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2021-22
KANSAS WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

POSTGAME NOTES

(8) KANSAS vs (9) GEORGIA TECH
PALO ALTO, CALIF. // MAPLES PAVILION
NCAA TOURNAMENT - FIRST ROUND



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KU STARTERS

Julie Brosseau (13/19)
Zakiyah Franklin (29/80)
Holly Kersgieter (28/57)
Ioanna Chatzileonti (26/44)
Taiyanna Jackson (30/30)

SERIES HISTORY: Kansas leads, 1-0

KANSAS' WIN:

- Improved the Jayhawks to 21-9 this season.
- Was Kansas' first NCAA Tournament victory since 2013.
- Gave the Jayhawks three-consecutive first-round victories in the NCAA Tournament.
- Improved KU to 14-13 all-time in the NCAA Tournament and 10-4 in the first round.
- Gave Kansas 21 victories in a season for the first time since 2011-12.
- Improved KU to 2-2 in neutral site games this season.
- Made Kansas 1-0 all-time against Georgia Tech.
- Gave Kansas its first-ever win over an ACC opponent in the NCAA Tournament, making KU 1-1 against ACC foes.
- Gave head coach Brandon Schneider his first-career tournament win as the leader of the Jayhawks.

TEAM NOTES:

- The starting combo of Julie Brosseau, Zakiyah Franklin, Holly Kersgieter, Ioanna Chatzileonti and Taiyanna Jackson have now started 11 games this season, which are consecutive. Kansas is now 7-4 in games with this starting combo.
- Kansas rallied at the end of the first half to take a 34-31 lead at halftime, marking the 18th time the Jayhawks led at half this season. Kansas is now 16-2 in those contests.
- Friday's first round game in Palo Alto is Kansas' second game played in California in the NCAA tournament, with their first being played in Oakland. Kansas improved to 1-1 in games played in California in the tournament.
- Kansas played in their third NCAA tournament as an 8 seed, where the Jayhawks now hold a 1-2 record. Kansas last played as a No. 8 seed in 2000, where they lost in the first round to No. 8 seed Vanderbilt.
- Kansas' 19-point margin of victory is the largest in an NCAA Tournament game in school history.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES:

- Junior Holly Kersgieter scored 19 points on 6-of-13 from the field, with 10 of those points coming in the second quarter. Kersgieter's double-digit scoring effort is the 21st of the season and first since scoring 18 against Texas on March 2. Kersgieter has now led the Jayhawks in scoring in 14 games this season.
- Kersgieter's 19 points gives her 1,096 points in her career, which ranks 25th in KU history. She surpasses Natalie Knight, who scored 1,081 points from 2011-15.
- Kersgieter found her rhythm from beyond the arc, connecting on 3-of-4 3-pointers on Friday. She has now hit three or more 3-pointers in nine games this season.
- Sophomore Ioanna Chatzileonti scored 15 points on 6-of-11 from the field on Friday, marking her 14th game in double-digits scoring this season. Chatzileonti has scored in double-figures in six of the last seven games. Chatzileonti added 10 rebounds, marking her second game with 10 or more boards this season. Her career-high of 15 came against Texas A&M-Corpus Christi on Nov. 29, 2020.
- With her 15 points and 10 rebounds, Chatzileonti recorded her fourth double-double of her career and first since March 11, 2021 against TCU in the Big 12 Tournament.
- Chatzileonti has now led the Jayhawks in rebounding in six games this season.
- Junior Taiyanna Jackson scored 14 points on 7-of-10 from the field on Friday, marking her 12th game in double-digits this season. Jackson had an impactful third quarter for the Jayhawks, scoring 8 points, which led to Kansas' 12-point lead going into the fourth quarter. Jackson added seven rebounds and two blocks.
- Redshirt sophomore Chandler Prater registered her 11th double-figure scoring game of the season, scoring 12 points on 5-of-6 from the field. Prater added a team-high four assists.