



### 2015-16 MIZZOU WRESTLING MATCH NOTES

#### 2015-16 SCHEDULE

| DATE | OPPONENT                 | SCORE/TIME (CT) |
|------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| N 20 | at SIU-Edwardsville      | W 36-7          |
| N 28 | at No. 25 Northern Iowa* | W 24-19         |

|      |                      |         |
|------|----------------------|---------|
| D 12 | vs. No. 3 Ohio State | W 26-17 |
| D 13 | vs. No. 21 Ohio*     | W 27-9  |
| D 20 | at Kent State*       | W 35-12 |

|      |                                       |           |
|------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| J 8  | vs. Buffalo*                          | W 32-6    |
| J 10 | vs. No. 14 Cornell (Jesse Auditorium) | W 18-17   |
| J 15 | vs. Eastern Michigan*                 | W 24-10   |
| J 17 | at No. 19 Central Michigan*           | 3 P.M.    |
| J 22 | at No. 5 Oklahoma State               | 7 P.M.    |
| J 30 | vs. No. 9 Oklahoma                    | 2:30 P.M. |
| J 31 | vs. Old Dominion*                     | 1 P.M.    |

|      |                               |           |
|------|-------------------------------|-----------|
| F 7  | at Northern Illinois*         | 1 P.M.    |
| F 12 | at No. 25 Appalachian State   | 5:30 P.M. |
| F 14 | at No. 3 North Carolina State | 1 P.M.    |
| F 21 | vs. NWCA National Duals       | ALL DAY   |

|      |                        |         |
|------|------------------------|---------|
| M 5  | vs. MAC Championships  | ALL DAY |
| M 06 | vs. MAC Championships  | ALL DAY |
| M 17 | vs. NCAA Championships | ALL DAY |
| M 18 | vs. NCAA Championships | ALL DAY |
| M 19 | vs. NCAA Championships | ALL DAY |

Bold denotes home // \* denotes MAC dual

#### DUAL

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## (4) MIZZOU TIGERS AT (19) CENTRAL MICHIGAN CHIPPEWAS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2016 // 4 PM (ET) // MCGUIRK ARENA // MT. PLEASANT, MI.



@MIZZOUWRESTLING

#### 2015-16 RECORD:

8-0

#### MAC RECORD:

5-0

#### HEAD COACH:

BRIAN SMITH

#### RECORD AT MIZZOU:

231-90-3 (.713)

#### SERIES INFORMATION

ALL-TIME SERIES ..... 5-4-1, MIZZOU

LAST MEETING ..... Mizzou, 23-12

..... Jan. 17, 2015 (Columbia, Mo.)

#### FOLLOW #MIZZOU

LIVE STREAM ..... Watch ESPN/ESPN3

LIVE STATS ..... trackwrestling.com

ONLINE ..... MUTigers.com



#### 2015-16 RECORD:

5-1

#### MAC RECORD:

2-0

#### HEAD COACH:

TOM BORRELLI

#### RECORD AT EMU:

301-130-7 (.687)

#### #ZOU NOTES

• Mizzou enters the dual ranked No. 4 in the *USA Today*/NWCA Coaches poll and No. 5 in the Intercollegiate Wrestling Association Rankings.

• Mizzou currently holds a 36-dual win streak. The last time Mizzou lost a dual was Jan. 31, 2014, to Oklahoma State, 716 days ago.

• The Tigers lead the all-time series between the two schools, 5-4-1.

• There will be four ranked-vs.-ranked matches on Sunday, coming at 125, 141, 149, and 174.

• Redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus**

leads the Tigers in dual points with 38. Miklus has recorded eight dual wins via three falls, two technical falls, a major decision, and two decisions.

• Redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** is a perfect 17-0 on the season, the Tigers' only wrestler with an unblemished record. Mayes is 8-0 in duals, scoring 26 points in the eight victories.

• Junior **J'den Cox** (16-1/7-1) defeated projected opponent Jackson Lewis via major decision, 17-3, in the first round of the MAC Championships last season.

#### #TIGERSTYLE PROJECTED LINEUP



# #11

barlow  
MCGHEE

# 125

RS SO // ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 12-5   | 3-3   |



# #11

zach  
SYNON

# 133

RS JR // CARY, ILL.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 13-5   | 5-2   |



# #6

matt  
MANLEY

# 141

RS JR // PERRY, OKLA.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 21-4   | 7-0   |



# #3

lavion  
MAYES

# 149

RS JR // MASCOUTAH, ILL.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 17-0   | 8-0   |



# #3

le'roy  
BARNES

# 157

RS SR // BELTON, MO.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 19-5   | 2-1   |



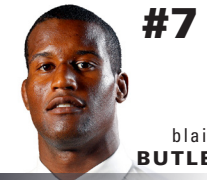
# #5

daniel  
LEWIS

# 165

RS FR // BLUE SPRINGS, MO.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 16-3   | 6-1   |



# #7

blaise  
BUTLER

# 174

RS SR // BELVIDERE, ILL.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 10-2   | 5-1   |



# #4

willie  
MIKLUS

# 184

RS SO // ALTOONA, IOWA

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 12-2   | 8-0   |



# #2

j'den  
COX

# 197

JR // COLUMBIA, MO.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 17-1   | 7-1   |



# #2

james  
ROMERO

# HWT

FR // ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 11-12  | 2-5   |

#### CMU PROJECTED LINEUP

**125** BRENT FLEETWOOD (SO)  
No. 16 // 16-6 // 5-1

**133** COREY KEENER (JR)  
10-5 // 3-3

**141** ZACH HORAN (SR)  
No. 15 // 15-7 // 4-2

**149** COLIN HEFFERNAN (RS SO)  
No. 10 // 11-1 // 3-0

**157** LUCAS SMITH (SR)  
No. 8 // 19-5 // 4-2

**165** JORDAN ATIENZA (SO)  
20-10 // 1-2

**174** MIKE OTTINGER (SR)  
No. 10 // 19-4 // 6-0

**184** JORDAN ELLINGWOOD (RS SO)  
21-7 // 1-2

**197** JACKSON LEWIS (SR)  
14-9 // 2-4

**HWT** NEWTON SMERCHKE (RS SO)  
10-6 // 4-1

## QUICK FACTS

### INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Location \_\_\_\_\_ Columbia, Mo.  
 Founded: \_\_\_\_\_ 1839  
 Enrollment: \_\_\_\_\_ 35,050  
 Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_ Tigers  
 Colors: \_\_\_\_\_ Old Gold and Black  
 Arena: \_\_\_\_\_ Hearnes Center  
 Conference: \_\_\_\_\_ Mid-American  
 Interim System President: \_\_\_\_\_ Mike Middleton  
 Interim Chancellor: \_\_\_\_\_ Hank Foley  
 Director of Athletics: \_\_\_\_\_ Mack Rhoades  
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### THE MIZZOU TIGERS

Head Coach: \_\_\_\_\_ Brian Smith (18th season)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Michigan State, 1990  
 Missouri Record \_\_\_\_\_ 231-90-3 (18th season)  
 Associate Head Coach: Alex Clemens (Second season)  
 Assistant Coach: \_\_\_\_\_ Joe Johnston (Fourth season)  
 Volunteer Assistant: \_\_\_\_\_ Drake Houdashelt (First season)  
 Strength and Conditioning: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mike Larson (Second Season)  
 Wrestling Operations: Cody Shoemaker (First Season)  
 2014-15 Record: \_\_\_\_\_ 24-0  
 MAC Record (Finish): \_\_\_\_\_ 3-0 (1st)

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 Website: \_\_\_\_\_ mutigers.com

## MIZZOU BULLETS

### 125 // Barlow McGhee // RS So.

- First career fall over David Terao (American) (6:04) at Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational.
- Won Individual Championship at Joe Parisi Open, defeating Zeke Moisey (West Virginia) in the championship match.

### 133 // Zach Synon // RS Jr.

- Named MAC Wrestler of the Week after defeating No. 5 Johnni DiJulius (Ohio State) via fall.
- Won Individual title at Maryville Brand Kaufman Open.

### 141 // Matt Manley // RS Jr.

- Leads the Tigers in victories with 21.
- 7-0 in dual competition, including 4-3 decision win over No. 8 Micah Jordan (Ohio State).
- Went 6-2 and finished fourth at Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational.

### 149 // Lavion Mayes // RS Jr.

- Only undefeated Tiger (17-0, 8-0)
- Individual titles at Joe Parisi Open and Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational

### 157 // Le'Roy Barnes // RS Sr.

- 9-3 (2-1 in duals) since moving from 141 to 157 pounds.
- Won Individual title at UNI Open, competing at 141 pounds.

### MANLEY REACHES 20 WINS

- Redshirt junior 141-pounder **Matt Manley** recorded his 20th victory of the season Jan. 10 with a 9-1 major decision over William Koll (Cornell), the first Tiger to reach 20 wins this season.
- Manley is 7-0 in dual competition this season, scoring three major decisions and four decisions wins, ranking fifth on the team with 24 dual points.
- The Perry, Okla. native has competed in three open tournaments this season, finishing second at the Maryville Brand Kaufman Open, third at the Joe Parisi Open, and fourth at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational.

## DUAL WIN STREAK

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- Mizzou has won 35 consecutive duals, dating back Feb. 7, 2014.

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- Mizzou has beat 13 opponents ranked in the *USA Today*/NWCA Coaches Poll during the streak.

### 165 // Daniel Lewis // RS Fr.

- Eight wins by fall (second on team), all eight falls in the first period.
- Placed third at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational, won Most Falls in Least Amount of Time Award.

### 174 // Blaise Butler // RS Sr.

- 5-1 in dual competition, including 5-4 decision win over No. 6 Cody Walters (Ohio).
- Went 5-1, finished third at Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational.

### 184 // Willie Miklus // RS So.

- 8-0 in dual competition with 38 dual points (three falls, two technical falls, one major decision, two decisions)
- Named USA Wrestling Athlete of the Week on Dec. 14 following 15-0 technical fall over Kenny Courts (Ohio State).

### 197 // J'den Cox // Jr.

- Team-high seven technical falls on the season.
- 24-9 technical fall win over Jeremy Sweany clinched 18-17 win over Cornell.
- Won Individual titles at the Joe Parisi Open and the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational.

### HWT // James Romero // Fr.

- Team-high nine falls.

### SEARCH OF 100

- Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** earned his 90th career win on Jan. 8 with a 19-4 technical fall over James Benjamin (Buffalo).
- The Columbia, Mo. native now stands eight victories away from becoming the 24th member of the 100-Win Club in Mizzou history. For his career, Cox is 92-5 overall and captured the 197-pound NCAA national championship in 2014 as a freshman.
- This season, Cox is 17-1 and 7-1 in dual competition, recording 28 points via one fall, three technical falls, a major decision, and two decision wins.

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- The last dual lost for Mizzou came by the hands of Oklahoma State, 716 days ago.

1,081-352

- Mizzou has outscored the competition, 1,081-352 in its 36 straight dual victories.

# INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS RUNDOWN

## MIZZOU

| WT  | Name          | Intermat | W.I.N. Magazine | The Open Mat | FloWrestling |
|-----|---------------|----------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| 125 | Barlow McGhee | 11       | 11              | 12           | 11           |
| 133 | Zach Synon    | 11       | --              | 15           | 11           |
| 141 | Matt Manley   | 10       | 11              | 9            | 6            |
| 149 | Lavion Mayes  | 3        | 3               | 4            | 4            |
| 157 | Le'Roy Barnes | --       | --              | --           | --           |
| 165 | Daniel Lewis  | 5        | 6               | 10           | 9            |
| 174 | Blaise Butler | 9        | 8               | 7            | 8            |
| 184 | Willie Miklus | 4        | 7               | 8            | 4            |
| 197 | J'den Cox     | 2        | 2               | 2            | 2            |
| HWT | James Romero  | --       | --              | --           | --           |

## CENTRAL MICHIGAN

|     |                   |    |    |    |    |
|-----|-------------------|----|----|----|----|
| 125 | Brent Fleetwood   | 17 | -- | 16 | 19 |
| 133 | Corey Keener      | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 141 | Zach Horan        | 16 | -- | -- | 15 |
| 149 | Colin Heffernan   | 10 | -- | 10 | 11 |
| 157 | Lucas Smith       | 11 | 18 | 8  | 9  |
| 165 | Jordan Atienza    | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 174 | Mike Ottinger     | 10 | 11 | 13 | 11 |
| 184 | Jordan Ellingwood | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 197 | Jackson Lewis     | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| HWT | Newton Smerchek   | -- | -- | -- | -- |

# SCOUTING CENTRAL MICHIGAN

## SCHEDULE RUNDOWN

- Central Michigan enters the Sunday dual with a 5-1 record and a 2-0 mark in MAC competition.
- Last time out, Central Michigan defeated Ohio, 16-15, on Jan. 10. HWT Newton Smerchek defeated Jesse Webb, 2-1, to clinch the win.
- As a team, the Chippewas have competed in four tournaments, highlighted by a second place finish at the Reno Tournament of Champions and an eighth place finish at the Southern Scuffle.

## FIVE CHIPPEWAS RANKED

- Central Michigan will send five ranked wrestlers to the mat Sunday, led by No. 8-ranked 157-pounder Lucas Smith.
- Smith is 19-5 on the season and 4-2 in dual competition, finishing third at the Reno Tournament of Champions.
- No. 15-ranked Zach Horan enters the dual with a 15-7 record, posting a 4-2 dual record, and placing second at the Reno Tournament of Champions.
- No. 10-ranked Colin Heffernan is 11-1 on the season and 3-0 in duals. Heffernan placed second at the Reno Tournament of Champions.

## #MAC STANDINGS

|                      | MAC        | PCT.        | OVERALL    | PCT.         |
|----------------------|------------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| <b>#4 MIZZOU</b>     | <b>5-0</b> | <b>.000</b> | <b>8-0</b> | <b>1.000</b> |
| #19 Central Michigan | 2-0        | .000        | 5-1        | .833         |
| Kent State           | 2-1        | .000        | 9-3        | .750         |
| Eastern Michigan     | 2-2        | .000        | 7-4        | .636         |
| #21 Ohio             | 1-3        | .000        | 5-3        | .625         |
| Northern Iowa        | 1-2        | .000        | 2-5        | .286         |
| Old Dominion         | 0-0        | .000        | 4-5        | .444         |
| Northern Illinois    | 0-2        | .000        | 3-5        | .375         |
| Buffalo              | 0-3        | .000        | 6-5        | .545         |



## USA TODAY/NWCA POLL

| Rank     | Team              | Record     | Points     |
|----------|-------------------|------------|------------|
| 1        | Penn State        | 8-0        | 300        |
| 2        | Iowa              | 10-0       | 288        |
| 3        | N.C. State        | 16-0       | 274        |
| <b>4</b> | <b>MIZZOU</b>     | <b>8-0</b> | <b>264</b> |
| 5        | Oklahoma State    | 4-2        | 250        |
| 6        | Rutgers           | 11-2       | 225        |
| 7        | Nebraska          | 8-1        | 205        |
| 8        | Lehigh            | 9-1        | 201        |
| 9        | Oklahoma          | 6-2        | 199        |
| 10       | Michigan          | 6-1        | 194        |
| 11       | Ohio State        | 5-2        | 185        |
| 12       | Virginia Tech     | 7-2        | 176        |
| 13       | Illinois          | 9-2        | 167        |
| 14       | Iowa State        | 7-2        | 161        |
| 15       | North Carolina    | 9-1        | 130        |
| 16       | Cornell           | 1-3        | 113        |
| 17       | Virginia          | 5-2        | 100        |
| 18       | Pittsburgh        | 9-1        | 91         |
| 19       | Central Michigan  | 5-1        | 84         |
| 20       | Purdue            | 5-2        | 73         |
| 21       | Ohio              | 5-2        | 59         |
| 22       | Indiana           | 4-1        | 47         |
| 23       | Oregon State      | 4-4        | 37         |
| 24       | West Virginia     | 5-2        | 28         |
| 25       | Appalachian State | 8-2        | 16         |

## Others Receiving Votes

Chattanooga (9), Minnesota (6), Wisconsin (6), Eastern Michigan (5), Kent State (5), Arizona State (2)



## INTERMAT TOURNAMENT

|          |                |             |
|----------|----------------|-------------|
| 1        | Penn State     | 117.0       |
| 2        | Oklahoma State | 99.0        |
| 3        | Ohio State     | 91.0        |
| 4        | Iowa           | 86.5        |
| <b>5</b> | <b>MIZZOU</b>  | <b>74.0</b> |
| 6        | N.C. State     | 73.0        |
| 7        | Virginia Tech  | 71.0        |
| 8        | Illinois       | 65.0        |
| 9        | Cornell        | 57.0        |
| 10       | Michigan       | 54.0        |
| 11       | Nebraska       | 39.0        |
| 12       | Lehigh         | 34.5        |
| 13       | Minnesota      | 30.5        |
| 14       | North Carolina | 28.5        |
| 15       | Wisconsin      | 25.5        |
| 16       | Kent State     | 25.0        |
|          | Stanford       | 25.0        |
| 18       | Oklahoma       | 24.0        |
| 19       | Rutgers        | 23.5        |
| 20       | Old Dominion   | 22.5        |
| 21       | Northern Iowa  | 20.5        |
| 22       | Edinboro       | 17.0        |
| 23       | Oregon State   | 16.0        |
| 24       | Pittsburgh     | 15.0        |
| 25       | Northwestern   | 14.5        |



## RECORD WATCH

### Most Technical Falls (Season)

|    |                            |          |
|----|----------------------------|----------|
| 1. | Sam Henson (1990-91)       | 11       |
| 2. | Alan Waters (2014-15)      | 8        |
|    | Drake Houdashelt (2014-15) | 8        |
|    | Ben Askren (2005-06)       | 8        |
| 5. | Bobby Crawford (1989-90)   | 7        |
|    | Alan Waters (2011-12)      | 7        |
|    | <b>J'den Cox (2015-16)</b> | <b>7</b> |

### Most Technical Falls (Career)

|    |                                 |           |
|----|---------------------------------|-----------|
| 1. | Drake Houdashelt (2011-15)      | 21        |
| 2. | Alan Waters (2010-15)           | 17        |
| 3. | Ben Askren (2003-07)            | 15        |
| 4. | <b>J'den Cox (2013-present)</b> | <b>14</b> |
| 5. | Brent Haynes (2009-13)          | 13        |



## DUAL DOMINATION



### Dual Points:

|    |               |    |
|----|---------------|----|
| 1. | Willie Miklus | 38 |
| 2. | J'den Cox     | 31 |
| 3. | Daniel Lewis  | 27 |
| 4. | Lavion Mayes  | 26 |
| 5. | Matt Manley   | 24 |

• Mizzou has outscored its opponents 222-97 in eight duals this season.

• Redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** leads the team with 38 points in duals, tallying three falls, two technical falls, one major decision, and two decision wins. Miklus beat Joe Ariola (Buffalo) by way of technical fall, 19-4, on Jan. 8.

• Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** has recorded a fall, three technical falls, a major decision, and two decision wins for 31 points. Cox recorded a fall over Jerald Spohn (Kent State) on Dec. 20, his first fall in regular season dual competition since Jan. 25, 2015 against Alec Brown (Northern Illinois).

## MAYES UNDEFEATED



• Redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** has yet to drop a match this season, posting a 17-0 overall record and a 7-0 record in duals. Mayes, an NCAA All-American (seventh place) a season ago at 141 pounds, has not had any struggles after being bumped up to 149 pounds at the beginning of the year. Mayes has captured two open championships this year, winning the Joe Parisi Open and the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational. The final three

wins at Cliff Keen came over opponents currently ranked in the top-20. The Illinois native has scored bonus points in eight of 17 matches this season, tallying six major decisions and two falls. In Mayes' eight dual wins, he has outscored his opponents, 85-39.

### MIKLUS NAMED USA WRESTLING ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

• Redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** was named USA Wrestling Athlete of the week on Dec. 14 following two duals wins against Ohio State and Ohio. Against then-No. 3 Ohio State, Miklus beat then-No. 11 Kenny Courts by way of a 15-0 technical fall. Miklus' five team point's pushed Mizzou ahead for good, helping #TigerStyle knock off the defending NCAA champion Buckeyes, 26-17. Miklus followed up the TF with a 9-3 decision win over Andrew Romanchik the following day.

## TIGER RECORDS

| Wt. | Wrestler         | Season | Dual | Career  |
|-----|------------------|--------|------|---------|
| 125 | Barlow McGhee    | 12-5   | 3-3  | 33-16   |
| 133 | Zach Synon       | 13-5   | 5-2  | 71-17   |
| 141 | Matt Manley      | 21-4   | 7-0  | 55-24   |
| 149 | Lavion Mayes     | 17-0   | 8-0  | 84-18   |
| 157 | Le'Roy Barnes    | 19-5   | 2-1  | 41-13   |
| 165 | Daniel Lewis     | 16-3   | 6-1  | 16-3    |
| 174 | Blaise Butler    | 10-2   | 5-1  | 66-24** |
| 184 | Willie Miklus    | 12-2   | 8-0  | 45-11   |
| 197 | J'den Cox        | 17-1   | 7-1  | 92-5    |
| HWT | James Romero     | 11-12  | 2-5  | 11-12   |
| Wt. | Wrestler         | Season | Dual | Career  |
| 125 | Aaron Assad      | 9-6    | 0-1  | 19-19   |
| 125 | Boomer Boyd      | 0-0    | 0-0  | 15-12   |
| 125 | Chase Brennan    | 3-3    | 0-0  | 15-12*  |
| 125 | Chandler Fohey   | 6-3    | 0-0  | 6-3*    |
| 133 | Jaydin Eierman   | 18-2   | 0-0  | 18-2*   |
| 133 | John Erneste     | 10-4   | 1-0  | 10-4    |
| 133 | Nick Nasenbeny   | 5-4    | 0-0  | 5-4     |
| 133 | Sam Ritchie      | 7-4    | 0-0  | 7-4*    |
| 133 | Quinn Smith      | 5-0    | 0-0  | 5-0     |
| 141 | Cole Baumgartner | 11-5   | 1-0  | 49-27   |
| 141 | Kevin Kissane    | 12-5   | 0-0  | 12-5*   |
| 141 | Will Roark       | 11-4   | 0-0  | 11-4*   |
| 149 | Alex Butler      | 17-6   | 0-0  | 17-6*   |
| 149 | Austin Eveler    | 9-3    | 0-0  | 9-3*    |
| 149 | Grant Leeth      | 0-0    | 0-0  | 0-0     |
| 157 | Blake Pepper     | 0-1    | 0-1  | 26-13   |
| 157 | Phyllip DeLoach  | 10-6   | 0-0  | 10-6*   |
| 157 | Luke Fortuna     | 13-8   | 0-3  | 13-8    |
| 157 | Matt Lemanowicz  | 4-3    | 0-1  | 37-24   |
| 157 | Joey Lavallee    | 10-3   | 0-0  | 64-27*  |
| 157 | Keegan McCormick | 11-2   | 0-0  | 11-2*   |
| 165 | Nicholas DeLoach | 8-5    | 0-1  | 8-5     |
| 165 | Taylor Watkins   | 9-6    | 0-0  | 9-6*    |
| 174 | Jon Goerke       | 2-4    | 0-0  | 18-25   |
| 174 | Cody Johnston    | 4-3    | 0-0  | 43-19   |
| 174 | Tim Miklus       | 6-5    | 0-0  | 6-5     |
| 174 | Matt Striegel    | 10-8   | 0-0  | 10-8*   |
| 174 | Dalton Voyles    | 9-5    | 0-0  | 9-5*    |
| 174 | Dylan Wisman     | 12-6   | 0-0  | 12-6*   |
| 184 | Jayden Bears     | 7-3    | 0-0  | 7-3     |
| 184 | Nicholas Scherer | 1-6    | 0-0  | 1-6*    |
| 197 | Seth Pesek       | 6-4    | 0-0  | 6-4*    |
| HWT | Wood Mancuso     | 0-0    | 0-0  | 0-0     |
| HWT | Mike Monaghan    | 1-6    | 0-0  | 1-6     |

\*- Competing as an unattached wrestler

\*\*- 56-22 at Virginia

## MAC WRESTLER OF THE WEEK

• Redshirt junior 133-pounder **Zach Synon** was named MAC Wrestler of the Week on Dec. 16. Synon provided the most electric moment of #TigerStyle's win over then-No. 3 Ohio State on Dec. 12 when he pinned No. 5 Johnni DiJulius in the third period at 5:59. The Tiger grappler also picked up a 9-4 win against Cameron Kelly of then-No. 21 Ohio on Sunday. Synon is now 12-3 on the season, 4-0 in duals, and ranked as high as No. 11 in the individual rankings (TheOpenMat.com). The Cary, Ill., native has amassed 16 dual points in four matches.

## ROMERO EARNS FIRST DUAL VICTORY IN WIN OVER OHIO

• Freshman heavyweight **James Romero** earned the first dual victory of his career on Dec. 13 when he defeated James Webb of Ohio by way of a 9-4 decision. The win helped Mizzou defeat then-No. 25 Ohio, 27-9. Redshirt freshman **Daniel Lewis** and redshirt junior **Lavion Mayes** earned a technical fall and a major decision, respectively, in the dual for the Tigers.

## MIZZOU TAKES DOWN NO. 3 OHIO STATE

• Mizzou defeated the then-No. 3-ranked Ohio State Buckeyes on Dec. 12, 26-17, in front of 2,507 fans, the fifth largest crowd at the Hearn Center in program history. The Tigers trailed 10-0 after two matches when redshirt junior 133-pounder **Zach Synon** pinned Johnni DiJulius at 5:59 to swing the momentum in Mizzou's direction. Redshirt junior Lavion Mayes earned a 12-3 major decision over Cody Burcher to give the Tigers a 13-10 lead heading into intermission. Mizzou then trailed, 17-13 when redshirt senior 174-pounder Blaise Butler stepped onto the mat. Butler dominated Dominic Prezzia on the way to a 13-3 major decision, followed by a 15-0 technical fall from redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** over Kenny Courts to seal the victory for Mizzou, 26-17.

## MIZZOU WINS CLIFF KEEN LAS VEGAS INVITATIONAL

• Mizzou Wrestling departed Las Vegas, Nev., as the 2015 Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational Team Champions. The Tigers finished the tournament with 154 team points, 41 points ahead of second place Cornell. #Tigerstyle had seven wrestlers place in the top-four, headlined by individual championships from junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** and redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes**. Redshirt freshman 165-pounder **Daniel Lewis** and redshirt senior 174-pounder **Blaise Butler** finished the tournament with third-place finishes. Lewis earned the "Most Falls in the Least Amount of Time" Award after posting five first-period pins. Redshirt sophomore 125-pounder **Barlow McGhee**, redshirt junior 141-pounder **Matt Manley**, and redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** all finished in fourth place in the tournament.

## BUTLER AND MIKLUS VAULT MIZZOU TO 24-19 WIN OVER UNI

Two falls from redshirt senior 174-pounder **Blaise Butler** and redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** gave No. 9 Mizzou Wrestling the lead it needed to defeat No. 25 Northern Iowa on Saturday by a score of 24-19. After Northern Iowa tied the score, 9-9, with a fall in the 157-pound matchup and grabbed the lead with a technical fall in the 165-pound matchup, 14-9, Butler regained the lead for the Tigers with his pin in the third period (6:37) over Kyle Lux. In his first match as a Tiger after transferring from Virginia, Butler came away with a massive debut win for #Tigerstyle. Butler led 14-4 in the third period when he put both of Lux's shoulders on the mat for six points. Miklus followed up the Butler pin with one of his own, pinning Cody Caldwell in the first period (1:22). Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** picked up the final win of the night for #Tigerstyle when he beat Jared Bartel by way of decision, 8-3. The win gave Mizzou three points and clinched the victory.

## #TIGERSTYLE GRABS 5 CHAMPIONSHIP 5 AT JOE PARISI OPEN

• Among 38 teams competing at the Joe Parisi Open on Nov. 21, no team came away more victorious than Mizzou Wrestling. In all, #TigerStyle walked away with five championships, four in the elite division. Redshirt sophomore 125-pounder **Barlow McGhee** took home the 125 pound championship after he defeated last year's NCAA runner-up Zeke Moisey of West Virginia with a 14-4 major decision win. The 133 pound final was an All-Mizzou match, pitting redshirt junior 133-pounder **Zach Synon** against freshman 133-pounder **Jaydin Eierman**. The younger Tiger, Eierman, got the best of the bout, fending off Synon with a 5-3 decision win to capture the title. At 149, redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** picked up four wins on the day, including a pin and two major decisions to win the 149 pound championship. In the 197 pound weight division, junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** breezed through his competition, collecting three technical falls and a pin in four matches before reaching the finals. In the finals, Cox outlasted nationally ranked Jacob Smith of West Virginia, 2-0, to win the title. In the freshman/sophomore division, freshman 157-pounder **Luke Fortuna** won the 157 pound championship.

## MIZZOU SELECTED TO WIN MAC

• As voted on by the conference head coaches, Mizzou was picked to win the Mid-American Conference, sitting atop the preseason poll with 20.0 points. #TigerStyle wrestlers were represented in seven of the 10 individual weight class rankings, with junior 133-pounder **Zach Synon** and junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** leading the way at the top of their respective weight classes. Redshirt junior **Lavion Mayes** and redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus**, and redshirt senior **Blaise Butler** were all ranked second in their respective weight classes. Redshirt freshman 165-pounder **Daniel Lewis** (Blue Springs, Mo.) was ranked third in his weight class, while redshirt sophomore 125-pounder **Barlow McGhee** was ranked fourth.

6 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS // 60 ALL-AMERICANS // 4 CONSECUTIVE CONFERENCE TITLES

## LAST DUAL

### No. 4 Mizzou Defeats Eastern Michigan, 24-10

Erneste earns Major Decision in dual debut, #TigerStyle extends dual win streak to 36

Mizzou (8-0, 5-0) defeated MAC rival Eastern Michigan (7-4, 2-2), 24-10, Friday, Jan. 15 at the Hearnes Center to extend its dual win streak to 36 consecutive duals. The Tigers won last five bouts to come from behind and defeat the Eagles.

In the second match of the night, redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** (Altoona, Iowa) continued his perfect record in duals (8-0) by beating Derek Hillman by way of a major decision, 12-2. Miklus used four takedowns, and an impressive two point near-fall at the end of the first period to earn the win. The victory pushed Miklus' overall record this season to 12-2.

Next up for the Tigers was junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** (Columbia, Mo.). In the only ranked matchup on the night, Cox squared up against No. 14 Anthony Abro. Cox used three takedowns in the first period to establish a lead, and never looked back on his way to a 10-5 victory by decision. The win gave Cox a 17-1 record this season and 7-1 in duals.

Eastern Michigan led 10-7 when redshirt freshman 133-pounder **John Erneste** (Kansas City, Mo.) earned a 13-2 victory by major decision in his dual debut against Blake Caudill. Erneste had a huge second period due to a pair of near-falls worth four and two points, respectively. Coupled with a pair of takedowns from the first period gave the Park Hill High School product more than enough for the major decision victory.

Redshirt junior 141-pounder **Matt Manley** (Perry, Okla.) kept the momentum in Mizzou's favor with a 5-3 victory by decision over Kyle Springer. The victory added to Manley's pristine dual record, making him 7-0 with an overall record of 21-4. Mizzou led 14-10 following the bout.

Redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** (Mascoutah, Ill.) put another notch in his undefeated record by defeating Nicholas Barber 2-0 by decision. The only points scored in the match were an escape by Mayes with 1:27 left and a point at the end for riding time. With a 17-10 lead, Mizzou sent out redshirt senior 157-pounder **LeRoy Barnes** (Belton, Mo) to face Devan Marry. Barnes used a two near-falls in the final period to get the victory by major decision, 12-1. Barnes is now 19-5 this season and 2-1 in duals. The win padded the team's lead to 21-10 going into the final match.

The final bout of the day was won by redshirt freshman 165-pounder **Daniel Lewis** (Blue Springs, Mo.), 8-4. Lewis used a takedown late in the third period, as well as a point for riding time to clinch the victory. With the win, Lewis improved his record to 16-3 and 6-1 in duals. The victory secured the dual win for Mizzou by the final score of 24-10.

#### Match-By-Match Results

174: Jacob Davis (EMU) def. Cody Johnston (Mizzou) by 5-3 decision  
 184: Willie Miklus (Mizzou) def. Derek Hillman (EMU) by 12-2 major decision  
 197: J'den Cox (Mizzou) def. Anthony Abro (EMU) by 10-5 decision  
 HWT: Gage Hutchison (EMU) def. James Romero (Mizzou) by 11-0 major decision  
 125: Armando Torres (EMU) def. Aaron Assad (Mizzou) by 6-3 decision  
 133: John Erneste (Mizzou) def. Blake Caudill (EMU) by 13-2 major decision  
 141: Matt Manley (Mizzou) def. Kyle Springer (EMU) by 5-3 decision  
 149: Lavion Mayes (Mizzou) def. Nicholas Barber (EMU) by 2-0 decision  
 157: LeRoy Barnes (Mizzou) def. Devan Marry (EMU) by 12-1 major decision  
 165: Daniel Lewis (Mizzou) def. Dakota Juarez (EMU) by 8-4 decision

**MD**  
**13-2**



**MD**  
**12-2**





## BARLOW MCGHEE

Rock Island, Ill.  
Rock Island HS  
RS So. \ 125

SEASON RECORD: 12-5  
DUAL RECORD: 3-3  
CAREER RECORD: 33-16

### MCGHEE INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 11th  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... 11th  
The Open Mat ..... 12th  
FloWrestling..... 11th

### CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2014 SEC First-Year Honor Roll

### 2015-16 (RS So.):

- Placed fourth at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational, posting a 5-2 record over the tournament
- Won the Championship at Joe Parisi Open, defeating last year's NCAA runner-up Zeke Moisey (West Virginia in the finals)

### 2014-15 (RS Fr.):

- Took his redshirt season, following a successful first-year 2013-14 campaign in Mizzou.
- Compiled a 14-5 overall record as unattached competitor.
- Four of his 14 season wins resulted in bonus points, including one Major Decision and three Tech. Falls.
- Competed in five tournaments this past season, highlighted by a Championship at 2015 Roger Denker Open.
- Also placed 3rd at 2014 Harold Nichols Cyclone Open, 2nd at 2014 UCM Open, and 2nd at 2014 Joe Parisi Open.
- Placed in four tournaments overall, T-2nd most among his Tiger teammates.

### 2013-14 (Fr.):

- Kept his redshirt off for his freshman season, competing at 125 pounds for the Tigers in dual competition as well as in three tournaments.
- His first collegiate win came at the North Dakota State dual over Hunter Weber, 5-2.

- Earned a third-place finish at the Warren Williams/Daktronics Open, losing only one of his seven matches, 4-3.
- Had a fourth place finish at the Joe Parisi Open.
- Took third at the UNI Open after defeating Da'Wayne Robertson of Ellsworth in a rematch to earn his spot in the third-place match.
- Competed at the 2014 MAC Championships where he finished in sixth place after picking up one win for the Tigers over Del Vinas of Kent State.

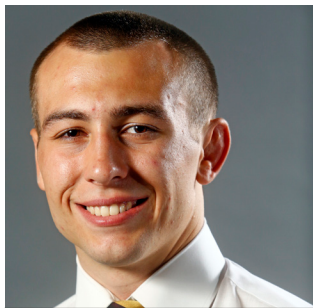
### PERSONAL:

- Was born to Barlow and Danielle McGhee on January 15, 1995 in Topeka, Kan.
- Has two younger siblings - his sister Vilgie and brother Daniel.

## MCGHEE 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| Date                                                         | Opponent         | School            | W/L | Score      | Record |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----|------------|--------|
| Nov. 20                                                      | Troy Gassaway    | SIU Edwardsville  | W   | MD, 16-5   | 1-0    |
| <b>Joe Parisi Open (Champion // 125)</b>                     |                  |                   |     |            |        |
| Nov. 21                                                      | Robert Elliott   | West Virginia     | W   | TF, 22-3   | 2-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                      | Brady Sloup      | Hannibal-LaGrande | W   | TF, 21-5   | 3-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                      | Zach D'Amico     | Cen. Oklahoma     | W   | Dec., 3-1  | 4-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                      | Zeke Moisey      | West Virginia     | W   | MD, 14-4   | 5-0    |
| Nov. 28                                                      | Dylan Peters     | Northern Iowa     | L   | Dec., 7-5  | 5-1    |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (4th Place // 1250)</b> |                  |                   |     |            |        |
| Dec. 4                                                       | Johnny Jimenez   | Wisconsin         | W   | SV, 4-2    | 6-1    |
| Dec. 4                                                       | Zeke Moisey      | West Virginia     | W   | Dec., 4-2  | 7-1    |
| Dec. 4                                                       | Joey Dance       | Virginia Tech     | L   | SV, 3-1    | 7-2    |
| Dec. 5                                                       | Joshua Rodriguez | North Dakota St.  | W   | Dec., 6-5  | 8-2    |
| Dec. 5                                                       | David Terao      | American          | W   | Fall, 6:04 | 9-2    |
| Dec. 5                                                       | Ryan Milhoff     | Oklahoma          | W   | MFF        | 10-2   |
| Dec. 5                                                       | Ronnie Rios      | Oregon State      | L   | Dec., 4-3  | 10-3   |
| Dec. 12                                                      | Nathan Tomasello | Ohio State        | L   | MD, 10-1   | 10-4   |
| Dec. 13                                                      | Shakur Laney     | Ohio              | W   | Dec., 3-1  | 11-4   |
| Jan. 8                                                       | Kyle Akins       | Buffalo           | W   | Dec., 7-3  | 12-4   |
| Jan. 10                                                      | Dalton Macri     | Cornell           | L   | Dec., 7-6  | 12-5   |





## ZACH SYNON

Cary, Ill.  
Prairie Ridge HS  
RS Jr. \ 133

SEASON RECORD: 13-5  
DUAL RECORD: 5-2  
CAREER RECORD: 71-17

### SYNON INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 11th  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... N/R  
The Open Mat ..... 15th  
FloWrestling..... 11th

### CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2015 MAC Champion (133)
- 2015 NCAA Nationals Qualifier (133)
- 2015 Academic All-MAC Team

### 2015-16 (RS Jr.):

- Pinned No. 5 Johnni DiJulius of Ohio State at 5:59 to help Mizzou knock off No. 3 Ohio State, named MAC Wrestler of the Week for his performance
- Won the Maryville Brand Kaufman Open and finished in second at the Joe Parisi Open

### 2014-15 (RS So.):

- Went 31-13 overall, recording a 133 pound MAC Championship and clinching first trip to NCAA Championships.
- His 31 season victories marked a new single season career high, passing his 27 victories during the 2013-14 campaign.
- Made 13 dual starts, finishing with an 8-5 record (3-0 in MAC duals).
- Competed in five tournaments before taking over 133 pound starting spot, placing in 4-of-5 events.
- Took home 3rd place at 2014 Harold Nichols Cyclone Open, 2nd place at 2014 UCM Open, 3rd place at 2014 Joe Parisi Open and 3rd place at 2014 UNI Open.
- Signature win of the season came on Jan. 10, 2015, as he defeated No. 3 (125 lbs.) Nahshon Garrett (Cornell) by 6-2 decision.
- Accumulated six different winning streaks of three matches or better throughout the season. Season best winning streak of six matches came between 2014 Cyclone Open & UCM Open.

### 2013-14 (RS Fr.):

- In his first season as an attached wrestler for the Tigers, Synon competed in six tournaments and earned his first career dual start against Central Michigan's No. 12 Corey Keener on Jan. 19
- Named champion at UCM Open after winning five straight matches including a 5-0 decision over Connor Cline (Oklahoma St.) in the finals

### 2012-13 (Fr.)

- In his redshirt season, competed in five tournaments
- Picked up first collegiate win against Gunnar Woodburn (Oklahoma State) by 8-0 major decision
- Took second place at UCM Open, losing only to Eddie Klimara (Oklahoma State) in the finals

### PERSONAL:

- Zach Synon was born on May 4, 1994 to Dan and Michelle Synon in Barrington, Ill.
- Has one younger brother, Max.
- His uncle, Ryan Geist, wrestled at Illinois State.
- Chose Mizzou over Northwestern and Iowa.

## SYNON 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| Date                                                   | Opponent          | School           | W/L | Score      | Record |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----|------------|--------|
| <b>Maryville Kaufman Brand Open (1st Place // 133)</b> |                   |                  |     |            |        |
| Nov. 14                                                | Andrew Rettke     | McKendree        | W   | TF, 19-2   | 1-0    |
| Nov. 14                                                | John Erneste      | Missouri         | W   | TB-1, 4-3  | 2-0    |
| Nov. 14                                                | Hunter Haralson   | Lindenwood       | W   | Dec., 7-1  | 3-0    |
| Nov. 20                                                | Dakota Leach      | SIU Edwardsville | W   | MD, 10-2   | 4-0    |
| <b>Joe Parisi Open (2nd Place // 133)</b>              |                   |                  |     |            |        |
| Nov. 21                                                | Cody Pae          | Purdue           | W   | Dec., 7-0  | 5-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                | Joe Wheeling      | West Virginia    | W   | Dec., 5-0  | 6-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                | Jordan Olfus      | Graceland        | W   | TF, 16-1   | 7-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                | John Erneste      | Missouri         | W   | Dec., 4-2  | 8-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                | Jaydin Eierman    | Missouri         | L   | Dec., 5-3  | 8-1    |
| Nov. 28                                                | Josh Alber        | Northern Iowa    | W   | Dec., 2-1  | 9-1    |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational</b>               |                   |                  |     |            |        |
| Dec. 4                                                 | Grimaldi Gonzalez | Bucknell         | W   | MD, 8-0    | 10-1   |
| Dec. 4                                                 | George DiCamillo  | Virginia         | L   | MD, 12-4   | 10-2   |
| Dec. 4                                                 | Daniel DeShazer   | Nebraska-Kearney | L   | SV-3, 6-4  | 10-3   |
| Dec. 12                                                | Johnni DiJulius   | Ohio State       | W   | Fall, 5:59 | 11-3   |
| Dec. 13                                                | Cameron Kelly     | Ohio             | W   | Dec., 9-4  | 12-3   |
| Dec. 20                                                | Mack McGuire      | Kent State       | L   | Dec., 8-5  | 12-4   |
| Jan. 8                                                 | Bryan Lantry      | Buffalo          | W   | Dec., 5-0  | 13-4   |





## MATT MANLEY

Perry, Okla.  
Perry HS  
RS Jr. \ 141

SEASON RECORD: 21-4  
DUAL RECORD: 7-0  
CAREER RECORD: 55-24

### MANLEY INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 10th  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... 11th  
The Open Mat ..... 9th  
FloWrestling..... 6th

### CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2014 NCAA Nationals Qualifier (133 pounds)

### 2015-16 (RS Jr.):

- Placed in second place at the Maryville Brand Kaufman Open, third place at the Joe Parisi Open, and fourth place at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational

### 2014-15 (RS So.):

- Finished with a 10-4 overall record, including a 6-4 mark in dual competitions.
- Crowned 2014 Harold Nichols Cyclone Open 133 pound Champion, winning four matches, two by major decision.
- Opened the season with an eight match winning streak, racking up five bonus points victories during that span.
- Tallied two pins this season with his fastest coming in 1:23 (Nov. 15, 2014 against Truman State's Ethan Retschler).

## MANLEY 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| Date                                                        | Opponent          | School            | W/L | Score      | Record |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----|------------|--------|
| <b>Maryville Brand Kaufman Open (2nd Place // 141)</b>      |                   |                   |     |            |        |
| Nov. 14                                                     | Dante Padilla     | Williams Baptist  | W   | Fall, 2:17 | 1-0    |
| Nov. 14                                                     | Andrew Frey       | Indianapolis      | W   | Fall, 2:44 | 2-0    |
| Nov. 14                                                     | Le'Roy Barnes     | Missouri          | W   | Dec., 2-1  | 3-0    |
| Nov. 14                                                     | Nate Rodriguez    | Maryville         | L   | Dec., 3-2  | 3-1    |
| Nov. 20                                                     | Angelo Silvestro  | SIU Edwardsville  | W   | MD, 16-4   | 4-1    |
| <b>Joe Parisi Open (3rd Place // 141)</b>                   |                   |                   |     |            |        |
| Nov. 21                                                     | Eli Stickley      | Wisconsin         | W   | Dec., 9-3  | 5-1    |
| Nov. 21                                                     | Tyler Tustin      | Cen. Oklahoma     | W   | MD, 11-1   | 6-1    |
| Nov. 21                                                     | Steve Bleise      | Northern Illinois | W   | Dec., 9-2  | 7-1    |
| Nov. 21                                                     | Le'Roy Barnes     | Missouri          | L   | Dec., 6-4  | 7-2    |
| Nov. 21                                                     | Tristian Moran    | Oklahoma State    | W   | Dec., 10-3 | 8-2    |
| Nov. 21                                                     | Dusty Hone        | Oklahoma State    | W   | Dec., 3-2  | 9-2    |
| Nov. 28                                                     | Trevor Jauch      | Northern Iowa     | W   | Dec., 4-3  | 10-2   |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (4th Place // 141)</b> |                   |                   |     |            |        |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Austin Solari     | Newberry          | W   | MD, 11-3   | 11-2   |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Jack Hathaway     | Oregon State      | W   | Dec., 6-3  | 12-2   |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Tony DeAngelo     | West Virginia     | W   | MD, 11-3   | 13-2   |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Tommy Thorn       | Minnesota         | L   | Dec., 6-5  | 13-3   |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Mitchell Bengston | North Dakota St.  | W   | Dec., 11-6 | 14-3   |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Ian Nickell       | CSU Bakersfield   | W   | TF, 16-1   | 15-3   |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Solomon Chishko   | Virginia Tech     | W   | Fall, 3:54 | 16-3   |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Tommy Thorn       | Minnesota         | L   | Dec., 11-5 | 16-4   |
| Dec. 12                                                     | Micah Jordan      | Ohio State        | W   | Dec., 4-3  | 17-4   |
| Dec. 13                                                     | Noah Forrider     | Ohio              | W   | TB-1, 6-5  | 18-4   |
| Dec. 20                                                     | Anthony Tutolo    | Kent State        | W   | MD, 10-1   | 19-4   |
| Jan. 10                                                     | William Koll      | Cornell           | W   | MD, 9-1    | 20-4   |
| Jan. 15                                                     | Kyle Springer     | Eastern Michigan  | W   | Dec., 5-3  | 21-4   |

### 2013-14 (RS Fr.):

- In his second season with the Tigers, Manley competed in four tournaments for the Tigers.
- Won five straight matches at the Warren Williams/Daktronics open to claim the title.
- His first career dual start and win occurred against Kagan Squire of Ohio, 1-0
- His first win over a ranked opponent was at the Southern Scuffle where he defeated No. 5 Ryan Mango (Stanford) 8-6 in sudden victory.
- Represented Missouri at 133 pounds at the 2014 MAC Championships. Manley finished in sixth place.
- Went 1-2 in matches at Nationals, with his win coming against No. 16 Mack McGuire, evening out their season series against each other to 2-2.

### 2012-13 (Fr.):

- In his redshirt season on the team, Manley competed in three tournaments at 125 pounds.
- Finished in second place at the UCM Open after picking up his first five collegiate wins, including a tournament opener against Jeremy Griffen (Labette CC) by fall at 6:05.
- Manley picked up 13 wins on the season, four of which came by either fall or major decision.

### PERSONAL:

- Matthew Manley was born to Brian and Abby Manley.
- Has three siblings - Crystal, Coy, and Steve.





## LAVION MAYES

Mascoutah, Ill.  
Mascoutah HS  
RS Jr. \ 149

SEASON RECORD: 17-0  
DUAL RECORD: 8-0  
CAREER RECORD: 84-18

### MAYES INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 3rd  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... 3rd  
The Open Mat ..... 4th  
FloWrestling..... 4th

### CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2015 NCAA All-American (7th Place - 141 pounds)
- 2014 NCAA Championships Qualifier (141 pounds)

### 2015-16 (RS Jr.):

- Won Championships at the Joe Parisi Open and the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational
- Has started the season on an 15-match win streak

### 2014-15 (RS So.):

- Compiled a 38-4 overall record, including a 20-1 dual record (6-1 MAC competitions).
- His 38 victories marked a new career high, upping his previous season best by nine wins (29 a season ago).
- In his 20 dual wins, racked up 73 points for the Tigers in his victories.
- 19 of his season dual starts came at 141 pounds, while two came at 149 pound weight class.
- Began the 2014-15 season with a 21 match winning streak.
- Earned first career All-American honors (7th place) after going 5-2 at 2015 NCAA Championships.
- Four of his five wins at NCAA's were against nationally ranked opponents.
- Claimed 141 pound event championships at 2014 Harold Nichols Cyclone Open and 2015 Southern Scuffle.
- Took home 11 wins over nationally ranked 141 pound opponents, including five over top-10 foes.
- Earned MAC Wrestler of the Week honors for the week of Jan. 19-25, 2015.

## MAYES 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| Date                                                       | Opponent             | School           | W/L | Score       | Record |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|-----|-------------|--------|
| Nov. 20                                                    | John Fahy            | SIU Edwardsville | W   | Dec., 11-6  | 1-0    |
| <b>Joe Parisi Open (Champion // 149)</b>                   |                      |                  |     |             |        |
| Nov. 21                                                    | Greg Jacquez         | Lindenwood       | W   | Fall, 6:23  | 2-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                    | Isaac Reinemann      | Illinois         | W   | Dec., 10-4  | 3-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                    | Jake Smith           | West Virginia    | W   | MD, 9-0     | 4-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                    | John Fahy            | SIU Edwardsville | W   | MD, 15-3    | 5-0    |
| Nov. 28                                                    | Gunnar Wolfensperger | Northern Iowa    | W   | Dec., 9-3   | 6-0    |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (Champion // 149)</b> |                      |                  |     |             |        |
| Dec. 4                                                     | Rylan Lubeck         | Wisconsin        | W   | Fall, 6:39  | 7-0    |
| Dec. 4                                                     | Tom Page             | American         | W   | MD, 14-5    | 8-0    |
| Dec. 4                                                     | Geordan Martinez     | Boise State      | W   | MD, 13-5    | 9-0    |
| Dec. 5                                                     | Davion Jeffries      | Oklahoma         | W   | Dec., 5-4   | 10-0   |
| Dec. 5                                                     | Jake Short           | Minnesota        | W   | Dec., 8-6   | 11-0   |
| Dec. 12                                                    | Cody Burcher         | Ohio State       | W   | MD, 12-3    | 12-0   |
| Dec. 13                                                    | Cullen Cummings      | Ohio             | W   | MD, 20-12   | 13-0   |
| Dec. 20                                                    | Mike DePalma         | Kent State       | W   | Dec., 9-3   | 14-0   |
| Jan. 8                                                     | Colt Cotten          | Buffalo          | W   | Dec., 13-10 | 15-0   |
| Jan. 10                                                    | Joey Galasso         | Cornell          | W   | Dec., 9-2   | 16-0   |
| Jan. 15                                                    | Nicholas Barber      | Eastern Michigan | W   | Dec., 2-0   | 17-0   |

### 2013-14 (RS Fr.):

- Earned "Most Improved Wrestler" Honors by Mizzou wrestling coaching staff.
- Competed in five tournaments as an attached wrestler and held a starting spot on the lineup at 141 pounds, helping him make his way to his first NCAA Championship.
- Placed second at both the UCM and UNI Opens, picking up seven wins between the two tournaments.
- Won all five matches at the Joe Parisi for his first tournament title in collegiate competition. Defeated Anthony Collica (Okla. State) in the finals with a pin at 6:47.
- First collegiate dual start was against Noah Forrider of Ohio. Mayes won by major decision, 12-3.
- His first win over a ranked opponent came by way of a 6-4 decision over No. 15 Nick Lester in the dual against Oklahoma.
- Represented Missouri at the 2014 MAC Championships, where he had a fourth-place finish and earned an automatic bid to the 2014 NCAA National Championships.

### 2012-13 (Fr.):

- Competed in three tournaments as a redshirt at 149 pounds.
- Took second place at the UCM Open, picking up his first collegiate win against Devin Patterson (McKendree), 9-6.
- Also finished second at the Joe Parisi Open, opening the day with a technical fall, 17-0, over Tre Ponting (Bethany).
- Earned another second-place finish at the Kaufman-Brand Open, picking up two decision wins, a 17-6 major decision, and a pin at 2:29.
- Overall, had 13 wins and six losses on the season.

### PERSONAL:

- Lavion is the son of Clarence Mayes and Christina Whitson.
- Was born in Breese, Ill., on July 6, 1994.
- Has one older sister, Desiree.
- Chose to be a Tiger because it offered the best tools to help him become a National Champion.
- Picked Mizzou over Northern Illinois.





## LE'ROY BARNES

Belton, Mo.  
Belton HS  
RS Sr. \ 157

SEASON RECORD: 19-5  
DUAL RECORD: 2-1  
CAREER RECORD: 41-13

### 2014-15 (RS Jr.):

- Competed at 141 pounds for the majority of the season for the Tigers.
- Started in six duals, winning all of them including four falls.
- Took fourth place at the Cyclone Open and fifth place at the Kaufman-Brand Open, picking up nine wins (eight by bonus) between the two tournaments.
- Took fifth place at the Edinboro Open, competing at 149 pounds. Notable wins include Connor Muli of Hofstra, Ian Brown of Lehigh and Tyson Dippery of Rutgers.
- Had a 22-8 season overall, including 10 falls, two major decisions, and two technical falls.

### 2013-14 (Jr.):

- Took a medical redshirt his first season with the Tigers.

### NEOSHO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- Won the NJCAA Wrestling Championship his sophomore year at 133 pounds, finishing up a season record of 37-7.
- Finished in third place at the Championships his freshman season, posting a record of 41-10.

### PERSONAL

- Born on November 11, 1992 to Adrian and Dashine Barnes, in Belton, Mo.
- Is the youngest of six children.

## BARNES 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| Date                                                   | Opponent             | School           | W/L | Score      | Record |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|-----|------------|--------|
| <b>Maryville Kaufman Brand Open (3rd Place // 141)</b> |                      |                  |     |            |        |
| Nov. 14                                                | John Muldoon         | SIU-Edwardsville | W   | TF, 17-2   | 1-0    |
| Nov. 14                                                | Matt Manley          | Missouri         | L   | Dec., 2-1  | 1-1    |
| Nov. 14                                                | Blake Clevenger      | Ouachita Baptist | W   | Dec., 6-2  | 2-1    |
| Nov. 14                                                | Darren Wynn          | McKendree        | W   | Fall, 2:43 | 3-1    |
| <b>Joe Parisi Open (2nd Place // 141)</b>              |                      |                  |     |            |        |
| Nov. 21                                                | Justin Kieffer       | Indianapolis     | W   | Fall, 1:51 | 4-1    |
| Nov. 21                                                | Dusty Hone           | Oklahoma State   | W   | Dec., 6-4  | 5-1    |
| Nov. 21                                                | Matt Manley          | Missouri         | W   | Dec., 6-4  | 6-1    |
| Nov. 21                                                | Nate Rodriguez       | Maryville        | L   | Dec., 9-5  | 6-2    |
| <b>UNI Open (Champion // 141)</b>                      |                      |                  |     |            |        |
| Dec. 12                                                | Tyler Jones          | Maryville        | W   | TF, 16-0   | 7-2    |
| Dec. 12                                                | Cole Martin          | Wisconsin        | W   | Dec., 5-4  | 8-2    |
| Dec. 12                                                | Jake Hodges          | Northern Iowa    | W   | Fall, 1:48 | 9-2    |
| Dec. 12                                                | Eli Stickley         | Wisconsin        | W   | Dec., 9-2  | 10-2   |
| <b>Reno Tournament of Champions (4th Place // 157)</b> |                      |                  |     |            |        |
| Dec. 20                                                | Luke Smith           | Central Michigan | L   | Dec., 4-2  | 10-3   |
| Dec. 20                                                | Isaiah Hokit         | Drexel           | W   | MD, 13-0   | 11-3   |
| Dec. 20                                                | Merlin Bope Miongolo | Boise State      | W   | Fall, 3:46 | 12-3   |
| Dec. 20                                                | Austin Blaede        | MSU-Northern     | W   | Fall, 0:45 | 13-3   |
| Dec. 20                                                | Eric Roach           | Indiana          | W   | Dec., 9-6  | 14-3   |
| Dec. 20                                                | Oliver Pierce        | Arizona State    | W   | Fall, 7:00 | 15-3   |
| Dec. 20                                                | Jacob Danishek       | Indiana          | W   | Fall, 1:24 | 16-3   |
| Dec. 20                                                | Joey LaVallee        | Missouri         | W   | MFF        | 17-3   |
| Dec. 20                                                | Luke Smith           | Central Michigan | L   | Dec., 7-0  | 17-4   |
| Jan. 8                                                 | Tim Schaefer         | Buffalo          | W   | Dec., 6-1  | 18-4   |
| Jan. 10                                                | Dylan Pacacio        | Cornell          | L   | Dec., 9-7  | 18-5   |
| Jan. 15                                                | Devan Marry          | Eastern Michigan | W   | MD, 12-1   | 19-5   |



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## DANIEL LEWIS

Blue Springs, Mo.  
Blue Springs HS  
RS Fr. \ 165

SEASON RECORD: 16-3  
DUAL RECORD: 6-1  
CAREER RECORD: 16-3

### LEWIS INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat.....5th  
W.I.N. Magazine.....6th  
The Open Mat.....10th  
FloWrestling.....9th

#### 2015-16 (Fr.):

- Placed third at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational and won the "Most Falls in the Least Amount of Time" Award after posting five first-period pins

#### 2014-15 (Fr.):

- In his redshirt campaign, the first-year Tiger finished his 2014-15 season with a solid 21-8 record.
- Of his 21 season victories, an incredible 15 of those resulted in pins. The 15 falls ranked first among all 2014-15 Tiger grapplers.
- In his first 13 wins of the season, 10 came by falls with the fastest pin coming in just 0:28.
- Competed in five total tournaments this season, placing in four of them. Took home 165 pound top honors at 2014 UCM Open, going a perfect 5-0. Best streak of season resulted in wins in 14-of-15 matches (Nov. 16, 2014 - Dec. 13, 2014).
- His season best winning streak of nine matches came between Joe Parisi Open and UNI Open. Of those nine wins, six resulted in falls.

#### PERSONAL:

- Born to Christy and Craig Lewis on May 19, 1995 in Salina, Kan.

## LEWIS 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| Date                                                        | Opponent          | School           | W/L | Score      | Record |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----|------------|--------|
| Nov. 20                                                     | Eric Travers      | SIU Edwardsville | W   | Fall, 0:58 | 1-0    |
| <b>Joe Parisi Open</b>                                      |                   |                  |     |            |        |
| Nov. 21                                                     | Clayton Monebrake | Indianapolis     | W   | Fall, 0:55 | 2-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                     | Ross Renzi        | West Virginia    | W   | Dec., 6-0  | 3-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                     | Dmitri Willis     | Maryville        | L   | Fall, 4:15 | 3-1    |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (3rd Place // 165)</b> |                   |                  |     |            |        |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Jade Lloyd        | Gateway Bible    | W   | Fall, 0:50 | 4-1    |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Jacen Peterson    | Arizona State    | W   | Fall, 2:42 | 5-1    |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Dave McFadden     | Virginia Tech    | L   | Dec., 8-4  | 5-2    |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Isaac Deaton      | Nebraska-Kearney | W   | Fall, 1:00 | 6-2    |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Adam Fierro       | CSU Bakersfield  | W   | Fall, 0:41 | 7-2    |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Tyrel White       | Columbia         | W   | Fall, 2:20 | 8-2    |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Cooper Moore      | Northern Iowa    | W   | Dec., 8-2  | 9-2    |
| Dec. 5                                                      | George Pickett    | Cornell          | W   | Dec., 4-2  | 10-2   |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Clark Glass       | Oklahoma         | W   | Dec., 8-2  | 11-2   |
| Dec. 12                                                     | Jake Ryan         | Ohio State       | L   | MD, 10-2   | 12-5   |
| Dec. 13                                                     | Austin Reese      | Ohio             | W   | TF, 17-1   | 12-3   |
| Dec. 20                                                     | Tyler Buckwalter  | Kent State       | W   | Fall, 2:30 | 13-3   |
| Jan. 8                                                      | Rrok Ndokaj       | Buffalo          | W   | MD, 10-2   | 14-3   |
| Jan. 10                                                     | George Pickett    | Cornell          | W   | TB-1, 3-2  | 15-3   |
| Jan. 15                                                     | Dakota Juarez     | Eastern Michigan | W   | Dec., 8-4  | 16-3   |





## BLAISE BUTLER

Belvidere, Ill.  
Virginia  
RS Sr. \ 174

SEASON RECORD: 10-2  
DUAL RECORD: 5-1  
CAREER RECORD: 66-24

### BUTLER INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat..... 9th  
W.I.N. Magazine..... 8th  
The Open Mat..... 7th  
FloWrestling..... 8th

#### 2015-16 (RS Sr.):

- Placed third at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational
- Posted his first #TigerStyle win in his debut, pinning Kyle Lux of Northern Iowa on Nov. 28

#### 2014-15 (RS Jr. at Virginia):

- Posted a 21-6 individual mark at 174 pounds, including a 13-2 dual record
- Racked up 56 total points in a season for the second consecutive campaign
- Finished 2nd at the ACC Tournament

#### 2013-14 (RS So. at Virginia)

- Went 22-8 as a redshirt junior and 15-5 in duals
- Captured the ACC title at 157 pounds
- Collected three major decisions and three pins
- Fastest pin came in 1:20
- Secured nine wins against eventual NCAA qualifiers

#### 2012-13 (RS Fr. at Virginia)

- Went 13-6, competing at both 157 pounds and 165 pounds during the season
- Snagged three major decisions and two pins

#### 2011-12 (Fr. at Virginia)

- During his redshirt season, he went 20-9 as an unattached wrestler in open tournaments
- Placed at four tournaments, winning the Appalachian Open title

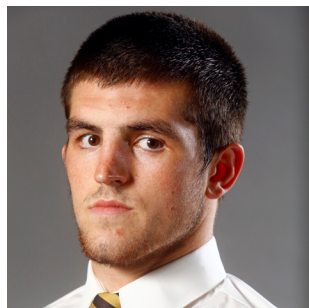
#### PERSONAL

- Son of Martin and Debra Butler
- Has two brothers, Tyler and Alex
- Younger brother Alex is a freshman on the Mizzou Wrestling team
- Comes from a wrestling pedigree as his father wrestled at Amherst College

## BUTLER 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| Date                                                        | Opponent         | School          | W/L | Score      | Record |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----|------------|--------|
| Nov. 28                                                     | Kyle Lux         | Northern Iowa   | W   | Fall, 6:37 | 1-0    |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (3rd Place // 174)</b> |                  |                 |     |            |        |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Rustin Barrick   | Bucknell        | W   | MD, 13-3   | 2-0    |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Drew Foster      | Northern Iowa   | W   | Dec., 3-1  | 3-0    |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Ricky Robertson  | Wisconsin       | W   | Fall, 0:54 | 4-0    |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Bryce Hammond    | CSU Bakersfield | L   | Dec., 10-7 | 4-1    |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Brian Harvey     | Army            | W   | TF, 18-3   | 5-1    |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Jadaen Bernstein | Navy            | W   | Dec., 8-3  | 6-1    |
| Dec. 12                                                     | Dominic Prezgia  | Ohio State      | W   | MD, 13-3   | 7-1    |
| Dec. 13                                                     | Cody Walters     | Ohio            | W   | Dec., 5-4  | 8-1    |
| Dec. 20                                                     | Mike Vollant     | Kent State      | W   | MD, 14-5   | 9-1    |
| Jan. 8                                                      | Muhammed McBryde | Buffalo         | W   | Dec., 8-2  | 10-1   |
| Jan. 10                                                     | Brian Realbito   | Cornell         | L   | Dec., 3-2  | 10-2   |





## WILLIE MIKLUS

Altoona, Iowa  
Southeast Polk HS  
RS So. \ 184

SEASON RECORD: 12-2  
DUAL RECORD: 8-0  
CAREER RECORD: 45-11

### MIKLUS INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 4th  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... 7th  
The Open Mat ..... 8th  
FloWrestling..... 4th

### CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2015 NCAA All-American (7th Place - 184)
- 2015 MAC Freshman of the Year
- 2015 Academic All-MAC Team
- 2014 SEC First-Year Honor Roll

### 2015-16 (RS So.):

- Placed fourth at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational

### 2014-15 (RS Fr.):

- Went from preseason unranked grappler to nationally ranked and NCAA All-American at 184 pounds. Went 33-9 overall including an 18-3 dual (6-0 MAC) record.
  - Finished in 7th place at 2015 NCAA Championships, producing a 5-2 record along the way.
  - At NCAA's, defeated No. 6 Taylor Meeks (Oregon State), No. 7 Lorenzo Thomas (Penn), No. 14 Richard Robertson (Wisconsin) and No. 15 Timothy Dudley (Nebraska) nationally ranked opponents in the country.
  - Had 18 starts at 184 pounds for the Tigers and three starts at 197 pounds.
  - Began the 2014-15 season with an 18-0 record, highlighted by a win over No. 2 Jack Dechow (Old Dominion) on Nov. 23, 2014.
  - 24 of his 33 season wins resulted in bonus points, good enough for .727 percentage of his overall victories.
  - In his 18 dual victories this season, accumulated 82 points (2nd most on Mizzou, only trailed J'den Cox's 87).
- Tallied 14 pins throughout the season, tops among Tiger Style starters for the 2014-15 campaign.

- Took down six nationally ranked foes at 184 pounds, including four alone at 2015 NCAA Championships.

Named MAC Freshman of the Year by the league office on April 7, 2015.

### 2013-14 (Fr.):

- Took his redshirt in his first season with the Tigers and competed in five tournaments at 197 pounds
- Finished in fourth place at the Warren Williams / Daktronics Open, picking up his first collegiate win by a Fall at 4:09 against North Dakota State's Tommy Peterson
- Took third place at the Joe Parisi Open, winning five-of-six matches including a 6-4 decision over Missouri's Justin Heberlie
- Was crowned the champion at the Kaufman-Brand Open after winning his first two matches by Fall, followed by another win over Missouri's Heberlie
- Another third place finish came at the UNI Open with his only loss coming against Mizzou's J'den Cox
- Miklus picked up 17 wins this season with nine of them coming by Fall, the fastest of which occurred 0:50 into the match

### PERSONAL:

- Willie was born to Garry and Luann Miklus on July 16, 1993 in Des Moines, Iowa.
- Has three younger siblings - Tim, who is also on the Tiger wrestling squad, Erin and Sean.

## MIKLUS 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| Date                                                        | Opponent         | School           | W/L | Score      | Record |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----|------------|--------|
| Nov. 20                                                     | Derek Nagel      | SIU Edwardsville | W   | Fall, 2:49 | 1-0    |
| Nov. 28                                                     | Cody Caldwell    | Northern Iowa    | W   | Fall, 1:22 | 2-0    |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (4th Place // 184)</b> |                  |                  |     |            |        |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Samson Imonode   | Army             | W   | MD, 14-2   | 3-0    |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Huston Evans     | Newberry         | W   | Fall, 3:29 | 4-0    |
| Dec. 4                                                      | Hayden Zillmer   | North Dakota St. | W   | Dec., 3-2  | 5-0    |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Gabriel Dean     | Cornell          | L   | Dec., 3-2  | 5-1    |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Kenny Courts     | Ohio State       | W   | MD, 13-5   | 6-1    |
| Dec. 5                                                      | Zack Zavatsky    | Virginia Tech    | L   | Dec., 9-4  | 6-2    |
| Dec. 12                                                     | Kenny Courts     | Ohio State       | W   | TF, 15-0   | 7-2    |
| Dec. 13                                                     | Andrew Romanchik | Ohio             | W   | Dec., 9-3  | 8-2    |
| Dec. 20                                                     | Cole Baxter      | Kent State       | W   | Fall, 3:55 | 9-2    |
| Jan. 8                                                      | Joe Ariola       | Buffalo          | W   | TF, 19-4   | 10-2   |
| Jan. 10                                                     | Jake Taylor      | Cornell          | W   | Dec., 8-7  | 11-2   |
| Jan. 15                                                     | Derek Hillman    | Eastern Michigan | W   | MD, 12-2   | 12-2   |





## J'DEN COX

Columbia, Mo.  
Hickman HS  
Jr. \ 197

SEASON RECORD: 17-1  
DUAL RECORD: 7-1  
CAREER RECORD: 92-5

### COX INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 2nd  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... 2nd  
The Open Mat ..... 2nd  
FloWrestling..... 2nd

### CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2015 NCAA All-American (5th Place - 197)
- 2015 MAC Champion (197)
- 2014 NCAA National Champion (197)
- 2014 MAC Champion (197)
- 2014 MAC Wrestler of the Year
- 2014 MAC Freshmen of the Year
- 2014 SEC First-Year Honor Roll

### 2015-16 (Jr.):

- Won Championships at the Joe Parisi Open and Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational

### 2014-15 (So.):

- Earned All-American honors for the second straight year and cemented himself as one of the top 197 pound wrestlers in the country.
- Finished the season with a 37-2 total record, including a perfect 21-0 dual record (6-0 in MAC duals).

## COX 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| Date                                                       | Opponent        | School           | W/L | Score      | Record |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----|------------|--------|
| Nov. 20                                                    | Jake Tindle     | SIU Edwardsville | W   | TF, 25-10  | 1-0    |
| <b>Joe Parisi Open (Champion // 197)</b>                   |                 |                  |     |            |        |
| Nov. 21                                                    | Greg Wilson     | Cen. Oklahoma    | W   | TF, 22-7   | 2-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                    | Derrick Hawkins | Grand View       | W   | Fall, 1:27 | 3-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                    | Austin Schafer  | Oklahoma State   | W   | TF, 21-5   | 4-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                    | Ryan Beltz      | Maryville        | W   | TF, 25-10  | 5-0    |
| Nov. 21                                                    | Jacob Smith     | West Virginia    | W   | Dec., 2-0  | 6-0    |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (Champion // 197)</b> |                 |                  |     |            |        |
| Nov. 28                                                    | Jared Bartel    | Northern Iowa    | W   | Dec., 8-3  | 7-0    |
| Dec. 4                                                     | Mark Tracy      | Binghamton       | W   | Fall, 3:46 | 8-0    |
| Dec. 4                                                     | Augustus Marker | Brown            | W   | Fall, 4:49 | 9-0    |
| Dec. 4                                                     | Derek Thomas    | Utah Valley      | W   | TF, 22-7   | 10-0   |
| Dec. 5                                                     | Jacob Smith     | West Virginia    | W   | Dec., 9-3  | 11-0   |
| Dec. 5                                                     | Brett Pfarr     | Minnesota        | W   | Dec., 4-1  | 12-0   |
| Dec. 12                                                    | Mark Martin     | Ohio State       | W   | MD, 13-2   | 13-0   |
| Dec. 13                                                    | Phil Wellington | Ohio             | L   | DQ         | 13-1   |
| Dec. 20                                                    | Jerald Spohn    | Kent State       | W   | Fall, 1:02 | 14-1   |
| Jan. 8                                                     | James Benjamin  | Buffalo          | W   | TF, 19-4   | 15-1   |
| Jan. 10                                                    | Jeremy Sweany   | Cornell          | W   | TF, 24-9   | 16-1   |
| Jan. 15                                                    | Anthony Abro    | Eastern Michigan | W   | Dec., 10-5 | 17-1   |

- Concluded the regular season with an unblemished 30-0 record, and stretched his perfect record well into NCAA Championships.
- Suffered his first season loss on March 20, 2015 in the 197 pound NCAA Championships semifinals matchup. Before the loss, had put together a 36-0 record and an NCAA leading 56 consecutive victories dating back to the end of his 2013-14 season.
- His perfect 3-0 record and 197 pound title at the MAC Wrestling Championships was his second straight crown.
- During his perfect 21-0 regular season dual record, he tallied 87 total dual points which led all Mizzou grapplers.
- Of his 37 season wins, 19 of those produced bonus points for the team (seven MD, four TF, and eight Falls).
- Defeated 12 nationally ranked wrestlers on the season, including two up a weight class at HWT.

### 2013-14 (Fr.):

- Picked up 38 wins his first year with the Tigers en route to a conference and national championship at 197 pounds
- At the 2014 MAC Championships, defeated No. Phil Wellington (Ohio) via major decision, 10-1
- At NCAA Nationals, Cox entered his bracket as the No. 2 seed and on the way to the title defeated No. 14 Chris Penny (Virginia Tech) with a 4-1 decision in the semifinals and then faced No. 1 Nick Heflin (Ohio State) in the finals
- In a match that came down to the wire, Cox defeated Heflin by decision, 2-1, and became the fourth Tiger wrestler to claim a national championship, giving Mizzou its fifth individual crown since '06.

### PERSONAL:

- J'den was born to Michael and Cathy Cox on March 3, 1995 in Columbia, Mo.
- Is the third of four children, with two older brothers, Zach and Drae, and sister, Chai.
- Brother, Drae, wrestled for Lindenwood University.





## JAMES ROMERO

Albuquerque, N.M.  
Atrisco Heritage Academy HS  
Fr. \ HWT

SEASON RECORD: 11-12  
DUAL RECORD: 2-5  
CAREER RECORD: 11-12

### 2015-16 (Fr.):

- Picked up his first dual victory on Dec. 13 against Jesse Webb of Ohio by way of a 9-4 decision
- Placed third at the UCM Open, tallying four falls and a technical fall in the tournament

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Two-time New Mexico state champion as a heavyweight
- Finished high school with a 114-17 career record
- Finished fifth as a freshman and second as a sophomore before clinching back-to-back state titles
- Won the 2015 Rocky Mountain Nationals heavyweight title
- Placed fourth at the USAW Junior Folkstyle Nationals

## ROMERO 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| Date                                     | Opponent          | School            | W/L | Score      | Record |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----|------------|--------|
| <b>UCM Open (3rd Place // HWT)</b>       |                   |                   |     |            |        |
| Nov. 7                                   | Chance Schooler   | Labette CC        | W   | Fall, 0:38 | 1-0    |
| Nov. 7                                   | Scott Kleinert    | Neosho CC         | W   | Fall, 0:26 | 2-0    |
| Nov. 7                                   | Nick Lovejoy      | Central Missouri  | W   | Fall, 1:12 | 3-0    |
| Nov. 7                                   | Jacob Borgmeyer   | Lindenwood        | L   | Dec., 6-3  | 3-1    |
| Nov. 7                                   | Christian Boyles  | McKendree         | W   | Fall, 2:10 | 4-1    |
| Nov. 7                                   | Nick Lovejoy      | Central Missouri  | W   | TF, 15-0   | 5-1    |
| <b>Maryville Kaufman Brand Open</b>      |                   |                   |     |            |        |
| Nov. 14                                  | Kris Rahn         | Baker             | L   | Fall, 1:25 | 5-2    |
| Nov. 14                                  | Brian Snyder      | Indianapolis      | L   | Fall, 2:19 | 5-3    |
| Nov. 20                                  | Chris Johnson     | SIU Edwardsville  | L   | Dec., 5-0  | 5-4    |
| <b>Joe Parisi Open</b>                   |                   |                   |     |            |        |
| Nov. 21                                  | Chance Cooper     | [Unattached]      | W   | Fall, 0:35 | 6-4    |
| Nov. 21                                  | Cory Barnett      | Northern Illinois | W   | Fall, 1:05 | 7-4    |
| Nov. 21                                  | Dylan Faulkenberg | Indianapolis      | W   | Fall, 0:26 | 8-4    |
| Nov. 21                                  | Dalonte Holland   | Ellsworth CC      | L   | Dec., 7-5  | 8-5    |
| Nov. 21                                  | Robert Schneider  | [Unattached]      | W   | Fall, 0:22 | 9-5    |
| Nov. 21                                  | Dylan Faulkenberg | Indianapolis      | L   | MD, 12-2   | 9-6    |
| Nov. 28                                  | Blaize Cabell     | Northern Iowa     | L   | TF, 25-10  | 9-7    |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational</b> |                   |                   |     |            |        |
| Dec. 4                                   | Stephen Suglio    | Kent State        | L   | Fall, 6:08 | 9-8    |
| Dec. 4                                   | Marcus Malecek    | Air Force         | L   | MD, 10-2   | 9-9    |
| Dec. 12                                  | Nick Tavanello    | Ohio State        | L   | Fall, 4:40 | 9-10   |
| Dec. 13                                  | Jesse Webb        | Ohio              | W   | Dec., 9-4  | 10-10  |
| Dec. 20                                  | Devin Nye         | Kent State        | W   | Fall, 0:58 | 11-10  |
| Jan. 8                                   | Jake Gunning      | Buffalo           | L   | Fall, 2:29 | 11-11  |
| Jan. 15                                  | Gege Hutchison    | Eastern Michigan  | L   | MD, 11-0   | 11-12  |



**2015-16 MIZZOU STATISTICS**

| Name             | Wt.        | Overall |     | Dual |    | Dual Points | Dec. | MD | Fall | TF | Forfeit | OT Matches | Fastest Fall |
|------------------|------------|---------|-----|------|----|-------------|------|----|------|----|---------|------------|--------------|
| Aaron Asaad      | 125        | 9       | 6   | 0    | 1  | 0           | 5    | 2  | 0    | 1  | 1       | 0          | --           |
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| Nicholas Scherer | 184        | 1       | 6   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 0    | 0  | 1    | 0  | 0       | 0          | 4:06         |
| Quinn Smith      | 133        | 5       | 0   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 0    | 1  | 2    | 1  | 1       | 0          | 2:57         |
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| Zach Synon       | 133        | 13      | 5   | 5    | 2  | 19          | 8    | 2  | 1    | 2  | 0       | 2          | --           |
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| Taylor Watkins   | 165        | 9       | 6   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 6    | 1  | 1    | 1  | 0       | 2          | 3:36         |
| Dylan Wisman     | 174        | 12      | 6   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 6    | 2  | 4    | 0  | 0       | 1          | 0:58         |
| TOTAL            | -          | 394     | 173 | 56   | 23 | 222         | 166  | 72 | 105  | 44 | 13      | 16         | --           |

**6 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS // 60 ALL-AMERICANS // 4 CONSECUTIVE CONFERENCE TITLES**

**2015-16 MIZZOU MISC. STATISTICS**
**Individual Dual Record by Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 3-4 | 6-2 | 8-0 | 8-0 | 2-6 | 6-2 | 6-2 | 7-1 | 7-1 | 3-5 | 56-24 |

**Dual Pins by Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 0-0 | 1-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 2-0 | 1-0 | 3-0 | 1-0 | 1-2 | 9-3   |

**Dual Technical Falls by Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 2-1 | 2-0 | 1-1 | 6-3   |

**Dual Major Decisions by Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 1-1 | 2-0 | 3-0 | 2-0 | 1-2 | 1-0 | 3-0 | 1-0 | 1-0 | 0-1 | 15-4  |

**Dual Decisions by Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 2-3 | 3-2 | 5-0 | 6-0 | 1-3 | 2-1 | 2-2 | 1-0 | 3-0 | 1-1 | 26-12 |

**Dual Disqualifications/Forfeits by Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-2   |

**Team Record at Dual Starting Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 2-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 3-4   |

**Team Ranking Week-By-Week**

|         | NWCA | InterMat | WIN (TPI) | WIN (Dual) |
|---------|------|----------|-----------|------------|
| Nov. 17 | 9th  | 10th     | 7th       | 9th        |
| Nov. 24 | 9th  | 10th     | 8th       | 8th        |
| Dec. 1  | 8th  | 8th      | 6th       | 8th        |
| Dec. 8  | 8th  | 7th      | 4th       | 6th        |
| Dec. 15 | 4th  | 6th      | 5th       | 5th        |
| Dec. 22 | 4th  | 6th      | 5th       | 5th        |
| Jan. 5  | 4th  | 6th      | 5th       | 5th        |
| Jan. 12 | 4th  | 5th      | 8th       | 3rd        |

**MISC. STATS CONT...**
**Match-By-Match Missouri Lineup**

| Date    | Opponent                | 125    | 133    | 141         | 149   | 157        | 165     | 174       | 184       | 197       | HWT    |
|---------|-------------------------|--------|--------|-------------|-------|------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Nov. 20 | at SIU Edwardsville     | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Lemanowicz | Lewis   | T. Miklus | W. Miklus | Cox       | Romero |
| Nov. 28 | at Northern Iowa        | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Fortuna    | DeLoach | B. Butler | W. Miklus | Cox       | Romero |
| Dec. 12 | Ohio State              | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Fortuna    | Lewis   | B. Butler | W. Miklus | Cox       | Romero |
| Dec. 13 | Ohio                    | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Fortuna    | Lewis   | B. Butler | W. Miklus | Cox       | Romero |
| Dec. 20 | at Kent State           | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Pepper     | Lewis   | B. Butler | W. Miklus | Cox       | Romero |
| Jan. 8  | Buffalo                 | McGhee | Synon  | Baumgartner | Mayes | Barnes     | Lewis   | B. Butler | W. Miklus | Cox       | Romero |
| Jan. 10 | Cornell                 | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Barnes     | Lewis   | B. Butler | T. Miklus | W. Miklus | Cox    |
| Jan. 15 | Eastern Michigan        | Assad  | Ernest | Manley      | Mayes | Barnes     | Lewis   | Johnston  | W. Miklus | Cox       | Romero |
| Jan. 17 | at Central Michigan     | -      | -      | -           | -     | -          | -       | -         | -         | -         | -      |
| Jan. 22 | at Oklahoma State       | -      | -      | -           | -     | -          | -       | -         | -         | -         | -      |
| Jan. 30 | Oklahoma                | -      | -      | -           | -     | -          | -       | -         | -         | -         | -      |
| Jan. 31 | Old Dominion            | -      | -      | -           | -     | -          | -       | -         | -         | -         | -      |
| Feb. 7  | at Northern Illinois    | -      | -      | -           | -     | -          | -       | -         | -         | -         | -      |
| Feb. 12 | at Appalachian State    | -      | -      | -           | -     | -          | -       | -         | -         | -         | -      |
| Feb. 14 | at North Carolina State | -      | -      | -           | -     | -          | -       | -         | -         | -         | -      |
| Feb. 21 | NWCA National Duals     | -      | -      | -           | -     | -          | -       | -         | -         | -         | -      |

**Dual Team Points Scored by Weight**

| Opp.    |                         | 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|---------|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Nov. 20 | at SIU Edwardsville     | 4   | 4   | 4   | 3   | 0   | 6   | 4   | 6   | 5   | 0   | 36    |
| Nov. 28 | at Northern Iowa        | 0   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 0   | 0   | 6   | 6   | 3   | 0   | 24    |
| Dec. 12 | Ohio State              | 0   | 6   | 3   | 4   | 0   | 0   | 4   | 5   | 4   | 0   | 26    |
| Dec. 13 | Ohio                    | 3   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 0   | 5   | 3   | 3   | 0   | 3   | 27    |
| Dec. 20 | at Kent State           | 0   | 0   | 4   | 3   | 0   | 6   | 4   | 6   | 6   | 6   | 35    |
| Jan. 8  | Buffalo                 | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 3   | 5   | 5   | 0   | 32    |
| Jan. 10 | Cornell                 | 0   | 0   | 4   | 3   | 0   | 3   | 0   | 0   | 3   | 5   | 18    |
| Jan. 15 | Eastern Michigan        | 0   | 4   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 3   | 0   | 4   | 3   | 0   | 24    |
| Jan. 17 | at Central Michigan     | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   |       |
| Jan. 22 | at Oklahoma State       | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   |       |
| Jan. 30 | Oklahoma                | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   |       |
| Jan. 31 | Old Dominion            | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   |       |
| Feb. 7  | at Northern Illinois    | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   |       |
| Feb. 12 | at Appalachian State    | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   |       |
| Feb. 14 | at North Carolina State | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   |       |
| Feb. 21 | NWCA National Duals     | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   |       |
| Total   |                         | 10  | 23  | 27  | 26  | 7   | 27  | 24  | 35  | 29  | 14  | 222   |


**Brian Smith**

Head Coach  
18th Year At Mizzou

**Alma Mater**

- Michigan State, 1990

**Playing Experience**

- Michigan State, 1986-1990
- 3x All-Big Ten wrestler
- Team's Most Outstanding Wrestler, 1990
- 84 Career Victories

**Coaching Experience**

- Cornell University  
- 1992-97  
- Assistant Coach
- Syracuse University  
- 1997-98  
- Head Coach
- University of Missouri,  
- 1998-present  
- Head Coach

**Mizzou Coaching Record**

- Overall  
- 231-90-3 (.713)  
- 14 consecutive seasons with .500 or better record  
- 13-of-17 years at Mizzou with double digit victories

**Coaching Awards**

- 2015 MAC Coach of the Year
- 2014 MAC Coach of the Year
- 2013 MAC Coach of the Year
- 2012 Big 12 Coach of the Year
- 2007 Dan Gable Coach of the Year

**Misc. Accolades**

- 2010-12 NWCA President
- Wrestling Commissioner for the Show-Me-State Games

# HEAD COACH

## Brian Smith

Beginning his career as Missouri's seventh Head Wrestling Coach, Brian Smith sat down with his team and made a list of goals that he hoped would help the 1998 squad and future Tiger teams. Over the past 16 years, Smith and the many men that have come through the varsity program have slowly but surely checked items off that original list. Individual Big 12 and MAC Conference Champions, improved grade-point averages, record-setting attendances, a No. 1 national ranking and MU's first-ever National Champion in wrestling were all on Smith's "to-do" list. His unique "Tiger Style" training program has molded today's team into a national powerhouse that looks to contend for the program's first team NCAA title.

Since being introduced as Missouri's Head Wrestling Coach May 5, 1998, Smith has demanded nothing but the best from himself, his coaches and his wrestlers. Owning 13 consecutive seasons with a dual record at or above .500, beginning with 2001-02, Smith has coached 20 All-Americans to 33 top-eight performances and four Tigers to five national titles.

Additionally, Smith aided in two-time National Champion Ben Askren's run through the 2008 Olympics in Beijing, China. During Askren's Tiger career, Smith guided the 174-pound grappler Askren to the program's first back-to-back National Championship titles (2006 and 2007). On March 21, 2009, Mark Ellis became the second MU wrestler in program history to collect top honors. At heavyweight, Ellis bested his opponent, 3-2, in overtime with Smith coaching from the corner. In March 2010, Max Askren became the third Tiger Style national champion in the history of the program, as he dominated the No. 1 seed in the 184-pound weight class by a 10-3 score. Finally, true freshman J'den Cox claimed the program's fifth national title in 2013-14 after defeating Ohio State's Nick Heflin, 2-1.

The past 2014-15 Mizzou wrestling campaign will arguably go down as the best season in program history. Under Smith's guidance, the Tigers finished with a perfect 24-0 regular season, marking only the second undefeated season in program history (joining 1967-68 Tiger squad). Dating back to the 2013-14 season, the Tigers have reeled off 28 straight dual wins, marking the longest winning streak in program history.

As the only unbeaten program in Division I wrestling this past season, the Tigers also racked up national accolades with a title at the 2015 National Duals Finals, and 2014-15 MAC Regular Season and Postseason Championships. The 8-0 record and first place honors during the MAC regular season was the first ever regular season title in Mizzou wrestling history.

After the team's fourth consecutive conference championship and new all-time MAC Championships team points record of 139.5, all 10 Tiger Style grapplers earned automatic bids to the 2015 NCAA Championships. Led by five All-Americans (Alan Waters, Lavion Mayes, Drake Houdashelt, Willie Miklus and J'den Cox) and the program's sixth all-time individual National Champion, the Tigers finished in fourth place overall. The team trophy finish gave Mizzou their fourth top-10 NCAA finish in the past nine years, and their sixth top-10 NCAA finish in program history.

During the 2014 season, Smith helped the Tigers claim their third consecutive conference championship, while also earning back-to-back MAC Coach of the Year honors. Mizzou sent eight wrestlers to 2014 NAAs, and came away two more All-Americans in Drake Houdashelt and J'den Cox. With the two excellent individual performances in Oklahoma City, Okla., Tiger Style now holds 55 all-time All-Americans.

In 2013, after Mizzou departed from the Big 12 Conference, Smith would do it all again. In the new Mid-American Conference (MAC), he led the Tigers as an affiliate member, and took the conference crown by storm, ending an 11-year dominant reign by the Chippewas from Central Michigan. His squad posted a total of 136.0 team points, which shattered the MAC Championship record for team points. And again, all 10 of his wrestlers qualified for the NAAs. He was named Mid-American Conference Coach of the Year for his accomplishments.

At least one Tiger grappler has been selected to compete at the NCAA Championship event in each of Smith's 16 seasons at Missouri and his squads have finished among the top-20 programs at the NCAA Championships in 12 of the last 13 years. The Florida native graduated from Michigan State with a degree in education and married the former Denise Dean in 1993. Brian and Denise, have three children, Quinn, Kylie and Braden.

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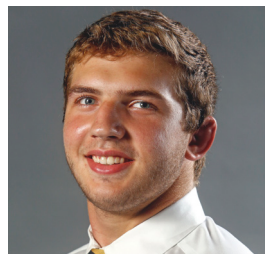
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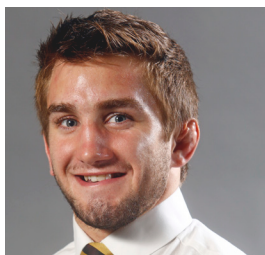
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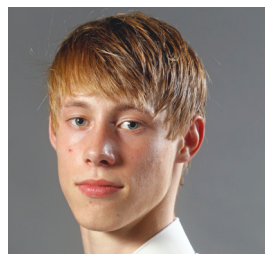
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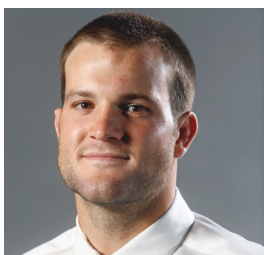
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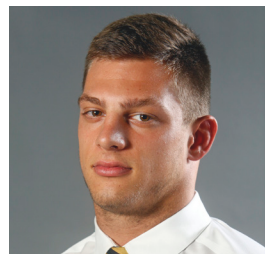
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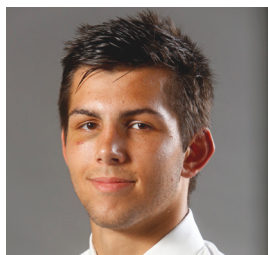
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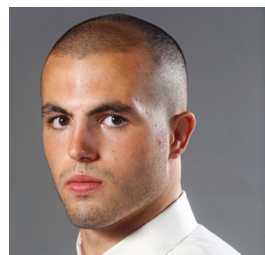
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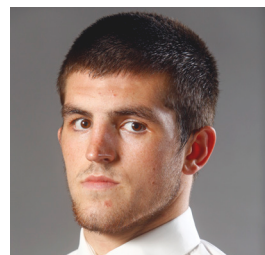
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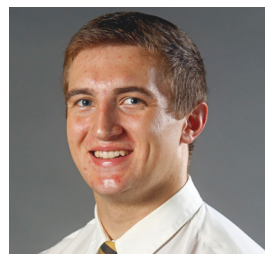
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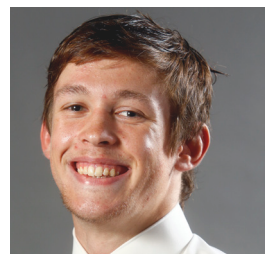
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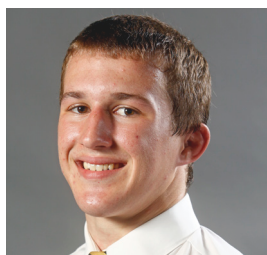
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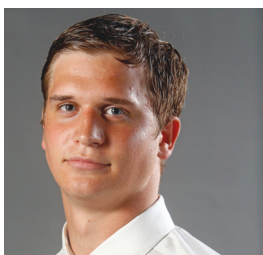
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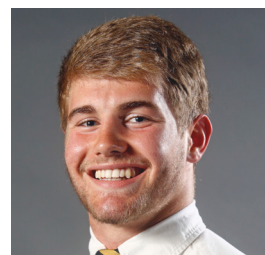
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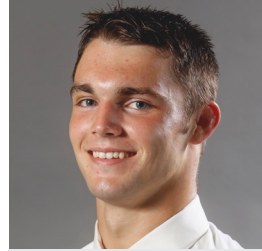
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**Zach Synon**  
RS Jr.  
Cary, Ill.



**Dalton Voyles**  
Fr.  
Pacific, Mo.



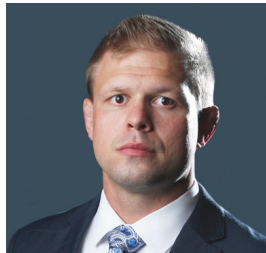
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Columbus, Kan.



**Dylan Wisman**  
Fr.  
Winchester, Va.



**Brian Smith**  
Head Coach



**Alex Clemson**  
Associate Head Coach



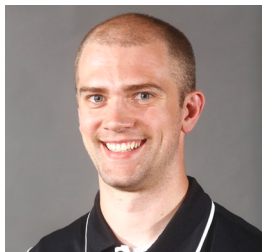
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**Drake Houdashelt**  
Volunteer Assistant  
Coach



**Mike Larson**  
Strength &  
Conditioning Coach



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Director of Operations



**Mitch Swee**  
Athletic Trainer

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| <i>NAME</i>      | <i>PRONUNCIATION</i> | <i>WEIGHT</i> | <i>YEAR</i> | <i>HOMETOWN / LAST SCHOOL</i>               |
|------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Aaron Assad      | (acid)               | 125           | RS So.      | Brecksville, Ohio/ Purdue University        |
| Le'Roy Barnes    |                      | 141 / 157     | RS Sr.      | Belton, Mo. / Neosho County CC              |
| Cole Baumgartner | (bomb-gart-ner)      | 133 / 141     | RS Jr.      | Jefferson City, Mo. / Jefferson City HS     |
| Jayden Bears     |                      | 184           | Fr.         | Staley, Mo. / Staley HS                     |
| Boomer Boyd      |                      | 125           | RS Jr.      | Wilmington, N.C. / Cary HS                  |
| Chase Brennan    |                      | 125           | So.         | Monett, Mo. / Monett HS                     |
| Alex Butler      |                      | 149           | Fr.         | Rockford, Ill. / Boylan Catholic HS         |
| Blaise Butler    |                      | 174           | RS Sr.      | Belvidere, Ill. /University of Virginia     |
| J'den Cox        |                      | 197           | Jr.         | Columbia, Mo. / Hickman HS                  |
| Nicholas DeLoach |                      | 149 /157      | Fr.         | Alton, Ill. /Alton HS                       |
| Phyllip DeLoach  |                      | 157           | Fr.         | Alton, Ill. /Alton HS                       |
| Jaydin Eierman   | (Air-man)            | 133           | Fr.         | Columbia, Mo./ Father Totlon HS             |
| John Erneste     | (earnest-E)          | 133           | RS Fr.      | Kansas City, Mo. / Park Hill HS             |
| Austin Eveler    | (ehv-eh-lurr)        | 149           | Fr.         | Lee's Summit, Mo./ Lee's Summit West        |
| Chandler Fohey   |                      | 125           | Fr.         | Hannibal, Mo. / Hannibal HS                 |
| Luke Fortuna     |                      | 157           | Fr.         | Glen Ellyn, Ill. / Montini Catholic HS      |
| Jon Goerke       | (GOR-key)            | 174           | Jr.         | Union, Ill. / Marengo Community HS          |
| Cody Johnston    |                      | 174           | RS Sr.      | Warrensburg, Mo. / Warrensburg HS           |
| Kevin Kissane    | (kiss-eign)          | 141           | Fr.         | Wichita, Kan. / Maize South HS              |
| Joey Lavallee    | (luh-val-lee)        | 157           | Jr.         | Reno, Nev. / Reno HS                        |
| Grant Leeth      |                      | 149           | RS Fr.      | Kearney, Mo. / Kearney HS                   |
| Matt Lemanowicz  | (luh-man-oh-witz)    | 157           | RS Jr.      | Lee's Summit, Mo. / Lee's Summit HS         |
| Daniel Lewis     |                      | 165           | RS Fr.      | Blue Springs, Mo. / Blue Springs HS         |
| Wood Mancuso     |                      | HWT           | RS Fr.      | Moorehead City, N.C. / West Carteret HS     |
| Matt Manley      |                      | 141           | RS Jr.      | Perry, Okla. / Perry HS                     |
| Lavion Mayes     | (luh-VON)            | 149           | RS Jr.      | Mascoutah, Ill. / Mascoutah HS              |
| Keegan McCormick |                      | 157           | Fr.         | Lee's Summit, Mo. / Lee's Summit North HS   |
| Barlow McGhee    |                      | 125           | RS So.      | Rock Island, Ill. / Rock Island HS          |
| Tim Miklus       |                      | 174           | RS Fr.      | Altoona, Iowa / Southeast Polk HS           |
| Willie Miklus    |                      | 184           | RS So.      | Altoona, Iowa / Southeast Polk HS           |
| Mike Monaghan    | (mahn-uh-han)        | HWT           | Sr.         | Darien, Illinois/Downers Grove HS           |
| Nick Nasenbeny   |                      | 133           | RS Fr.      | Plainfield, Ill. / Plainfield Central HS    |
| Blake Pepper     |                      | 157           | RS Jr.      | Imperial, Mo. / Seckman HS                  |
| Seth Pesek       |                      | 197           | Fr.         | Gardner, Kan. / Gardner Edgerton HS         |
| Sam Ritchie      |                      | 133           | Fr.         | St. Peters, Mo./Francis Howell North HS     |
| Will Roark       |                      | 141           | Fr.         | Seneca, Mo. / Seneca HS                     |
| James Romero     |                      | HWT           | Fr.         | Atrisco, N.M. / Atrisco Heritage Acaedey HS |
| Nicholas Scherer | (sheer-err)          | 184           | Fr.         | St. Louis, Mo. / MICDS High School          |
| Quinn Smith      |                      | 133           | RS Fr.      | Columbia, Mo. / Rock Bridge HS              |
| Matt Striegel    | (stree-gull)         | 174           | Fr.         | Belleville, Ill./Belleville East HS         |
| Zach Synon       | (sin-in)             | 133           | RS Jr.      | Cary, Ill. / Prairie Ridge HS               |
| Dalton Voyles    |                      | 174           | Fr.         | Pacific, Mo. / Pacific HS                   |
| Taylor Watkins   |                      | 165           | Fr.         | Columbus, Kan./Columbus HS                  |
| Dylan Wisman     | (wize-man)           | 174           | Fr.         | Winchester, Va. / Millbrook HS              |

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|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Head Coach</b>                        | Brian Smith (Michigan State, 1990) 18th Season at Mizzou |
| <b>Associate Head Coach</b>              | Alex Clemson                                             |
| <b>Assistant Coaches</b>                 | Joe Johnston and Drake Houdashelt                        |
| <b>Strength &amp; Conditioning Coach</b> | Mike Larson                                              |
| <b>Director of Operations</b>            | Cody Shoemaker                                           |
| <b>Athletic Trainer</b>                  | Mitch Swee                                               |