

2020-21 Virginia Tech Wrestling Match Notes

Game Info

January 2 | Match 1
Cassell Coliseum
Blacksburg, Va.

INFORMATION

No. 10 Virginia Tech Hokies



Record.....0-0, 0-0 ACC
Head CoachTony Robie
Record at Tech (Years)34-11 (4th)

Campbell Fighting Camels



Record.....0-0, 0-0 SOCON
All-Time Series Tech leads 13-2
Head CoachScotti Sentes
Record at School (Years)0-0 (1st)
In Blacksburg Tech 3-0

NOTES

HOKIES VS. FIGHTING CAMELS

- This is the 16th time Tech and Campbell will square off on the mat. The Hokies hold a 15-2 series advantage and have never lost to the Fighting Camels in Blacksburg.
- The Hokies start off the season with six wrestlers ranked in InterMat's preseason rankings to the Fighting Camels' two, including No. 1 Mekhi Lewis and No. 2 Hunter Bolen.
- Tech returns six starters from last season's squad that reached No. 3 in the NWCA Coaches Poll, tying the school record from 2016.
- Redshirt freshmen Connor Brady and Sam Latona look to make an impact after impressive redshirt seasons last year.

ROBIE ENTERS FOURTH YEAR AT HELM

- Continuing to lead the team to new heights, head coach Tony Robie is back for his fourth full season in charge of the Hokies.
- Robie holds a 34-11 record in his three seasons and a .742 winning percentage that ranks 2nd all-time for Tech coaches lasting at least two seasons.
- On September 25, 2020, Virginia Tech Athletic Director Whit Babcock announced a three-year contract extension for Robie, which keeps him in Blacksburg through 2025.

How to Watch



RETURN OF THE KING

- After taking an Olympic redshirt during the 2019-20 season, 2019 NCAA Champion Mekhi Lewis returns to collegiate wrestling for the 2020-21 season.
- Lewis, voted the 2019 tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler, is ranked No. 1 in the country by InterMat, FloWrestling and TrackWrestling in their preseason lists.
- The Bound Brook, N.J. native is just the fourth Hokie wrestler to ever receive an InterMat No. 1 ranking, but second in as many years after Hunter Bolen achieved the honor last season.
- Tech's first national champion is back after securing qualification to the 2020 U.S. Olympic Team Trials, which were postponed to the spring of 2021.

MYERS BACK AFTER INJURY

- After missing the entirety of the 2019-20 season due to injury, graduate student Korbin Myers is back for the season after the NCAA granted him a medical redshirt and sixth year of eligibility.
- The three-time NCAA qualifier will look to break into the top eight at the NCAA Championships for the first time of his career.
- The 133-pounder is ranked No. 10 in the country by InterMat to start the season. FloWrestling has him at the eighth-best in the country and TrackWrestling ranked Myers No. 11.
- In his first season of ACC competition in 2018-19, Myers went 3-2 including a victory over Pitt's Micky Phillippi.

YOUNG GUNS LOCKED AND LOADED

- After impressive redshirt campaigns, Connor Brady and Sam Latona are ready to make their starting debuts for the Hokies.
- Latona went 20-2 competing unattached last season and placed third at the 2020 Southern Scuffle after a 6-1 showing. His only loss came to Oklahoma State All-American Nick Piccinini. Latona also won the titles at the 2020 Appalachian Open, 2019 ARMS Software/GMU Patriots Open and 2019 Southeast Open.
- Brady went 9-2 unattached and placed fifth at the 2019 Wolfpack Wrestling Club Open and 2019 Southeast Open.

Schedule

JANUARY			
2	CAMPBELL	Blacksburg, Va.	3 p.m.
10	at West Virginia	Morgantown, Va.	TBA
10	vs. Kent State	Morgantown, Va.	TBA
10	vs. Ohio	Morgantown, Va.	TBA
15	at North Carolina*	Chapel Hill, N.C.	6 p.m.
22	VIRGINIA*	Blacksburg, Va.	5 p.m.
29	at Duke*	Durham, N.C.	TBA
FEBRUARY			
5	NC STATE*	Blacksburg, Va.	TBA
12	PITT*	Blacksburg, Va.	TBA
28	ACC Championships	Raleigh, N.C.	All Day
MARCH			
18	NCAA Championships (Day 1)	St. Louis, Mo.	All Day
19	NCAA Championships (Day 2)	St. Louis, Mo.	All Day
20	NCAA Championships (Day 3)	St. Louis, Mo.	All Day

CAPS = HOME | AT = ROAD | * = ACC CONFERENCE MATCH

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PROBABLES

WT	Name	W-L	MD	TF	F
125	Sam Latona	0-0	0	0	0
133	Korbin Myers	0-0	0	0	0
141	Sam Hillegas	0-0	0	0	0
149	Bryce Andonian	0-0	0	0	0
OR	Caden Darber	0-0	0	0	0
157	Connor Brady	0-0	0	0	0
165	Mekhi Lewis	0-0	0	0	0
174	Kolton Clark	0-0	0	0	0
184	Hunter Bolen	0-0	0	0	0
197	Andy Smith	0-0	0	0	0
285	John Borst	0-0	0	0	0

MD = MAJOR DECISION | TF = TECHNICAL FALL | F = FALL



InterMat Preseason Top 25 Poll

December 29 | *Opponents in italics*

	Team	'19-'20 W-L	Points
1	Iowa	13-0	153.5
2	Michigan	7-6	98.5
3	Penn State	12-2	86
4	Oklahoma State	13-3	72.5
5	<i>NC State</i>	15-0	60
6	Ohio State	10-4	58.5
7	Nebraska	11-3	57
8	Iowa State	10-5	56.5
9	Arizona State	15-2	53
10	Virginia Tech	11-3	50
11	Stanford	11-4	42
12	<i>North Carolina</i>	14-3	39.5
13	Minnesota	9-8	38
14	Central Michigan	8-4	34
15	<i>Pittsburgh</i>	10-4	33.5
16	Michigan State	8-10	32
17	Northwestern	6-7	31.5
18	Missouri	12-7	30.5
19	Oklahoma	5-7	28
20	Rutgers	10-7	27
21	<i>West Virginia</i>	4-12	26.5
22	Purdue	12-5	25.5
23	<i>Virginia</i>	8-6	21.5
24	Rider	12-3	17
25	Lehigh	12-3	16

GENERAL INFORMATION

University Name Virginia Tech
 Location Blacksburg, Va.
 Founded 1872
 Enrollment 34,000
 President..... Dr. Timothy Sands
 Director of Athletics..... Whit Babcock
 Nickname Hokies
 Mascot Hokie Bird
 Colors..... Chicago Maroon and Burnt Orange
 Affiliation..... NCAA Division I
 Conference..... Atlantic Coast
 Home Stadium Cassell Coliseum
 Capacity 8,925

INFORMATION

2019-20 Record 11-3
 2019-20 Conference Record / Tournament Finish 2-3 / 5th
 2020 ACC Individual Champions 1
 2020 NCAA Qualifiers..... 9
 Returning Starters 6

STAFF

Head Coach (Alma Mater) Tony Robie (Edinboro)
 Virginia Tech Record / Years 34-11 / Fourth season
 Overall Record / Years 34-23 / Five years
 Associate Head Coach Jared Frayer (Oklahoma)
 Assistant Coach Cody Brewer (Oklahoma)
 Volunteer Assistant Coach Jared Haught (Virginia Tech)
 Director of Operations..... Tucker Davidson (Radford)
 Athletic Trainer Sean Collins (Montana)
 Strength & Conditioning Brian Neal (Bridgewater College)

ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Wt. (lbs.)	Hometown	High School / Previous School
Bryce Andonian	So.	149	Kirtland, Ohio	St. Edward
Hunter Bolen	r-Jr.	184	Floyd, Va.	Christiansburg
John Borst	r-Jr.	285	Stephens City, Va.	Sherando
Connor Brady	r-Fr.	157	Powell, Ohio	Liberty
Hunter Catka	Fr.	285	Brookhaven, Penn.	Sun Valley
Kolton Clark	r-Fr.	174	Scottsboro, Ala.	Scottsboro
Caden Darber	r-Jr.	149	Williamsburg, Va.	New Kent
Sam Fisher	Fr.	174	Warrenton, Va.	Fauquier
Jordan Florence	r-So.	165	Bealeton, Va.	Liberty
Collin Gerardi	r-So.	133	Powhatan, Va.	Powhatan
Mario Gonzalez-Escobar	Fr.	174	Chantilly, Va.	Chantilly
Brandon Green	Fr.	174	Swedesboro, N.J.	Paulsboro
Jake Hart	r-So.	157	Fort Mill, S.C.	Fort Mill
Sam Hillegas	Fr.	141	Pittsburgh, Penn.	North Hills
Simeone Holmes	Fr.	174	Midlothian, Va.	Cosby
Dakota Howard	r-So.	197	Cleveland, Ohio	St. Edward
Colby Kassir	Fr.	184	Virginia Beach, Va.	Cape Henry Collegiate
Sam Latona	r-Fr.	125	Alabaster, Ala.	Thompson
Mekhi Lewis	r-So.	165	Bound Brook, N.J.	Bound Brook
Korbin Myers	Gr.	133	Carlisle, Pa.	Boiling Springs / Edinboro
Joey Prata	r-Sr.	125	Richmond, Va.	St. Christopher's School
Kristian Scott	r-So.	184	Phenix City, Ala.	Central
Stanley Smeltzer	r-Jr.	197	Smithfield, Va.	Smithfield
Andy Smith	Fr.	197	Christiansburg, Va.	Christiansburg
Alex Swoope	Fr.	157	Virginia Beach, Va.	Floyd E. Kellam
Nick Thompson	Fr.	125	Fort Worth, Texas	All Saints Episcopal
Jarrett Tronge	So.	285	Powhatan, Va.	Powhatan
Clayton Ulrey	Fr.	165	Clayville, Penn.	Lower Dauphin
Nathan Warden	Fr.	174	Coal City, W. Va.	Christiansburg
Brandon Wittenburg	r-Fr.	125	Haymarket, Va.	Battlefield



2019-20 ACC Standings

Team	Overall	ACC	Pct.
NC State	15-0	5-0	1.000
North Carolina	14-3	4-1	.824
Virginia Tech	11-3	2-3	.786
Pitt	10-4	3-2	.714
Virginia	8-6	1-4	.571
Duke	0-17	0-5	.000

RECORD VS. 2020-21 OPPONENTS

Campbell	15-2
West Virginia	11-11-2
Kent State	0-4
Ohio	2-8
North Carolina	39-31-2
Virginia	48-28-1
Duke	31-12-1
NC State	27-35-1
Pitt	5-12





Tony ROBIE (ROH-bee)

- Fourth season as Virginia Tech head coach
- 2019 & 2017 ACC Coach of the Year
- Led the Hokies to two ACC Tournament titles and an ACC Dual Meet title
- Been on staff at Virginia Tech since 2006
- Previously served as head coach at Binghamton

The Robie File

PERSONAL

HOMETOWN: Erie, Pennsylvania
 FAMILY: Wife, Jennifer; Sons, Nate, Luke Jake
 COACHING RECORD AT VIRGINIA TECH: 34-11 (4th year)
 CAREER HEAD COACHING RECORD: 34-23 (.596)

EDUCATION

Edinboro - Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice
 JOINED TECH STAFF: April 17, 2006
 PROMOTED TO TECH HEAD COACH: March 21, 2017
 YEARS OF COLLEGIATE HEAD COACHING: 5
 YEARS OF COLLEGIATE COACHING: 22

COACHING HISTORY

2017- Virginia Tech (Head Coach)
 2006-17 Virginia Tech (Assistant Coach)
 2005-06 Binghamton (Head Coach)
 2000-04 Michigan (Assistant Coach)
 1999-00 Edinboro (Assistant Coach)
 1998-99 West Virginia (Assistant Coach)

WRESTLING HISTORY

Two-time All-American at Edinboro and a 1997 NCAA finalist at 158 pounds. Went 126-23 in his collegiate career. Three-time Eastern Wrestling League champion and Pennsylvania Athletic Conference champion. Earned a bronze medal at the 1998 U.S. Open Freestyle Championships. Inducted into the Edinboro Sports Hall of Fame in 2008.

POSTSEASON

NCAA Championships

2017 - 6th Place / Five All-Americans
 2018 - 8th Place / Three All-Americans
 2019 - 11th Place / Three All-Americans
 2020 - No Championships / Two All-Americans

ACC Championships

2017 - 1st Place / Six ACC Champions
 2018 - 1st Place / Four ACC Champions
 2019 - 2nd Place / Three ACC Champions
 2020 - 5th Place / One ACC Champion

When Virginia Tech head wrestling coach Tony Robie came to Blacksburg in 2006, he was an associate head coach who inherited a barren program that had the potential to be great. Progressively he helped build the Hokies into one of the top programs in the ACC and a mainstay in the top 10 nationally. Three full seasons into his tenure as head coach, Robie is still leading the Hokies into new territory.

In 2019-20, the program rose up the ranks to the No. 3 spot in the National Wrestling Coaches of America Coaches Poll, the highest rank under Robie and tied for the highest in its history. He helped the progression of redshirt sophomore Hunter Bolen, who went on to win his first ACC title in 2020 and was the No. 2 seed for the 2020 NCAA Championships at 184 pounds. True freshman Bryce Andonian and fifth-year senior David McFadden were also ACC runners-up in 2020 under Robie's tutelage.

In 2018-19, Robie helped guide Mekhi Lewis to the program's first national championship and Most Outstanding Wrestler honors at the 2019 NCAA Championships in Pittsburgh. Lewis' title run at 165 pounds wrapped up a season that saw the Hokies finish in the top 11 at the NCAA Championships for the eighth consecutive season and a top two placing at the ACC Championships for the seventh straight year. Tech had three All-Americans and three ACC champions in Lewis, Zack Zavatsky and David McFadden. Robie's performance earned him 2019 ACC Coach of the Year accolades, his second time receiving the honor.

In his first season leading the program, Robie continued Virginia Tech wrestling's run of success as the Hokies won its second consecutive ACC Championship and placed eighth at the NCAA Championships in Cleveland.

Robie became the first coach in the history of ACC wrestling to guide his team to conference championships in his first two seasons. With Robie on staff, Virginia Tech has won four ACC titles over the last seven years and seven conference trophies overall when including dual meet championships.

In Robie's first full campaign, Virginia Tech placed at least three wrestlers on the podium at nationals for the sixth consecutive season. Jared Haught led the group of three All-Americans in 2018 by becoming the Hokies' second-ever national finalist, joining Devin Carter in 2014. Four Hokies – Haught, David McFadden, Brent Moore and Dennis Gustafson – won ACC titles, with Moore taking home Most Valuable Wrestler honors. Robie also coached McFadden to a regular season record of 30-0, the first undefeated season at Virginia Tech since 2001-02.

In duals, Robie led the Hokies to a 14-3 overall record, a 4-1 mark in ACC matches and a final ranking of No. 10 in the final NWCA Coaches Poll. Robie's 14 dual meet victories ranks second in the ACC record book for most wins by a first-year head coach behind Wade Schalles' 15 wins with Clemson in 1978. His .824 winning percentage ranks third all-time in ACC history for a rookie head coach. In Virginia Tech history, Robie's winning percentage ranks first among rookie head coaches while his 14 wins ranks second behind Tom Brands' 16 dual meet wins in 2004-05. Robie, who started five freshmen in duals for a majority of the season, was also named a finalist for the Theraworx NWCA National Coach of the Year award.

On March 21, 2017, Robie was promoted to head wrestling coach at Virginia Tech after serving as interim head coach since February of that year. During that span, Robie led the Hokies to the team title at the ACC Championships and a sixth-place finish at the 2017 NCAA Championships in St. Louis – Tech's fifth-straight

top-10 finish at nationals.

Robie was an integral part of the Virginia Tech wrestling staff for 11 seasons as associate head coach under former head coach Kevin Dresser. Between that 2006-07 and 2016-17, the Hokies won three ACC Dual Meet Championships, three ACC tournament championships and finished in the top 10 at the NCAA Championships five times. One of those top 10 team finishes included a then-ACC record and program best fourth place finish in 2016. He also helped recruit and coach 17 ACC champions and 14 All-Americans.

Robie came to Blacksburg after serving as the head coach at Binghamton University, a program that had been discontinued after the 2003-04 school year because of budget constraints. Before taking over at Binghamton, he was an assistant coach for four seasons at the University of Michigan.

In seven years as a Division I assistant coach, Robie helped coach 23 All-Americans, nine Academic All-Americans and one national champion. As the Wolverines' top assistant coach, Robie recruited three top-10 classes, including the No. 2 ranked class in 2004. His one-on-one work with Michigan student-athlete Ryan Bertin culminated with Bertin's 2003 NCAA championship - the school's first national champion in 18 years. In all, Michigan's team earned national top-10 status all four years that Robie was a coach there. His dedication and influence off the mat resulted in the wrestling team winning the 2003 community service award at the school.

Robie joined the Michigan staff after coaching stops at West Virginia (1998-99) and Edinboro (1999-00).

A world-class wrestler in his own right, Robie was a two-time All-American at Edinboro and a 1997 NCAA finalist at 158 pounds who turned in a career record of 126-23. A two-time captain for Olympic gold medalist Bruce Baumgartner, Robie was a three-time Eastern Wrestling League Champion and a three-time Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) champion. As a senior, Robie led the Fighting Scots to a sixth-place national finish - the highest in school history. He ranks fourth on the school's all-time wins list and went on to earn a bronze medal at the 1998 U.S. Open Freestyle Championships. In 2008, he was inducted into the Edinboro Sports Hall of Fame.

A native of Erie, Pa., Robie was a Dean's List student at Edinboro and received the school's Academic Achievement Award before graduating with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice in 1997. Robie and his wife, Jennifer, reside in Christiansburg with their three children – Nate, Luke and Jake.





BRYCE ANDONIAN (an-DOH-nian)

Sophomore

St. Edward
Kirtland, Ohio

Major:
Human Development

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2020 NCAA QUALIFIER
2020 ACC RUNNER-UP

ON THE MAT

- Qualified for the 2020 NCAA Championships after securing an automatic bid at the 2020 ACC Championships.
- Took second place in the 149-pound weight class at the 2020 ACC Championships.
- Went 8-3 in duals in his first season of collegiate wrestling after having his redshirt pulled midseason, including a team-best 4-1 in ACC competition.
- Led the team in falls with six on the season and pinned an opponent in just 58 seconds.
- Won by fall vs. West Virginia (1/11/20) to secure his first career bonus point victory.
- Made his dual debut vs. Chattanooga (12/21/19) and won a 5-3 decision over his opponent Tanner Smith.
- Went 9-2 in open tournament competition.
- Was the 20th-ranked recruit out of high school in the class of 2019 according to FloWrestling.
- Two-time Ohio state champion.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2019-20	18-6	8-3	4-1	6	1	6	0:58	37
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	18-6	8-3	4-1	6	1	6	0:58	37

VS. '19-'20 OPPONENTS

Dual / ACC Dual / ACC Championships	OPP.	RESULT
	Sebastian Collazo (The Citadel)	WBF, 0:58
	John Millner (Appalachian State)	L, 16-8 MD
	Michael Murphy (Virginia)	W, 15-7 MD
	Ray Costa (Virginia)	WBF, 4:45
	Matt Fields (NC State)	W, Medical Forfeit
	Danny Fongaro (NYC RTC)	W, 12-4 MD
	Josh Finesilver (Duke)	L, 11-2 MD
	Travis Layton (Rider)	WBF, 1:14
	Caden Darber (Virginia Tech)	W, 10-5 dec.
	Garrett Burnham (Maryland)	W, 15-6 MD
	Patrick Ryan (American)	W, 17-7 MD
	Tanner Smith (Chattanooga)	W, 5-3 dec.
	Corbyn Munson (Central Michigan)	W, 13-8 dec.
	Liam Lusher (West Virginia)	WBF, 2:19
	Michael Zarif (Binghamton)	WBF, 6:03
	Hunter Richard (Cornell)	L, 8-7 dec.
	<i>Austin O'Connor (North Carolina)</i>	<i>L, 10-4 dec.</i>
	<i>Denton Spencer (Virginia)</i>	<i>W, 13-4 MD</i>
	Kenan Carter (Old Dominion)	L, 9-6 dec.
	Wade Unger (Duke)	W, 18-3 TF (7:00)
	<i>AJ Leitten (NC State)</i>	<i>WBF, 2:17</i>
	Luke Kemerer (Pitt)	W, 10-1 MD
	<i>AJ Leitten (NC State)</i>	<i>W, 10-3 dec.</i>
	<i>Austin O'Connor (North Carolina)</i>	<i>L, 11-7 dec.</i>

IN THE RANKINGS

WK	INTERMAT	FLO	TRACK
1	20	20	17



HUNTER BOLEN (BOH-len)

Redshirt Junior

Christiansburg
Floyd, Va.

Major: Comm. Science
and Social Inquiry

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2020 ACC CHAMPION
TWO-TIME NCAA QUALIFIER
2020 VASID WRESTLER OF THE YEAR
2018 ACC FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR
2018 VASID FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR

ON THE MAT

- Won his first ACC Championship over NC State's Trent Hidlay (3/8/20) in a 2-1 decision at the 2020 ACC Championships in Pittsburgh, Penn.
- Qualified and was the No. 2 seed at 184 pounds for the 2020 NCAA Championships before they were cancelled due to COVID-19.
- Finished the 2019-20 campaign with a 24-2 record and the No. 1 ranking from Intermat.
- Went 3-1 during ACC competition.
- Placed third at the Cliff Keen Invitational after a 5-1 showing, including 4-1 against ranked opponents.
- Won the title at the Navy Classic after going 5-0.
- Claimed an 8-1 decision over Ohio State's Zach Steiner (10/3/19) to help the Hokies pull the upset on the Buckeyes.
- Redshirted during the 2018-19 season.
- Won ACC Freshman of the Year during the 2017-18 season after going 21-12 and an undefeated 4-0 in conference competition.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2017-18	21-12	7-5	4-0	1	2	3	1:27	27
2019-20	24-2	12-1	3-1	4	2	2	1:58	45
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	45-14	19-6	7-1	5	4	5	1:27	72

VS. '19-'20 OPPONENTS

Dual / ACC Dual	OPP.	RESULT
	Dylan Wisman (Missouri)	W, 10-9 dec.
	Jack Jessen (Northwestern)	W, 15-3 MD
	Zach Steiner (Ohio State)	W, 8-1 dec.
	Tanner Harvey (American)	W, 6-5 dec.
	Andrew Morgan (Campbell)	W, 11-10 dec.
	Andrew Buckley (Navy)	W, 5-3 dec.
	Koltyn Eason (Edinboro)	WBF, 1:58
	Daniel Benoit (The Citadel)	WBF, 2:11
	Louie DePrez (Binghamton)	W, 8-3 dec.
	Jelani Embree (Michigan)	W, Medical Forfeit
	Taylor Lujan (Northern Iowa)	L, 10-8 dec.
	Taylor Lujan (Northern Iowa)	W, 9-7 dec.
	Zach Carlson (South Dakota St.)	W, 10-4 dec.
	Max Lyon (Purdue)	W, 5-3 dec.
	Matthew Waddell (Chattanooga)	W, 10-4 dec.
	Ben Cushman (Central Michigan)	W, 18-4 MD
	Jackson Moomau (West Virginia)	W, 18-0 TF(4:10)
	forfeit (Binghamton)	W
	Jonathan Loew (Cornell)	W, 7-2 dec.
	Joey Mazzara (North Carolina)	W, 13-4 MD
	Michael Battista (Virginia)	W, 12-4 MD

Dual / ACC Dual / ACC Championships	OPP.	RESULT
	Antonio Agee (Old Dominion)	W, 7-2 dec.
	Trent Hidlay (NC State)	W, 3-1 dec.
	Nino Bonaccorsi (Pitt)	L, 10-8 dec.
	<i>Michael Battista (Virginia)</i>	<i>W, 17-0 TF (5:52)</i>
	<i>Trent Hidlay (NC State)</i>	<i>W, 2-1 dec.</i>

IN THE RANKINGS

WK	INTERMAT	FLO	TRACK
1	2	2	2

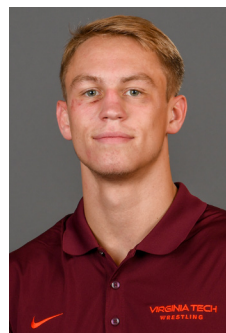




JOHN BORST

Redshirt Junior
 Sherando
 Stephens City, Va.
 Major:
 Public Relations

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CONNOR BRADY

Redshirt Freshman
 Liberty
 Powell, Ohio
 Major: Business

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2020 NCAA QUALIFIER

ON THE MAT

- Qualified for the 2020 NCAA Championships after receiving an auto bid at the ACC Championships.
- Placed third at the 2020 ACC Championships (3/8/20) after defeating North Carolina's Andrew Gunning.
- Went 9-5 in dual matches in his first season starting at heavyweight.
- Earned bonus points in eight matches.
- Placed seventh at the 2019 Cliff Keen Invitational after going 5-2, including a win over No. 14 Brian Andrews of Wyoming.
- Took second place at the 2019 Navy Classic after a 4-1 showing.
- Sealed the 21-18 win over No. 21 Northwestern at the Mat on the Mound with a 9-0 major decision (11/10/19).
- Opened the 2019-20 season with a major decision to help the Hokies pull the upset on the No. 9 Missouri Tigers (11/2/19).
- Went 12-10 and started two duals for the Hokies in the 2018-19 season.
- Redshirted during the 2017-18 season and went 21-5 wrestling unattached.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2018-19	13-9	0-2	0-0	3	4	0	-	0
2019-20	21-9	9-5	2-3	5	2	1	0:31	33
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	34-18	9-7	2-3	8	6	1	0:31	33

ON THE MAT

- Redshirted during the 2019-20 season and went 9-2 wrestling unattached.
- Placed fifth at the 2019 Wolfpack Wrestling Club Open after going 5-1 with two major decisions and a win-by-fall.
- Went 4-1 to finish fifth at the 2019 Southeast Open to finish fifth.
- No. 9 overall recruit in the country from the class of 2019 according to FloWrestling.
- Won the titles at Super 32 and Ironman.
- Three-time state placer.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0

IN THE RANKINGS

WK	INTERMAT	FLO	TRACK
1	-	-	23

VS. '19-'20 OPPONENTS

Dual / ACC Dual

OPP.	RESULT
Rodrigo Diaz (Missouri)	W, 11-3 MD
Jack Heyob (Northwestern)	W, 9-0 MD
Chase Singletary (Ohio State)	L, 4-2 dec.
Billy Baldwin (Old Dominion)	WBF, 0:31
Jordan Earnest (Ohio)	W, 4-1 dec.
Jon Spaulding (Edinboro)	W, 6-2 dec.
Collin Kelly (Cleveland State)	W, 4-1 dec.
Jere Heino (Campbell)	L, 3-2 dec.
Josiah Jones (Oklahoma)	W, 4-2 dec.
Spencer Berthold (Kent State)	W, 4-1 dec.
Randy Gonzalez (Fresno State)	W, Medical Forfeit
Brendan Furman (Cornell)	W, 9-1 MD
Gannon Gremmel (Iowa State)	L, 3-1 dec.
Carter Isley (Northern Iowa)	L, 3-2 dec.
Brian Andrews (Wyoming)	W, 6-2 dec.
Grayson Walthall (Chattanooga)	W, 14-4 MD
Matt Stencil (Central Michigan)	L, 3-1 dec.
Brandon Ngati (West Virginia)	W, 2-1 dec.
Joe Doyle (Binghamton)	W, 6-1 dec.
Brendan Furman (Cornell)	W, 6-0 dec.
Andrew Gunning (North Carolina)	W, 5-2 dec.
Quinn Miller (Virginia)	L, 6-4 dec.
Will Hilliard (Old Dominion)	W, 13-0 MD
Jonah Niesenbaum (Duke)	W, 17-2 TF (5:10)

ACC Dual / ACC Championships

OPP.	RESULT
Deonte Wilson (NC State)	L, 3-1 dec.
Demetrius Thomas (Pitt)	L, 13-2 MD
Jonah Niesenbaum (Duke)	W, 16-0 TF (6:16)
Andrew Gunning (North Carolina)	W, 5-1 dec.
Demetrius Thomas (Pitt)	L, 10-1 MD
Andrew Gunning (North Carolina)	W, 3-0 dec.

IN THE RANKINGS

WK	INTERMAT	FLO	TRACK
1	17	19	15





HUNTER CATKA (CAT-ka)

Freshman

Sun Valley
Brookhaven, Penn.

Major: Human Nutrition,
Foods and Exercise

285

ON THE MAT

- Top heavyweight recruit in the country from the class of 2020 according to FloWrestling.
- Two-time Pennsylvania state champion.
- Won the title at the 2019 Beast of the East.
- 2019 Cadet World Team member.
- 2019 Super 32 champion.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0



KOLTON CLARK

Redshirt Freshman

Scottsboro
Scottsboro, Ala.

Major:
Building Construction

174

ON THE MAT

- Redshirted during the 2019-20 season and went 6-6 wrestling unattached.
- Finished sixth at the 2020 Appalachian Open after going 3-2 with three pins.
- Went 2-2 with both wins by fall at the 2019 ARMS Software/GMU Patriots Open.
- Went 1-2 with a major decision at the 2019 Wolfpack Wrestling Club Open.
- Three-time Alabama state champion.
- Two-time NHSCA All-American.
- Super 32 All-American.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0





CADEN DARBER

Redshirt Junior
 New Kent
 Williamsburg, Va.
 Major: History

149

ON THE MAT

- Made his dual debut at the Moss Arts Center match versus Duke (2/8/20) at 165 pounds.
- Placed fifth at the 2020 Appalachian Open after going 4-1, including a win-by-fall.
- Went 3-2 at the 2019 ARMS Software/GMU Patriots Open with all three wins being bonus point victories.
- Placed sixth at the 2019 Southeast Open after going 3-2.
- Went 3-2 at the 2019 Appalachian Open.
- Finished with a 3-1 record at the 2018 Storm Open.
- Went 3-1 at the 2018 Hokie Open.
- Redshirted during the 2017-18 season and went 14-8 while wrestling unattached.
- Two-time Virginia state champion in high school.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2018-19	9-4	0-0	0-0	3	1	0	-	0
2019-20	10-8	0-1	0-1	2	0	3	2:32	0
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	19-12	0-1	0-1	5	1	3	2:32	0

VS. '19-'20 OPPONENTS

ACC Dual

OPP.	RESULT
Will Baldwin (Davidson)	W, 9-2 dec.
Mason Wallace (Chattanooga)	W, 9-8 dec.
Seth Hogue (West Virginia)	L, 8-4 dec.
Michael Murphy (Virginia)	WBF, 6:02
Josh Finesilver (Duke)	L, 9-2 dec.
Alex Hrisopoulos (Michigan St.)	L, 8-0 MD
Austin Wilson (Lock Haven)	L, 8-5 dec.
Kenan Carter (Old Dominion)	LBF, 2:41
PJ Gohn (Edinboro)	W, 13-1 MD
Patrick Rowland (Duke)	WBF, 2:32
Drew Dickson (George Mason)	W, 17-5 MD
Bryce Andonian (Virginia Tech)	L, 10-5 dec.
Cody Bond (Appalachian St.)	W, 10-8 dec.
Tanner Smith (Chattanooga)	L, 10-1 MD
Gino Esposito (North Carolina)	WBF, 6:56
Mason Phillips (North Carolina)	W, 7-6 dec.
Joseph Caprella (Old Dominion)	W, 5-2 dec.
Benjamin Anderson (Duke)	L, 3-1 dec.

SAM FISHER

Freshman
 Fauquier
 Warrenton, Va.
 Major:
 Computer Science

174

ON THE MAT

- Four-year letterwinner.
- Wrestled at Fauquier High School for Coach Doug Fisher.
- Four-time Virginia state champion.
- Two-time Fargo All-American.
- Two-time Ironman placer.
- Two-time Beast of the East placer.
- Wrestled for Birds of Prey Wrestling Club for coaches Tyler Atwell, Bobby Sims and Doug Fisher.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0





JORDAN FLORENCE

Redshirt Sophomore

Liberty
Bealeton, Va.

Major: Criminology

165

ON THE MAT

- Went 1-2 at the 2019 Southeast Open in his only appearance of the 2019-20 season.
- Redshirted during the 2018-19 campaign and went 3-4 while competing unattached in open tournaments.
- Virginia state champion in high school.
- Two-time NHSCA All-American.
- Region and conference champion.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2019-20	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0



COLLIN GERARDI

Redshirt Sophomore

Powhatan
Powhatan, Va.

Major: Human Nutrition,
Foods and Exercise

141

2020 NCAA QUALIFIER

ON THE MAT

- Qualified for the 2020 NCAA Championships at 133 pounds after securing an automatic bid from the 2020 ACC Championships.
- Placed fifth at the 2020 ACC Championships.
- Finished the dual schedule with a 9-5 record during his first season starting at 133 pounds.
- Beat Jamie Hernandez of North Carolina by a 4-3 decision (1/24/20) for his first career ACC win.
- Defeated Central Michigan's Drew Marten by 7-6 decision (1/3/20)
- Went 1-2 at the Cliff Keen Invitational.
- Went 3-2 at the Navy Classic.
- Won a 7-1 decision over No. 14 Quinn Kinner of Ohio State to help the Hokies pull the upset of the third-ranked Buckeyes (11/17/19).
- Redshirted during the 2018-19 season and went 17-6 wrestling unattached.
- Four-time Virginia state champion in high school.
- 2018 NHSCA National Champion.
- 2015 Beast of the East All-American.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2019-20	14-11	9-5	2-3	1	0	3	3:42	36
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	14-11	9-5	2-3	1	0	3	3:42	36

IN THE RANKINGS

WK	INTERMAT	FLO	TRACK
1	-	-	22





MARIO GONZALEZ-ESCOBAR

Freshman
Chantilly
Chantilly, Va.

174

ON THE MAT

- Three-year letterwinner.
- Wrestled at Chantilly High School for coaches Zachary Winfrey, Matthew Keel and Mark Weader.
- Started three years on the team and wrestled at 170 pounds, 182 pounds and 195 pounds.
- Three-time district champion.
- All-region placer.
- All-state qualifier.
- Also played football and lacrosse at Chantilly.
- Wrestled for Tech Squad Wrestling Club for Coach Matthew Keel.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0



BRANDON GREEN

Freshman
Paulsboro
Swedesboro, N.J.

174

ON THE MAT

- New Jersey state champion.
- Council Rock champion.
- 2019 South Jersey Wrestler of the Year.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0





JAKE HART

Redshirt Sophomore

Fort Mill
Fort Mill, S.C.

Major:
Multimedia Journalism

157

ON THE MAT

- Went 8-3 in his first season wrestling attached for the Hokies.
- Placed second at the 2020 Appalachian Open after going 3-1 at the tournament.
- Won the title at the 2019 Southeast Open after a perfect 5-0 showing.
- Redshirted during the 2018-19 season and went 11-7 competing unattached.
- South Carolina state champion in high school.
- Was the No. 1 ranked high school wrestler in South Carolina.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2019-20	8-3	0-0	0-0	3	0	2	1:58	0
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	8-3	0-0	0-0	3	0	2	1:58	0



SAM HILLEGAS (HILL-E-gas)

Freshman

North Hills
Pittsburgh, Penn.

Major:
Building Construction

141

ON THE MAT

- Two-time Pennsylvania state champion.
- Two-time Powerade champion.
- Three-time Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic League champion.
- Three-time county champion.
- Finished high school career with a 157-5 record with 79 pins and 103 bonus point victories.
- Pennsylvania freestyle state champion.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0





SIMEONE HOLMES (SIM-E-ohn)

Freshman

Cosby
Midlothian, Va.

Major:
Building Construction

174

ON THE MAT

- Two-time Virginia state champion.
- Three-time regional champion.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0



DAKOTA HOWARD

Redshirt Sophomore

St. Edward
Cleveland, Ohio

Major: Public Health

174

ON THE MAT

- Made his dual debut at the Moss Arts Center match at 184 pounds versus Duke (2/8/20), winning by 23-6 technical fall in 4:36, for his first career ACC win.
- Placed second at the 2020 Appalachian Open after going 3-1 at the tournament.
- Finished sixth at the 2019 ARMS Software/GMU Patriots Open after a 3-2 showing.
- Went 2-2 at the 2019 Navy Classic.
- Placed fourth at the 2019 Wolfpack Wrestling Club Open going 2-2 at the tournament.
- Finished fifth at the 2019 Southeast Open after a 3-1 showing.
- Redshirted during the 2018-19 season and went 9-2 competing unattached in three open tournaments.
- Was the No. 10 recruit of out high school in the class of 2018 at 195 pounds according to FloWrestling.
- 2017 Ohio freestyle state champion.
- 2018 Ohio state runner-up.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2019-20	14-8	1-0	1-0	5	5	0	-	5
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	14-8	1-0	1-0	5	5	0	-	5





COLBY KASSIR (KASS-eer)

Freshman

Cape Henry Collegiate
Virginia Beach, Va.

Major: Business

184

ON THE MAT

- Three-time state placer.
- State finalist.
- Conference champion.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0



SAM LATONA (luh-TONE-a)

Redshirt Freshman

Thompson
Alabaster, Ala.

Major: Business

125

ON THE MAT

- Redshirted during the 2019-20 campaign.
- Went 20-2 competing unattached in five tournaments.
- Placed third at the 2020 Southern Scuffle after a 6-1 showing with his only loss coming All-American Nick Piccinnini of Oklahoma State.
- Won titles at the 2020 Appalachian Open, 2019 ARMS Software/GMU Patriots Open and 2019 Southeast Open.
- Placed third at the 2019 Wolfpack Wrestling Club Open, going 4-1 with two major decisions and a technical fall.
- Three-year letterwinner at Thompson High School.
- Two-time Fargo national champion.
- 2018 Super 32 finalist.
- 2017 Alabama state champion.
- Ranked No. 51 on FloWrestling's Class of 2019 Big Board.
- Two-time NHSCA national champion.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0

IN THE RANKINGS

WK	INTERMAT	FLO	TRACK
1	18	10	14





MEKHI LEWIS (ma-KAI)

Redshirt Sophomore
Bound Brook
Bound Brook, N.J.

165

- 2019 NATIONAL CHAMPION (165)
- 2019 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS' MOST OUTSTANDING WRESTLER
- 2019 ACC CHAMPION
- 2019 ACC WRESTLER OF THE YEAR
- 2018 JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPION (74 KG)
- 2018 JUNIOR WORLD TEAM MEMBER (74 KG)

ON THE MAT

- Took an Olympic redshirt last season to qualify and train for the 2020 U.S. Olympic Team Trials.
- Captured Virginia Tech wrestling's first individual national championship at the 2019 NCAA Championships as the No. 8 seed.
- Defeated top-seeded Alex Marinelli of Iowa in the quarterfinals (3-1), the No. 4 seed Evan Wick of Wisconsin in the semis (5-2) and the No. 2 seed, two-time defending national champion Vincenzo Joseph of Penn State, in the final (7-1).
- Was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler by the NWCA, joining Cael Sanderson (Iowa State, 1999) as the only freshmen to win the award.
- The fourth ACC wrestler and the first since Darrion Caldwell (NC State, 2009) to be named Outstanding Wrestler.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2018-19	28-2	13-1	5-0	8	3	2	3:55	53
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	28-2	13-1	5-0	8	3	2	3:55	53

IN THE RANKINGS

WK	INTERMAT	FLO	TRACK
1	1	1	1



KORBIN MYERS

Graduate Student
Boiling Springs /
Edinboro
Carlisle, Penn.

133

Major: Agriculture and
Life Sciences

THREE-TIME NCAA QUALIFIER

ON THE MAT

- Missed all of last season with an injury and was granted a medical redshirt by the NCAA.
- Qualified for the 2019 NCAA Championships.
- Placed third at the 2019 ACC Championships.
- Went 20-10 during the 2018-19 season, his first in Blacksburg after transferring from Edinboro.
- Named ACC Wrestler of the Week (1/29/19) after knocking off Pitt's Micky Phillippi and Lehigh's Brandon Paetzell.
- Left Edinboro with a 74-34 career record.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2016-17	30-12	10-5	0-0	11	3	3	0:53	37
2017-18	28-11	11-2	0-0	7	2	3	1:38	39
2018-19	20-10	9-4	3-2	5	2	2	3:41	34
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	78-33	30-11	3-2	23	7	8	0:53	110

IN THE RANKINGS

WK	INTERMAT	FLO	TRACK
1	10	8	11





JOEY PRATA (PRAH-tah)

Redshirt Senior

St. Christopher's School
Richmond, Va.

Major: Finance

125

2020 NCAA QUALIFIER

ON THE MAT

- Qualified for the 2020 NCAA Championships.
- Placed third at the 2020 ACC Championships.
- Placed fourth at the 2019 Cliff Keen Invitational after a 6-2 showing, including an upset of Alex Mackall of Iowa State.
- Started every dual at 125 pounds and went 8-6.
- Placed fourth at the 2019 Navy Classic after going 3-2.
- Claimed a 5-2 decision over Malik Heinselmann of Ohio State to secure the 21-15 upset over the Buckeyes (11/17/19).
- Won a 2-0 decision over Missouri's Dack Punke to help the Hokies pull the upset over the Tigers (11/2/19).

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2018-19	15-13	4-7	3-2	4	0	1	5:34	16
2019-20	20-11	8-6	2-3	0	0	1	6:46	27
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	35-24	12-13	5-5	4	0	2	5:34	43



KRISTIAN SCOTT

Redshirt Sophomore

Central
Phenix City, Ala.

Major:
Computer Engineering

184

ON THE MAT

- Went 6-8 during the 2019-20 campaign in his first season competing attached for the Hokies.
- Went 2-2 at the 2020 Appalachian Open.
- Went 2-2 and had a shutout technical fall at the 2019 Wolfpack Wrestling Club Open.
- Redshirted during the 2018-19 season.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2019-20	6-8	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	-	0
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	6-8	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	-	0





STAN SMELTZER

Redshirt Junior
 Smithfield
 Smithfield, Va.
 Major:
 Aerospace Engineering

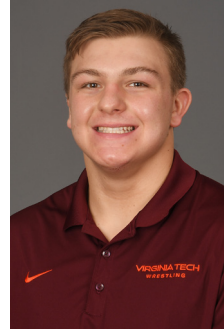
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ON THE MAT

- Went 6-8 in duals in his first season as a starter in 2019-20.
- Led the team with nine major decision wins.
- Had the fastest pin of the season, taking just 18 seconds to end the match.
- Named ACC Wrestler of the Week (1/21/20) after back-to-back major decision wins at Binghamton and Cornell.
- Went 3-2 with a tech fall and two major decisions at the Navy Classic.
- Went 3-1 at the Southeast Open en route to a third-place finish in the 197 open division.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2018-19	4-3	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	-	0
2019-20	13-15	6-8	2-3	9	1	1	0:18	25
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	17-18	6-8	2-3	10	2	1	0:18	25



ANDY SMITH

Freshman
 Christiansburg
 Christiansburg, Va.
 Major: Geography

197

ON THE MAT

- Wrestled at Christiansburg High School for Coach Cliff Warden.
- Five-time All-American.
- State champion.
- Wrestled for Virginia Elite for Coach Cliff Warden.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0





ALEX SWOOPE

Freshman

Floyd E. Kellam
Virginia Beach, Va.

157

ON THE MAT

- Four-year letterwinner.
- Wrestled at Kellam High School for coaches Mike and Ross Benzel.
- Team captain.
- Named Team MVP.
- 2020 state runner-up at 160 pounds.
- Two-time regional finalist.
- Two-time state placer.
- Wrestled for Mat Rats Wrestling Club for coaches Mike and Ross Benzel.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0



NICK THOMPSON

Freshman

All Saints Episcopal
Fort Worth, Texas

125

ON THE MAT

- Four-year letterwinner.
- Wrestled at All Saints Episcopal School for coaches Greg Duke and Johny Hendricks.
- Two-time Texas state placer.
- Two-time Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools runner-up.
- Two-time team captain.
- Wrestled for Johny Hendricks Wrestling Academy for Coach Johny Hendricks.
- Placed third at the 2019 Texas Freestyle State Tournament.
- Texas National Team member.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0





JARRETT TRONGE (TRONG)

Sophomore

Powhatan
Powhatan, Va.

Major: Public Relations

285

ON THE MAT

- Went 3-8 as a freshman during the 2019-20 season.
- Wrestled for Powhatan High School at 245 pounds.
- Placed fifth at the 2019 Virginia state tournament.
- Two-time state tournament qualifier.
- Wrestled club for Virginia Team Predator.
- Won a freestyle state championship.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2019-20	3-8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0
Career	3-8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0



CLAYTON ULREY (ool-RAY)

Freshman

Lower Dauphin
Grantville, Penn.

Major: Engineering

165

ON THE MAT

- Four-year letterwinner.
- Coached by Kemal Pegram at Lower Dauphin High School.
- Wrestled at 138 pounds, 152 pounds and 160 pounds in high school career.
- Three-time state place-winner.
- Four-time district champion.
- Four-time state tournament qualifier.
- Three-year captain.
- Wrestled for Team Nauman under coach Daniel Nauman.
- 2019 Cadet Trials champion.
- Placed third at the 2019 Super 32.
- Placed fifth at the 2018 Fargo.
- Runner-up at 2019 Beast of the East.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0





NATHAN WARDEN

Freshman
Christiansburg
Coal City, W. Va.
Major: Criminology

174

ON THE MAT

- Four-year letterwinner.
- Wrestled at Independence High School in West Virginia and Christiansburg High School for Coach Cliff Warden.
- Four-time state finalist.
- Two-time state champion.
- Four-time regional champion.
- Member of the 2017 West Virginia state championship team for Independence.
- Member of the 2018 Virginia state championship team at Christiansburg.
- Wrestled for Virginia Elite Wrestling for Coach Cliff Warden.
- Earned fourth-place at 2019 Super 32.
- 2019 Powerade placer.
- 2018 Beast of the East placer.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0



BRANDON WITTENBERG (WITT-en-burg)

Redshirt Freshman
Battlefield
Haymarket, Va.
Major: Business

125

ON THE MAT

- Redshirted last season.
- Finished with a 12-7 record wrestling unattached.
- Went 3-2 at the ARMS Software/GMU Patriots Open with two pins and a technical fall.
- Went 4-2 with two pins, including one in 1:10, and a technical fall at the Wolfpack Wrestling Club Open.
- Went 5-2 at the Southeast Open to finish sixth in the 125 freshman/sophomore division.

CAREER STATS

Year	Overall	Dual	ACC	MD	Techs	Falls	Time	Points
2020-21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	-	0





Bryce ANDONIAN
149 lbs. | So.
Kirtland, Ohio
an-DOH-nian



Hunter BOLEN
184 lbs. | r-Jr.
Floyd, Va.
BO-len



John BORST
Heavyweight | r-Jr.
Stephens City, Va.



Connor BRADY
157 lbs. | r-Fr.
Powell, Ohio



Hunter CATKA
Heavyweight | Fr.
Brookhaven, Penn.
CAT-ka



Kolton CLARK
174 lbs. | r-Fr.
Scottsboro, Ala.



Caden DARBER
149 lbs. | r-Jr.
Williamsburg, Va.



Sam FISHER
174 lbs. | Fr.
Warrenton, Va.



Jordan FLORENCE
165 lbs. | r-So.
Beaeton, Va.



Collin GERARDI
141 lbs. | r-So.
Powhatan, Va.



Mario GONZALEZ-ESCOBAR
174 lbs. | Fr.
Chantilly, Va.



Brandon GREEN
174 lbs. | Fr.
Swedesboro, N.J.



Jake HART
157 lbs. | r-So.
Fort Mill, S.C.



Sam HILLEGAS
141 lbs. | Fr.
Pittsburgh, Penn.
HILL-E-gas



Simeone HOLMES
174 lbs. | Fr.
Midlothian, Va.
SIM-E-ohn



Dakota HOWARD
174 lbs. | r-So.
Cleveland, Ohio



Colby KASSIR
184 lbs. | Fr.
Virginia Beach, Va.
KASS-eer



Sam LATONA
125 lbs. | r-Fr.
Alabaster, Ala.
luh-TONE-a



Mekhi LEWIS
165 lbs. | r-So.
Bound Brook, N.J.
ma-KAI



Korbin MYERS
133 lbs. | Gr.
Carlisle, Pa.



Joey PRATA
125 lbs. | r-Sr.
Richmond, Va.
PRAH-tah



Kristian SCOTT
174 lbs. | Fr.
Coal City, W. Va.



Stan SMELTZER
197 lbs. | r-Jr.
Smithfield, Va.



Andy SMITH
197 lbs. | Fr.
Christiansburg, Va.



Alex SWOOPE
157 lbs. | Fr.
Virginia Beach, Va.
SWOPE



Nick THOMPSON
125 lbs. | Fr.
Fort Worth, Texas



Jarett TRONGE
285 lbs. | So.
Powhatan, Va.
TRONG



Clayton ULREY
165 lbs. | Fr.
Grantville, Penn.
ool-RAY



Nathan WARDEN
174 lbs. | Fr.
Coal City, W. Va.



Brandon WITTENBURG
125 lbs. | r-Fr.
Haymarket, Va.
WHIT-in-burg



Tony ROBIE
Head Coach
Fourth Season
ROH-bee



Jared FRAYER
Associate Head Coach
Fourth Season



Cody BREWER
Assistant
Second Season



Jared HAUGHT
Volunteer Assistant
Second Season
HAWT

