

# WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2021-22 GAME NOTES

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#### THE MATCHUP



#### **UT MARTIN SKYHAWKS | 11-15, 8-7 OVC**

**Head Coach:** Kevin McMillan (Rhodes College, 1989) **Career Record:** 251-157 (13th season)

Record at UTM: Same

Points: Paige Pipkin (13.1) Rebounds: Holly Forbes (5.9) Assists: Seygan Robins (2.7) Steals: Holly Forbes (1.8) Blocks: Shanice Simpson-Whiteley (0.5)

<b>PPG</b> 54.2
<b>Opp. PPG</b> 56.8
Margin2.7
<b>FG%</b> 39.3
<b>3PT FG%</b> 32.4
<b>FT%</b> 76.2
<b>RPG</b> 28.3
<b>APG</b> 10.0
<b>TPG</b> 15.3
<b>SPG</b> 8.9
<b>BPG</b> 1.7

#### **MURRAY STATE RACERS | 19-7, 11-4 OVC**

Rechelle Turner (Murray State, 1996)

Career Record: 73-70 (4th season)

Record at MSU: Same

Points: Katelyn Young (20.0) Rebounds: Young/Burpo (8.0) Assists: Macey Turley (3.9)

Steals: Macey Turley (1.1) **Blocks**: Katelyn Young (0.7)

PPG	. 73.0
Opp. PPG	. 60.5
Margin	
FG%	. 47.3
3PT FG%	
FT%	. 79.5
RPG	. 40.3
APG	. 15.8
TPG	. 15.2
SPG	5.3
BPG	2.1



**KYANNAH GRANT** 7.6 PPG • 2.4 RPG 2.1 APG • 1.1 SPG



SHAE LITTLEFORD 10.9 PPG • 2.5 RPG 2.2 APG • 1.7 SPG



**PAIGE PIPKIN** 13 1 PPG • 4 1 RPG 2.2 APG • 1.7 SPG



**ELLA THOMPSON** 6.5 PPG • 4.3 RPG 0.2 APG • 1.2 SPG



**HOLLY FORBES** 9 0 PPG • 5 9 RPG 1 0 APG • 1 8 SPG

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**PLAYER TO WATCH** #31 • KYANNAH GRANT

Grant has enjoyed a decorated career with 102 games played and 50 starts in four years while helpding the squad to back-to-back OVC championships.

While averaging 7.6 points

- The University of Tennessee at Martin women's basketball team will look to put the finishing touches on a successful closing stretch to the regular season when playing host to Ohio Valley Conference rival Murray State on Saturday, Feb. 19. Tipoff from the Kathleen and Tom Elam Center is scheduled for 1 p.m.
- Shortly before tipoff, UT Martin will honor Emma Davis, Holly Forbes and Kyannah Grant as part of Senior Day festivities. Davis enters the contest having played in 76 games throughout her four-year Skyhawk career while scoring 132 points while knocking down 35.4 percent of her three-point attempts. Forbes joined the Skyhawks this season as a graduate transfer from Robert Morris and has started in 21 games this year while averaging 9.0 points and 5.9 rebounds per game. Grant has played a vital role for UT Martin over the past four years with 102 games played and 50 starts while totaling 501 points, 229 assists, 160 rebounds and 90 steals in her career.
- UT Martin and Murray State previously met back on Jan. 22 in Murray as the Skyhawks played with a depleted roster featuring only seven available players following a 16day layoff. The Skyhawks stayed in the contest early by committing just six turnovers but ultimately could not withstand a full stable of Racers which shot 56.1 percent from the field and ran away with the 65-49 victory.
- The Skyhawks (11-15, 8-7 OVC) have since found their footing by winning four straight games and six of their last seven contests to climb into sixth place. Most recently UT Martin picked up a 54-36 win against Morehead State to wrap up a stretch which saw the team play 12 games in 25 days by holding their ninth opponent below 40 points during the Division I era.
- Reigning OVC Freshman of the Week Shae Littleford picked up where she left off last week by scoring a career-high 21 points in the win over Morehead State on Monday evening while knocking down four three-pointers. Junior Paige Pipkin also scored in double figures with 10 points while snatching six rebounds and tallying four steals.
- Murray State [19-7, 11-4 OVC] sits one win out of first place with three games to play after winning seven of its last eight contests. The Racers feature one of the favorites for OVC Player of the Year in Katelyn Young who leads the league in points (20.0 ppg) and rebounds (8.0 rpg) along with three other players averaging in double figures including Macey Turley (14.1 ppg), Hannah McKay (12.4 ppg) and Alexis Burpo (10.7
- UT Martin leads the all-time series 58-36 despite the loss earlier this season. The Skyhawks have excelled at home against the Racers, winning 31-of 46 matchups.

#### SERIES **HISTORY**

UT Martin leads series 58-36						
Last Meeting	Jan. 22, 2022					
Game Result	L, 65-49					
Streak	MSU W1					
First Meeting	1970					
UTM vs. MSU in Martin	32-14					
UTM vs. MSU in Murray	22-20					
McMillan vs. Murray State	24-5					
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#### 2021-22 **SCHEDULE/RESULTS**

Z	OVERALL RECORD:	11-15
8	OVC	8-7
물	NON-CONFERENCE HOME	3-8 5-7
Ä	AWAY	4-5
8	NEUTRAL	2-3

#### **NOVEMBER**

ate	Day	Opponent	TV	Time (CT)
12	Fri	at Kansas State#	Big12N0W	L, 44-30
14	Sun	vs. North Carolina A&T#	YouTube	W, 58-40
15	Mon	vs. Western Kentucky#	YouTube	W, 63-47
17	Wed	at #10 Louisville	ACCNX	L, 63-30
20	Sat	ILLINOIS STATE	ESPN+	W, 54-52
26	Fri	vs. George Washington\$	FloHoops	L, 46-37
27	Sat	vs. #24 Virginia Tech\$	FloHoops	L, 54-49

#### DECEMBER

Date	Day	Opponent	1 7	Time (CT)
5	Sun	SAINT LOUIS	ESPN+	L, 59-54
12	Sun	MISSISSIPPI STATE	ESPN+	L, 54-37
15	Wed	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS	ESPN+	L, 69-54
21	Tue	vs. Bowling Green <sup>%</sup>	FloHoops	L, 67-52
30	Thur	at Austin Peay*	ESPN+	W, 70-62

#### JANUARY

Date	υay	Upponent	1 7	Time (CT)
1	Sat	SIUE*	ESPN+	L, 62-58
6	Thur	at Tennessee State*	ESPN+	L, 66-65
22	Sat	at Murray State*	ESPN+	L, 65-49
24	Mon	at Morehead State*	ESPN+	W, 64-50
27	Thur	<b>EASTERN ILLINOIS*</b>	ESPN+	L, 81-77
29	Sat	at Belmont*	ESPN+	L, 73-48
31	Mon	TENNESSEE TECH*	ESPN+	L, 67-56

#### **FEBRUARY**

Į	<u>Date</u>	Day	Opponent	TV	Time (CT)		
	3	Thur	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI*	ESPN+	W, 70-66		
	5	Sat	TENNESSEE STATE*	ESPN+	W, 55-46		
	7	Mon	BELMONT*	ESPN+	L, 45-39		
	10	Thur	at SIUE*	ESPN+	W, 67-62		
	12	Sat	at Eastern Illinois*	ESPN+	W, 58-45		
	14	Mon	AUSTIN PEAY*	ESPN+	W, 60-57		
	16	Wed	MOREHEAD STATE*	ESPN+	W, 54-36		
	19	Sat	MURRAY STATE*	ESPN+	1 pm		
	24	Thur	at Southeast Missouri*	ESPN+	5 pm		
	26	Sat	at Tennessee Tech*	ESPN+	5:30 pm		

#### MARCH

Date Day		Opponent	TV	Time (CT)
2	Wed	vs. OVC Championship	ESPN+	TBA
3	Thur	vs. OVC Championship	ESPN+	TBA
4	Fri	vs. OVC Championship	ESPN+	TBA
5	Sat	vs. OVC Championship	ESPN+	TBA

# WNIT Preseason Classic - Manhattan, Kan. \$ San Juan Shootout - San Juan, Puerto Rico % Holiday Hoops Classic - Las Vegas, Nevada

Home games in **BOLD CAPS** in Elam Center \* Ohio Valley Conference game

## **UT MARTIN SKYHAWKS** [11-15, 8-7 OVC]

HEAD COACH: KEVIN McMILLAN (13TH SEASON)

Assistants: Willie Trevathan, Darby Maggard and Stacie Evans

#	NAME	HOMETOWN	FIELD GOAL	3PT. FGS	FREE THROWS	FOULS	POINTS
0	EMMA DAVIS	G, 5-10, Jr. Harrodsburg, Ky.					
2	ELLA THOMPSON	F, 5-11, Fr. Bardstown, Ky.					
5	SEYGAN ROBINS	G, 5-8, So. Harrodsburg, Ky.					
10	RAEGAN JOHNSON	F, 6-2, So. Martin, Tenn.					
11	SHAE LITTLEFORD	G, 5-7, Fr. Charleston, Ill.					
12	MIA HURST	G, 5-10, Fr. Henderson, Tenn.					
23	HAYLEY HARRISON	G, 5-10, Fr. Winchester, Ky.					
25	SHANICE SIMPSON-WHITELEY	F, 6-1, Fr. Toronto, Canada					
31	Kyannah Grant	G, 5-7, Jr. Choctaw, Miss.					
32	GABI MELBY	G, 5-6, Fr. Naperville, Ill.					
34	HOLLY FORBES	F, 5-10, Gr. Bonne Terre, Mo.					
35	PAIGE PIPKIN	G, 5-10, Jr. Henderson, Tenn.					
44	HALEY NICHOLS	F, 6-0, Fr. Avon, Ind.					

## MURRAY STATE RACERS (19-7, 11-4 OVC)

HEAD COACH: RECHELLE TURNER (4TH SEASON)

ASSISTANTS: MONICA EVANS, AMBER GUFFEY AND SARAH JONES

#	NAME	HOMETOWN	FIELD GOAL	3PT. FGS	FREE THROWS	FOULS	POINTS
0	DEMIA BESS	G, 5-8, Fr. Memphis, Tenn.					
1	RAEGAN BLACKBURN	G, 5-8, Sr. Greenville, Ky.					
2	TAKIYA HOWARD	G, 5-10, Fr. Chicago, Ill.					
3	CLAIRA McGowan	G, 5-7, Fr. Murfreesboro, Tenn.					
4	LEX MAYES	G, 5-7, Sr. Murray, Ky.					
5	MACEY TURLEY	G, 5-6, Sr. Murray, Ky.					
10	LUCIA OPERTO	C, 6-3, So. Lehmann, Argentina					
11	CAYSON CONNER	G, 5-7, Fr. Benton, Ky.					
13	JAIDAH BLACK	F, 6-0, Fr. Fort Worth, Texas					
21	BRIA SANDERS-WOODS	G, 5-8, So. Oklahoma City, Okla.					
22	HANNAH McKay	F, 6-0, So. Owensboro, Ky.					
31	KATELYN YOUNG	F, 6-1, So. Oakwood, Ill.					
32	ALEXIS BURPO	F/G, 5-10, Sr. Murray, Ky.					
33	CHARLEE SETTLE	G/F, 6-1, So. Murray, Ky.					
34	ISABELL WEST	F, 6-1, Jr. Shakopee, Minn.					
44	MACIE GIBSON	F, 6-1, R-Jr. Booneville, Ky.					