rebounding	1	1
Games Led UK		
in Assists	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Steals	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Blocks	7	7
Games With		
3+ Assists	1	1
Games With		
3+ Blocks	3	3
Games With		
3+ Steals	0	0
Games With		
3+ Three-Pointers	0	0

							Career !	Statis	tics							
Year	GP-GS	Min-Avg	FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off-Def-Tot-Avg	PF-FO	Ast	то	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
2021-22	27-1	201-7.4	30-52	.577	0-3	.000	18-21	.857	18-37-55-2.0	33-0	4	16	20	6	78	2.9
TOTAL	27-1	201-7.4	30-52	.577	0-3	.000	18-21	.857	18-37-55-2.0	33-0	4	16	20	6	78	2.9



## ANTONIO REEVES

Senior | Guard | 6-5 | 205 lbs | Chicago | Illinois State University

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#### 2021-22 (AT ILLINOIS STATE)

Started all 33 games ... Averaged 20.1 points, 3.6 rebounds and 1.8 assists per game ... Had 662 points in 33 games which was the fourth-most in Redbirds' history ... He was the first Illinois State player to average at least 20 points per game in a season since 2001 ... Named to the Missouri Valley Conference Second Team and was a team captain on the ALL-MVC Most Improved Team ... Also a member of the All-District 16 team from the National Association of Basketball Coaches ... Scored in double figures in 31 of 33 games ... Had 18 games with 20 or more points, which was tied for the sixth-most in program history ... Finished the season ranking 19th among all Division I scorers with 20.1 points per game ... Had a career-high 34 points with five 3-pointers against Valparaiso ... Was an efficient scorer, making 47% of his shots from the field, 39% from 3-point range and 82% from the free-throw line.

#### 2020-21 (AT ILLINOIS STATE)

Played in 25 games during the season with 24 starts ... Averaged 12.4 points per game, secondmost on the team and 13th-most in the Missouri Valley Conference, and ninth-most among returnees for the 2021-22 season ... Scored in doublefigures 19 times during the year, including each of the last five games ... Scored a career-high 27 points at Drake, making 8-of-16 shots from the field, 3 of 5 from long range, and 8 of 9 from the charity stripe ... For the year he made 110-of-259 shots (42.5%) from the field and 33 of 108 (30.6%) from beyond the arc ... Pulled down 82 rebounds (3.3 per game) with 36 assists (1.4 per game) and also had nine steals ... His season-high of seven rebounds came in the season opener against Ohio State ... Scored 20 or more points three times ... Had 21 against Evansville, notched 27 points in the series opener against Drake, and also 20 points in the series finale against Drake.

#### 2019-20 (AT ILLINOIS STATE)

Was named to the MVC All-Bench Team ... Averaged 7.2 points and 2.5 rebounds per game during the season ... Played in 31 games with a trio of starts ... Scored in double-figures 10 times during the season, including a season-high 17 points against Missouri State ... Had 16 points against Missouri State and against Drake ... Pulled down a season-high seven rebounds against Drake ... Had two assists in seven games ... Made 81-of-211 shots from the field during the season, and 33 of 105 from beyond the arc.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Was a three-star prospect out of Simeon High School in Chicago ... Averaged 21.7 points, six boards and three assists per game ... Was an All-City Second-Team selection ... Began his high school career at Shadow Mountain High School in Phoenix ... Played for Mike Bibby at Shadow Mountain and the squad went 25-2 overall and captured a state title ... Averaged 14.0 points and 4.3 rebounds per game during the state title season ... Had a 3.0 grade-point average.

#### **PERSONAL**

Born Nov. 20 in Chicago ... Parents are Dawn Coulter and Anthony Reeves ... Has four siblings, Anthony Marshall, Alexis, Malik and Angelic ... Major is family consumer science education ... He chose No. 12 because he's been wearing it since his freshman season ... Father is his life's greatest influence ... Lists Bad Boys as his favorite movie ... Pregame playlist consists of hip hop music ... Favorite former UK player is Tyler Herro ... Off the court talent is drawing.

## 2021-22 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS\*

Points Season

34, VALPARAISO (2/9/22) 34, VALPARAISO (2/9/22)

Career Rebounds

10, UTSA (12/21/21)

Season

Career 10, UTSA (12/21/21)

Field Goals

Season 13, VALPARAISO (2/9/22)

13, VALPARAISO (2/9/22) Career Field Goals Attempted

Season

24, at Valparaiso (1/2/22) 24, at Valparaiso (1/2/22) Career

3-Point Field Goals

6, at Chicago State (12/11/21) Season

Career 6, at Chicago State (12/11/21)

3-Point Field Goals Attempted

9, 3x, last vs. BUCKNELL (11/20/21) Season 9, 3x, last vs. BUCKNELL (11/20/21) Career

Free Throws

Season 9, DRAKE (1/26/22)

Career 9, DRAKE (1/26/22)

Free Throws Attempted

9, 2x, last vs. DRAKE (1/26/22) Season

Career

9, 3x, last vs. DRAKE (1/26/22) Assists

Season 5, SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (2/5/22)

Career Steals

3, 5x, last vs. LOYOLA CHICAGO (2/21/22) Season

5, 2x, last vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (2/5/22)

3, 5x, last vs. LOYOLA CHICAGO (2/21/22) Career

Blocked Shots

3. 2x. last vs. UNI (3/4/22) Season 3, 2x, last vs. UNI (3/4/22)

Career Minutes Played

Season 46, at Eastern Michigan (11/12/21)

46, at Eastern Michigan (11/12/21) Career

MISCELLANEOUS 2021-22 CAREED

MISCELLANEOUS	2021-22	CAREER
Dunks	10	15
Double-Figure		
Scoring Games	31	60
Double-Figure		
Rebounding Games	1	1
Games With		
Double-Double	1	1
Games Led UK		
in Scoring	26	34
Games Led UK		
in Rebounding	4	6
Games Led UK		
in Assists	5	8
Games Led UK		
in Steals	12	22
Games Led UK		
in Blocks	2	5
Games With		
3+ Assists	10	14
Games With		
3+ Blocks	1	1
Games With		
3+ Steals	5	5
Games With		
3+ Three-Pointers	13	21
*includes Illinois State st	atistics	

#### **Career Statistics** FG-FGA 3FG-FGA Pct FT-FTA Pct Off-Def-Tot-Avg PF-FO Year GP-GS Min-Avg Pct TO Blk Stl Pts Avg 2019-20 31-3 694-22.4 81-211 .384 33-105 .314 27-41 659 15-61-76-2.5 38-0 22 30 2 222 7.2 25-24 110-259 58-76 763 19-63-82-3.3 36-0 36 45 9 2020-21 748-29.9 .425 33-108 .306 6 311 12.4 2021-22 33-33 1151-34.9 237-505 .469 76-195 .390 112-137 .818 19-98-117-3.5 59-2 60 77 15 36 662 20.1 TOTAL 89-60 2593-29.1 428-975 142-408 .348 197-254 53-222-275-3.1 133-2 118 1195 13.4

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## BRENNAN **CANADA**

Senior | Forward | 6-6 | 205 lbs | Mount Sterling, Ky. | George Rogers Clark

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#### 2021-22

Inducted into the Frank G. Ham Society of Character which honors student-athletes who have shown an extraordinary commitment to academic excellence, athletic participation, personal development, career preparation and serving as a role model ... Appeared in nine games ... Scored his first career points against Central Michigan at home, also adding a rebound ... Also had a bucket against Western Kentucky and High Point ... Registered a block in the home win over Tennessee ... Named to the Southeastern Conference Winter Academic Honor Roll ... NABC Honors Court selection.

#### 2020-21

Southeastern Conference Winter Academic Honor Roll member ... Appeared in two games in 2020-21 ... Logged two minutes and recorded his first career steal in the win vs. South Carolina ... Played a minute in the season-opening win vs. Morehead State.

#### 2019-20

Appeared in four games during his freshman campaign ... Made his collegiate debut in the win over Eastern Kentucky.

#### HIGH SCHOOL

One of the best prospects from the state of Kentucky ... Capped his career at George Rogers Clark with 1,371 points and 776 rebounds ... Two-year captain ... Named an All-10th Region First Team selection following a senior season where he averaged 15.0 points and 9.5 rebounds per game ... Averaged double-digit scoring over his final three seasons of high school basketball ... Logged 13 double-doubles his senior season ... A three-time All-District Team selection and a three-time All-District Tournament Team pick ... Team claimed two District 40 titles ... 10th Region runners-up in 2019.

#### **PERSONAL**

Born July 15 in Lexington, Kentucky ... Parents are Lynn and Melissa Canada ... Has three siblings, Kaleb, Kyle and Kristyn ... Major is communication ... 4.0 student in high school ... Member of the National Honor Society and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes ... Also participated in Big Brothers, Big Sisters ... Father has been his biggest influence ... Chose No. 14 because it's always been his favorite number ... His definition of a true hero is someone who you can rely on and follow.

5051-9	22 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS
Points	
Season	2, 3x, last HIGH POINT (12/31/21)
Career	2, 3x, last HIGH POINT (12/31/21)
Rebounds	
Season	1, CENTRAL MICHIGAN (11/29/21)
Career	1, CENTRAL MICHIGAN (11/29/21)
Field Goal	s
Season	1, 3x, last HIGH POINT (12/31/21)
Career	1, 3x, last HIGH POINT (12/31/21)
Field Goal	s Attempted
Season	2, WESTERN KENTUCKY (12/22/21)
Career	2, WESTERN KENTUCKY (12/22/21)
3-Point Fi	eld Goals
Season	-
Career	-
3-Point Fi	eld Goals Attempted
Season	1, WESTERN KENTUCKY (12/22/21)
Career	1, WESTERN KENTUCKY (12/22/21)
Free Thro	ws
Season	-
Career	-
Free Thro	ws Attempted
Season	-
Career	-
Assists	
Season	1, UALBANY (11/22/21)
Career	1, UALBANY (11/22/21)
Steals	
Season	-
Career	1, SOUTH CAROLINA (3/6/21)
Blocked S	
Season	1, TENNESSEE (1/15/22)
Career	1, TENNESSEE (1/15/22)
Minutes P	

2021-22 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

MISCELLANEOUS	2021-22	CAREER
Dunks	0	0
Double-Figure		
Scoring Games	0	0
Double-Figure		
Rebounding Games	0	0
Games With		
Double-Double	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Scoring	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Rebounding	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Assists	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Steals	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Blocks	1	1
Games With		
3+ Assists	0	0
Games With		
3+ Blocks	0	0
Games With		
3+ Steals	0	0
Games With		
3+ Three-Pointers	0	0

3, HIGH POINT (12/31/21)

3, HIGH POINT (12/31/21)

Career

						ı	Career !	Statis	tics							
Year	GP-GS	Min-Avg	FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off-Def-Tot-Avg	PF-FO	Ast	то	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
2019-20	4-0	3-0.8	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0-0-0.0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
2020-21	2-0	3-1.5	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0-0-0.0	0-0	0	2	0	1	0	0.0
2021-22	9-0	13-1.4	3-4	.750	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	1-0-1-0.1	0-0	1	0	1	0	6	0.7
TOTAL	15-0	19-1.3	3-4	.750	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	1-0-1-0.1	0-0	1	3	1	1	6	0.4



## KAREEM WATKINS

Junior | Guard | 5-8 | 175 lbs | Camden, N.J. | Kingsway Regional

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#### 2021-22

Appeared in nine games in 2021-22 ... Had three rebounds, two assists and a pair of steals ... Picked up a steal against High Point ... Had an assist vs. Western Kentucky ... Snared a rebound vs. Central Michigan ... Had a rebound and a steal against North Florida ... Registered a rebound against Mount St. Mary's ... Named to the Southeastern Conference Winter Academic Honor Roll.

#### 2020-21

Joined the team as a walk-on ... Made one appearance, logging two minutes in Kentucky's dominating regular-season finale victory over South Carolina.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Appeared in all 26 games for Kingsway Regional during his senior season ... Averaged 8.7 points per game ... Notched 11 double-figure scoring efforts and knocked down multiple 3-pointers in 12 games ... Scored a season-high 19 points on six made 3s with four assists against Woodstown ... Also posted 16 points, five rebounds and four assists at Clearview and recorded 15 points, six boards and five dimes vs. Cumberland ... Dished out four or more assists in 14 games ... Produced three or more steals in 10 games ... Helped advance Kingsway to the 2020 New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association Group 4 Championship field of 64.

#### **PERSONAL**

Born Feb. 3 in Camden, New Jersey ... Mother is Syreeta Brittingham ... Stepfather is Dajuan Wagner, former Memphis star who played for John Calipari ... Has two siblings, Dayonni and Dajuan Jr. ... Major is finance ... Off the court talent includes juggling ... Lists his parents as the two people who have influenced him the most ... When he's not playing basketball he's watching it ... Listens to NBA YoungBoy, Polo G and Lil Durk pregame ... Chicken is his favorite food ... Lists Kemba Walker as his favorite NBA player and Tyler Ulis as his favorite former UK player.

2021-2	22 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS
Points	
Season	-
Career	-
Rebounds	•
Season	1, 3x, last CENTRAL MICH. (11/29/21)
Career	1, 3x, last CENTRAL MICH. (11/29/21)
Field Goal	ls
Season	-
Career	-
Field Goal	s Attempted
Season	1, CENTRAL MICHIGAN (11/29/21)
Career	1, CENTRAL MICHIGAN (11/29/21)
3-Point Fi	eld Goals
Season	-
Career	-
3-Point Fi	eld Goals Attempted
Season	-
Career	-
Free Thro	ws
Season	-
Career	-
Free Thro	ws Attempted
Season	-
Career	-
Assists	
Season	1, 2x, last WKU (12/22/21)
Career	1, 2x, last WKU (12/22/21)
Steals	
Season	1, 2x, last HIGH POINT (12/31/21)
Career	1, 2x, last HIGH POINT (12/31/21)
Blocked S	hots
Season	-
Career	-
Minutes F	Played
Season	3, HIGH POINT (12/31/21)
Career	3, HIGH POINT (12/31/21)

MISCELLANEOUS	2021-22	CAREER
Dunks	0	0
Double-Figure		
Scoring Games	0	0
Double-Figure		
Rebounding Games	0	0
Games With		
Double-Double	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Scoring	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Rebounding	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Assists	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Steals	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Blocks	0	0
Games With		
3+ Assists	0	0
Games With		
3+ Blocks	0	0
Games With		
3+ Steals	0	0
Games With		
3+ Three-Pointers	0	0

	Career Statistics															
Year	GP-GS	Min-Avg	FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off-Def-Tot-Avg	PF-FO	Ast	то	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
2020-21	1-0	2-2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0-0-0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
2021-22	9-0	13-1.4	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2-3-0.3	2-0	2	3	0	2	0	0.0
TOTAL	10-0	15-1.5	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2-3-0.3	2-0	2	3	0	2	0	0.0



## OSCAR **TSHIEBWE**

Senior | Forward | 6-9 | 260 lbs | Lubumbashi, Democratic Republic of the Congo | West Virginia University

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## Unanimous National Player of the Year (Sporting News, Associated Press, United States Basketball Writer's Association, National Association of Basketball Coaches,

Naismith Trophy, Wooden Award) ... First player in program history to win all six NCAA-recognized awards ... First player in SEC history to win all six in the same season ... Unanimous All-America First-Team honoree by the AP, Sporting News, USBWA and NABC ... Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Award winner for the nation's best center NABC's Pete Newell Big Man of the Year ... SEC Player of the Year ... First-Team All-SEC by both the league's coaches and media ... Naismith Defensive Player of the Year finalist ... All-SEC Defensive Team as selected by the league's coaches ... Led the country in rebounding (15.1), offensive rebounds per game (5.3) and defensive rebounding percentage (34.6%), also ranked second in offensive rebounding percentage (19.4%) ... Snared 515 rebounds on the season, topping any other Division I collegiate player ... The mark ranks as the third-most in program history and is one of just three players to tally 500 or more ... Became a 1,000-point collegiate scorer in the final game of the season ... Set a UK single-season record with 28 double-doubles ... Was the first player to average at least 15 points and at least 15 rebounds per game since Drake's Lewis Lloyd and Alcorn State's Larry Smith did so in 1979-80 ... First major-conference player to average 15-15 since UCLA's Bill Walton in 1972-73 ... First UK player to tally those numbers since Bob Burrow in 1954-55 ... Finished the season as the only major-conference player averaging at least 1.6 blocks and 1.6 steals per game ... Corralled 10 or more rebounds in steals per game ... Corrailed 10 or more rebounds in all but two games ... Finished the season with program records of 21 straight double-figure rebounding efforts and 16 straight double-doubles ... One of only two players (Anthony Davis) in program history since 1978-79 to lead the team in points per game (17.4), rebounds per game (15.1), steals per game (1.8), blocks per game (1.6) and field-goal percentage (60.6%) with a minimum of 130 attempts ... Set a Rupp Arena record with 28 rebounds against Western Kentucky ... Had more rebounds than the Hilltoppers entire team ... It tied for the sixth-most rebounds in UK history and the most for a Wildcat in a regulation-length game in more than 52 years ... It was the most in Division I basketball since Kendall Gray from Delaware State had 30 in 2015 ... Finished the season responsible for 37.8% of the team's total rebounds, takresponsible for 37.8% of the team's total rebounds, taking away team rebounds that number jumped to 41.2% ... Had 80 rebounds through the first five games of the season which was the most by an SEC player in any five-game span since 2016 ... His 56 rebounds to begin the season were the most through a player's first three career games in program history dating back to 1956-57 ... Was the first UK player with six games of at least 20 points and at least 15 rebounds since Jim Andrews in 1972-73 ... Became the first player in program history to tally at least 30 points and sare at least 15 rebounds in an NCAA Tournament game when he had 30 points in an NCAA Tournament game when he had 30 points and 16 boards against Saint Peter's ... Also played in a career-high 43 minutes ... Had 27 points and 14 rebounds at Florida ... Scored 30 points and had 18 rebounds at Arkansas, becoming the first UK player to achieve those numbers on the road against an SEC foe since Dan Issel in 1970 ... Had 17 points, 16 boards and three blocks in the come-from-behind win at home vs. LSU ... Scored 21 points and added 14 rebounds at home vs. Alabama ... Tallied 27 points and 19 rebounds at home against ... Tailed 27 points and 19 rebounds at nome against Florida ... Produced 17 points, 14 rebounds and four blocks at Kansas ... Had 21 points and 22 rebounds in the overtime win over Mississippi State ... Logged 30 points and 13 rebounds at Vanderbilt ... Scored 29 points points and 13 rebounds at Vanderbilt ... Scored 29 points and contributed 17 rebounds vs. Georgia ... Posted 13 points and 20 rebounds in the SEC opener vs. Missouri ... Had 14 points and the record-breaking 28 boards against Western Kentucky and combined for 48 boards in a two-game stretch ... Had three straight games of 20 or more points against Central Michigan, Southern and at Notre Dame ... Logged 24 points and 16 boards with three blocks vs. Mount St. Mary's ... Had 14 points and 20 boards in his UK home opener vs. Robert Morris ... Scored 17 points and had 20 rebounds in the Champions Classic against Duke ... The rebounds were the most in

Classic against Duke ... The rebounds were the most in

the history of the event and the most ever in a UK debut

... Selected to the SEC First-Year Academic Team.

Transferred to Kentucky midseason ... Ineligible to play the rest of the season due to NCAA transfer rules but practiced with the team beginning in February ... Appeared in 10 games at West Virginia and averaged 8.5 points and 7.8 rebounds per game ... Recorded a pair of double-doubles ... Registered 12 points and 15 boards against Northeastern in his final game at West Virginia ... Recorded 14 points and nine rebounds vs. top-ranked Gonzaga ... Posted 11 points and 16 rebounds against

#### 2019-20 (AT WEST VIRGINIA)

Averaged 11.2 points and 9.3 rebounds per game in 31 starts as a freshman ... Named to the All-Big 12 Conference Second Team ... Unanimous Big 12 All-Freshman Team selection and also made the Big 12 All-Newcomer Team ... Selected to the NABC District 8 First Team and the USBWA District II Team ... Academic All-Big 12 Rookie Team ... Also earned Garrett Ford Academic Honor Roll and the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll team honors ... Led the Mountaineers in scoring and rebounding ... Team-high 19 games in double-digit scorrebounding ... leam-nign 19 games in double-digit scor-ing and team-best 10 double-doubles ... First in the Big 12 in offensive rebounds per game with 4.1 and second in overall rebounding ... Registered 13 double-figure efforts on the boards ... Led the nation in offensive rebound-ing percentage at 19.0% ... Earned Big 12 Newcomer of the Week three times ... Had a double-double with 16 points and 12 rebounds in a win over No. 4 Baylor to end the regular season ... Also posted 11 points and 12 rebounds vs. the top-ranked Bears a month earlier ... Double-double with 16 points and 10 rebounds vs. Iowa Also recorded a double-double with 13 points and 11 boards vs. Texas at home ... 17 rebounds and four blocks in a win over No. 22 Texas Tech ... Logged a 17-point, 17-rebound game at No. 3 Kansas ... Scored a 17-point, 17-rebound game at No. 3 Kansas ... Scored 19 points vs. Youngstown State ... Back-to-back double-doubles vs. Nicholls State (15 points and 11 rebounds) and Austin Peay (14 points and 10 boards) ... Monster game against Wichita State with 19 points and a careerhigh 18 rebounds ... Selected as the MVP of the Cancun Challenge, including a season-high 21 points against Boston ... Went for 20 points and 17 rebounds in just his second carror game at Pitt second career game at Pitt.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

A McDonald's All American ... Posted a double-double in that game with 12 points and 10 rebounds in 18 minutes ... Also named to the Nike Hoop Summit World Team ... Ranked a five-star recruit and a top-25 senior ... Led Kennedy Catholic High School to a 27-3 record and a 6A state title as a senior ... Averaged 23.2 points per game state title as a senior ... Averaged 23.2 points per game his senior season ... Tallied 1,480 career points ... Named the Gatorade Pennsylvania Boys Basketball Player of the Year ... USA Today Pennsylvania All-State First Team selection ... Guided Kennedy Catholic to the Class 1A PIAA state championship as a junior ... Scored in double figures in every game during his junior campaign ... Averaged 21.3 points, 11.8 rebounds and 2.4 blocks per game for his AAU squad the ITPS Wildcats.

**PERSONAL**Born Nov. 27 in Lubumbashi, Democratic Republic of the Congo ... Parents are Mbuyi and Kaya Rosalie Tshiebwe ... Has five siblings with three brothers, Bevi, Denphin and Debaba, and two sisters, Cenina and Maggie ... Major is communication ... Chose Kentucky over North Carolina State, Miami and Illinois ... Nickname is "Big O" ... Has a 7-foot-5 wingspan ... Hidden talent is the ability to ride a bike backwards .. Lists his parents as his greatest influence ... His favorite food is Fufu (Congolese food) ... He meditates and listens to music pregame ... Favorite He meditates and listens to music pregame ... Favorite movies are the Rush Hour trilogy ... Off-the-court hobbies include playing video games and listening to music ... Chose No. 34 because Hakeem Olajuwon is his favorite frontcourt player of all-time ... Lists Kobe Bryant as his all-time favorite player and Kevin Durant as his favorite current player.

#### 2021-22 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS\*

Poir	nte

Season 30, 3x, last vs. Saint Peter's (3/17/22) 30, 3x, last vs. Saint Peter's (3/17/22) Career

Rebounds

Season 28, WESTERN KENTUCKY (12/22/21) Career 28, WESTERN KENTUCKY (12/22/21)

Field Goals

13, 2x, last at Arkansas (2/26/22) Season 13, 2x, last at Arkansas (2/26/22) Career

Field Goals Attempted

21, at Arkansas (2/26/22) Season 21, at Arkansas (2/26/22) Career

3-Point Field Goals

Season Career

3-Point Field Goals Attempted

Season Career

Free Throws

Season 9, MISSOURI (12/29/21) 9, 2x, last MISSOURI (12/29/21) Career

Free Throws Attempted

Season 13, VANDERBILT (2/2/22) 13, 2x, last VANDERBILT (2/2/22) Career

Assists

3, 3x, last ALABAMA (2/19/22) Season Career 3, 4x, last ALABAMA (2/19/22)

Steals

Career

Season 4, 3x, last at Alabama (2/5/22) Career 4, 3x, last at Alabama (2/5/22)

Blocked Shots

Season 5, vs. Vanderbilt (3/11/22) Career 5, vs. Vanderbilt (3/11/22)

Minutes Played

Season 43, vs. Saint Peter's (3/17/22)

43, vs. Saint Peter's (3/17/22)

#### MISCELLANEOUS 2021-22 CAREER Dunks 50 81 Double-Figure 30 Scoring Games 54 Double-Figure Rebounding Games 32 47 Games With Double-Double 28 40 Games Led UK in Scoring 26 Games Led UK in Rebounding 33 53 Games Led UK in Assists Games Led UK 19 in Steals 37 Games Led UK in Blocks 21 32 Games With 3+ Assists Games With 3+ Blocks 12 Games With 3+ Steals 11 13 Games With 0 3+ Three-Pointers 0 \*includes West Virginia statistics

#### **Career Statistics** FG-FGA 3FG-FGA FT-FTA Pct Off-Def-Tot-Avg PF-FO Blk Year GP-GS Min-Avg Pct Pct TO Stl Pts Avg 85-1 2019-20 31-31 717-23.1 123-223 .552 0-0 .000 102-144 .708 128-159-287-9.3 53 32 23 348 11.2 11 2020-21 10-10 200-20.0 34-65 523 .000 17-28 .607 38-40-78-7.8 25 - 112 4 4 85 8.5 2021-22 34-34 1082-31.8 238-393 .606 0-0 .000 114-165 .691 179-336-515-15.1 88-1 36 55 60 590 17.4 66 TOTAL 75-75 1999-26.7 395-681 .580 0-0 .000 233-337 .691 345-535-880-11.7 198-3 54 131 91 87 1023 13.6



## LANCE WARE

Junior | Forward | 6-9 | 235 lbs | Camden, N.J. | Camden

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#### 2021-22

Named to the 2021-22 SEC Community Service Team ... Appeared in 28 games in his second season with the Wildcats ... Missed three games due to injury ... Registered career highs in points (42), blocks (11) and field-goal percentage (66.7%) ... Led the team in blocks in four games ... Played a season-high 16 minutes and snared six rebounds in the SEC Tournament semifinals vs. Tennessee ... Tied his career high with a pair of steals, while also adding three rebounds in the SEC Tournament quarterfinals against Vanderbilt ... Had four points and a season-high seven rebounds in the home win over Florida ... Tallied four points and four rebounds in 10 highly effective minutes at Kansas ... Had two points and four boards in the overtime win over Mississippi State ... Scored two points and snatched five boards in the win over High Point ... Had five points and three boards in the SEC opener against Missouri ... Scored four points against North Florida.

#### 2020-21

Key reserve for the Wildcats who added physicality and quality rebounding ... Appeared in 21 games and made three starts ... Scored 41 points, hauled in 63 rebounds, totaled 11 blocks, corralled six steals and dished out eight assists ... Led the team in rebounds in two games and in blocks twice ... Paced the team in steals once ... Produced a pair of double-figure rebounding efforts ... Grabbed four rebounds in the Southeastern Conference Tournament game against Mississippi State ... Played 29 minutes and recorded a career-high eight points, 10 rebounds and a career-high three blocks at No. 18/17 Missouri ... Totaled seven points and a pair of rebounds in the win over LSU ... Scored four points, had four rebounds and logged a block, a steal and an assist in the loss at Auburn ... Notched four points, a career-high 13 rebounds and a career-best four assists in the double-overtime win at Mississippi State ... Posted four points, four rebounds and a blocked shot at Louisville ... Breakout game came against No. 22/21 North Carolina with four points, seven rebounds and two steals in 21 minutes of action ... Scored his first career point with a free throw against Georgia Tech ... Had five rebounds, two blocks and a steal in his collegiate debut against Morehead State.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Led high school team to a 29-1 record his senior season ... Averaged 11.8 points, 7.9 rebounds, 1.3 assists, 1.4 steals and 1.3 blocks for a team that won its final 25 games ... Squad claimed the South Jersey, Group 2 championship and the No. 1 spot in the final NJ.com Top 50 rankings ... Named the NJ.com Player of the Year and was a NJ.com All-State First Team selection ... Averaged 11.4 points, 6.0 rebounds and 1.3 blocks per game during the Nike Elite Youth Basketball League in 2019 ... Also performed well at the Peach Jam finals in 2019, averaging 14.4 points, 6.4 rebounds and 2.4 blocks per game ... Selected to the Allen Iverson Roundball Classic ... Four-star prospect ranked as high as No. 36 in the class by Rivals.

#### **PERSONAL**

Born Feb. 8 in Edgewater Park, New Jersey ... Parents are Monique Ripka and Stephen Ware ... Has two siblings, Shataya and Stefon ... Major is undeclared/exploratory studies in agriculture ... Chose Kentucky over Michigan, Ohio State, Providence and Miami ... Lists his parents as his life's greatest influences ... Chose No. 55 because it is unique ... Favorite show on Netflix is All-American ... Listens to Drake before games ... Lists Michael Kidd-Gilchrist as his favorite former UK player ... His most memorable moment as a basketball player is going 29-1 his final season of high school ... Enjoys playing Call of Duty when he's not playing basketball.

#### **2021-22 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS**

Points

Season 5, MISSOURI (12/29/21) Career 8, at Missouri (2/3/21)

Rebounds

Season 7, FLORIDA (2/12/22)

Career 13, at Mississippi State (1/2/21)

Field Goals

2, 3x, FLORIDA (2/12/22) Season 3, 2x, last at Missouri (2/3/21) Career

Field Goals Attempted

3, 2x, FLORIDA (2/12/22) Season Career 5, at Louisville (12/26/20)

3-Point Field Goals

Season Career

3-Point Field Goals Attempted

Season Career Free Throws

Season 5, MISSOURI (12/29/21)

5, MISSOURI (12/29/21) Career

Free Throws Attempted

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1, 3x, vs. Vanderbilt (3/11/22) Season

Career 4, at Mississippi State (1/2/21)

Steals

Season 2, vs. Vanderbilt (3/11/22)

Career 2, 2x, last vs. Vanderbilt (3/11/22)

Blocked Shots

Season 2, 2x, last VANDERBILT (2/2/22) Career 3, at Missouri (2/3/21)

Minutes Played

Season 16, vs. Tennessee (3/12/22) 35, at Mississippi State (1/2/21) Career

MISCELLANEOUS	2021-22	CAREER
Dunks	10	13
Double-Figure		
Scoring Games	0	0
Double-Figure		
Rebounding Games	0	2
Games With		
Double-Double	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Scoring	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Rebounding	0	2
Games Led UK		
in Assists	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Steals	1	2
Games Led UK		
in Blocks	4	6
Games With		
3+ Assists	0	1
Games With		
3+ Blocks	0	1
Games With		
3+ Steals	0	0
Games With		
3+ Three-Pointers	0	0

#### **Career Statistics**

Year	GP-GS	Min-Avg	FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off-Def-Tot-Avg	PF-FO	Ast	то	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
2020-21	21-3	253-12.0	13-32	.406	0-0	.000	15-27	.556	24-39-63-3.0	41-1	8	19	11	6	41	2.0
2021-22	28-0	177-6.3	16-24	.667	0-1	.000	10-23	.435	16-37-53-1.9	33-0	3	14	11	5	42	1.5
TOTAL	49-3	430-8.8	29-56	.518	0-1	.000	25-50	.500	40-76-116-2.4	74-1	11	33	22	11	83	1.7



## ADUO **THIERO**

Freshman | Guard | 6-6 | 200 lbs | Leetsdale, Pa. | Quaker Valley High School

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#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

A combo guard ... Averaged 23.3 points, 10.3 rebounds, 5.9 assists, 3.9 steals and 2.3 blocks per game and directed Quaker Valley to a 27-1 record and a 14-0 mark in league play ... Scored 18 points in the 2022 PIAA Boys' Basketball Championships in the team's only loss of the season against Neumann-Goretti ... Finished his career with 1,624 career points which ranked as the third most in team history ... Named the 4A Player of the Year, the WPIAL Player of the Year and the 2022 TribLive HSSN Boys Basketball Player of the Year ... Had a 44-point performance against Hopewell which snapped the school's singlegame scoring record ... Also scored 40 points against Highlands in the Pittsburgh Basketball Club Showcase ... Had 21 points, 10 assists, 10 rebounds and seven blocks in a state tournament second-round victory against Belle Vernon ... Logged 31 points, 17 rebounds and seven swats in the WPIAL Class 4A championship ... Led Quaker Valley in scoring

as a sophomore with 17.7 points per game ... As a junior, he tallied 21.8 points per game while also averaging team-highs in assists (5.1), steals (2.2) and blocks (1.2) ... Also competed in soccer and lacrosse ... Worked with the Gear Up Ségou community service project.

#### Personal

Born May 8 in Utah ... Parents are Mariam Sy and Almamy Thiero ... Has three siblings, Oumou, Yassa, Nudiya ... Away from the court he enjoys playing video games ... Chose No. 3 because it was the same number his father wore ... Most prized possession is his shoe collection ... Favorite food is chicken and shrimp alfredo ... Favorite TV show is Power ... Chose Kentucky over Xavier, Duquesne, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh and Maryland.

## GRANT **DARBYSHIRE**

Freshman | Guard | 6-2 | 190 lbs | Cincinnati | Sycamore High School

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#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Served as a captain for Sycamore as a senior and helped lead the team to the Greater Miami Conference championship ... Team amassed a 20-3 record, which was the best in school history this past season ... Were also district runners-up after getting off to a 9-0 start, the best in school history ... Shot 43% from 3-point range as a junior and had 14 points and six boards against Middleton on Senior Night ... Also participated in soccer and baseball for Sycamore ... Was a summa cum laude graduate and was also a National Merit Scholar Commended ... Fourtime All Conference Academic Team member ... Was a member of the National Honor Society, the Spanish National Honor Society, a Student Ambassador and a member of the Sycamore Athletic Leadership Team ... An Honor Roll student.

#### **PERSONAL**

Born April 15 in Florence, Kentucky ... Parents are Dana and Gregg Darbyshire ... Has five siblings, Bryce, Lola, Cash, Jeff and Cove ... Most memorable basketball moment was winning the GMC league title while playing with his younger brother, Bryce ... Father played basketball at Kent State and Miami (OH), grandfather, Lynn played football and competed in track at Florida State and Miami (OH) ... Favorite food is chicken and waffles ... Lists Karl-Anthony Towns as his favorite basketball player ... Off the court he likes to play pickleball and can also speak Spanish ... Favorite movie is Happy Gilmore and favorite TV show is Family Guy ... Lists his dad as the most influential person in his life ... Chose Kentucky over Kansas, Cincinnati, College of Charleston, Xavier, Indiana and Miami (OH).



## WALKER HORN

Freshman Guard 6-4 200 lbs Austin, Texas Westlake High School



#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Finished his high school career at Westlake High School in Austin, Texas, after spending his previous two seasons at Covington Catholic in Covington, Kentucky ... Westlake was a state semifinalists in 2022 ... Horn was a part of a regional championship as a sophomore and a district championship as a junior with Covington Catholic ... Westlake went 38-2 his senior season ... Averaged 9.3 points, 5.2 assists and 2.4 rebounds as a senior ... Charted 15 points, five assists and four boards against Del Valle ... An Academic All-District selection ... Graduated cum laude and was a recipient of a Kentucky Provost Academic Scholarship ... Coached the Westlake Youth Basketball League fifth and sixth-grade team during the spring semester of his season.

#### **PERSONAL**

Born May 19 in Milwaukee ... Parents are Carla and Darrin Horn ... Has a sister, Caroline ... Father is the head coach at Northern Kentucky ... Most memorable moment as a basketball player was playing in the Texas Final Four in the Alamodome ... Lists his dog as his most prized possession ... Chose No. 21 because his father wore it in college as a player at Western Kentucky ... Favorite food is tacos ... Must always end warm ups on a made shot ... A superpower he most wishes he had is telepathy ... Favorite former Wildcat is Anthony Epps ... His father has influenced his life the most ... Chose Kentucky over Marquette and Michigan State.



## CASON WALLACE

Freshman | Guard | 6-4 | 193 lbs | Dallas | Richardson High School

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#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

A consensus five-star prospect ... Ranked as the No. 7 overall player by Rivals ... Ranked No. 8 overall by 247Sports and 20th by ESPN ... Averaged 19.9 points, 7.4 boards and 6.1 assists per game as a senior at Richardson ... 2022 Texas Gatorade Player of the Year and The Dallas Morning News' Player of the Year ... Repeated as the District's MVP ... Was a McDonald's All American and a selection to the Jordan Brand Classic ... Averaged 15.7 points, 7.0 rebounds, 5.6 assists, 1.4 blocks and 1.3 steals in the 2021 Nike EYBL ... Shot 51.2% from the field and 37% from 3-point range and was tabbed the Circuit's Most Valuable Player of Nike EYBL Session I ... Also earned All-Peach Jam honors ... Led the NBPA Top 100 Camp in assists (5.0) and steals (3.0) per game while posting 10.3 points and 4.3 rebounds ... Topped 1,000 career points during his junior season ... Earned District Defensive Player of the Year as a sophomore ... Tabbed the Newcomer of the Year as a freshman ... Graduated with honors ... Was a member of the Student-Athlete Leadership Team ... Volunteered locally as a youth tutor and basketball coach ... Also competed in football, soccer, basketball and track.

#### **PERSONAL**

Born Nov. 7 ... Parents are Kimberly and Mike Wallace ... Has a brother, Keaton who played college basketball at UT Arlington ... He lists his brother as his life's greatest influence ... Away from the court he likes to watch Netflix ... SpongeBob SquarePants is his favorite TV show ... Dunked for the first time in eighth grade ... Lists Shai Gilgeous-Alexander as his favorite former Wildcat and LeBron James as his all-time favorite player ... Superpower he would most like to have is teleportation ... Likes chicken and shrimp alfredo ... Can play the saxophone and piano ... Picked Kentucky over Tennessee, Texas and UT Arlington.



## CHRIS **LIVINGSTON**

Freshman | Forward | 6-6 | 220 lbs | Akron, Ohio | Oak Hill Academy





#### **HIGH SCHOOL**

A versatile combo-forward ... A consensus five-star prospect ... Ranked as the No. 10 overall player by Rivals ... Listed as the 11th-ranked player by 247Sports and No. 12 by ESPN ... Averaged 18.2 points, 9.1 rebounds, 3.9 assists and 1.9 steals per game during his senior season at Oak Hill ... The 2022 Gatorade Virginia Player of the Year ... Named a McDonald's All American and to the Jordan Brand Classic roster ... He averaged 31.1 points, 15.8 rebounds, 6.1 assists, 4.7 steals and 4.0 blocks for Buchtel High School in Akron, Ohio, as a junior ... Named the Gatorade Ohio Player of the Year and MaxPreps Junior All-America First Team following junior season ... Named MVP of the 2019 FIBA Americans U16 Championship after leading Team USA to a gold medal while averaging 14.8 points and 8.0 rebounds ... Also competed in track.

#### **PERSONAL**

Born Oct. 15 in Akron, Ohio ... Mother is Julia Livingston ... Has five siblings, Cordell, Cydnee, Corey, Courtney and CJ ... His most memorable moment as a basketball player is winning a gold medal for Team USA ... Enjoys listening to music and playing video games away from the court ... His mom is his life's greatest influence ... Chose No. 24 because he looked up to Paul George ... Lists his favorite movie as The Great Gatsby and his favorite food as buffalo chicken dip ... His favorite binge watch is the Dragon Ball series ... Off-the-court talent consists of drawing and painting ... Chose Kentucky over Ohio State, Kansas, North Carolina, Memphis, LSU, Alabama, Florida, Georgetown, South Carolina and Arizona.

# THE STAT CREW SYSTEM Kentucky Combined Team Statistics (as of Mar 18, 2022) All games

Overall record: 26-8 Conf: 14-4 Home: 18-0 Away: 6-5 Neutral: 2-3

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