

# 2019-20 Kentucky Men's Basketball Quick Facts

## GENERAL

Location	Lexington, Ky.
Enrollment	30,277
Founded	1865
Colors	Blue & White
Nickname	Wildcats
Conference	Southeastern
All-Time Record	2,293-706-1 (.765)
Arena	Rupp Arena (20,500)
Arena Record	594-69, .896 (43 years)
NCAA Championships	8 (1948, '49, '51, '58, '78, '96, '98, 2012)
NCAA Runners-up	4 (1966, 1975, 1997, 2014)
NCAA Tournament Record	129-52 (.713)
Last NCAA Tournament Appearance	2019, NCAA Elite Eight
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 (Philadelphia College of Pharmacy & Science, '70)
Athletics Director	Mitch Barnhart (Ottawa, '81)
Deputy Director	DeWayne Peevy (Montevallo, '96)
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## BASKETBALL STAFF

Head Coach	John Calipari (Clarion, '82)
Overall College Coaching Record	Total: 708-209 (27 years) .772 On-Court Total: 750-211 (27 years) .780 Kentucky: 305-71 (10 years) .811
NCAA Appearances (Record)	18 (47-17) On-Court Total: 20 (56-19)
Associate Head Coach	Kenny Payne (Louisville, '03)
Assistant Coaches	Tony Barbee (Massachusetts, '93) Joel Justus (UNC Wilmington, '04)
Special Asst. to the Head Coach	John Robic (Denison, '86)
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Associate AD/Basketball Operations	Chris Woolard (UCLA, '97)
Director of Basketball Administration	Will Barton (UK, '12)
Equipment Manager	Mark Evans (UK, '13)
Strength and Conditioning Coach	Robert Harris (Kentucky State, '09)
Head Athletic Trainer	Geoffrey Staton (North Carolina, '07)
Director of Academic Services	Michael Stone (UK, '97)
Team Physicians	Dr. Scott Mair; Dr. Robert Hosey

## 2018-19 REVIEW

<b>Record:</b> 30-7 (15-3)
Home: 17-1, Away: 8-2, Neutral: 5-4
<b>SEC Postseason Record:</b> 1-1
Lost to Tennessee, 82-78 (Semifinals   Nashville, Tenn.)
<b>NCAA Postseason Record:</b> 3-1
Lost to Auburn, 77-71 <sup>OT</sup> (Elite Eight   Kansas City, Mo.)

## 2019-20 PREVIEW

### Starters Lost: 4

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Cl.	PPG	RPG
3	Keldon Johnson	G	6-6	Fr.	13.5	5.9
14	Tyler Herro	G	6-5	Fr.	14.0	4.5
22	Reid Traivs	F	6-8	Gr.	11.2	7.2
25	PJ Washington	F	6-8	So.	15.2	7.5

### Starters Returning: 1

0	Ashton Hagans	G	6-3	So.	7.7	4.3*
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### Other Players Lost: 4

0	Quade Green <sup>+</sup>	G	6-0	So.	8.0	2.3*
10	Jonny David	G	6-2	Sr.	0.0	0.1
12	Brad Calipari	G	6-0	Jr.	-	-
13	Jemarl Baker Jr. <sup>#</sup>	G	6-4	R-Fr.	2.3	0.5

### Other Players Returning: 4

4	Nick Richards	F	6-11	Jr.	4.0	3.3
5	Immanuel Quickley	G	6-3	So.	5.2	1.2*
21	Zan Payne <sup>^</sup>	G/F	6-4	R-Fr.	-	-
23	EJ Montgomery	F	6-10	So.	3.8	4.1

### %Newcomers: 8

1	Nate Sestina <sup>~</sup>	F	6-9	Gr.	15.8	8.5
2	Kahlil Whitney	F	6-6	Fr.		
3	Tyrese Maxey	G	6-3	Fr.		
10	Johnny Juzang	G	6-6	Fr.		
11	Dontaie Allen	G	6-6	Fr.		
12	Keion Brooks Jr.	F	6-7	Fr.		
13	Riley Welch <sup>~</sup>	G	6-0	Jr.		
14	Brennan Canada <sup>%</sup>	F	6-6	Fr.		

\*Assists per game; ^Redshirted last season; +Transferred after nine games; #Transferred at the end of the season; ~Stats are from senior season at Bucknell; %Walk-on; ~Walk-on transfer

All heights and weights are unofficial

### Starters Returning/Lost: 1/4

### Players Returning/Lost: 5/8

**Top Returning Scorer:** Ashton Hagans - 7.8 ppg  
**Top Returning Rebounder:** EJ Montgomery - 4.1 rpg  
**Top Returning FG% (min. 50 FGA):** Nick Richards - 59.8%  
**Top Returning FT% (min. 25 FTA):** Immanuel Quickley - 82.8%  
**Percentage of Minutes Returning:** 36.8  
**Percentage of Points Returning:** 27.2  
**Percentage of Rebounds Returning:** 30.5

# 2019-20 Kentucky Basketball Roster

## Numerical

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Ashton Hagans	G	6-3	198	So.	Cartersville, Ga. (Newton High School)
1	Nate Sestina	F	6-9	234	GS	Emporium, Pa. (Bucknell University)
2	Kahlil Whitney	F	6-6	210	Fr.	Chicago (Roselle Catholic High School)
3	Tyrese Maxey	G	6-3	198	Fr.	Garland, Texas (South Garland High School)
4	Nick Richards	F	6-11	247	Jr.	Kingston, Jamaica (The Patrick School)
5	Immanuel Quickley	G	6-3	188	So.	Havre de Grace, Md. (The John Carroll School)
10	Johnny Juzang	G	6-6	214	Fr.	Los Angeles (Harvard-Westlake School)
11	Dontaie Allen	G	6-6	200	Fr.	Falmouth, Ky. (Pendleton County High School)
12	Keion Brooks Jr.	F	6-7	205	Fr.	Fort Wayne, Ind. (La Lumiere School)
13	Riley Welch	G	6-0	185	Jr.	Littleton, Colo. (College of the Desert)
14	Brennan Canada	F	6-6	198	Fr.	Mount Sterling, Ky. (George Rogers Clark High School)
21	Zan Payne	G/F	6-4	235	R-Fr.	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Catholic High School)
23	EJ Montgomery	F	6-10	228	So.	Fort Pierce, Fla. (Wheel HS)

## Alphabetical

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown (Previous School)
11	Dontaie Allen	G	6-6	200	Fr.	Falmouth, Ky. (Pendleton County High School)
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**Head Coach:** John Calipari (Clarion, 1982)

**Associate Head Coach:** Kenny Payne (Louisville, 2003)

**Assistant Coaches:** Tony Barbee (UMass, 1993)

Joel Justus (UNC Wilmington, 2004)

**Special Asst. to the Head Coach:** John Robic (Denison, 1986)

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

**Strength and Conditioning Coach:** Robert Harris (Kentucky State, 2009)

**Head Athletic Trainer:** Geoffrey Staton (North Carolina, 2007)

## Pronunciation Guide

**DONTAIE** Allen - (DON-tay)

**Ashton HAGANS** - (HAY-gens)

**KEION** Brooks Jr. - (KEY-on)

**Johnny JUZANG** - (JEW-zang)

**Nate SESTINA** - (ses-TINA)

**KAHLIL** Whitney - (kuh-LIL)

# From the Offseason Notebook

## The Core Four

Kentucky's annual "graduation day" -- the NBA Draft -- once again resulted in big roster losses for the Wildcats, but Kentucky will return a solid core of four players who played important parts during UK's 2018-19 successful season.

Junior Nick Richards and sophomores Ashton Hagans, Immanuel Quickley and EJ Montgomery elected to return to UK for the 2019-20 season, providing UK head coach John Calipari with valuable experience to go alongside another talented recruiting class.

The Wildcats will return 36.8 percent of their minutes and 27.2 percent of their points from last season with the quartet of Hagans, Quickley, Montgomery and Richards. Combined, the four made 50 starts last season.

Hagans headlines the returners after sharing Southeastern Conference Defensive Player of the Year honors last season. The CollegeInsider.com Kyle Macy Freshman All-America Team and CollegeInsider.com Lefty Drisell Defensive All-America Team selection totaled 61 steals in 2018-19, tied for the third most by a UK freshman in program history. He also averaged 7.7 points and 4.3 assists per game.

Quickley showed as much improvement last season as any player on the roster and evolved into a consistent shot-maker by conference play. He made 30 3-pointers and shot 82.8 percent from the free-throw line.

Montgomery displayed his versatility and ability in 37 appearances and 10 starts. His best game was an 11-point, 13-rebound effort vs. South Carolina.

Richards has appeared in 74 games with 40 starts over the last two seasons. He's blocked 80 shots -- including a team-best 47 in 2018-19 -- over that time with 286 rebounds.

UK will also welcome back guard/forward Zan Payne, who redshirted last season as he recovered from a knee injury.

As for the young talent ...

## Another Highly-Ranked Signing Class for Cal, Kentucky

If it's not an annual certainty at this point, it's at least become a yearly expectation for John Calipari to reel in a top-ranked recruiting class every season. He's *only* done it in *every* year at Kentucky.

This year's group is no exception.

The six-man class includes guards Tyrese Maxey, Johnny Juzang and Dontae Allen and forwards Keion Brooks Jr., Kahlil Whitney and walk-on Brennan Canada.

Officially the class is ranked No. 2 in the country by the Recruiting Services Consensus Index -- making Calipari 11 for 11 when it

comes to top-three ranked recruiting classes -- but even the No. 2 ranking might not do this class justice.

Talent aside -- and this one has plenty of it -- this collection of prospects could be one of Calipari's best because of its versatility. Calipari checked just about every box in putting this class together.

There are shooters. There are playmakers. There is athleticism and toughness. Yes, there is a nice mix of guards and forwards, but this class is once again made up of "position-less" players, giving the Wildcats a number of options to attack teams.

And it doesn't even officially include newcomer Nate Sestina, an All-Patriot League selection (more on him below).

Of the six incoming freshmen, all five scholarship players are consensus five- or four-star prospects, three played in the Jordan Brand Classic and two in the McDonald's All American Game (Juzang was not eligible as a late reclassification).

## UK Adds Bucknell Graduate Transfer Nate Sestina

After a successful season with Stanford graduate transfer Reid Travis, who played a key role in Kentucky advancing to the Elite Eight, UK has added a graduate transfer for a second straight season.

Nate Sestina, a forward from Bucknell, will join the Wildcats for the 2019-20 season. Although he's a different player on the court than Travis, he's expected to bring a similar blend of talent and experience.

The All-Patriot Second Team selection transferred to UK to pursue a master's degree. Under NCAA graduate transfer rules, Sestina is immediately eligible to play for the Wildcats after graduating with his undergraduate degree in geography from Bucknell.

The 6-foot-9, 234-pound forward emerged last season as a versatile big man for Bucknell who can impact the game both inside the paint and on the perimeter. In his first season as a starter, Sestina averaged 15.8 points per game, a team-high 8.5 rebounds and 1.1 blocks.

Sestina shot 53.6 percent from the floor but did his damage from all over the floor. He made 41 3-pointers in his senior season at a 38.0 percent clip.

Sestina ranked sixth in the Patriot League in scoring and second in rebounding. He scored in double figures in 27 of 31 games this season and posted 11 double-doubles. He scored 20 or more points in 10 games last season, including his final two games that led to Patriot League All-Tournament Team honors.

He is the third graduate transfer under Calipari, joining Travis from last season and Julius Mays in 2012-13.

## Other Roster Moves: Welch Added as Walk-On; Calipari, Baker Transfer

Kentucky has added transfer Riley Welch as a walk-on. Welch, a 6-foot guard from Colorado, has enrolled at Kentucky and will be a junior for the 2019-20 season. He will be immediately eligible.

Welch suited up for UC Irvine in 2017-18 and played last season at College of the Desert in Palm Desert, California. He saw action in 27 games as a true freshman at UC Irvine and scored 14 points. Last season, at College of the Desert, Welch appeared in 27 games. He averaged 8.2 points for the Roadrunners in addition to 5.0 assists, 3.5 rebounds and 31 made shots from behind the arc.

Welch will help with depth after guards Brad Calipari and Jemarl Baker Jr. transferred over the summer.

Calipari, the son of head coach John Calipari, graduated in three seasons from UK and will be immediately eligible at Detroit Mercy as a graduate transfer.

Baker, who spent two seasons at UK, one as a redshirt, transferred to Arizona.

Calipari was a member of the team for three seasons. He appeared in 27 games in two seasons before redshirting in 2018-19.

Baker appeared in 28 games during his redshirt freshman season with 64 points, 15 rebounds, 12 assists and 13 3-pointers. Known more for his ability to spread the floor with his outside shot, he earned his way onto the court and became a key reserve because of his ability to defend.

The Menifee, California, product made a solid impact in 2018-19 after missing the 2017-18 season with a knee injury. He missed the first eight games of the season but made his debut vs. Seton Hall and appeared in every game but one from that point forward.

## 2019-20 Schedule Offers Challenges, Opportunities

Kentucky's scheduling philosophy under John Calipari has been the same every season: prepare his team for postseason play by both playing some of the nation's best while gradually building the confidence of his annually young teams.

The 2019-20 slate appears to be no different.

The nonconference schedule features the likes of the defending national runners-up, Texas Tech, the annual rivalry game with Louisville in Rupp Arena, a visit to Las Vegas to play Ohio State in the CBS Sports Classic and Utah, a home game with Georgia Tech, and a titanic season opener vs. Michigan State

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in the State Farm Champions Classic in New York.

Seven of UK's 13 nonconference opponents in the upcoming season made a postseason tournament in 2019, five of which made the NCAA Tournament.

Six teams finished the 2018-19 season with an NCAA Evaluation Tool ranking in the top 100 and four ended the season receiving votes in one of the two major polls. All told, Kentucky's current 2019-20 nonconference opponents combined for a record of 253-188 in 2018-19, a .574 winning percentage.

That nonconference schedule will give way to one of the toughest league schedules in the country. Although dates have not been finalized yet, UK will play its permanent home-and-away opponents of Florida, Tennessee and Vanderbilt twice, plus host and visit both Auburn and Georgia.

Kentucky's league home schedule will include the five aforementioned teams as well as Alabama, Mississippi State, Missouri and Ole Miss. UK's road matchups will come against Arkansas, LSU, South Carolina and Texas A&M, in addition to Auburn, Georgia and the three permanent home-and-home opponents.

The nonconference and league schedule combined reveals that 15 of the 26 opponents UK will face played in the postseason in 2018-19, including 11 in the NCAA Tournament, five in the Sweet 16 and three in the Final Four. Six teams are in ESPN.com's way-too-early top-25 rankings.

## Calipari, Kentucky Agree to New Long-Term Contract

John Calipari, who owns more wins, more NCAA Tournament wins, more Final Four appearances, more Elite Eight berths and more Sweet 16 showings than any other coach since his arrival at UK, signed a new long-term contract with the school in June that will offer him the opportunity to end his career in Lexington.

The new deal, with total guaranteed compensation – which includes base salary and media/endorsement payments – is valued at \$86 million over the lifetime of the contract. With a base salary of \$400,000 per season from the university, Calipari will make \$8 million in total compensation over the next two seasons with increases starting in 2021-22 (\$8.5 million per year for four seasons) and 2025-26 (\$9 million per year for four seasons).

The only incentive included in Calipari's new contract remains the performance of the men's basketball team in the Academic Progress Rate, a metric created by the NCAA to measure academic eligibility, retention and graduation. The bonus will remain unchanged at \$50,000 from the previous contract for

meeting the threshold of 975. The men's basketball team has earned an NCAA award in five straight seasons for finishing among the top 10% of Division I men's basketball schools.

Calipari's new contract will no longer include a retention bonus. Beginning with the sixth contract year of the agreed upon terms, Calipari has the option to step down as the head coach and become special assistant to the athletics director/university representative. He would receive \$950,000 in annual compensation for the position.

Compensation for all head coaches is funded self-sufficiently and entirely by UK Athletics, with no additional funds coming from the university or any foundation.

Calipari is entering his 11th season at Kentucky. With a 305-71 record at UK, he trails only the Baron of the Bluegrass, Adolph Rupp, in total wins as the head coach of the Wildcats. His winning percentage of .811 at Kentucky is only fractions behind Rupp's pace through his first 376 games at UK, and he surpassed Rupp during the Wildcats' 2019 Elite Eight run for most NCAA Tournament victories (31) as Kentucky's head coach. When he reached the 300-win mark at UK last season, he became the fourth-fastest coach to 300 wins at one program in NCAA history.

The Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Famer (first ballot) had led Kentucky to a national championship and four Final Fours (2011, '12, '14 and '15) in a five-season span, just the third coach (John Wooden and Mike Krzyzewski) in the history of college basketball to accomplish such a feat.

## Another Successful NBA Draft for UK

In what has been dubbed "graduation night" by head coach John Calipari, three more Kentucky men's basketball players had their names called and walked across the Barclays Center stage in the annual ceremony most fans know as the NBA Draft. PJ Washington (No. 12, Charlotte Hornets), Tyler Herro (No. 13, Miami Heat) and Keldon Johnson (No. 29, San Antonio Spurs) were the three players selected during the 2019 NBA Draft on Thursday.

In 10 seasons with Calipari at the helm, Kentucky has churned out three No. 1 selections, 29 first-rounders, 21 lottery picks and 38 total players in the NBA Draft. The 38 draft picks are 14 more than the next closest school (Duke). With another surge of first-round picks, Kentucky has more first-round selections (40) than any other school in the NBA lottery era (since 1985).

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. For the fifth time in 10 seasons

under Calipari, UK has churned out at least three first-round selections. The Wildcats had five in the opening round in 2010 (John Wall, DeMarcus Cousins, Patrick Patterson, Eric Bledsoe, Daniel Orton), four in 2012 (Anthony Davis, Michael Kidd-Gilchrist, Terrence Jones, Marquis Teague) and in 2015 (Karl-Anthony Towns, Willie Cauley-Stein, Trey Lyles, Devin Booker) and three in 2017 (De'Aaron Fox, Malik Monk, Bam Adebayo) and in 2019 (Washington, Herro, Johnson).

It was the 10th consecutive NBA Draft that Kentucky was represented by multiple players in the first round of the draft. UK is the only program since the draft went to two rounds in 1989 to have multiple players selected in the first round in 10 straight years. Calipari is the only coach to have multiple players selected in 12 consecutive NBA Drafts, dating back to his time at Memphis. UK has had multiple lottery selections in seven of 10 drafts under Calipari and has featured a player in the lottery in all 10 drafts under Calipari, which no other school can claim.

The Wildcats' three total picks tied Duke, North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia for the most selections in the 2019 NBA Draft.

Although graduate transfer Reid Travis went undrafted, he signed a deal to play with Medi Bayreuth in Germany.

Herro and Johnson were among the top-performing rookies in the NBA Summer League. Herro averaged 19.8 points and 4.5 rebounds per game while Johnson posted a 9.3 scoring average. Washington did not play for precautionary reasons.

## Staton Named New Athletic Trainer

Geoffrey Staton, who has experience at the college, professional and international levels, was hired as the head athletic trainer for the Kentucky men's basketball team this summer.

Staton takes over for Chris Simmons, who served in the role since 2009-10 and returned to Memphis as the head athletic trainer.

As the head athletic trainer, Staton, in conjunction with Kentucky's medical staff, will manage the daily healthcare of the Kentucky men's basketball team and operation of the training room. This will include daily injury and illness management, evaluations, treatments, rehabilitation protocols, corrective exercises, recovery strategies, referrals, and post-operative care.

Staton will work closely with the coaches and UK men's basketball strength and conditioning coach Robert Harris to provide the best plan for players to maximize their health and athletic performance, in addition to coverage for all workouts, practices, shoot-arounds and games.

Staton is no stranger to Kentucky or



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Calipari. He received his master's degree in athletic training from UK in 2010. Staton also worked with Calipari as the head athletic trainer during the FIBA U19 World Cup in Cairo in the summer of 2017. Calipari was the head coach of that team that won the bronze medal.

Staton most recently worked with Devin Booker and the Phoenix Suns for a season as an assistant athletic trainer. He was charged with assisting with the day-to-day duties of the training room and injury/illness management of NBA roster and assigned G League players, sharing bench and locker room responsibilities for each home and away game, and assisting with post-practice and postgame treatment and recovery efforts.

## Barnhart Named Chair of NCAA DI Men's Basketball Committee for 2020-21

One of the most influential leaders in college athletics, Mitch Barnhart will soon step into one of his most high-profile roles yet. The Kentucky athletics director has been named the chair of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee for the 2020-21 season.

Barnhart – selected by Sports Business Journal as Athletic Director of the Year earlier this year – will serve as vice chair this season, working with committee chair Kevin White – who is the Vice President and Director of Athletics at Duke University. Barnhart will serve his fourth year in a five-year term this season on the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee, which is responsible for selecting, seeding and bracketing teams for the NCAA Tournament, along with administration of the NCAA's highest-profile event.

Barnhart is the third director of athletics from the University of Kentucky to serve as chair of the men's basketball committee, joining Bernie Shively and C.M. Newton.

## Cousins Headed into UK Athletics Hall of Fame in Mid-September

DeMarcus Cousins (2010) will join John Calipari greets Anthony Davis and John Wall in the UK Athletics Hall of Fame, Sept. 13-14.

Cousins is one of six former UK stars in the 2019 Hall of Fame class.

The UK Athletics Hall of Fame was started in 2005 to recognize and honor persons whose participation and achievements enriched and strengthened the University's athletics program. The charter class included 88 individuals who had previously had their jersey retired by UK.

There is a five-year waiting period after leaving UK to be eligible for inclusion into the Hall of Fame. A committee consisting of Hall

of Famers, media members, campus representatives and current coaches and administrators elects new inductees each year.

Cousins was key member of Calipari's first team at Kentucky. Alongside Wall, UK went 35-3, won the Southeastern Conference regular-season and tournament titles -- the Wildcats' first since 2005 -- and came within a game of the Elite Eight.

Individually, Cousins raked in awards and honors. He was tabbed an NCAA Consensus Second Team All-American, including first-team nod from the Associated Press. He was named the 2010 SEC Freshman of the Year by the league's coaches, an All-SEC First Team (AP and coaches) member and made the SEC All-Freshman Team.

Cousins averaged 15.1 points and 9.9 rebounds during his memorable freshman campaign and finished the season with the eighth-most rebounds in a single season in UK history with 375.

He was Selected fifth overall in the 2010 NBA Draft and has been named to the NBA All-Star Game four times during his nine-year NBA career. He was also voted to the All-NBA Second Team in 2015 and 2016 and has averaged double figures in every NBA season, including 20-plus points in five years.

## Three Wildcats Win NBA Championship

Kentucky's massive NBA presence was felt at every level in the Toronto Raptors organization during Toronto's championship run in 2019.

Former UK players Jodie Meeks (2007-09) and Jamaal Magloire (1997-2000) and former UK manager Chad Sanders (2007-10) were a part of the Raptors' incredible run this season.

Meeks was a key player off the bench throughout the season and saw action in the championship series. Magloire is a part of Toronto's front office, and Sanders is the general manager of Toronto's G League team.

The championship for Meeks marks the first time an NBA player who played for the Wildcats has won an NBA title since Rajon Rondo did it in 2008 for the Boston Celtics.

## Former Greats Earn NBA Honors

Former Kentucky men's basketball stars Eric Bledsoe (2010) and Shai Gilgeous-Alexander (2018) were among the honorees for the 2018-19 NBA awards unveiling in May.

Bledsoe was named to the NBA All-Defensive First Team while Gilgeous-Alexander made the NBA All-Rookie Second Team.

Bledsoe became the third Kentucky player under John Calipari to win NBA All-Defensive

honors. Anthony Davis was named to the first team in 2018 and the second team in 2015 and 2017. John Wall made the second team in 2015. It marks the first such honor for the Milwaukee Bucks' starting point guard.

Gilgeous-Alexander was the sixth-leading vote getter on the All-Rookie ballot after leading the Los Angeles Clippers to the postseason with a brilliant first-year campaign. The 11th overall pick of the 2018 NBA Draft is the 11th Wildcat in the Calipari era to earn NBA All-Rookie honors.

## Cats Win NCAA Academic Award for APR Score Fifth Straight year

The Wildcats received an NCAA award for placing in the top 10% of all men's basketball teams in the country in the NCAA's annual Academic Progress Rate. UK scored a perfect 1,000.

It's the fifth straight year the men's basketball team has received the award and the sixth time since 2009.

The APR provides a real-time look at a team's academic success by the progress of each student-athlete on scholarship. The APR measures academic eligibility, retention and graduation. The scores are a four-year composite, covering the 2014-15 through 2017-18 school years.

Every Division I sports team across the nation calculates its APR each academic year, similar to a report card. Scholarship student-athletes each semester earn one point for remaining eligible and one point for staying in school or graduating.

UK has received a perfect 1,000 mark in each of the last six single-year APR rates. The NCAA cut score to compete in the 2019-20 postseason is a 930 four-year APR. Teams scoring below 930 can face consequences intended to direct additional focus on academics. Those penalties can include practice restrictions and playing-season reductions.

## Six Wildcats Make SEC Academic Honor Roll

Six Kentucky men's basketball players -- Brad Calipari (Winter), Jonny David (Winter), Tyler Herro (First Year), Keldon Johnson (First Year), Zan Payne (First Year) and Reid Travis (First Year) -- made the Southeastern Conference Academic Honor Roll.

Any student-athlete who participates in a SEC championship sport or a student-athlete who participates in a sport listed on his/her institution's NCAA Sports Sponsorship Form is eligible for nomination to the Winter Academic Honor Roll. To make the SEC Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must have a grade-point average of 3.00 or above

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for either the preceding academic year (two semesters or three quarters) or have a cumulative grade point average of 3.00 or above at the nominating institution.

The 2018-19 First-Year Academic Honor Roll is based on grades from the 2018 summer and fall terms, along with the 2019 spring term. A student-athlete must have a 3.0 grade-point average for the entire year to earn a place on the honor roll.

UK has earned 67 SEC Academic Honor Roll distinctions in John Calipari's nine seasons. The Wildcats received 45 all-time prior to his arrival.

## **Rupp Renovations to Feature Chair-Back Seating in Upper Arena**

Originally announced when UK agreed to a new lease in December 2016 and formalized the agreement earlier this year, upper-level chair-back seating and new club areas are coming to Rupp Arena this season.

This next phase of Rupp renovations comes on the heels of the addition of a new center-hung scoreboard, ribbon boards, new sound system and lighting that have created a more dynamic game experience in Rupp.

Chair-back seating in the upper-level sideline will be installed in sections 211-217 and 228-234 through a project that will be completed for the 2019-20 season. This project was undertaken in response to years of feedback from fans asking for more comfortable seating in the upper level. Construction began after the 2018-19 season. A new seat selection process for all upper-level season ticket holders was completed this summer.

In addition to new chair-back seating in the upper level, the renovation will bring new club areas to Rupp Arena for the first time. Fans in these new clubs will be able to enjoy first-class amenities before, during and after games. These new clubs are crucial to providing the funds necessary for both the new lease agreement and the ongoing renovation of Rupp Arena.

Two clubs available to season ticket holders will open for the upcoming season, with another to follow in 2020-21. Club membership does not include a ticketed seat and club members may have seats throughout Rupp Arena. Season ticket holders may purchase club memberships to accompany their season ticket package. Club membership pricing and amenities will be announced as soon as details are finalized, and sales will begin shortly thereafter. Memberships will initially be offered to season ticket holders based on K Fund priority ranking.

After renovations, Rupp Arena will seat approximately 20,500. The top priority is ensuring that all current season ticket holders

will maintain seats in the newly renovated Rupp Arena and UK fully anticipates being able to do so.



# 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 49 players earn selection in the NBA Draft during his 27-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 700 on-court victories, 20 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 10 seasons at UK, he leads all coaches in total wins (305), 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 Massachusetts, 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 49 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’s had 38 players drafted during his first 10 years at Kentucky, including 29 first-round picks.

Calipari’s players have entered the league NBA-ready. His players have garnered 20 All-Star selections, with Anthony Davis winning the game’s MVP honor in 2017. Rose was named MVP in 2011. Five of his players have been tabbed All-NBA, three have been named NBA Rookie of the Year, and 12 players from Calipari’s first nine teams at Kentucky have made the NBA All-Rookie teams.

Much like he did at UMass, where his players graduated at nearly 80 percent, Calipari has stressed academics. Fifteen of his last 18 seniors at Memphis earned their bachelor’s degrees, and all 18 players at UK who were eligible to graduate by the end of their senior years walked away with a diploma in hand, including four players who earned their degree in just three years. Calipari’s teams routinely have posted a combined team grade-point averages of 3.0 or better.

His foundation, The Calipari Foundation, has raised millions of dollars to help the lives of those in need in the Commonwealth and across the country. In 2010, he used a telethon to raise more than \$1 million for victims of the devastating earthquake in Haiti. He organized another one in 2012 for victims of Superstorm Sandy and another one in 2017 for victims of Hurricane Harvey.

In 2013, Calipari developed the idea of 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 (the game and the fantasy experience) has generated more than \$1 million for charity every year since, including in 2014 without the funds from an alumni game and 2016 with a celebrity softball game in place of the traditional basketball game.

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 - pres.)**

### Coaching Awards

- 2018 Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame 'Service Above Self' Honoree
- 2018 NABC Metropolitan Award
- 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

# Ashton Hagons



6-3 • 198

Sophomore • Guard

Cartersville, Ga.

Newton High School  
(Covington, Ga.)

## 2018-19

Strong freshman season that included a number of accolades ... Named the Southeastern Conference Co-Defensive Player of the Year alongside LSU's Tremont Waters ... Also tabbed to the league's SEC All-

Defensive Team ... Selected for the Athletic's All-Glue Team ... Made the CollegeInsider.com Kyle Macy Freshman All-America Team ... Also tabbed to the CollegeInsider.com Lefty Drisell Defensive All-America Team ... Naismith National Defensive Player of the Year semifinalist ... Two-time SEC Freshman of the Week winner ... Totaled 284 points, 160 assists, 96 rebounds and 61 steals in his freshman campaign ... Led UK in assists, steals, games led in assists (26) and games led in steals (17) ... Developed into UK's best on-ball defender ... Started 30 of 37 games, including the final 29 ... Tied Shai Gilgeous-Alexander for the third-most steals by a freshman in school history ... Dished out the fifth-most assists by a freshman in school history ... Had 29 games with three or more assists ... Recorded 10 games with three or more steals ... Scored in double figures in 13 games ... Made nine 3-pointers over his final 12 games after making five in the prior 25 ... Scored 10 points and grabbed five rebounds in the season finale vs. Auburn ... Totaled 12 points, five rebounds and four assists in the NCAA Tournament second-round win over No. 19/19 Wofford ... Posted a double-double with 10 points and a career-high 12 assists in the SEC Tournament semifinal game vs. No. 8/8 Tennessee ... The 12 assists tied for the most in SEC Tournament history ... Scored 14 points in the regular-season finale vs. Florida ... Recorded 10 points in the road win at Ole Miss ... Notched 14 points thanks to two 3-pointers with five assists in the home victory against Auburn ... Made a career-high two 3-pointers en route to 12 points at Missouri ... Posted nine points and seven assists in the win over top-ranked Tennessee ... Flirted with a double-double with eight points and nine assists at Mississippi State ... Dished out six or more assists in four straight games from Jan. 19 to Jan. 29 ... All-around solid game with seven points, eight assists and six rebounds at Vanderbilt ... Played a key role in the home victory vs. No. 9/10 Kansas with 12 points, eight assists and three steals ... Nine assists in the home win vs. No. 22/22 Mississippi State ... First player in school history

with at least three steals in seven straight games (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19), the longest such streak by a major-conference freshman since Chris Paul had a stretch of 10 straight games with three or more steals in 2003-04 ... Grabbed a career-high seven rebounds to go along with six points and three steals at No. 14/12 Auburn ... Enjoyed a career day in his return home to Georgia with a career-high 23 points, five rebounds, four assists and four steals ... Scored 15 points on 7-of-9 shooting in addition to four assists and three steals at home against Vanderbilt ... Thanks to a career-high 10 free throws, scored 18 points to go along with five assists and five steals vs. Texas A&M ... Recorded 12 points and six assists at Alabama ... Recorded his first career game in double figures with 11 points at Louisville ... Broke through vs. No. 9/10 North Carolina in the CBS Sports Classic with a career-high eight steals, seven points, four rebounds and three assists ... The eight steals vs. UNC tied the school record previously set by Rajon Rondo and Wayne Turner ... Totaled eight points and four assists vs. Seton Hall ... Made his first career starts vs. Duke.

## HIGH SCHOOL

Forewent his final year of high school eligibility and enrolled at UK a year early ... Swept the major awards in the state of Georgia, winning both the Gatorade Georgia Player of the Year and the Mr. Georgia Basketball honor ... Averaged 20.2 points, 10.7 assists, 7.6 assists and 3.6 steals while leading Newton to the 7A state semifinals ... Rated as the No. 12 overall player in the final Rivals rankings and No. 13 by 247 Sports ... ESPN ranked him No. 20 overall ... Consensus top three point guard in class of 2018 ... Led his AAU team, Game Elite, in assists ... Helped lead Newton to two regional championships.

## PERSONAL

Born July 8 in Cartersville, Georgia ... Major is community and leadership development ... Parents are Monica Wheeler and Marvin Hagons ... Has four siblings, India, Byron, Amoir and Imani... Cousin of former NFL and Auburn running back Ronnie Brown and former NBA player and first-team All-SEC selection at Georgia Trey Thompkins ... Also participated in football and baseball ... Won football little league state championship as a kid ... Favorite activity away from the court is spending time with his family ... Chose Kentucky because of its great coaching staff and he aspires to continue to improve as a player.

## 2018-19 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points	
Season	23, at Georgia (1/15/19)
Career	23, at Georgia (1/15/19)
Rebounds	
Season	7, at Auburn (1/19/19)
Career	7, at Auburn (1/19/19)
Field Goals	
Season	9, at Georgia (1/15/19)
Career	9, at Georgia (1/15/19)
Field Goals Attempted	
Season	18, at Georgia (1/15/19)
Career	18, at Georgia (1/15/19)
3-Point Field Goals	
Season	2, 2x, last vs. AUBURN (2/23/19)
Career	2, 2x, last vs. AUBURN (2/23/19)
3-Point Field Goals Attempted	
Season	4, 3x, last vs. Auburn (3/31/19)
Career	4, 3x, last vs. Auburn (3/31/19)
Free Throws	
Season	10, vs. TEXAS A&M (1/8/19)
Career	10, vs. TEXAS A&M (1/8/19)
Free Throws Attempted	
Season	11, vs. TEXAS A&M (1/8/19)
Career	11, vs. TEXAS A&M (1/8/19)
Assists	
Season	12, vs. Tennessee (3/16/19)
Career	12, vs. Tennessee (3/16/19)
Steals	
Season	8, vs. North Carolina (12/22/18)
Career	8, vs. North Carolina (12/22/18)
Blocked Shots	
Season	2, vs. VMI (11/18/18)
Career	2, vs. VMI (11/18/18)
Minutes Played	
Season	38, 2x, last vs. Auburn (3/31/19)
Career	38, 2x, last vs. Auburn (3/31/19)

## MISCELLANEOUS 2018-19 CAREER

Dunks	3	3
Double-Figure Scoring Games	13	13
Double-Figure Rebounding Games	0	0
Games With Double-Double	1	1
Games Led UK in Scoring	2	2
Games Led UK in Rebounding	1	1
Games Led UK in Assists	26	26
Games Led UK in Steals	17	17
Games Led UK in Blocks	1	1
Games With 3+ Assists	29	29
Games With 3+ Blocks	0	0
Games With 3+ Steals	10	10
Games With 3+ Three-Pointers	0	0

## Hagons' Career Stats

Year	GP-S	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	Reb.-Avg.	PF-D	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts.-Avg
2018-19	37-30	1054-28.5	100-214	.467	14-51	.275	70-92	.761	96-2.6	73-0	160	94	4	61	284-7.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37-30</b>	<b>1054-28.5</b>	<b>100-214</b>	<b>.467</b>	<b>14-51</b>	<b>.275</b>	<b>70-92</b>	<b>.761</b>	<b>96-2.6</b>	<b>73-0</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>284-7.7</b>





# Kentucky Basketball Head Coach

# John Calipari

## Miscellaneous On-Court Records

**Overall On-Court Record:** 750-211 (.780)

**March/April Record:** 163-47 (.776)

**NCAA On-Court Record:** 56-19 (.747)

**Record in Conference Games:** 344-104 (.768)

**Record in Conference Tournaments:** 57-12 (.826)

- Calipari owns the 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 Krzyzewski) to go to four Final Fours in five seasons
- Calipari has advanced to the Sweet 16 in 12 of his last 14 seasons and the Elite Eight in 10 of the last 14 seasons
- Calipari started with a 54-0 record in Rupp Arena as head coach of the Wildcats
- Calipari has 35 players who have been selected in the NBA Draft (29 first-round picks) over the last 10 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 30 combined regular season and tournament league titles trail only Mark Few (33) of Gonzaga for the most among active coaches
- Calipari became the fourth-fastest coach to 700 on-court wins, behind only Adolph Rupp, Jerry Tarkanian and Roy Williams
- 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 won 30

## Since 2005-06 ...

Since the 2005-06 season, John Calipari's on-court record ranks him as the winningest coach. Totals through the end of the 2018-19 season.

1. John Calipari	442-85
2. Bill Self	426-90
3. Mike Krzyzewski	411-98
4. Mark Few	409-85
5. Roy Williams	401-118

## Head Coaching Record

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

**NCAA Totals**      **708-209 .772**

\*-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 750-211 for a .780 winning percentage.

## On Pace with the Baron of the Bluegrass

Legendary coach Adolph Rupp won 876 career games while he was the coach at Kentucky. He also led UK to four NCAA titles during his 41-year tenure.

Through their first 376 games, John Calipari is just behind Rupp's pace to begin his career at UK in total victories. Calipari (.811) is slightly behind Rupp (.822) in total Kentucky career winning percentage.

1. Adolph Rupp	308-67
2. John Calipari	305-71
3. Joe B. Hall	285-91

# EJ Montgomery

# 23

6-10 • 228

Sophomore • Forward

Fort Pierce, Fla.

Wheeler High School  
(Marietta, Ga.)

## 2018-19

Declared for the NBA Draft but elected to return to school for his sophomore season ... Appeared in all 37 games for the Wildcats during his freshman campaign, including making 10 starts ...

Started in nine of UK's final 11 games ... UK was 9-1 overall when he started ... Scored 139 points, had 150 rebounds, totaled 38 blocks, posted 16 steals and had 15 assists ... Ranked third on the team with the 38 rejections and led the team in the 14 games ... Logged three games with three or more swats ... Had two games with double-figure scoring and two with double-digit rebounds ... Led the team in steals in six games ... Grabbed 11 rebounds in his NCAA Tournament debut against Abilene Christian ... Scored eight points against Tennessee in the Southeastern Conference Tournament semifinals ... Posted a career-high four blocks, six rebounds and two points at Ole Miss ... In the first game without Reid Travis (sprained right knee), started and played 23 minutes against Auburn ... Finished with six points, seven rebounds, three blocks and a pair of steals in that win ... Scored six points and had four rebounds in nine minutes of the win over No. 1/1 Tennessee ... Earned his first career double-double with career highs in points (11) and rebounds (13) in a win over South Carolina ... Also drained a 3-pointer against the Gamecocks ... Had two momentum-changing offensive rebounds in a come-from-behind win at Florida ... Posted six points and six rebounds at Georgia ... Had five or more points in seven of his first eight career games ... Totaled eight points and five rebounds against UNC Greensboro ... Registered seven points, four boards and a pair of steals against Monmouth ... Logged eight points, seven rebounds and a pair of blocks against North Dakota ... Scored 10 points and had seven rebounds in a win over Southern Illinois ... Had eight points and six rebounds in his collegiate debut against No. 4/3 Duke.

## HIGH SCHOOL

Averaged 25.6 points, 13.6 rebounds and 4.3 assists per game at Wheeler ... During his career he has captured MVP honors, First Team All-State accolades and was named Florida's player of the year ... Scored 12 points and had five rebounds at the McDonald's All American Game

... 2017-18 Marietta Daily Journal/Cobb County Boys Basketball Player of the Year ... Began his high school career at Montverde Academy and played with future NBA No. 1 overall draft pick Ben Simmons ... Considered a five-star recruit and was ranked as high as No. 6 overall by 247 Sports ... The service also listed him as the No. 1 power forward ... Rivals ranked him No. 11 overall, while ESPN listed him at No. 14 ... Also participated in multiple junior national team mini-camps with USA Basketball.

## PERSONAL

Born Sept. 12 in Fort Pierce, Florida ... Major is community and leadership development ... Parents are Efrem and Glenda Montgomery ... Has two sisters, Brittni and Brandy ... Both of his parents and his two sisters played basketball in college ... Lists some of his favorite movies as Love and Basketball, Friday and The Purge ... Also played football ... A hobby outside of basketball is playing video games, particularly NBA2K and Fortnite ... Greatest fear is not fulfilling his dreams ... Parents are his biggest influence ... Chose Kentucky because of its great coaches and the opportunity to continue to improve his game.

## 2018-19 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points	
Season	11, vs. SOUTH CAROLINA (2/5/19)
Career	11, vs. SOUTH CAROLINA (2/5/19)
Rebounds	
Season	13, vs. SOUTH CAROLINA (2/5/19)
Career	13, vs. SOUTH CAROLINA (2/5/19)
Field Goals	
Season	5, vs. SOUTH CAROLINA (2/5/19)
Career	5, vs. SOUTH CAROLINA (2/5/19)
Field Goals Attempted	
Season	8, 2x, last vs. N. DAKOTA (11/14/18)
Career	8, 2x, last vs. N. DAKOTA (11/14/18)
3-Point Field Goals	
Season	1, 2x, last vs. S. CAROLINA (2/5/19)
Career	1, 2x, last vs. S. CAROLINA (2/5/19)
3-Point Field Goals Attempted	
Season	2, vs. MISSISSIPPI STATE (1/22/19)
Career	2, vs. MISSISSIPPI STATE (1/22/19)
Free Throws	
Season	3, vs. TENNESSEE STATE (11/23/18)
Career	3, vs. TENNESSEE STATE (11/23/18)
Free Throws Attempted	
Season	4, vs. TENNESSEE STATE (11/23/18)
Career	4, vs. TENNESSEE STATE (11/23/18)
Assists	
Season	2, 4x, last vs. Alabama (3/15/19)
Career	2, 4x, last vs. Alabama (3/15/19)
Steals	
Season	3, vs. Wofford (3/23/19)
Career	3, vs. Wofford (3/23/19)
Blocked Shots	
Season	4, at Ole Miss (3/5/19)
Career	4, at Ole Miss (3/5/19)
Minutes Played	
Season	28, vs. FLORIDA (3/9/19)
Career	28, vs. FLORIDA (3/9/19)

MISCELLANEOUS	2018-19	CAREER
Dunks	18	18
Double-Figure Scoring Games	2	2
Double-Figure Rebounding Games	2	2
Games With Double-Double	1	1
Games Led UK in Scoring	0	0
Games Led UK in Rebounding	3	3
Games Led UK in Assists	0	0
Games Led UK in Steals	6	6
Games Led UK in Blocks	14	14
Games With 3+ Assists	0	0
Games With 3+ Blocks	3	3
Games With 3+ Steals	1	1
Games With 3+ Three-Pointers	0	0

## Montgomery's Career Stats

Year	GP-S	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	Reb.-Avg.	PF-D	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts.-Avg
2018-19	37-10	558-15.1	60-125	.480	2-10	.200	17-30	.567	150-4.1	79-0	15	29	38	16	139-3.8
TOTAL	37-10	558-15.1	60-125	.480	2-10	.200	17-30	.567	150-4.1	79-0	15	29	38	16	139-3.8

# Zan Payne

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6-4 • 235

R-Freshman • G/F

Lexington, Ky.

Lexington Catholic  
High School

## 2018-19

2018-19 SEC Academic Honor Roll member ... Dean's List spring 2019 ... Used his first season as a redshirt year to recover from a knee injury he suffered at the end of his high school career ...

He is expected to return for workouts this fall.

## HIGH SCHOOL

A highly-productive player out of Lexington Catholic High School ... 1,000-point scorer for the Knights ... Averaged 19.3 points and 8.7 rebounds per game as a senior ... Three-year starter and scored 1,282 career points, which ranks 14th all-time in program history ... Also collected 934 career rebounds and finished his career as the school's fourth all-time career leader in rebounds ... A knee injury in February of his senior season prematurely ended his career.

## PERSONAL

Born March 23 in Cherry Hill, New Jersey ... Major is undeclared/exploratory studies in agriculture ... First name is Alexander but goes by Zan ... Parents are Kenny and Michelle Payne ... Has a sister, Alexis ... Father played basketball at Louisville ... Chose his jersey number because his father, Kenny, also wore that number in college ... Enjoys playing Fortnite when he's not on the court ... Lists a definition of a true hero as someone who always does the right thing ... His dad has had the greatest influence on his life.

## 2018-19 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

### Points

Season -  
Career -

### Rebounds

Season -  
Career -

### Field Goals

Season -  
Career -

### Field Goal Attempted

Season -  
Career -

### 3-Point Field Goals

Season -  
Career -

### 3-Point Field Goals Attempted

Season -  
Career -

### Free Throws

Season -  
Career -

### Free Throws Attempted

Season -  
Career -

### Assists

Season -  
Career -

### Steals

Season -  
Career -

### Blocked Shots

Season -  
Career -

### Minutes Played

Season -  
Career -

## MISCELLANEOUS 2018-19 CAREER

Dunks	-	-
Double-Figure Scoring Games	-	-
Double-Figure Rebounding Games	-	-
Games With Double-Double	-	-
Games Led UK in Scoring	-	-
Games Led UK in Rebounding	-	-
Games Led UK in Assists	-	-
Games Led UK in Steals	-	-
Games Led UK in Blocks	-	-
Games With 3+ Assists	-	-
Games With 3+ Blocks	-	-
Games With 3+ Steals	-	-
Games With 3+ Three-Pointers	-	-

# Immanuel Quickley

# 5

6-3 • 188

Sophomore • Guard

Havre de Grace, Md.

The John Carroll  
School

## 2018-19

One of UK's most improved players this season ... Appeared in all 37 games and made seven starts as a freshman ... Registered 193 points, 65 rebounds, 44 assists and 16 steals in his first season ... Scored in double figures

in six games ... UK was a perfect 6-0 in such games ... Made 82.8 percent of his foul shots ... Drained two from the charity stripe in clutch situations in wins against Arkansas and Ole Miss ... Sunk nine 3-pointers over his final nine games, including making two in a win over No. 11/9 Houston in the Sweet 16 ... Had 12 points with a career-high-tying three 3-pointers in the Southeastern Conference Tournament win over Alabama ... He went 4 of 4 from the field ... Scored eight points on 3-of-5 shooting and 2 of 4 from 3-point range at No. 7/7 Tennessee ... Dished out a career-high-tying four assists vs. South Carolina ... Scored a combined 30 points over a three-game stretch between Jan. 5-12, including making at least two 3-pointers during the span ... Scored 10 points with a career-high three steals against Texas A&M ... Made a career-high three 3s at Vanderbilt ... Scored 12 points in the win over Utah on 4-of-7 shooting with a couple of 3s ... Scored eight points with a couple of made 3-pointers vs. Seton Hall ... Posted nine points against Tennessee State ... Posted a career-high six rebounds in a win over Winthrop ... Recorded 12 points and four assists to go along with two steals vs. North Dakota ... Scored a team-high-tying 15 points in the win over Southern Illinois ... Made 6 of 10 from the floor and 2 of 4 from 3-point range vs. Southern Illinois.

## HIGH SCHOOL

Two-time state champion with the John Carroll School ... Three-time All-State selection ... Also a member of the USA U17 and U19 team members, winning gold with U17 team at the FIBA Championships ... Made the McDonald's All American Game ... Crowned the Power Jam Fest 3-Point Contest winner at the McDonald's Game ... Injury-riddled senior season but averaged 20.0 points, 6.0 rebounds and 6.0 assists per game ... Averaged 25.7 points, 4.7 rebounds and shot 42.1 percent from 3-point range in the Adidas Summer

Championships prior to his senior campaign ... Played under John Calipari for the USA U19 World Cup Team, which competed in Cairo, averaging 6.7 points and 2.4 assists per game in 18.3 minutes ... Named the Baltimore Sun Metro Player of the Year ... Ranked as a top-three player at his position by all three scouting services ... Ranked as high as No. 19 overall by 247 Sports, No. 22 by Rivals and No. 25 by ESPN.

## PERSONAL

Born June 17 in Havre de Grace, Maryland ... Major is undeclared/exploratory studies in agriculture ... Parents are Nitrease and Marcellous Quickley ... Has two siblings, Shiloah and Paris ... Mother played basketball at Morgan State ... Was an honor roll student in high school ... Can play both the saxophone and the drums ... His greatest fear in life is being average ... Lists his mom as the person who has most impacted his life ... Lists his game-winning shot in the state championship game his sophomore season as his greatest basketball memory ... Chose Kentucky over Maryland, Kansas and Miami.

## 2018-19 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points	
Season	15, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)
Career	15, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)
Rebounds	
Season	6, vs. WINTHROP (11/21/18)
Career	6, vs. WINTHROP (11/21/18)
Field Goals	
Season	6, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)
Career	6, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)
Field Goals Attempted	
Season	10, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)
Career	10, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)
3-Point Field Goals	
Season	3, 2x, last vs. Alabama (3/15/19)
Career	3, 2x, last vs. Alabama (3/15/19)
3-Point Field Goals Attempted	
Season	7, vs. VANDERBILT (1/12/19)
Career	7, vs. VANDERBILT (1/12/19)
Free Throws	
Season	8, vs. NORTH DAKOTA (11/14/18)
Career	8, vs. NORTH DAKOTA (11/14/18)
Free Throws Attempted	
Season	10, vs. NORTH DAKOTA (11/14/18)
Career	10, vs. NORTH DAKOTA (11/14/18)
Assists	
Season	4, 2x, last vs. S. CAROLINA (2/5/19)
Career	4, 2x, last vs. S. CAROLINA (2/5/19)
Steals	
Season	3, vs. TEXAS A&M (1/8/19)
Career	3, vs. TEXAS A&M (1/8/19)
Blocked Shots	
Season	1, vs. North Carolina (12/22/18)
Career	1, vs. North Carolina (12/22/18)
Minutes Played	
Season	31, 2x, last vs. WINTHROP (11/21/18)
Career	31, 2x, last vs. WINTHROP (11/21/18)

MISCELLANEOUS	2018-19	CAREER
Dunks	1	1
Double-Figure Scoring Games	6	6
Double-Figure Rebounding Games	0	0
Games With Double-Double	0	0
Games Led UK in Scoring	1	1
Games Led UK in Rebounding	0	0
Games Led UK in Assists	1	1
Games Led UK in Steals	2	2
Games Led UK in Blocks	0	0
Games With 3+ Assists	3	3
Games With 3+ Blocks	0	0
Games With 3+ Steals	1	1
Games With 3+ Three-Pointers	2	2

## Quickley's Career Stats

Year	GP-S	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	Reb.-Avg.	PF-D	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts.-Avg
2018-19	37-7	684-18.5	55-148	.372	30-87	.345	53-64	.828	65-1.8	44-0	44	33	1	16	193-5.2
TOTAL	37-7	684-18.5	55-148	.372	30-87	.345	53-64	.828	65-1.8	44-0	44	33	1	16	193-5.2



# Nick Richards

4

6-11 • 247

Junior • Forward

Kingston, Jamaica

The Patrick School  
(Hillside, N.J.)

## 2018-19

Declared for the NBA Draft but elected to return to school for his sophomore season ... Appeared in all 37 games in 2018-19 with 147 points, 123 rebounds and a career-high 47 blocks ... His 47 blocks led the team

... Led UK in blocks in a team-high 16 games ... Posted two double-figure scoring games and two double-figure rebounding games ... Filling in admirably without the injured PJ Washington, scored eight points and grabbed four rebounds in 17 minutes vs. Abilene Christian in the first round of the NCAA Tournament ... Posted six points and four rebounds in the Southeastern Conference Tournament semifinals vs. No. 8/8 Tennessee ... Recorded nine points in the SEC Tournament opener vs. Alabama ... Blocked three shots in three of the five games Reid Travis missed due to injury from Feb. 23 to March 9 ... Scored eight points, grabbed seven rebounds and blocked three shots in his third start of the season at No. 7/7 Tennessee ... Put together one of the best games of his career with seven points, 15 rebounds and three blocked shots in the win vs. Arkansas ... Scored seven points with four rebounds at Missouri ... Recorded a season-high 14 points on 4-of-5 shooting in addition to four blocked shots in the win at Vanderbilt ... Swatted a career-high five shots in nine minutes in the win vs. No. 9/10 Kansas ... Productive 10 minutes in the home victory vs. No. 22/22 Mississippi State with eight points and six rebounds ... Posted four points, seven rebounds and three blocks at Georgia ... Had six points and three blocks in nine minutes in the victory against Monmouth ... Made back-to-back starts vs. Tennessee State and Monmouth ... Scored 10 points on a perfect 4-of-4 day from the floor ... Monster game vs. Southern Illinois with eight points, a career-high 19 rebounds and three blocks in a career-high 27 minutes ... The 19 rebounds were the most by a UK player since Michel Kidd-Gilchrist hauled in 19 vs. Louisville on Dec. 31, 2011 ... The 19 rebounds also matched SIU's team total.

## 2017-18

Started all 37 games for the Wildcats in his freshman season ... Averaged 5.1 points, 4.4 rebounds and 0.9 blocks per game ... Scored in double figures in seven games, including a career-high 25-point effort vs. Fort Wayne ... Led the team in

rebounding in eight games and in blocks on 12 occasions ... Finished the season ranking second on the team in total blocks (33) and fourth in rebounds (163) ... Had 10 points, four rebounds and a block in a win over Alabama that jump started a four-game winning streak for Kentucky late in the season ... Hauled in eight boards and added five points in the home game vs. No. 15/14 Tennessee ... Scored 10 points with six rebounds and a pair of blocks in the overtime thriller against Vanderbilt ... Secured nine boards, while adding eight points and two blocks in the home game vs. Florida ... Poured in 12 points with four boards at South Carolina ... Had nine points and eight rebounds at No. 23/22 Tennessee ... Tallied eight points and corralled six rebounds vs. UCLA ... Narrowly missed on a double-double with 10 points and eight rebounds vs. Monmouth in Madison Square Garden ... Scored 11 points and swatted three shots in the win over Harvard ... Had his first career double-double with career highs in points (25) and rebounds (15) in a win over Fort Wayne ... His 15 rebounds tied for the most by a Wildcat in 2017-18 ... Totaled eight points and eight rebounds in a win over Troy ... Snared nine boards vs. No. 4/3 Kansas in the Champions Classic ... Debuted with 10 points, three boards and three blocks in a win over Utah Valley.

## HIGH SCHOOL

Ranked in the top 20 by the major recruiting services, including 247Sports (No. 15), ESPN (No. 17), Rivals (No. 17) and Scout (No. 17) ... 247Sports tabbed him as the second-best center in the class ... Was a consensus five-star prospect ... Joined fellow UK players Karl-Anthony Towns and Isaiah Briscoe as other high school stars to lead their teams to the New Jersey Tournament of Champions when he led The Patrick School to a 64-45 win as a senior ... Scored 24 points and had 12 rebounds in the win ... Second UK player from the Patrick School to play for the Cats, joining Michael Kidd-Gilchrist as the other ... The 2017 winner of the Mr. New Jersey Basketball honor ... Participated in the McDonald's All American Game, the Jordan Brand Classic, Nike Hoop Summit and the Elite 24.

## PERSONAL

Born Nov. 29 in Kingston, Jamaica ... Major is community leadership and development ... His mom is Marion Tenn ... Has one sibling, Sharique ... A soccer enthusiast who lists Cristiano Ronaldo as his all-time favorite athlete ... His mother has influenced his life the most ... A talent he most wishes he had is the ability to draw well ... Chose Kentucky over Arizona, Connecticut and St. John's.

## 2018-19 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points	
Season	14, at Vanderbilt (1/29/19)
Career	25, vs. FORT WAYNE (11/22/17)
Rebounds	
Season	19, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)
Career	19, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)
Field Goals	
Season	4, 2x, last at Vanderbilt (1/29/19)
Career	9, vs. FORT WAYNE (11/22/17)
Field Goals Attempted	
Season	8, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)
Career	10, vs. FORT WAYNE (11/22/17)
3-Point Field Goals	
Season	-
Career	-
3-Point Field Goals Attempted	
Season	-
Career	-
Free Throws	
Season	6, 2x, last at Tennessee (3/2/19)
Career	7, vs. FORT WAYNE (11/22/17)
Free Throws Attempted	
Season	10, at Vanderbilt (1/29/19)
Career	10, at Vanderbilt (1/29/19)
Assists	
Season	2, at Alabama (1/5/19)
Career	2, 2x, last at Alabama (1/5/19)
Steals	
Season	1, 4x, last vs. AUBURN (2/23/19)
Career	1, 7x, last vs. AUBURN (2/23/19)
Blocked Shots	
Season	5, vs. KANSAS
Career	5, vs. KANSAS
Minutes Played	
Season	27, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)
Career	27, vs. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (11/9/18)

## MISCELLANEOUS 2018-19 CAREER

Dunks	24	52
Double-Figure Scoring Games	2	9
Double-Figure Rebounding Games	2	3
Games With Double-Double	0	1
Games Led UK in Scoring	0	1
Games Led UK in Rebounding	4	12
Games Led UK in Assists	0	0
Games Led UK in Steals	0	0
Games Led UK in Blocks	16	28
Games With 3+ Assists	0	0
Games With 3+ Blocks	8	12
Games With 3+ Steals	0	0
Games With 3+ Three-Pointers	0	0

## Richards' Career Stats

Year	GP-S	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	Reb.-Avg.	PF-D	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts.-Avg
2017-18	37-37	543-14.7	69-112	.616	0-0	.000	51-71	.718	163-4.4	76-1	9	26	33	3	189-5.1
2018-19	37-3	446-12.1	49-82	.598	0-0	.000	49-71	.690	123-3.3	76-2	7	26	47	4	147-4.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>74-40</b>	<b>989-13.4</b>	<b>118-194</b>	<b>.608</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>100-142</b>	<b>.704</b>	<b>286-3.9</b>	<b>152-3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>336-4.5</b>

# Nate Sestina

# 1

6-9 • 234

Graduate • Forward

Emporium, Pa.

Bucknell University

## 2018-19 (BUCKNELL)

Tabbed Second Team All-Patriot League and was tabbed to the Patriot League All-Tournament Team ... National Association of Basketball Coaches All-District selection

... Ranked second on the squad and sixth in the league in points per game (15.8) and led the team and league in rebounds per game (8.5) ... Shot 53.6 percent from the field, 38.0 percent from 3-point range and 80.8 percent from the charity stripe ... Played in 31 games ... Scored in double figures in 27 contests ... Posted a career-high 32 points and broke the school record for most field goals without a miss (11 of 11) against Holy Cross ... Had 15 points and 16 boards at St. Bonaventure for his first double-double of the season ... Scored 20 points and logged 10 rebounds at Vermont ... Logged 24 points at La Salle ... Scored 10 points at Ohio State ... Named to the Diamond Head Classic All-Tournament Team after averaging 15.0 points and 9.0 rebounds per game ... Named Patriot League Player of the Week after averaging 24.5 points and 10.5 rebounds against Army and Boston ... In three Patriot League Tournament games, averaged 19.3 points and 9.3 rebounds per game.

## 2017-18 (BUCKNELL)

Appeared in 34 games and averaged 6.5 points and 3.9 rebounds per game ... Shot 56.0 percent from the field and 74.4 percent from the free-throw line ... Charted seven games with double-digit points ... Had 14 points in a win over Siena ... Scored seven points and had seven boards in NCAA Tournament game vs. Michigan State ... In four postseason games, he shot 73.7 percent from the field and totaled 32 points and 20 boards.

## 2016-17 (BUCKNELL)

Played in 31 games off the bench, averaging 4.8 points and 3.7 rebounds per game ... Shot 50.8 percent from the field and 69.6 percent from the free-throw line ... Poured in 12 points in just 12 minutes against Wake Forest.

## 2015-16 (BUCKNELL)

Freshman season ended prematurely due to a shoulder injury ... Played in four games and saw 32

minutes of action ... Had 10 points in 16 minutes against Fairfield.

## HIGH SCHOOL

First Division I player from Cameron County since the 1970s ... Averaged 22 points and 14 rebounds and had 26 double-doubles in 28 games as a senior ... Earned first team all-state, all-district and all-league honors ... Big 30 and North Tier Player of the Year ... Helped team to win two straight league titles ... Finished with 1,703 career points and 955 rebounds.

## PERSONAL

Born May 12 ... Parents are Donald and Rachelle Sestina ... Pursuing a graduate degree in kinesiology and health promotion ... Youngest of five siblings ... Brother, Andrew, played basketball at Allegheny College ... Mother was a swimmer at IUP ... Grandfather, Richard Gaydos, played football at Carnegie Tech ... Graduated from Bucknell with a degree in geography.

## 2018-19 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS\*

Points	32, vs. HOLY CROSS (1/14/19)
Career	32, vs. HOLY CROSS (1/14/19)
Rebounds	
Season	17, vs. ARMY (3/2/19)
Career	17, vs. ARMY (3/2/19)
Field Goals	
Season	11, vs. HOLY CROSS (1/14/19)
Career	11, vs. HOLY CROSS (1/14/19)
Field Goals Attempted	
Season	17, at Army (1/2/19)
Career	17, at Army (1/2/19)
3-Point Field Goals	
Season	5, at Boston University (1/5/19)
Career	5, at Boston University (1/5/19)
3-Point Field Goals Attempted	
Season	8, at Army (1/2/19)
Career	8, at Army (1/2/19)
Free Throws	
Season	9, vs. HOLY CROSS (1/14/19)
Career	9, vs. HOLY CROSS (1/14/19)
Free Throws Attempted	
Season	10, vs. HOLY CROSS (1/14/19)
Career	10, vs. HOLY CROSS (1/14/19)
Assists	
Season	4, vs. Lehigh (3/10/19)
Career	5, vs. BOSTON UNIVERSITY (3/4/18)
Steals	
Season	2, vs. ARMY (3/2/19)
Career	2, 4x, last vs. ARMY (3/2/19)
Blocked Shots	
Season	4, 2x, last vs. ARMY (3/2/19)
Career	4, 2x, last vs. ARMY (3/2/19)
Minutes Played	
Season	39, at St. Bonaventure (11/7/18)
Career	39, at St. Bonaventure (11/7/18)

## MISCELLANEOUS 2018-19\* CAREER\*

Dunks	-	-
Double-Figure Scoring Games	27	40
Double-Figure Rebounding Games	12	12
Games With Double-Double	11	11
Games Led UK in Scoring	9	9
Games Led UK in Rebounding	22	27
Games Led UK in Assists	0	0
Games Led UK in Steals	4	12
Games Led UK in Blocks	17	32
Games With 3+ Assists	5	9
Games With 3+ Blocks	4	5
Games With 3+ Steals	0	0
Games With 3+ Three-Pointers	4	4

\*Bucknell statistics

## Sestina's Career Stats

Year	GP-S	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	Reb.-Avg.	PF-D	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts.-Avg
2015-16	4-0	32-8.0	6-11	.545	2-3	.667	1-1	1.000	5-1.3	7-0	3	4	0	2	15-3.8
2016-17	31-0	371-12.0	63-124	.508	7-24	.292	16-23	.696	114-3.7	57-0	12	27	17	7	149-4.8
2017-18	34-0	508-14.9	89-159	.560	14-41	.341	29-39	.744	134-3.9	71-0	31	35	20	11	221-6.5
2018-19	31-31	858-27.7	185-345	.536	41-108	.380	80-99	.808	262-8.5	89-3	37	66	33	11	491-15.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100-31</b>	<b>1769-17.7</b>	<b>343-639</b>	<b>.537</b>	<b>64-176</b>	<b>.364</b>	<b>126-162</b>	<b>.778</b>	<b>515-5.2</b>	<b>224-3</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>876-8.8</b>

# Riley Welch

# 13

6-0 • 185

Junior • Guard

Littleton, Colo.

College of the Desert  
(Palm Desert, Calif.)

## 2018-19 (COLLEGE OF THE DESERT)

Saw action in 27 games ... Averaged 8.2 points per game for the Roadrunners ... Also contributed 5.0 assists and 3.5 rebounds per game ... Dished out a team-high 134 assists ...

Sunk 31 shots from behind the arc ... Scored a career-high 29 points vs. San Jacinto on Feb. 1 on 9-of-11 shooting and 10 of 11 from the free-throw line ... Recorded 19 points vs. West LA on Nov. 2 ... Twice tabbed to the College of the Desert Dean's List.

## 2017-18 (UC IRVINE)

Appeared in 27 games as a true freshman ... Played double-digit minutes four times ... Scored five points in his collegiate debut at Denver ... Dished out four assists and hit a three against Chapman ... Had three assists in six minutes at Montana ... Snared four boards to couple with two points vs. UC Riverside ... Two-time Dean's List honoree.

## HIGH SCHOOL

Played for Chatfield High School ... 2016 Chauncey Billups regional champion ... School reached the Colorado High School Activities Association Final Four in 2016 ... Three-time league champion ... Two-time Jefferson County All-Conference ... 2014 Adidas Unrivaled assist leader ... Finalist in the 2013 USA U-18 3x3 Tournament ... Academic All State performer in 2016 ... Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

## PERSONAL

Born Sept. 26 in Fresno, California ... Parents are John and Jean Welch ... Has a sister, Haley... Father played basketball at UNLV and has served as a coach in the NBA for 15 years ... John Welch is currently serving as an assistant coach for the Los Angeles Clippers ... Grandfather Coley was the third-ranked boxing middleweight in the world in 1941 ... Vegetarian ... Enjoys relaxing on the beach when he's not playing basketball ... Chose No. 13 because it was Steve Nash's number ... Proudest moment as a basketball player was suiting up for UC Irvine for his first collegiate game.

## 2017-18 SEASON/CAREER HIGHS\*

Points	
Season	5, at Denver (11/12/17)
Career	5, at Denver (11/12/17)
Rebounds	
Season	4, vs. UC RIVERSIDE (1/24/18)
Career	4, vs. UC RIVERSIDE (1/24/18)
Field Goals	
Season	1, 4x, last at Hawaii (2/24/18)
Career	1, 4x, last at Hawaii (2/24/18)
Field Goals Attempted	
Season	3, at Hawaii (2/24/18)
Career	3, at Hawaii (2/24/18)
3-Point Field Goals	
Season	1, 2x, last vs. CHAPMAN (11/14/17)
Career	1, 2x, last vs. CHAPMAN (11/14/17)
3-Point Field Goals Attempted	
Season	1, 8x, last at Hawaii (2/24/18)
Career	1, 8x, last at Hawaii (2/24/18)
Free Throws	
Season	2, 2x, last vs. UC RIVERSIDE (1/24/18)
Career	2, 2x, last vs. UC RIVERSIDE (1/24/18)
Free Throws Attempted	
Season	2, 2x, last vs. UC RIVERSIDE (1/24/18)
Career	2, 2x, last vs. UC RIVERSIDE (1/24/18)
Assists	
Season	4, vs. CHAPMAN (11/14/17)
Career	4, vs. CHAPMAN (11/14/17)
Steals	
Season	1, 2x, last at Montana (12/19/17)
Career	1, 2x, last at Montana (12/19/17)
Blocked Shots	
Season	-
Career	-
Minutes Played	
Season	14, vs. UC RIVERSIDE (1/24/18)
Career	14, vs. UC RIVERSIDE (1/24/18)

## MISCELLANEOUS 2017-18 CAREER

Dunks	-	-
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	2	2
Games Led UK		
in Steals	0	0
Games Led UK		
in Blocks	0	0
Games With		
3+ Assists	2	2
Games With		
3+ Blocks	0	0
Games With		
3+ Steals	0	0
Games With		
3+ Three-Pointers	0	0

\*UC Irvine/Division I statistics only

## Welch's Career Stats\*

Year	GP-S	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	Reb.-Avg.	PF-D	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts.-Avg
2017-18	27-0	143-5.3	4-13	.308	2-8	.250	4-5	.800	211-5.7	22-0	15	7	0	2	14-0.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27-0</b>	<b>143-5.3</b>	<b>4-13</b>	<b>.308</b>	<b>2-8</b>	<b>.250</b>	<b>4-5</b>	<b>.800</b>	<b>211-5.7</b>	<b>22-0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14-0.5</b>

\*Division I stats only

# Dontaie Allen

**11**

6-6 • 200

Freshman • Guard

Falmouth, Ky.

Pendleton County

## HIGH SCHOOL

Ranked in the top 75 by Rivals (No. 68) ... Rated as the No. 92 prospect by the Recruiting Services Consensus Index ... Became the first in-state signee for Kentucky since 2013 ... 18th Kentucky player in program history to earn Kentucky Mr. Basketball honors ... Also named First Team All-State ... Capped his high school career with 3,255 career points, which ranks 11th all-time in state history ... Also snared 1,228 career rebounds, the 22nd-best mark in the state's record

books ... Averaged 42.9 points and 14.2 boards during his senior season ... Limited to 13 games after suffering a torn ACL in his left knee on Dec. 22, 2018 ... Dropped 50 or more points in six of his first 12 games as a senior ... During his junior campaign, averaged 31.8 points and 11.4 rebounds per game while shooting 59.1 percent from the floor and 39.6 percent from 3-point range ... Tabbed a Pangos All-American.

## PERSONAL

Born Nov. 5 in Florence, Kentucky ... Major is undeclared/exploratory studies in agriculture ... Parents are April and Tony Thomas ... Has three siblings, Tredyn, Saniah and Jalen ... Cousin of NFL quarterback Russell Wilson ... Favorite activity away from the court is watching basketball or playing NBA2K ... Chose No. 11 because it's his favorite number (No. 1), twice ... Biggest basketball honor is being named Mr. Kentucky Basketball ... His most prized possession is his shoe collection.

# Keion Brooks Jr.

**12**

6-7 • 205

Freshman • Forward

Fort Wayne, Ind.

La Lumiere School  
(La Porte, Ind.)

## HIGH SCHOOL

Ranked in the top 35 by the major recruiting services, including 247Sports (No. 14), Rivals (No. 29) and ESPN (No. 35) ... 247Sports tabs him as the fourth-best small forward in the class ... Ranked the No. 24 overall player by the Recruiting Services Consensus Index ... Consensus five-star prospect ... Averaged 20.1 points and 7.5 rebounds per game for La Lumiere School, which appeared in the GEICO High School Nationals ... In the semi-finals of that tournament, made 9

of 16 shots, including two from long range, and scored a team-high 20 points ... La Lumiere produced a 30-1 record and was ranked as the No. 1 team in the country during his senior campaign ... USA Today All-USA Boys Basketball Honorable Mention selection ... Scored 15 points in the Jordan Brand Classic ... Tabbed the Fort Wayne Area Player of the Year ... Fort Wayne News Player of the Year ... Also reached the state finals in 2015-16.

## PERSONAL

Born Aug. 7 in Fort Wayne, Ind. ... Major is undeclared/exploratory studies in agriculture ... Parents are Keion Sr. and Sarita Brooks ... Has three brothers, Darrius, Darrion and Karion ... Was an honor roll student ... Father played basketball at Wright State ... Chose No. 12 because it is the same number his dad wore in high school ... Also played football, baseball and soccer as a kid ... Favorite activity away from the court is playing NBA2K ... Grandparents have been his biggest influence ... Most memorable moment as a player was winning a national championship as a fifth grader ... Chose Kentucky over Indiana, Michigan State, Kansas and UCLA.



# Brennan Canada

# 14

6-6 • 198

Freshman • Forward

Mount Sterling, Ky.

George Rogers Clark  
(Winchester, Ky.)

## 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 ... Major is marketing ... Parents are Lynn and Melissa Canada ... Has three siblings, Kaleb, Kyle and Kristyn ... 4.0 student ... 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.

# Johnny Juzang

# 10

6-6 • 214

Freshman • Guard

Los Angeles

Harvard-Westlake

## HIGH SCHOOL

Late add to the 2019 class after reclassifying ... Ranked in the top 35 by the major recruiting services, including ESPN (No. 29), 247Sports (No. 31) and Rivals (No. 34) ... The 34th-best prospect by the Recruiting Services Consensus Index ... Consensus five-star prospect ... Averaged 23.0 points, 8.5 rebounds and 3.4 assists per game during his junior season at Harvard Westlake ... Named a Mission League MVP

... All-California Interscholastic Federation First Team pick ... Harvard Westlake claimed the CIF championship and the Mission League Championship for the first time since 2011 ... Mainstay at Team USA events ... Finalist for the U17 Team USA squad.

## PERSONAL

Born March 17 in Los Angeles ... Major is marketing ... Parents are Hanh and Maxie Juzang ... Has a brother, Christian, and a sister, Lauren ... Brother plays basketball at Harvard ... Enjoys fashion and watching movies ... His most prized possessions are his reading journal and books ... Away from the court he likes being around friends and family ... His greatest fear is letting down those who support him ... Chose Kentucky over Virginia, Kansas, Villanova and Oregon.

# Tyrese Maxey

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6-3 • 198

Freshman • Guard

Garland, Texas

South Garland

## HIGH SCHOOL

Kentucky's top-ranked player in the 2019 class ... Tabbed the No. 10 overall prospect by the Recruiting Services Consensus Index ... Ranked in the top 15 by the major recruiting services, including 247Sports (No. 10), Rivals (No. 10) and ESPN (No. 13) ... 247Sports tabs him as the third-best combo guard in the class ... Consensus five-star prospect ... Made the Naismith High School Boys' 2019 All-America Second Team ... Averaged 22.2 points, 6.3

rebounds, 3.6 assists and 1.7 steals per game for South Garland ... Tabbed Texas Mr. Basketball in 2019 ... Also named the Dallas-Fort Worth Area Player of the Year ... Two-time All-State selection ... Logged 22.5 points, 7.0 rebounds, 3.1 assists and 2.3 steals per game as a junior ... Named to the 2018 USA Today All-Texas First Team, the 2018

Texas Association of Basketball Coaches All-State First Team and was crowned the 2018 Dallas Morning News Sports Day Player of the Year as a junior ... Also a two-time Texas Association of Basketball Coaches All-Region pick and made the 2018 University Interscholastic League State All-Tournament Team ... Won a gold medal as a part of the U18 Team USA ... McDonald's All-American selection ... Scored 13 points in that game.

## PERSONAL

Born Nov. 4 in Dallas ... Major is undeclared/exploratory studies in agriculture ... Parents are Denyse and Tyrone Maxey ... Has three siblings, Denasia, Julia and Keiarn ... Father played basketball at Washington State ... Graduated in the top 5% of his class ... His most memorable moment as a basketball player is going to the state tournament ... A definition of a true hero is someone who impacts lives in a positive way ... Seen every Marvel movie since 2008 ... His father has influenced him most ... Chose Kentucky over Texas, Michigan, Michigan State and Oklahoma State.

# Kahlil Whitney

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6-6 • 210

Freshman • Forward

Chicago

Roselle Catholic  
(Roselle, N.J.)

## HIGH SCHOOL

Tabbed the No. 11 overall player by the Recruiting Services Consensus Index in the 2019 class ... Consensus five-star prospect ... Ranked in the top 15 by every major recruiting services, including 247Sports (No. 11), ESPN (No. 12) and Rivals (No. 14) ... 247Sports tabs him as the second-best small forward in the class ... Named Naismith High School Boys' All-America Third Team honors ... Secured First-Team All-USA Today New Jersey Team honors ... Averaged 19.4 points and 5.7 rebounds per

game for Roselle Catholic ... Second alum from Roselle Catholic to play under John Calipari at Kentucky, joining Isaiah Briscoe ... Scored in double figures in all 29 games during his senior season with 11 games of 20 or more points ... Led Roselle Catholic to the New Jersey's Tournament of Championship as a junior ... Averaged 21.1 points and 7.2 rebounds on the Nike Elite Youth Basketball League circuit ... Scored more than 2,000 points during his high school career ... Participated in the

McDonald's All-American Game, the Jordan Brand Classic Game and the Iverson Roundball Classic ... Named co-MVP at the Iverson Classic after scoring 38 points in the contest.

## PERSONAL

Born Jan. 8 in Chicago ... Major is undeclared/exploratory studies in agriculture ... His parents are Kelly Whitney and Chanel Tillmon ... Has three siblings, Kylie, Tyreese and Isaiah ... Father played basketball at Seton Hall ... Also played football as a kid ... Nickname is the Dragon ... Can play the drums ... His most prized possession is his family ... Father has been his life's greatest influence ... Most memorable moment as a basketball player is winning a state championship ... Definition of a true hero is someone who changes the lives of others ... Chose Kentucky over Oregon, Illinois, Georgetown and Miami.



# UK 2019-20 MEN'S BASKETBALL

## OCTOBER

<b>11 FRI</b> 7 PM		<b>BIG BLUE MADNESS</b>
<b>18 FRI</b> 7 PM		<b>BLUE-WHITE GAME</b>
<b>27 SUN</b> 5 PM		<b>GEORGETOWN COLLEGE*</b>

## NOVEMBER

<b>1 FRI</b> 7 PM		<b>KENTUCKY STATE*</b>
<b>5 TUE</b> 9:30 PM		vs. MICHIGAN STATE <sup>1</sup>
<b>8 FRI</b> TBA		<b>EASTERN KENTUCKY</b>
<b>12 TUE</b> TBA		<b>EVANSVILLE</b>
<b>18 MON</b> TBA		<b>UTAH VALLEY<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>22 FRI</b> TBA		<b>MOUNT ST. MARY'S<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>24 SUN</b> TBA		<b>LAMAR<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>29 FRI</b> TBA		<b>UAB<sup>2</sup></b>








## DECEMBER

<b>7 SAT</b> TBA		<b>FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON</b>
<b>14 SAT</b> TBA		<b>GEORGIA TECH</b>
<b>18 WED</b> 11 PM		vs. UTAH <sup>3</sup>
<b>21 SAT</b> 5:15 PM		vs. OHIO STATE <sup>4</sup>
<b>28 SAT</b> 3:45 PM		<b>LOUISVILLE</b>

## JANUARY

<b>4 SAT</b> 2 PM		<b>MISSOURI</b>
<b>7 TUE</b> 9 PM		<b>GEORGIA</b>
<b>11 SAT</b> NOON		<b>ALABAMA</b>
<b>15 WED</b> 6:30 PM		<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>
<b>18 SAT</b> 4 PM		<b>ARKANSAS</b>
<b>21 TUE</b> 7 PM		<b>GEORGIA</b>
<b>25 SAT</b> 6 PM		<b>TEXAS TECH<sup>5</sup></b>
<b>29 WED</b> 6:30 PM		<b>VANDERBILT</b>

## FEBRUARY

<b>1 SAT</b> 6/8 PM		<b>AUBURN</b>
<b>4 TUE</b> 9 PM		<b>MISSISSIPPI STATE</b>
<b>8 SAT</b> 1 PM		<b>TENNESSEE</b>
<b>11 TUE</b> 7 PM		<b>VANDERBILT</b>
<b>15 SAT</b> 2 PM		<b>OLE MISS</b>
<b>18 TUE</b> 9 PM		<b>LSU</b>
<b>22 SAT</b> 6/8 PM		<b>FLORIDA</b>
<b>25 TUE</b> 7 PM		<b>TEXAS A&amp;M</b>
<b>29 SAT</b> 3:45 PM		<b>AUBURN</b>

## MARCH

<b>3 TUE</b> 9 PM		<b>TENNESSEE</b>
<b>7 SAT</b> 1 PM		<b>FLORIDA</b>
<b>11-15 W-SUN</b>		<b>SEC TOURNAMENT<sup>6</sup></b>

HOME GAMES IN BOLD CAPS; \*-EXHIBITION GAME  
 1-CHAMPIONS CLASSIC (MADISON SQUARE GARDEN); 2-BBN SHOWCASE;  
 3-T-MOBILE ARENA; 4-CBS SPORTS CLASSIC (T-MOBILE ARENA);  
 5-BIG 12/SEC CHALLENGE; 6-BRIDGESTONE ARENA