

VIRGINIA TECH

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Virginia Tech Hokies vs. Duke Blue Devils

Postgame Notes

Jan. 12, 2021

Cassell Coliseum | Blacksburg, Va.

FINAL SCORE: No. 19/20 Virginia Tech 74, No. 19/23 Duke 67

RECORDS AND NOTABLES

- Virginia Tech improves to 10-2 on the season and Duke falls to 5-3.
- The Hokies are now 12-49 in the all time series against the Blue Devils.
- Tech has now won four of the last eight games against the Blue Devils and moves up to 10-12 vs Duke in Cassell Coliseum.
- Mike Young gained his first win over Duke's head coach Mike Krzyzewski and is now 1-3 against Coach K and the Blue Devils.
- Attendance was 250.
- **UP NEXT:** The Hokies will play at Wake Forest (3-3, 0-3 ACC), facing the Demon Deacons at 6 p.m. ET on Sunday on ACC Network.

TEAM NOTES

- Virginia Tech used the starting lineup of Nahiem Alleyne, Keve Aluma, Wabissa Bede, Justyn Mutts and Tyrece Radford. It marked the ninth straight game Tech has used that starting lineup and is 8-2 in those games when doing so.
- **KEY FIRST HALF RUN:** The Hokies had a strong start against the Blue Devils running off a 11-2 run. Tech followed with another run, starting at the 13:01 mark pushing the Hokies to a 17-point lead, over the Blue Devils. Duke called a timeout at the 10:05 mark in an attempt to stop Tech's run, but the Hokies were able to power over the interruption. The Blue Devils were able to hold the Hokies from any more runs for the remainder of the half, but Tech was able to maintain its lead throughout the entire half finishing with a 12-point lead (46-34).
- **KEY SECOND HALF RUN:** Duke took the start of a new half to its advantage by securing a 12-2 run, but that still was not enough to recover from the lead the Hokies carried over from the first half. The Hokies then followed with a 11-4 run at the 12:43 mark, led behind Aluma's 9-point

contribution. Duke called a timeout in an attempt to stop Aluma's scoring streak at the 5:55 mark, and was successful. The Blue Devils then ran a 5-point run on the Hokies, making it a 4-point game. Tech Powered through and pushed another 6-point run at the 2:08 mark to expand on its lead and secured the Hokies Victory over Duke.

- Tech shot 50.0 percent for the game (28-for-56), 42.9 percent from 3-point range (6-for-14) and 63.2 percent from the free-throw line (12-for-19).
- The Hokies have made a 3-pointer in 577 straight games. The last time they didn't hit a 3 in a game was on Feb. 1, 2003 versus Providence.
- The Hokies secured their second double-double, back to back, this season in ACC play, led behind Radford.
- Tech was able to out play Duke on offense and defense leading the Hokies to their first ACC wire-to-wire game game this season.
- The Hokies were able to dominate the Blue Devils in points in the paint (36-26), points off fastbreaks (15-7), second chance points (10-8) and points off turnovers (13-9).
- Tech's (15-7) points off fastbreaks tallied right under its season high (16 vs. No. 3 Villanova).
- The Hokies nearly quadrupled the Blue Devils in points off the bench (21-6).
- Tech was able to shut out Duke and gained an 18-point lead, the largest lead against an ACC team this season.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

KEVE ALUMA

- Aluma was the second leading scorer for the team, collecting 17 points, and was the second in leading the team in with seven rebounds.

TYRECE RADFORD

- Radford was the leading scorer for the Hokies (18 points) and led Tech to its second double-double against an ACC team this season. He was also the leading rebounder for the game collecting 12 rebounds, just under his season high (13 vs. No. 3 Villanova). Radford also led the team in assists (5) tying his season high, and secured his season high three turnovers.