



### 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*           | W 26-9          |
| J 22 | at No. 5 Oklahoma State               | L 23-9          |
| J 30 | vs. No. 7 Oklahoma                    | W 31-12         |
| J 31 | vs. Old Dominion*                     | W 29-6          |
| F 7  | at Northern Illinois*                 | W 26-14         |
| F 12 | at Appalachian State                  | W 41-6          |
| F 14 | at No. 3 N.C. 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 15

### (5) MIZZOU TIGERS AT (3) N.C. STATE WOLFPACK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2016 // 1 PM (ET)/12 PM (CT) // HOLSHOUSE BUILDING // RALEIGH, N.C.

@MIZZOUWRESTLING

#### 2015-16 RECORD:

13-1

#### MAC RECORD:

8-0

#### HEAD COACH:

BRIAN SMITH

#### RECORD AT MIZZOU:

236-91-3 (.715)

#### SERIES INFORMATION

ALL-TIME SERIES ..... Tied 2-2

LAST MEETING ..... Mizzou, 29-10

..... Jan. 18, 2015 (Columbia, Mo.)

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#### 2015-16 RECORD:

21-1

#### ACC RECORD:

4-1

#### HEAD COACH:

PAT POPOLIZIO

#### RECORD AT N.C. ST.:

56-20 (.737)

#### #ZOU NOTES

• Mizzou enters the dual ranked No. 5 in the *USA Today*/NWCA Coaches poll and No. 6 in the InterMat Tournament Rankings.

• Mizzou finished the MAC dual season 8-0, winning its **second straight MAC Regular Season Championship**, finishing with a perfect 8-0 MAC record for the second consecutive season.

• N.C. State will be Mizzou's eighth ranked opponent this season. Mizzou is 6-1 vs. the top-25.

• Redshirt junior 141-pounder **Matt Manley** leads the team with 25 wins on the season and was

awarded the MAC Wrestler of the Week on Feb. 4. Manley's 25 wins are a new career-high.

• Redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** is a perfect 23-0 on the season, the Tigers' only wrestler with an unblemished record. Mayes is 14-0 in duals, scoring 46 points in the 14 victories.

• Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** leads the team in technical falls this season with seven, tied for fifth most in a season in program history. Cox is 23-1 this season and 13-1 in dual competition. Cox stands two wins away from 100 career wins.

#### #TIGERSTYLE PROJECTED LINEUP

#### RANKINGS FROM NCAA COACHES PANEL



#11

barlow  
MCGHEE

125

RS SO // ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 16-7   | 7-5   |



#14

zach  
SYNON

133

RS JR // CARY, ILL.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 16-8   | 8-5   |



#6

matt  
MANLEY

141

RS JR // PERRY, OKLA.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 25-5   | 11-1  |



#3

lavion  
MAYES

149

RS JR // MASCOUTAH, ILL.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 23-0   | 14-0  |



#29

le'roy  
BARNES

157

RS SR // BELTON, MO.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 23-7   | 6-3   |



#4

daniel  
LEWIS

165

RS FR // BLUE SPRINGS, MO.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 20-4   | 10-2  |



#5

blaise  
BUTLER

174

RS SR // BELVIDERE, ILL.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 15-3   | 10-2  |



#11

willie  
MIKLUS

184

RS SO // ALTOONA, IOWA

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 14-3   | 10-1  |



#2

j'den  
COX

197

JR // COLUMBIA, MO.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 23-1   | 13-1  |



james  
ROMERO

HWT

FR // ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.

| RECORD | DUALS |
|--------|-------|
| 11-18  | 2-11  |

#### N.C. STATE PROJECTED LINEUP

125 SEAN FAUSZ (RS FR)  
No. 20 // 15-6 // 9-5

133 JAMAL MORRIS (RS FR)  
No. 30 // 11-6 // 11-6

141 KEVIN JACK (SO)  
No. 3 // 32-9 // 4-0

149 BEAU DONAHUE (RS SO)  
17-10 // 5-3

157 TOMMY GANTT (RS SR)  
No. 4 // 20-0 // 15-0

165 MAX ROHSKOPF (JR)  
No. 6 // 12-1 // 12-1

174 NICKY HALL (SO)  
10-10 // 5-8

184 PETE RENDA (JR)  
No. 17 // 18-6 // 13-4

197 MICHAEL BOYKIN (SO)  
No. 16 // 14-7 // 7-5

HWT NICK GWIAZDOWSKI (RS SR)  
No. 1 // 25-0 // 15-0

## 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  
 Department Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ 573-882-6501  
 Ticket Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ 573-884-7297  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 800-228-7297

### THE MIZZOU TIGERS

Head Coach: \_\_\_\_\_ Brian Smith (18th season)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Michigan State, 1990  
 Missouri Record \_\_\_\_\_ 236-91-3 (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)

### STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS

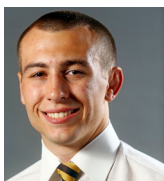
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 Web Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_ Kevin Fletcher  
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## MIZZOU BULLETS



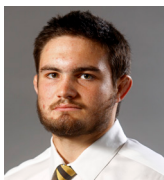
### 125 // Barlow McGhee // RS So.

- First career fall over David Terao (American) (6:04) at Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (Dec. 5).
- Won Individual Championship at Joe Parisi Open (Nov. 21), defeating Zeke Moisey (West Virginia) in the championship match.



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

- Named MAC Wrestler of the Week on Dec. 16 after defeating No. 5 Johnni DiJulius (Ohio State) via fall (5:59)
- Won Individual title at Maryville Brand Kaufman Open (Nov. 14) and placed second at Joe Parisi Open (Nov. 21)



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

- Named MAC Wrestler of the Week on Feb. 4
- Leads the Tigers in victories with 25, a new career-high.
- 10-1 in dual competition, including 4-3 decision win over No. 8 Micah Jordan (Ohio State) on Dec. 12.



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

- Only undefeated Tiger (23-0, 14-0).
- 5-2 dec. win over No. 9 Anthony Collica (Oklahoma State) on Jan. 22.
- Individual titles at Joe Parisi Open (Nov. 21) and Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (Dec. 5).



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

- 13-5 (6-3 in duals) since moving from 141 to 157 pounds.
- In first competition at 157 pounds, went 7-2 at the Reno Tournament of Champions (Dec. 20), finishing in fourth place.
- Won Individual title at UNI Open (Dec. 12), competing at 141 pounds.



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

- Eight wins by fall (second on team), all eight falls in the first period.
- 3-2 TB-1 win over then-No.17 George Pickett (Cornell) on Jan. 10.
- Placed third at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational, won Most Falls in Least Amount of Time Award after recording five first-period falls.



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

- 10-2 in dual competition, including 5-4 decision win over No. 6 Cody Walters (Ohio) and 3-1 SV-1 over No. 3 Kyle Crutchmer (Oklahoma State).
- Went 5-1, finished third at Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (Dec. 5).



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

- 10-1 in dual competition with 50 dual points (five 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) on Dec. 12.



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

- Team-high seven technical falls on the season.
- 24-9 TF win over Jeramy Sweany clinched 18-17 win over Cornell.
- Won Individual titles at the Joe Parisi Open (Nov. 21) and the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational.



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

- Team-high nine falls.
- Picked up first dual win of career with 9-4 decision over Jesse Webb (Ohio) on Dec. 13. Followed up win with a first-period fall (0:58) in win over Devin Nye (Kent State) on Dec. 20.

## INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS RUNDOWN

### MIZZOU

| WT  | Name          | Intermat | W.I.N. Magazine | The Open Mat | FloWrestling |
|-----|---------------|----------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| 125 | Barlow McGhee | 9        | 12              | 15           | 9            |
| 133 | Zach Synon    | 13       | --              | 16           | 14           |
| 141 | Matt Manley   | 7        | 8               | 9            | 5            |
| 149 | Lavion Mayes  | 3        | 3               | 3            | 3            |
| 157 | Le'Roy Barnes | --       | --              | --           | --           |
| 165 | Daniel Lewis  | 5        | 5               | 9            | 9            |
| 174 | Blaise Butler | 8        | 8               | 7            | 6            |
| 184 | Willie Miklus | 10       | 8               | 11           | 9            |
| 197 | J'den Cox     | 2        | 2               | 2            | 2            |
| HWT | James Romero  | --       | --              | --           | --           |

### N.C. STATE

|     |                  |    |    |    |    |
|-----|------------------|----|----|----|----|
| 125 | Sean Fausz       | -- | 17 | 20 | -- |
| 133 | Jamal Morris     | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 141 | Kevin Jack       | 3  | 3  | 3  | 3  |
| 149 | Beay Donahue     | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 157 | Tommy Gantt      | 5  | 4  | 4  | 4  |
| 165 | Max Rohskopf     | 4  | 7  | 5  | 6  |
| 174 | Nicky Hall       | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 184 | Pete Renda       | 18 | 18 | 16 | 18 |
| 197 | Michael Boykin   | 15 | 13 | 19 | 14 |
| HWT | Nick Gwiazdowski | 1  | 2  | 1  | 1  |

### Mizzou History vs. N.C. State Projected Lineup

| Date                    | Opponent       | W/L | Score      |
|-------------------------|----------------|-----|------------|
| <b>J'den Cox // 197</b> |                |     |            |
| Jan. 18, 2015           | Michael Boykin | W   | Fall, 6:38 |

### #MAC STANDINGS

|                      | MAC        | PCT.         | OVERALL     | PCT.        |
|----------------------|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>#5 MIZZOU</b>     | <b>8-0</b> | <b>1.000</b> | <b>13-1</b> | <b>.929</b> |
| #17 Kent State       | 6-1        | .857         | 13-3        | .813        |
| #20 Central Michigan | 5-1        | .833         | 8-4         | .667        |
| #22 Ohio             | 5-3        | .625         | 10-3        | .769        |
| Eastern Michigan     | 2-5        | .286         | 7-7         | .500        |
| Northern Iowa        | 2-5        | .286         | 3-9         | .250        |
| Buffalo              | 1-5        | .167         | 8-8         | .500        |
| Northern Illinois    | 1-5        | .167         | 6-8         | .429        |
| Old Dominion         | 0-5        | .000         | 5-10        | .333        |



### USA TODAY/NWCA POLL

| Rank     | Team               | Record      | Points     |
|----------|--------------------|-------------|------------|
| 1        | Penn State         | 13-0        | 300        |
| 2        | Iowa               | 15-0        | 288        |
| 3        | N.C. State         | 21-0        | 276        |
| 4        | Oklahoma State     | 10-2        | 264        |
| <b>5</b> | <b>MIZZOU</b>      | <b>12-1</b> | <b>251</b> |
| 6        | Lehigh             | 12-1        | 239        |
| 7        | Oklahoma           | 9-4         | 217        |
| 8        | Virginia Tech      | 13-2        | 216        |
| 9        | Michigan           | 12-2        | 205        |
| 10       | Ohio State         | 9-3         | 203        |
| 11       | Nebraska           | 9-5         | 177        |
| 12       | Illinois           | 12-5        | 164        |
| 13       | North Carolina     | 10-3        | 149        |
| 14       | Rutgers            | 13-5        | 144        |
| 15       | Cornell            | 4-5         | 129        |
| 16       | Iowa State         | 9-5         | 105        |
| 17       | Kent State         | 13-3        | 99         |
| 18       | Minnesota          | 9-7         | 90         |
| 19       | Virginia           | 6-5         | 80         |
| 20       | Central Michigan   | 8-4         | 66         |
| 21       | Pittsburgh         | 9-5         | 58         |
| 22       | Ohio               | 10-3        | 40         |
| 23       | Purdue             | 8-5         | 29         |
| 24       | South Dakota State | 12-5        | 25         |
| 25       | CSU Bakersfield    | 10-3        | 23         |

#### Others Receiving Votes

Indiana (16), Oregon State (14), Appalachian State (11), Arizona State (11), Stanford (10), Wisconsin (1)



### INTERMAT TOURNAMENT

|          |                    |             |
|----------|--------------------|-------------|
| 1        | Penn State         | 128.5       |
| 2        | Oklahoma State     | 95.5        |
| 3        | Ohio State         | 87.0        |
| 4        | Virginia Tech      | 84.5        |
| 5        | Iowa               | 82.5        |
| <b>6</b> | <b>MIZZOU</b>      | <b>71.5</b> |
| 7        | Cornell            | 71.0        |
|          | N.C. State         | 71.0        |
| 9        | Illinois           | 63.5        |
| 10       | Michigan           | 53.5        |
| 11       | North Carolina     | 39.0        |
| 12       | Nebraska           | 37.0        |
| 13       | Minnesota          | 34.0        |
| 14       | Lehigh             | 27.5        |
| 15       | Rutgers            | 27.0        |
| 16       | Kent State         | 25.5        |
|          | Wisconsin          | 25.5        |
| 18       | Oklahoma           | 24.0        |
|          | Stanford           | 24.0        |
| 20       | Northern Iowa      | 20.0        |
| 21       | Duke               | 15.0        |
| 22       | Edinboro           | 14.5        |
|          | North Dakota State | 14.5        |
| 24       | Central Michigan   | 14.0        |
|          | CSU Bakersfield    | 14.0        |



## NCAA WRESTLING COACHES' PANEL RANKINGS

- On Feb. 12, the NCAA announced the second round of Coaches' Panel Rankings. The rankings are the first of four to be released and will be one tool in determining qualifiers for the 2016 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships, held March 17-19 at Madison Square Garden in New York City.
- In addition to the coaches' rankings, wrestlers will be measured by winning percentage and rating percentage index (RPI) in order to earn a spot at the 2016 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships. 33 wrestlers will qualify for each of the ten weight classes.

| Weight | Rank | Name          |
|--------|------|---------------|
| 125    | 11   | Barlow McGhee |
| 133    | 14   | Zach Synon    |
| 141    | 6    | Matt Manley   |
| 149    | 3    | Lavion Mayes  |
| 157    | 29   | Le'Roy Barnes |
| 165    | 4    | Daniel Lewis  |
| 174    | 5    | Blaise Butler |
| 184    | 11   | Willie Miklus |
| 197    | 2    | J'den Cox     |

## MAC CHAMPIONS

- With a 26-14 win over Northern Illinois on Feb. 7, #TigerStyle finished with a perfect 8-0 record in MAC competition for the second straight season, winning the MAC Regular Season Championships for the second straight year.
- Mizzou has won **20 straight MAC duals** dating back to Jan. 25, 2014.
- The Tigers will look to defend their MAC Tournament Championship March 5-6 in Ypsilanti, Mi. The Tigers have won the last three MAC Tournament Championships and **have won four consecutive conference championships** overall (Big 12 in 2012).



## 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 **two victories away** from becoming the 24th member of the **100-Win Club** in Mizzou history. For his career, Cox is 98-5 overall and captured the 197-pound NCAA national championship in 2014 as a freshman.
- If Cox **were to win his next two matches**, he would enter the 100-Win Club at 100-5, a **win percentage of .952, the highest win percentage of any Tiger with over 100 wins**. Ben Askren currently holds the top spot at .950 (153-8 from 2003-07).
- This season, Cox is 23-1 overall and 13-1 in dual competition, recording 58 points via two falls, three technical falls, four major decisions, three decision wins, and one win by forfeit.

## TIGER RECORDS

| Wt. | Wrestler         | Season | Dual | Career  |
|-----|------------------|--------|------|---------|
| 125 | Barlow McGhee    | 16-7   | 7-5  | 37-18   |
| 133 | Zach Synon       | 16-8   | 8-5  | 74-20   |
| 141 | Matt Manley      | 25-5   | 11-1 | 59-25   |
| 149 | Lavion Mayes     | 23-0   | 14-0 | 90-18   |
| 157 | Le'Roy Barnes    | 23-7   | 6-3  | 45-15   |
| 165 | Daniel Lewis     | 20-4   | 10-2 | 20-4    |
| 174 | Blaise Butler    | 15-3   | 10-2 | 71-25** |
| 184 | Willie Miklus    | 14-3   | 10-1 | 47-12   |
| 197 | J'den Cox        | 23-1   | 13-1 | 98-5    |
| HWT | James Romero     | 11-18  | 2-11 | 11-18   |
| Wt. | Wrestler         | Season | Dual | Career  |
| 125 | Aaron Assad      | 17-7   | 0-1  | 27-20   |
| 125 | Boomer Boyd      | 0-0    | 0-0  | 15-12   |
| 125 | Chase Brennan    | 6-5    | 0-0  | 18-14*  |
| 125 | Chandler Fohey   | 13-5   | 0-0  | 13-5*   |
| 133 | Jaydin Eierman   | 22-2   | 0-0  | 22-2*   |
| 133 | John Erneste     | 17-6   | 1-0  | 17-6    |
| 133 | Nick Nasenbeny   | 6-6    | 0-1  | 6-6     |
| 133 | Sam Ritchie      | 8-6    | 0-0  | 8-6*    |
| 133 | Quinn Smith      | 5-0    | 0-0  | 5-0     |
| 141 | Cole Baumgartner | 16-8   | 1-0  | 56-30   |
| 141 | Kevin Kissane    | 13-7   | 0-0  | 13-7*   |
| 141 | Will Roark       | 18-5   | 0-0  | 18-5*   |
| 149 | Alex Butler      | 24-10  | 0-0  | 24-10*  |
| 149 | Austin Eveler    | 15-6   | 0-0  | 15-6*   |
| 149 | Grant Leeth      | 0-0    | 0-0  | 0-0     |
| 157 | Blake Pepper     | 0-1    | 0-1  | 26-13   |
| 157 | Phyllip DeLoach  | 13-7   | 0-0  | 13-7*   |
| 157 | Luke Fortuna     | 14-10  | 0-3  | 14-10   |
| 157 | Matt Lemanowicz  | 7-5    | 0-2  | 40-26   |
| 157 | Joey Lavallee    | 10-3   | 0-0  | 64-27*  |
| 157 | Keegan McCormick | 17-5   | 0-0  | 17-5*   |
| 165 | Nicholas DeLoach | 9-5    | 0-1  | 9-5     |
| 165 | Taylor Watkins   | 11-7   | 0-0  | 11-7*   |
| 174 | Jon Goerke       | 5-8    | 0-0  | 21-29   |
| 174 | Cody Johnston    | 6-4    | 2-2  | 45-20   |
| 174 | Tim Miklus       | 12-9   | 1-1  | 12-9    |
| 174 | Matt Striegel    | 17-11  | 0-0  | 17-11*  |
| 174 | Dalton Voyles    | 14-7   | 0-0  | 14-7*   |
| 174 | Dylan Wisman     | 19-8   | 0-0  | 19-8*   |
| 184 | Jayden Bears     | 14-4   | 0-0  | 14-4    |
| 184 | Nicholas Scherer | 1-6    | 0-0  | 1-6*    |
| 197 | Seth Pesek       | 13-7   | 0-0  | 13-7*   |
| 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

# COX'S PURSUIT OF THE RECORD BOOK

## 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        |
| <b>4.</b> | <b>J'den Cox (2013-present)</b> | <b>14</b> |
| 5.        | Brent Haynes (2009-13)          | 13        |



**J'DEN COX**  
JUNIOR

**23-1 (13-1 Duals)**

**98**  
CAREER WINS

## MAYES UNDEFEATED

**LAVION MAYES**  
RS JUNIOR

**23-0 (14-0 Duals)**

**HAS OUTSCORED**  
**OPPONENTS**

**121-59**

**IN DUALS**



Individual Titles at:

Joe Parisi Open (Nov. 21)

Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (Dec. 4-5)

## DUAL DOMINATION

**WILLIE MIKLUS**  
RS SOPHOMORE

**10-1**  
DUAL RECORD

Dual Points:

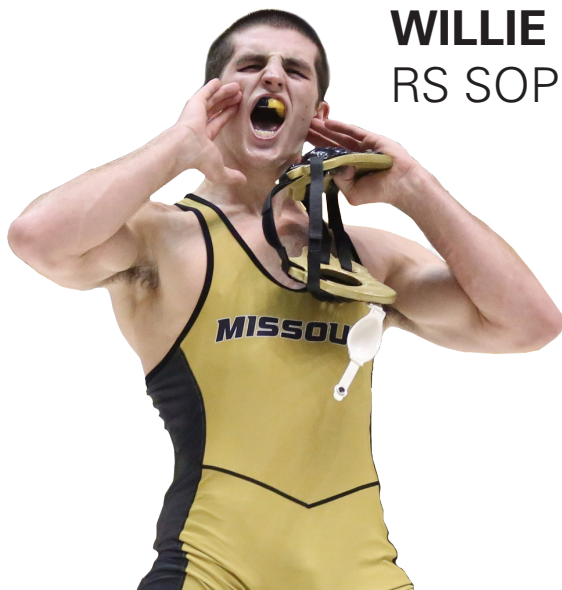
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|----|---------------|----|
| 1. | J'den Cox     | 58 |
| 2. | Willie Miklus | 50 |
| 3. | Lavion Mayes  | 46 |
| 4. | Blaise Butler | 45 |
| 5. | Daniel Lewis  | 41 |

**5**  
FALLS

**2**  
TECHNICAL FALLS

**1**  
MAJOR DECISION

**2**  
DECISIONS



# RECORD WATCH

## ALL-TIME WINS

| Rank | Wrestler            | Wins      | Win%        | Years               |
|------|---------------------|-----------|-------------|---------------------|
| 1    | Ben Askren          | 153       | .950        | 2003-07             |
| 2    | Alan Waters         | 136       | .907        | 2010-15             |
| 3    | Drake Houdashelt    | 134       | .854        | 2010-15             |
| 4    | Wes Roper           | 131       | .780        | 1978-82             |
| T-5  | Shaon Fry           | 127       | .779        | 1990-94             |
| T-5  | Kenny Liddell       | 127       | .743        | 1990-95             |
| 7    | Raymond Jordan      | 123       | .809        | 2005-09             |
| 8    | Matt Pell           | 122       | .777        | 2003-07             |
| 9    | Kenny Burleson      | 119       | .777        | 1999-04             |
| 10   | Nick Marable        | 116       | .823        | 2006-10             |
| 11   | Brent Haynes        | 113       | .769        | 2009-13             |
| 12   | Tyron Woodley       | 110       | .743        | 2001-05             |
| 13   | Brad Ciesleski      | 109       | .784        | 2001-05             |
| T-14 | John Kopinsky       | 106       | .741        | 1997-02             |
| T-14 | Jeremy Spates       | 106       | .736        | 1999-04             |
| 16   | Dom Bradley         | 105       | .875        | 2007-13             |
| 17   | Max Askren          | 104       | .867        | 2006-10             |
| T-18 | Joe Spinazzola      | 102       | .739        | 1979-84             |
| T-18 | Dave Young          | 102       | .723        | 1978-82             |
| T-20 | Mike Larson         | 101       | .673        | 2010-13             |
| T-20 | Jeff Urban          | 101       | .673        | 1996-00             |
| T-22 | Michael Chandler    | 100       | .714        | 2005-09             |
| T-22 | Rick Romeo          | 100       | .680        | 1979-82             |
|      | <b>J'DEN COX</b>    | <b>98</b> | <b>.951</b> | <b>2013-Present</b> |
|      | <b>LAVION MAYES</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>.833</b> | <b>2012-Present</b> |

## TOP-10 SEASON WINNING PERCENTAGE

(Minimum 30 wins)

| Rank | Wrestler            | Win%         | Record      | Year           |
|------|---------------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| T-1  | Ben Askren          | 1.000        | 45-0        | 2006-07        |
| T-1  | Ben Askren          | 1.000        | 42-0        | 2005-06        |
| 2    | Drake Houdashelt    | .974         | 37-1        | 2014-15        |
| 3    | Alan Waters         | .972         | 35-1        | 2014-15        |
| 4    | J'den Cox           | .950         | 38-2        | 2013-14        |
| 5    | J'den Cox           | .949         | 37-2        | 2014-15        |
| 6    | Alan Waters         | .943         | 33-2        | 2012-13        |
| 7    | Shepard Pittman     | .930         | 39-2-2      | 1983-84        |
| 8    | Dom Bradley         | .929         | 39-3        | 2012-13        |
| 9    | Drake Houdashelt    | .927         | 38-3        | 2013-14        |
| 10   | Ben Askren          | .919         | 34-3        | 2004-05        |
|      | <b>LAVION MAYES</b> | <b>1.000</b> | <b>23-0</b> | <b>2015-16</b> |
|      | <b>J'DEN COX</b>    | <b>.958</b>  | <b>23-1</b> | <b>2015-16</b> |

## TOP-10 CAREER WINNING PERCENTAGE

(Minimum 100 wins)

| Rank | Wrestler            | Win%        | Wins      | Years               |
|------|---------------------|-------------|-----------|---------------------|
| 1    | Ben Askren          | .950        | 153       | 2003-07             |
| 2    | Alan Waters         | .907        | 131       | 2010-15             |
| 3    | Dom Bradley         | .875        | 105       | 2007-13             |
| 4    | Max Askren          | .867        | 104       | 2006-10             |
| 5    | Drake Houdashelt    | .854        | 129       | 2010-15             |
| 6    | Nick Marable        | .823        | 116       | 2006-10             |
| 7    | Raymond Jordan      | .809        | 123       | 2005-09             |
| 8    | Brad Ciesleski      | .784        | 109       | 2001-05             |
| 9    | Wes Roper           | .780        | 131       | 1978-82             |
| 10   | Shaon Fry           | .779        | 127       | 1990-94             |
|      | <b>J'DEN COX</b>    | <b>.951</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>2013-Present</b> |
|      | <b>LAVION MAYES</b> | <b>.833</b> | <b>90</b> | <b>2012-Present</b> |

## TOP-10 CAREER TECHNICAL FALLS

| Rank | Wrestler         | Technical Falls | Years               |
|------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1    | Drake Houdashelt | 21              | 2010-Present        |
| 2    | Alan Waters      | 17              | 2010-Present        |
| 3    | Ben Askren       | 15              | 2003-07             |
| 4    | <b>J'DEN COX</b> | <b>14</b>       | <b>2013-Present</b> |
| 5    | Brent Haynes     | 13              | 2009-13             |
| 6    | Sam Henson       | 11              | 1991-92             |
| T-7  | Tyron Woodley    | 10              | 2001-05             |
| T-7  | Kenny Burleson   | 10              | 1999-04             |
| T-9  | Dorian Henderson | 9               | 2008-12             |
| T-9  | Jeff Foust       | 9               | 2003-06             |
| T-9  | Johnny Eblen     | 9               | 2010-15             |

## TOP-10 CAREER MAJOR DECISIONS

| Rank        | Wrestler         | Major Decisions | Years               |
|-------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1           | Drake Houdashelt | 39              | 2010-15             |
| 2           | Raymond Jordan   | 38              | 2006-09             |
| 3           | Tyron Woodley    | 28              | 2001-05             |
| 4           | Shaon Fry        | 26              | 1990-94             |
| 5           | Jeremy Spates    | 25              | 1999-04             |
| T-6         | Todd Porter      | 23              | 2009-13             |
| T-6         | Johnny Eblen     | 23              | 2010-15             |
| T-8         | Matt Pell        | 22              | 2003-07             |
| T-8         | Kyle Bradley     | 22              | 2010-14             |
| T-10        | Max Askren       | 21              | 2006-10             |
| <b>T-10</b> | <b>J'DEN COX</b> | <b>21</b>       | <b>2013-Present</b> |

## TOP-10 CAREER FALLS

| Rank | Wrestler             | Falls     | Years               |
|------|----------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| 1    | Ben Askren           | 91        | 2003-07             |
| 2    | J.P. Reese           | 47        | 2003-04             |
| 3    | Kevin Herron         | 41        | 2002-03             |
| 4    | Josh Wagner          | 40        | 2004-08             |
| 5    | Matt Pell            | 39        | 2003-07             |
| 6    | Mark Ellis           | 30        | 2006-10             |
| 7    | Khris Whelan         | 28        | 1980-83             |
| T-8  | Alan Waters          | 27        | 2010-15             |
| T-8  | Mark Cody            | 27        | 1983-85             |
| T-8  | Nathan McCormick     | 27        | 2009-13             |
| 11   | <b>CODY JOHNSTON</b> | <b>26</b> | <b>2011-PRESENT</b> |



## MANLEY NAMED MAC WRESTLER OF THE WEEK

- Redshirt junior 141-pounder **Matt Manley** was been selected as the Mid-American Conference **Wrestler of the Week** on Feb. 4. The award is Manley's first career MAC Wrestler of the Week honor.
- On Jan. 30, Manley defeated Trae Blackwell (Oklahoma) with a first-period pin (2:40). Manley scored quick against Blackwell, tallying a takedown and a two-point near-fall before earning the pin near the end of the first period.
- On Sunday, Jan. 31, Manley scored a 4-1 decision win over 2015 All-American and No. 10-ranked (FloWrestling) Chris Mecate (Old Dominion). The Perry, Okla., native began the third period down 1-0 to Mecate, but scored an escape and takedown, and was awarded a point following a stall call on Mecate for the 4-1 decision triumph.
- On the season, Manley is 24-5 overall (10-1 duals) with 36 dual points. Manley has posted six wins via major decision this season, tied for most on the team. Following a fourth-place finish at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (Dec. 4-5), Manley has amassed an 8-1 record in nine dual starts, posting three wins with bonus points and three wins over opponents ranked in the top-20.



## BARNES AND BUTLER EARN WINS ON SENIOR DAY

- In the final home dual of the 2015-16 season, Mizzou Wrestling dominated Old Dominion, 29-6, on Jan. 31 at the Hearnes Center. With the win, Mizzou caps a perfect 7-0 season at home (6-0 in the Hearnes Center, 1-0 at Jesse Auditorium). The Tigers have not lost a dual at home over the last three seasons. Before the dual, Mizzou honored its four seniors, redshirt senior 157-pounder **Le'Roy Barnes**, redshirt senior 174-pounder **Blaise Butler**, redshirt senior 184-pounder **Cody Johnston**, and redshirt senior heavyweight **Mike Monaghan**. Barnes and Butler both picked up wins on the day for the Tigers. Redshirt junior 141-pounder **Matt Manley** started the dual off for the Tigers with a 4-1 decision win over No. 10-ranked (FloWrestling) Chris Mecate. Next, redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** matched his career best start to a season with a 2-1 win over No. 7-ranked (W.I.N. Magazine) Alexander Richardson. With the win, Mayes improved to 21-0 overall, the second straight season Mayes has begun the season 21-0.



## MANLEY AND BUTLER EARN FALLS IN WIN OVER NO. 7 OKLAHOMA

- The 11th largest crowd in Mizzou Wrestling history witnessed a statement victory on Jan. 30 as No. 5 Mizzou defeated No. 7 Oklahoma, 31-12, at the Hearnes Center. Redshirt junior 141-pounder **Matt Manley** swayed the momentum in Mizzou's favor with a victory by fall in the 141-pound bout, the first of seven consecutive wins in a row for the Tigers, who improved to 10-1 on the

season with the victory. The Sooners took a 6-0 lead after the first two matches, but their lead quickly vanished thanks to the fall from Manley. Manley had control of the match from the very beginning, earning a takedown and a two-point near-fall in the first two minutes of action. Manley recorded the fall over Trae Blackwell at 2:40. The Tigers added to their lead with a victory by fall from redshirt senior 174-pounder **Blaise Butler**. Butler pinned No. 19-ranked Matt Reed at 2:16, his third victory by fall this season and second in dual competition. Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** won his 20th bout of the season with a 9-0 victory by major decision over No. 20-ranked Brad Johnson. Cox collected multiple takedowns in the win, earning his 95th career win.



## #TIGERSTYLE DOWNS NO. 19 CENTRAL MICHIGAN FOR 37 STRAIGHT DUAL WINS

- Mizzou Wrestling won its 37th consecutive dual on Jan. 17 as the No. 4-ranked Tigers took down No. 19 Central Michigan, 26-9, in Mt. Pleasant, Mich. #TigerStyle claimed seven individual wins on the day, led by redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus**, who earned a first-period fall. Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** and redshirt freshman 165-pounder **Daniel Lewis** each picked up major decision wins for the Tigers. With the win, Mizzou extends its dual win streak to 37 consecutive victories. The No. 19-ranked Chippewas was Mizzou's 14th win over a ranked opponent during the streak.

## COX'S TF PROPELS WIN OVER CORNELL

• Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** provided the magic Mizzou needed to erase a 17-10 deficit to defeat No. 14 Cornell, 18-17, Jan. 10 at Jesse Auditorium. In the match, Head Coach **Brian Smith** bumped redshirt sophomore **Willie Miklus** and Cox up one weight class to 197 pounds and heavyweight, respectively. The strategy paid off, as Miklus won his match by decision, and Cox earned a victory by technical fall over Jeremy Sweany, 24-9, to push Mizzou over the top for the 18-17 win. Mizzou's dual win-streak improved to 35 duals with the defeat of the No. 14-rated Big Red. 1,224 fans were in attendance Sunday to witness the Tigers' win, the second time in program history Mizzou has wrestled in Jesse Auditorium. The Tigers defeated Ohio, 23-10, on Dec. 6, 2013. Cornell led 17-10 heading into the 197-pound match between W. Miklus and Jake Taylor. Miklus was awarded a stalling point with one minute left in the third period, giving him an 8-7 victory by decision. Miklus improved to 11-2 this year and a perfect 7-0 in duals. The victory cut the Cornell lead to 17-13 going into the final heavyweight match. Cox took to the mat needing a technical fall against Cornell's Jeremy Sweany for Mizzou to win the dual. Cox used 10 takedowns, including four in the third period to make the score, 23-9. At the end of the match, riding time was in Cox's favor, giving him the victory by technical fall, 24-9, and Mizzou the dual, 18-17.



## 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.

## 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.

## 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 Hearnes 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.



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## MIZZOU WINS CLIFF KEEN LAS VEGAS INVITAIONAL

• 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.

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## LAST DUAL

### No. 5 #TigerStyle Dominates Appalachian State, 41-6

*Five Tigers score bonus points, four score falls*

BOONE, N.C. – No. 5 Mizzou Wrestling (13-1, 8-0 MAC) posted its highest point total of the season in a 41-6 win over Appalachian State (10-4) Feb. 12 in Boone, N.C. Five Tigers scored bonus points in the dual, including four coming by way of pin from redshirt senior 157-pounder Le’Roy Barnes (Belton, Mo.), redshirt senior 174-pounder Blaise Butler (Belvidere, Ill.), redshirt sophomore 184-pounder Willie Miklus (Altoona, Iowa), and junior 197-pounder J’den Cox (Columbia, Mo.).

The 41 points from #TigerStyle is the highest amount this season and the most since a 43-6 win over Buffalo on Feb. 6, 2015.

The Tigers started the dual with three decisions coming from redshirt sophomore 125-pounder Barlow McGhee (Rock Island, Ill.), redshirt junior 133-pounder Zach Synon (Cary, Ill.), and redshirt junior 141-pounder Matt Manley (Perry, Okla.). Manley defeated Mike Longo, 7-5, for his 25th win of the season, a new career-high, surpassing his 2013-14 win total of 24.

At 149 pounds, redshirt junior 149-pounder Lavion Mayes (Mascoutah, Ill.) defeated Matt Zovistoski, 19-4, for his first technical fall of the season. Mayes scored numerous takedowns in the bout and added a four-point near-fall in the first period. With the win, Mayes improved to 23-0 on the season.

Next, at 157 pounds, Barnes recorded his first fall of the dual season against David Peters-Logue. Barnes quickly put Peters-Logue on his back and scored the pin at 1:43. At 165 pounds, redshirt freshman 165-pounder Daniel Lewis (Blue Springs, Mo.) flirted with a pin of his own, scoring near-falls in the first and third period. Lewis could not score the six points, but finished with a 14-7 decision win over Forrest Przybysz for his 20th win of the season.

Butler picked up the first of three consecutive falls for the Tigers at 174 pounds. At 1:34, Butler scored the fall over No. 18-ranked Nick Lee. With the win, Butler has now won his last five dual bouts, scoring bonus points in four of the matches and pins in three. Next, Miklus scored the quickest fall of the night for Mizzou at 184 pounds, pinning Taylor Jackson at 1:16. At 197 pounds, Cox scored his fall over Randall Diabe at 4:06. Cox had a double-digit lead in the second period when the pin was called. Cox has now won nine consecutive matches and stands two wins away from his 100th career win.

Cox’s six points finished off scoring for Mizzou on the night, as freshman heavyweight James Romero (Albuquerque, N.M.) lost by fall to Denzel No. 6-ranked Dejournette at 2:06.

#### Match-By-Match Results

125: Barlow McGhee (Mizzou) def. Vito Pasone (Appalachian State) by 3-1 decision  
 133: Zach Synon (Mizzou) def. Irvin Enriquez (Appalachian State) by 6-2 decision  
 141: Matt Manley (Mizzou) def. Mike Longo (Appalachian State) by 7-5 decision  
 149: Lavion Mayes (Mizzou) def. Matt Zovistoski (Appalachian State) by 19-4 technical fall  
 157: Le’Roy Barnes (Mizzou) def. David Peters-Logue (Appalachian State) by fall (1:43)  
 165: Daniel Lewis (Mizzou) def. Forrest Przybysz (Appalachian State) by 14-7 decision  
 174: Blaise Butler (Mizzou) def. Nick Kee (Appalachian State) by fall (1:34)  
 184: Willie Miklus (Mizzou) def. Taylor Jackson (Appalachian State) by fall (1:16)  
 197: J’den Cox (Mizzou) def. Randall Diabe (Appalachian State) by fall (4:06)  
 HWT: Denzel Dejournette (Appalachian State) def. James Romero (Mizzou) by fall (2:06)

**Fall  
1:34**



**Fall  
1:43**





## BARLOW MCGHEE

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

SEASON RECORD: 16-7  
DUAL RECORD: 7-5  
CAREER RECORD: 37-18

### MCGHEE INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 9th  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... 12th  
The Open Mat ..... 15th  
FloWrestling..... 9th

### 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:

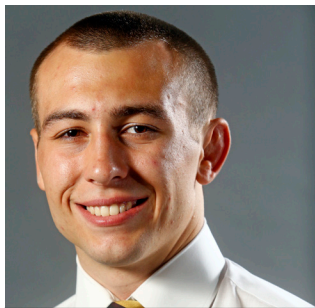
- Was born to Barlow and Danielle McGhee on January 15, 1995 in Topeka, Kan.
- Has two younger siblings - his sister Vilgie and brother Daniel.

## 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   | (6) Zeke Moisey       | West Virginia     | W   | MD, 14-4   | 5-0    |
| Nov. 28   | (5) Dylan Peters      | Northern Iowa     | L   | Dec., 7-5  | 5-1    |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (4th Place // 125)</b> |                       |                   |     |            |        |
| Dec. 4  | Johnny Jimenez        | Wisconsin         | W   | SV, 4-2    | 6-1    |
| Dec. 4  | (8) Zeke Moisey       | West Virginia     | W   | Dec., 4-2  | 7-1    |
| Dec. 4  | (3) Joey Dance        | Virginia Tech     | L   | SV, 3-1    | 7-2    |
| Dec. 5  | (14) Joshua Rodriguez | North Dakota St.  | W   | Dec., 6-5  | 8-2    |
| Dec. 5  | (7) David Terao       | American          | W   | Fall, 6:04 | 9-2    |
| Dec. 5  | (16) Ryan Milhof      | Oklahoma          | W   | MFF        | 10-2   |
| Dec. 5  | (8) Ronnie Rios       | Oregon State      | L   | Dec., 4-3  | 10-3   |
| Dec. 12   | (1) 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   | (19) Dalton Macri     | Cornell           | L   | Dec., 7-6  | 12-5   |
| Jan. 17   | (16) Brent Fleetwood  | Central Michigan  | W   | Dec., 9-4  | 13-5   |
| Jan. 22   | (5) Eddie Klimara     | Oklahoma State    | L   | TB-1, 2-1  | 13-6   |
| Jan. 30   | Ryan Millhof          | Oklahoma          | L   | Dec., 3-2  | 13-7   |
| Jan. 31   | Brandon Jeske         | Old Dominion      | W   | Dec., 6-3  | 14-7   |
| Feb. 7  | Alijah Jeffery        | Northern Illinois | W   | Dec., 8-5  | 15-7   |
| Feb. 12   | Vito Pasone           | Appalachian State | W   | Dec., 3-1  | 16-7   |



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## ZACH SYNON

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

SEASON RECORD: 16-8  
DUAL RECORD: 8-5  
CAREER RECORD: 74-20

### SYNON INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 13th  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... N/R  
The Open Mat ..... 16th  
FloWrestling..... 14th

### 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

## 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    |
| <b>Joe Parisi Open (2nd Place // 133)</b>              |                         |                   |     |            |        |
| Nov. 20  | Dakota Leach            | SIU Edwardsville  | W   | MD, 10-2   | 4-0    |
| 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  | (17) 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   | (9) George DiCamillo    | Virginia          | L   | MD, 12-4   | 10-2   |
| Dec. 4   | Daniel DeShazer         | Nebraska-Kearney  | L   | SV-3, 6-4  | 10-3   |
| Dec. 12  | (5) Johnni DiJulius     | Ohio State        | W   | Fall, 5:59 | 11-3   |
| Dec. 13  | Cameron Kelly           | Ohio              | W   | Dec., 9-4  | 12-3   |
| Dec. 20  | (11) Mack McGuire       | Kent State        | L   | Dec., 8-5  | 12-4   |
| Jan. 8   | Bryan Lantry            | Buffalo           | W   | Dec., 5-0  | 13-4   |
| Jan. 10  | (1) Nashon Garrett      | Cornell           | L   | Dec., 12-5 | 13-5   |
| Jan. 17  | Corey Keener            | Central Michigan  | W   | TB-1, 5-4  | 14-5   |
| Jan. 22  | (18) Gary Wayne Harding | Oklahoma State    | L   | Dec., 5-3  | 14-6   |
| Jan. 30  | Cody Brewer             | Oklahoma          | L   | Dec., 10-3 | 14-7   |
| Jan. 31  | Josh Markham            | Old Dominion      | W   | Dec., 3-0  | 15-7   |
| Feb. 7   | Austin Eicher           | Northern Illinois | L   | SV-2, 5-3  | 15-8   |
| Feb. 12  | Irvin Enriquez          | Appalachian State | W   | Dec., 6-2  | 16-8   |

### 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.



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## MATT MANLEY

Perry, Okla.  
Perry HS  
RS Jr. \ 141

SEASON RECORD: 25-5  
DUAL RECORD: 11-1  
CAREER RECORD: 59-25

### MANLEY INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 7th  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... 8th  
The Open Mat ..... 9th  
FloWrestling..... 5th

### 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   | (16) 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   | (19) 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  | (15) 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  | (7) Solomon Chishko | Virginia Tech     | W   | Fall, 3:54 | 16-3   |
| Dec. 5  | (15) Tommy Thorn    | Minnesota         | L   | Dec., 11-5 | 16-4   |
| Dec. 12   | (8) 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   |
| Jan. 17   | (15) Zach Horan     | Central Michigan  | W   | TB-1, 2-1  | 22-4   |
| Jan. 22   | (1) Dean Heil       | Oklahoma State    | L   | Dec., 3-1  | 22-5   |
| Jan. 30   | Trae Blackwell      | Oklahoma          | W   | Fall, 2:40 | 23-5   |
| Jan. 31   | Chris Mecate        | Old Dominion      | W   | Dec., 4-1  | 24-5   |
| Feb. 12   | Mike Longo          | Appalachian State | W   | Dec., 7-5  | 25-5   |

### 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 Jeramy 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: 23-0  
DUAL RECORD: 14-0  
CAREER RECORD: 90-18

### MAYES INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

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

### 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</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   | (11) Geordan Martinez | Boise State       | W   | MD, 13-5    | 9-0    |
| Dec. 5   | (15) Davion Jeffries  | Oklahoma          | W   | Dec., 5-4   | 10-0   |
| Dec. 5   | (9) 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  | (11) 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   |
| Jan. 17  | (10) Colin Heffernan  | Central Michigan  | W   | Dec., 5-4   | 18-0   |
| Jan. 22  | (9) Anthony Collica   | Oklahoma State    | W   | Dec., 5-2   | 19-0   |
| Jan. 30  | Davion Jeffries       | Oklahoma          | W   | Dec., 4-2   | 20-0   |
| Jan. 31  | Alexander Richardson  | Old Dominion      | W   | Dec., 2-1   | 21-0   |
| Feb. 7   | Gabe Morse            | Northern Illinois | W   | Dec., 5-4   | 22-0   |
| Feb. 12  | Matt Zovistoski       | Appalachian State | W   | TF, 19-4    | 23-0   |

### 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.



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## LE'ROY BARNES

Belton, Mo.  
Belton HS  
RS Sr. \ 157

SEASON RECORD: 23-7  
DUAL RECORD: 6-3  
CAREER RECORD: 45-15

### 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.

## 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   |
| Jan. 17  | (8) Luke Smith       | Central Michigan  | L   | Dec., 3-2  | 19-6   |
| Jan. 22  | (6) Joe Smith        | Oklahoma State    | L   | Dec., 10-4 | 19-7   |
| Jan. 30  | Brock Wingbermuehle  | Oklahoma          | W   | MD, 8-0    | 20-7   |
| Jan. 31  | Austin Eads          | Old Dominion      | W   | Dec., 10-5 | 21-7   |
| Feb. 7   | Andrew Morse         | Northern Illinois | W   | MD, 11-2   | 22-7   |
| Feb. 12  | David Peters-Logue   | Appalachian State | W   | Fall, 1:43 | 23-7   |

### 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.





## DANIEL LEWIS

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

SEASON RECORD: 20-4  
DUAL RECORD: 10-2  
CAREER RECORD: 20-4

### LEWIS INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 5th  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... 5th  
The Open Mat ..... 9th  
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  | (12) Dave McFadden  | Virginia Tech     | L   | Dec., 8-4  | 5-2    |
| Dec. 4  | Isaac Deaton        | Nebraska-Kearney  | W   | Fall, 1:00 | 6-2    |
| Dec. 4  | (20) Adam Fierro    | CSU Bakersfield   | W   | Fall, 0:41 | 7-2    |
| Dec. 5  | Tyrel White         | Columbia          | W   | Fall, 2:20 | 8-2    |
| Dec. 5  | (5) Cooper Moore    | Northern Iowa     | W   | Dec., 8-2  | 9-2    |
| Dec. 5  | (17) George Pickett | Cornell           | W   | Dec., 4-2  | 10-2   |
| Dec. 5  | (6) Clark Glass     | Oklahoma          | W   | Dec., 8-2  | 11-2   |
| Dec. 12   | (2) Bo Jordan       | Ohio State        | L   | Dec., 6-4  | 11-3   |
| 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   | (17) Duke Pickett   | Cornell           | W   | TB-1, 3-2  | 15-3   |
| Jan. 15   | Dakota Juarez       | Eastern Michigan  | W   | Dec., 8-4  | 16-3   |
| Jan. 17   | Jordan Atienza      | Central Michigan  | W   | MD, 11-0   | 17-3   |
| Jan. 22   | (1) Alex Dieringer  | Oklahoma State    | L   | Dec., 4-3  | 17-4   |
| Jan. 30   | Clark Glass         | Oklahoma          | W   | Dec., 4-0  | 18-4   |
| Jan. 31   | Seldon Wright       | Old Dominion      | W   | MD, 8-0    | 19-4   |
| Feb. 12   | Forrest Przybysz    | Appalachian State | W   | Dec., 14-7 | 20-4   |





## BLAISE BUTLER

Belvidere, Ill.  
Virginia  
RS Sr. \ 174

SEASON RECORD: 15-3  
DUAL RECORD: 10-2  
CAREER RECORD: 71-25

### BUTLER INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 8th  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... 8th  
The Open Mat ..... 7th  
FloWrestling ..... 6th

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

- Placed third at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational
- Posted his first #TigerStyle win in his devuting, 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 teh season
- Snagged three major decisions and two pins

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

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

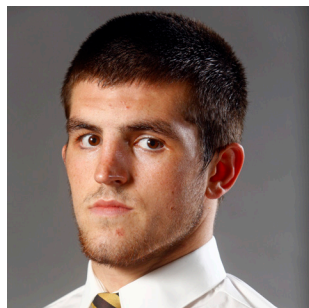
### BUTLER 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

| 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  | (20) Ricky Robertson  | Wisconsin         | W   | Fall, 0:54 | 4-0    |
| Dec. 5  | (9) Bryce Hammond     | CSU Bakersfield   | L   | Dec., 10-7 | 4-1    |
| Dec. 5  | (19) Brian Harvey     | Army              | W   | TF, 18-3   | 5-1    |
| Dec. 5  | (15) Jadaen Bernstein | Navy              | W   | Dec., 8-3  | 6-1    |
| Dec. 12   | Dominic Prezzia       | Ohio State        | W   | MD, 13-3   | 7-1    |
| Dec. 13   | (6) Cody Walters      | Ohio              | W   | Dec., 5-4  | 8-1    |
| Dec. 20   | Mike Vollant          | Kent State        | W   | MD, 14-5   | 9-1    |
| Jan. 8  | Muhamed McBryde       | Buffalo           | W   | Dec., 8-2  | 10-1   |
| Jan. 10   | (6) Brian Realbito    | Cornell           | L   | Dec., 3-2  | 10-2   |
| Jan. 17   | (10) Mike Ottinger    | Central Michigan  | L   | Dec., 3-2  | 10-3   |
| Jan. 22   | (3) Kyle Crutchmer    | Oklahoma State    | W   | SV-1, 3-1  | 11-3   |
| Jan. 30   | Matt Reed             | Oklahoma          | W   | Fall, 2:16 | 12-3   |
| Jan. 31   | Brooks Climmons       | Old Dominion      | W   | MD, 11-3   | 13-3   |
| Feb. 7  | Trace Engelkes        | Northern Illinois | W   | Fall, 1:53 | 14-3   |
| Feb. 12   | (18) Nick Kee         | Appalachian State | W   | Fall, 1:34 | 15-3   |

#### 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





## WILLIE MIKLUS

Altoona, Iowa  
Southeast Polk HS  
RS So. \ 184

SEASON RECORD: 14-3  
DUAL RECORD: 10-1  
CAREER RECORD: 47-12

### MIKLUS INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat ..... 10th  
W.I.N. Magazine ..... 8th  
The Open Mat ..... 11th  
FloWrestling..... 9th

### 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  | (4) Hayden Zillmer | North Dakota St.  | W   | Dec., 3-2  | 5-0    |
| Dec. 5  | (1) Gabe Dean      | Cornell           | L   | Dec., 3-2  | 5-1    |
| Dec. 5  | (9) Kenny Courts   | Ohio State        | W   | MD, 13-5   | 6-1    |
| Dec. 5  | (11) Zack Zavatsky | Virginia Tech     | L   | Dec., 9-4  | 6-2    |
| Dec. 12   | (11) Kenny Courts  | Ohio State        | W   | TF, 15-0   | 7-2    |
| Dec. 13   | Andrew Romanchik   | Ohio              | W   | Dec., 9-3  | 8-2    |
| Dec. 20   | (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   |
| Jan. 17   | Jordan Ellingwood  | Central Michigan  | W   | Fall, 2:24 | 13-2   |
| Jan. 22   | (17) Nolan Boyd    | Oklahoma State    | L   | Dec., 7-2  | 13-3   |
| Feb. 12   | Taylor Jackson     | Appalachian State | W   | Fall, 1:16 | 14-3   |





## J'DEN COX

Columbia, Mo.  
Hickman HS  
Jr. \ 197

SEASON RECORD: 23-1  
DUAL RECORD: 13-1  
CAREER RECORD: 98-5

### 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  | (10) Jacob Smith     | West Virginia     | W   | Dec., 2-0  | 6-0    |
| Nov. 28  | Jared Bartel         | Northern Iowa     | W   | Dec., 8-3  | 7-0    |
| <b>Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (Champion // 197)</b> |                      |                   |     |            |        |
| Dec. 4   | Mark Tracy           | Binghamton        | W   | Fall, 3:46 | 8-0    |
| Dec. 4   | Augustus Marker      | Brown             | W   | Fall, 4:49 | 9-0    |
| Dec. 4   | (20) Derek Thomas    | Utah Valley       | W   | TF, 22-7   | 10-0   |
| Dec. 5   | (9) Jacob Smith      | West Virginia     | W   | Dec., 9-3  | 11-0   |
| Dec. 5   | (5) Brett Pfarr      | Minnesota         | W   | Dec., 4-1  | 12-0   |
| Dec. 12  | Mark Martin          | Ohio State        | W   | MD, 13-2   | 13-0   |
| Dec. 13  | (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  | (14) Anthony Abro    | Eastern Michigan  | W   | Dec., 10-5 | 17-1   |
| Jan. 17  | Jackson Lewis        | Central Michigan  | W   | MD, 16-3   | 18-1   |
| Jan. 22  | Andrew Marsden       | Oklahoma State    | W   | Dec., 7-3  | 19-1   |
| Jan. 30  | Brad Johnson         | Oklahoma          | W   | MD, 9-0    | 20-1   |
| Jan. 31  | N/A                  | Old Dominion      | W   | Forfeit    | 21-1   |
| Feb. 7   | (16) Shawn Scott     | Northern Illinois | W   | MD, 15-1   | 22-1   |
| Feb. 12  | Randall Diabe        | Appalachian State | W   | Fall, 4:06 | 23-1   |

- 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: 11-18  
DUAL RECORD: 2-11  
CAREER RECORD: 11-18

### 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                                  | (6) 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                                  | (18) 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                                  | (20) Gage Hutchison    | Eastern Michigan  | L   | MD, 11-0   | 11-12  |
| Jan. 17                                  | Newton Smerchek        | Central Michigan  | L   | Dec., 4-0  | 11-13  |
| Jan. 22                                  | (4) Austin Marsden     | Oklahoma State    | L   | TF, 16-0   | 11-14  |
| Jan. 30                                  | Ross Larson            | Oklahoma          | L   | Fall, 1:35 | 11-15  |
| Jan. 31                                  | Austin Coburn          | Old Dominion      | L   | Dec., 3-2  | 11-16  |
| Feb. 7                                   | Arthur Bunce           | Northern Illinois | L   | Dec., 6-0  | 11-17  |
| Feb. 12                                  | (6) Denzel Dejournette | Appalachian State | L   | Fall, 2:06 | 11-18  |



**2015-16 MIZZOU STATISTICS**

| Name             | Wt.        | Overall |     | Dual |    | Dual Points | Dec. | MD | Fall | TF | Forfeit | OT Matches | Fastest Fall |
|------------------|------------|---------|-----|------|----|-------------|------|----|------|----|---------|------------|--------------|
| Aaron Asaad      | 125        | 17      | 7   | 0    | 1  | 0           | 7    | 2  | 3    | 3  | 2       | 0          | 1:07         |
| Le'Roy Barnes    | 141 // 157 | 23      | 7   | 6    | 3  | 24          | 8    | 4  | 8    | 2  | 1       | 0          | 0:45         |
| Cole Baumgartner | 133        | 16      | 8   | 1    | 0  | 3           | 4    | 2  | 7    | 2  | 1       | 0          | 1:22         |
| Jayden Bears     | 184        | 14      | 4   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 1    | 1  | 10   | 0  | 2       | 0          | 0:24         |
| Chase Brennan    | 125        | 6       | 5   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 2    | 2  | 1    | 1  | 0       | 0          | 6:05         |
| Alex Butler      | 149        | 24      | 10  | 0    | 0  | 0           | 18   | 3  | 0    | 1  | 2       | 4          | --           |
| Blaise Butler    | 174        | 15      | 3   | 10   | 2  | 45          | 5    | 4  | 5    | 1  | 0       | 1          | 1:53         |
| J'den Cox        | 197        | 23      | 1   | 13   | 1  | 58          | 5    | 4  | 5    | 7  | 1       | 0          | 1:02         |
| Nicholas DeLoach | 165        | 9       | 5   | 0    | 1  | 0           | 3    | 4  | 1    | 0  | 1       | 0          | 1:30         |
| Phyllip DeLoach  | 157        | 13      | 7   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 8    | 2  | 1    | 2  | 0       | 1          | 5:28         |
| Jaydin Eierman   | 133        | 22      | 2   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 2    | 6  | 8    | 6  | 0       | 0          | 0:31         |
| John Erneste     | 133        | 17      | 6   | 1    | 0  | 4           | 4    | 4  | 6    | 2  | 1       | 1          | 1:20         |
| Austin Eveler    | 149        | 15      | 6   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 8    | 0  | 5    | 1  | 1       | 1          | 0:23         |
| Chandler Fohey   | 125        | 13      | 5   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 8    | 1  | 2    | 1  | 1       | 1          | 0:58         |
| Luke Fortuna     | 157        | 14      | 10  | 0    | 3  | 0           | 10   | 2  | 1    | 1  | 0       | 0          | 2:13         |
| Jon Goerke       | 174        | 5       | 8   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 2    | 0  | 3    | 0  | 0       | 0          | 1:45         |
| Cody Johnston    | 174        | 6       | 4   | 2    | 2  | 11          | 0    | 0  | 4    | 2  | 0       | 0          | 0:50         |
| Kevin Kissane    | 141        | 13      | 7   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 8    | 2  | 2    | 0  | 1       | 0          | 4:11         |
| Joey Lavallee    | 157        | 10      | 3   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 7    | 0  | 1    | 2  | 0       | 0          | 3:29         |
| Matt Lemanowicz  | 157 // 165 | 7       | 5   | 0    | 2  | 0           | 3    | 0  | 2    | 2  | 0       | 0          | 3:00         |
| Daniel Lewis     | 165        | 20      | 4   | 10   | 2  | 41          | 8    | 3  | 8    | 1  | 0       | 0          | 0:41         |
| Matt Manley      | 141        | 25      | 5   | 11   | 1  | 39          | 14   | 6  | 4    | 1  | 0       | 3          | 2:17         |
| Lavion Mayes     | 149        | 23      | 0   | 14   | 0  | 46          | 14   | 6  | 2    | 1  | 0       | 0          | 6:23         |
| Keegan McCormick | 157        | 17      | 5   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 3    | 4  | 6    | 2  | 2       | 0          | 1:39         |
| Barlow McGhee    | 125        | 16      | 7   | 7    | 5  | 22          | 10   | 2  | 1    | 2  | 1       | 3          | 6:04         |
| Tim Miklus       | 174        | 12      | 9   | 1    | 1  | 4           | 1    | 1  | 10   | 0  | 0       | 0          | 0:35         |
| Willie Miklus    | 184        | 14      | 3   | 10   | 1  | 50          | 3    | 2  | 6    | 2  | 0       | 0          | 1:22         |
| Mike Monaghan    | HWT        | 1       | 6   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 1    | 0  | 0    | 0  | 0       | 0          | --           |
| Nick Nasenbeny   | 133        | 6       | 6   | 0    | 1  | 0           | 3    | 0  | 2    | 0  | 1       | 0          | 3:53         |
| Blake Pepper     | 157        | 0       | 1   | 0    | 1  | 0           | 0    | 0  | 0    | 0  | 0       | 0          | --           |
| Seth Pesek       | 197        | 13      | 7   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 5    | 1  | 3    | 2  | 2       | 0          | 0:50         |
| Sam Ritchie      | 133        | 8       | 6   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 4    | 1  | 1    | 1  | 1       | 0          | 3:00         |
| Will Roark       | 141        | 18      | 5   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 1    | 3  | 6    | 4  | 0       | 0          | 1:14         |
| James Romero     | HWT        | 11      | 18  | 2    | 11 | 9           | 1    | 0  | 9    | 1  | 0       | 0          | 0:26         |
| 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         |
| Matt Striegel    | 174        | 17      | 11  | 0    | 0  | 0           | 9    | 2  | 2    | 3  | 1       | 0          | --           |
| Zach Synon       | 133        | 16      | 8   | 8    | 5  | 28          | 10   | 2  | 1    | 2  | 0       | 4          | 5:59         |
| Dalton Voyles    | 174 // 184 | 14      | 7   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 5    | 5  | 4    | 0  | 0       | 1          | 0:34         |
| Taylor Watkins   | 165        | 11      | 7   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 6    | 1  | 1    | 3  | 0       | 2          | 3:36         |
| Dylan Wisman     | 174        | 19      | 8   | 0    | 0  | 0           | 9    | 3  | 7    | 0  | 0       | 2          | 0:28         |
| TOTAL            | -          | 549     | 242 | 96   | 43 | 364         | 227  | 86 | 151  | 62 | 23      | 24         | --           |

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

| 125 | 133 | 141  | 149  | 157 | 165  | 174  | 184  | 197  | HWT  | Total |
|-----|-----|------|------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 7-7 | 9-5 | 12-2 | 14-0 | 6-8 | 10-4 | 11-3 | 11-3 | 13-1 | 3-11 | 96-44 |

**Dual Pins by Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 0-0 | 1-0 | 1-0 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 2-0 | 4-0 | 6-0 | 2-0 | 1-4 | 18-5  |

**Dual Technical Falls by Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1-0 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 3-1 | 2-0 | 1-2 | 8-4   |

**Dual Major Decisions by Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 1-1 | 2-0 | 3-1 | 2-0 | 3-2 | 3-1 | 4-0 | 1-1 | 4-0 | 0-1 | 23-7  |

**Dual Decisions by Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149  | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 6-5 | 6-5 | 8-1 | 11-0 | 2-5 | 4-2 | 3-3 | 1-1 | 4-0 | 1-4 | 46-26 |

**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 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 1-2   |

**Team Record at Dual Starting Weight**

| 125 | 133 | 141 | 149 | 157 | 165 | 174 | 184 | 197 | HWT | Total |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 4-5 | 0-0 | 1-0 | 1-0 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 5-8   |

**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        |
| Jan. 19 | 4th  | 5th      | 8th       | 3rd        |
| Jan. 26 | 5th  | 7th      | 8th       | 5th        |
| Feb. 1  | 5th  | 6th      | 8th       | 5th        |
| Feb. 9  | 5th  | 6th      | 8th       | 5th        |

**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     | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Barnes     | Lewis      | B. Butler | W. Miklus | Cox       | Romero |
| Jan. 22 | at Oklahoma State       | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Barnes     | Lewis      | B. Butler | W. Miklus | Cox       | Romero |
| Jan. 30 | Oklahoma                | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Barnes     | Lewis      | B. Butler | Johnston  | Cox       | Romero |
| Jan. 31 | Old Dominion            | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Barnes     | Lewis      | B. Butler | Johnston  | Cox       | Romero |
| Feb. 7  | at Northern Illinois    | McGhee | Synon  | Nasenbeny   | Mayes | Barnes     | Lemanowicz | B. Butler | Johnston  | Cox       | Romero |
| Feb. 12 | at Appalachian State    | McGhee | Synon  | Manley      | Mayes | Barnes     | Lewis      | B. Butler | W. Miklus | Cox       | Romero |
| 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     | 3         | 3         | 3         | 3         | 0         | 4         | 0         | 6         | 4         | 0         | 26         |
| Jan. 22 at Oklahoma State       | 0         | 0         | 0         | 3         | 0         | 0         | 3         | 0         | 3         | 0         | 9          |
| Jan. 30 Oklahoma                | 0         | 0         | 6         | 3         | 4         | 3         | 6         | 5         | 4         | 0         | 31         |
| Jan. 31 Old Dominion            | 3         | 3         | 3         | 3         | 3         | 4         | 4         | 0         | 6         | 0         | 29         |
| Feb. 7 at Northern Illinois     | 3         | 0         | 0         | 3         | 4         | 0         | 6         | 6         | 4         | 0         | 26         |
| Feb. 12 at Appalachian State    | 3         | 3         | 3         | 5         | 6         | 3         | 6         | 6         | 6         | 0         | 41         |
| Feb. 14 at North Carolina State | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -          |
| Feb. 21 NWCA National Duals     | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -         | -          |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>22</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>42</b> | <b>46</b> | <b>24</b> | <b>41</b> | <b>49</b> | <b>58</b> | <b>56</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>364</b> |


**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  
- 236-91-3 (.715)  
- 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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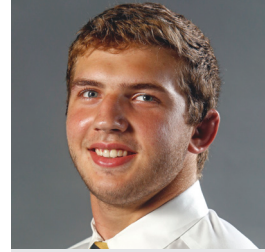
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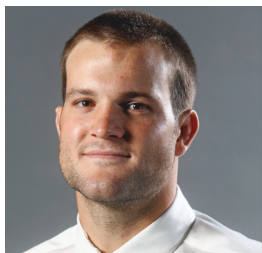
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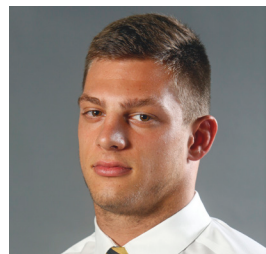
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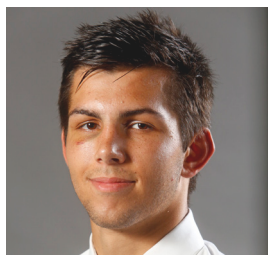
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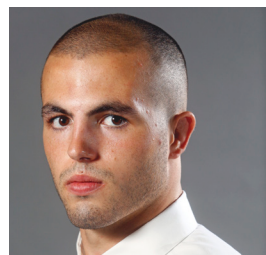
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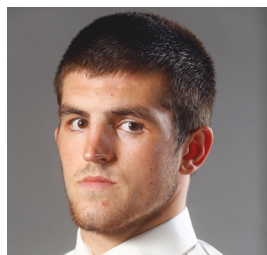
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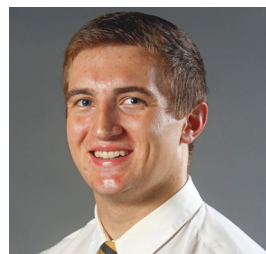
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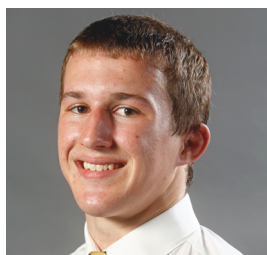
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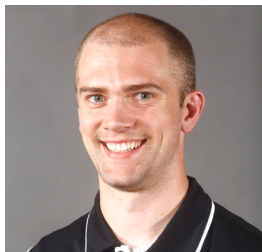
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|------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|---|
| Aaron Assad      | (acid)               | 125           | RS So.      | Brecksville, Ohio/ Purdue University        |
| Le'Roy Barnes    |                      | 141 / 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   |
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