

VIRGINIA TECH

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Virginia Tech Hokies vs. Wake Forest Demon Deacons

Postgame Notes

Jan. 17, 2021

Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum | Winston-Salem, N.C.

FINAL SCORE: No. 20/20 Virginia Tech 64, Wake Forest 60

RECORDS AND NOTABLES

- Virginia Tech improves to 11-2 on the season and Wake Forest falls to 3-5.
- The Hokies tackle another win over the Demon Deacons, maintaining their lead in the all-time series bringing it to 37-31.
- Tech has now won the last four games straight in Winston-Salem.
- Mike Young gained his third straight win over Wake Forest, with now standing at 3-0 facing the Demon Deacons (winning twice at Tech and once at Wofford).
- Attendance was 89.
- **UP NEXT:** The Hokies will play at Cassell Coliseum against Boston College (3-10, 1-6 ACC) at 5 p.m. ET Wednesday 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 10th straight game Tech has used that starting lineup and is 9-2 in those games when doing so.
- **KEY FIRST HALF RUN:** The Hokies started the first half head-to-head with the Demon Deacons, keeping the score within a two-point margin until the 11:46 mark, when Tech took the first run of the game. Tech's nine-point run pushed an eight-point lead over Wake Forest, giving the Hokies some cushion for the remainder of the half. However, the Deacs then took the Hokies on a 14-7 run at the 10:43 mark. The Hokies were left with a one-point lead over the Deacs with two minutes remaining, but Tech was able to secure a five-point run to solidify a 29-23 lead at the end of the half.
- **KEY SECOND HALF RUN:** The Hokies continued their run from the first half, which left them with a nine-point advantage. Wake Forest quickly responded with a 9-2 run at the 17:56 mark. Tech then took an 8-0 run at the 14:31 mark and secured a 10-point lead. With 13 minutes left

in the half the Eagles took the Hokies on a 14-2 run, but they were not successful in gaining a lead over Tech. The Hokies pushed a close scoring match until the Hokies were able to gain an eight-point lead with a six point run led completely behind Tyrece Radford ending at the 0:11 mark.

- Tech shot 47.8 percent for the game (22-for-46), 22.2 percent from 3-point range (4-for-18) and 69.6 percent from the free-throw line (16-for-23).
- The Hokies have made a 3-pointer in 578 straight games. The last time they didn't hit a 3 in a game was on Feb. 1, 2003 versus Providence.
- The Hokies collected their season high nine blocks, following closely behind Tech's school record of 12 versus an ACC school (2x; vs. Duke on Feb. 17, 2005, at NC State on Feb. 10, 2010). Tech did not give any chances for Wake Forest to do the same (0).
- The Hokies tied with the Demon Deacon is field goals made (22) and were out-played in 3-point field goals (4-7), but Tech was able to hold down the court and take the lead with free throws (16-9)
- Tech outscored (28-25) Wake in points off the bench, but trailed behind the Demon Deacons 12-17 in points off turnovers, 7-16 in second chance points, and 26-30 in points in the paint.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

KEVE ALUMA

- Aluma was the leading rebounder for the game obtaining 11 rebounds, collecting right below his season high (12 vs. Notre Dame). Aluma contributed four blocks to the Hokies season-high nine blocks.

TYRECE RADFORD

- Radford was the leading scorer for the game (20 points) and collected two steals. Radford was able to obtain two steals and secured the high shooting averages for the Hokies in field goals (6-for-7) and at the line (8-for-9).

DAVID N'GUESSAN

- N'Guessan had his best game yet, contributing a career-high 13 points and one rebound in 13 minutes off the bench. He had three and-1s and converted all of those at the charity stripe, with going a perfect 3 for 3.