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DUAL MEET

WEST VIRGINIA

2020 Record 11-7
 2020 Big 12 Record 0-2
 Head Coach Jason Butts
 Alma Mater Georgia '06
 Record at WVU 121-84-1
 Season Ninth
 Overall Record 121-84-1
 Season Ninth



VS.



MEET INFO

Date Sunday, March 8
 Time 2 p.m. ET
 Location Iowa City, Iowa
 Arena Carver-Hawkeye Arena
 Broadcast Big Ten Network
 Stats SideArm

2020 SCHEDULE

1/11 at No. 17 Penn State L, 195.325-195.750
 1/17 at No. 12 Iowa State* L, 194.5-195.8
 1/26 New Hampshire W, 196.025-195.125
 Temple W, 196.025-191.925
 1/31 at George Washington L, 194.85-195.375
 vs. William & Mary W, 194.85-191.425
 vs. Pittsburgh L, 194.85-195.7
 2/8 at New Hampshire L, 195.075-195.85
 vs. Brown W, 195.075-191.4
 vs. George Washington W, 195.075-192.9
 2/14 at No. 1 Oklahoma* L, 195.575-198.4
 vs. Texas Woman's W, 195.575-193.875
 2/21 at Pitt W, 194.925-194.575
 2/23 Towson W, 196.0-193.425
 Western Michigan W, 196.0-195.075
 Bowling Green W, 196.0-194.225
 3/1 Rutgers W, 196.425-195.3
 Pittsburgh L, 196.425-196.5
 3/8 at Iowa 2 p.m.
 3/13 Penn 7 p.m.
 Kentucky 7 p.m.
 Maryland 7 p.m.
 3/21 Big 12 Championship & 7 p.m.
 4/2 NCAA Regional First Round TBA
 4/3 NCAA Regional Second Round TBA
 4/4 NCAA Regional Final TBA
 4/17 NCAA Championships % TBA
 4/18 NCAA Championships % TBA

IOWA

2020 Record 6-9
 2020 Big Ten Record 2-7
 Head Coach Larissa Libby
 Alma Mater LSU '96
 Record at UI N/A
 Season 16th
 Overall Record N/A
 Season 16th

SERIES HISTORY

All-Time Record 2-2
 First Meeting 1990
 Last Meeting 2009
 Results L, 194.35-193.7
 Location East Lansing, Mich.
 Last WVU Win 2006
 Results W, 195.1-192.25
 Location Morgantown, W.Va.

WVU BY THE NUMBERS

	Avg.	NQS	SH	Top Score	Gymnast	Date
Total	195.411	195.600	196.425	AA 39.15	Kianna Yancey	1/26
V	48.786	48.880	48.900	V 9.9	Abbie Pierson 2x - last	2/21
UB	48.850	48.900	48.975	UB 9.9	Esperanza Abarca	1/31
BB	48.728	48.845	49.225	BB 9.9	2x - last Esperanza Abarca	2/23
FE	49.047	49.120	49.475	FE 9.95	Chloe Cluchey	3/1

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS BY EVENT

Vault
Abbie Pierson | Fr.



AVG: 9.818
 NQS: 9.820
 RANK: 82nd

Uneven Bars
Kianna Yancey | Fr.



AVG: 9.811
 NQS: 9.820
 RANK: 111th

Balance Beam
Abbie Pierson | Fr.



AVG: 9.728
 NQS: 9.790
 RANK: 155th

Floor Exercise
Chloe Cluchey | Sr.



AVG: 9.803
 NQS: 9.855
 RANK: 80th

*Indicates Big 12 opponent
 & Morgantown, W.Va.

% Fort Worth, Texas

All times are Eastern and subject to change



Esperanza Abarca | So.



AVG: 9.703
 NQS: 9.790

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location.....Morgantown, W.Va.
Enrollment.....29,959
Nickname.....Mountaineers
Colors.....Old Gold (PMS 124) and Blue (PMS 295)
Conference.....Big 12
President.....Dr. E. Gordon Gee
Director of Athletics.....Shane Lyons (West Virginia '87)
NCAA Faculty Representative.....Dr. Jeff Neely

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach.....Jason Butts (Ninth Season)
Alma Mater.....Georgia '06
Record at WVU.....121-84-1 (Ninth Season)
Career Record.....Same
Associate Head Coach.....Travis Doak (12th Season, WVU '06)
Assistant Coach.....Kaylyn Millick (Second Season/Fifth Overall, WVU '14)
Director of Ops.....Caleigh Shaffer (Virginia Tech '16)

FACILITY INFORMATION

Home Gym.....WVU Coliseum
Capacity.....14,000
Opened.....1970

GYMNASTICS HISTORY

Season of Gymnastics.....47th
First Year of Gymnastics.....1974
All-Time Record.....770-349-5 (.685)
Affiliation.....NCAA Division I
Region.....NCAA Southeast
Conference.....Big 12 Conference
NCAA Championships Appearances (Last)... Four (2000); 3 NCAA, 1 AIAW
NCAA Regional Appearances (Last).....40 (2019)
Highest NCAA Finish.....12th (1995, 1999, 2000)
Highest AIAW Finish.....Third (1982)
EAGL Championships (Last).....Seven (2012)
Atlantic 10 Championships (Last).....Four (1995)

TEAM INFORMATION

2019 Record.....19-9, 0-4 Big 12
2019 Big 12 Finish.....Fourth Place, 195.6
Home Record.....7-4
Away Record.....4-2
Neutral Site Record.....8-3
Postseason.....NCAA Ann Arbor Regional (Fourth Place, 195.425)
Final Ranking.....No. 27, Road to Nationals Rankings
All-Americans.....One (Kirah Koshinski)

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2020 SEASON HONORS

WVU Student-Athlete of the Week

.....Abbie Pierson (Jan. 13)
.....Chloe Cluchey (Jan. 27)

Big 12 Event Specialist of the Week

.....Chloe Cluchey (Jan. 27)

MEET MINUTES

- West Virginia travels to Iowa City for a dual meet at Iowa on Sunday, March 8, at 2 p.m. ET, inside Carver-Hawkeye Arena.
- WVU opens the meet on uneven bars. The Mountaineers are 1-3 this season when starting competition on bars. WVU is 1-2 in dual meets and 1-5 in true road competitions. West Virginia's complete rotation order is bars, vault, floor exercise and balance beam.
- The Mountaineers and the Hawkeyes will go head-to-head for the fifth time in program history. The all-time series is knotted at two wins apiece, with Iowa picking up the latest victory, 194.35-193.7, over West Virginia on Jan. 17, 2009, at Michigan State's Jenison Field House.
- WVU and UI's common opponents this season were Iowa State and Penn State; both dual meets on the road for the Mountaineers in January.
- Sunday will be a tight battle between the Mountaineers and the Hawkeyes, as the teams show nearly identical rankings. UI edges WVU in the overall standings, owning a 195.675 national qualifying score (NQS) to rank No. 30; the Mountaineers' NQS is 195.6 and rank one spot behind the Hawkeyes at No. 31.
- West Virginia bests Iowa on bars and beam and rank No. 30 (48.9 NQS) and No. 36 (48.845 NQS), respectively. The Hawkeyes rank No. 34 on bars (48.83 NQS) and No. 40 on beam (48.815 NQS). Iowa is ranked No. 20 on floor (49.19 NQS), while West Virginia sits at No. 26 (49.12 NQS). UI also comes in at No. 30 on vault (48.915 NQS), and WVU checks in at No. 35 (48.88 NQS).
- Last week, the Mountaineers finished in second place with a season-best score of 196.425 in a tri-meet at the WVU Coliseum, on March 1. Pitt scored 196.5 and finished first overall, while Rutgers placed third with a 195.3.
- The Mountaineers matched the 15th-best score in program history thanks to three first-place event showings. WVU was most impressive on beam, where all six gymnasts scored 9.8 or better, giving the Mountaineers a season-high 49.225 score. The event total matches the fourth-best score in program history. West Virginia also finished first on floor with a 49.375. The Mountaineers' floor total marks the fourth consecutive meet and fifth time this season WVU has scored 49.0 or better. It also is the Mountaineers' second-highest floor score of the year.
- Senior Chloe Cluchey posted a personal best on floor, scoring 9.95 in the No. 3 position to win the event outright. Cluchey's total was the team's highest individual score of the season. The Woodbridge, Virginia, native has scored 9.9 or better twice this season and has won the event outright three times.
- In addition to its wins on beam and floor, West Virginia also finished first on bars with a season-high 48.975 score. WVU tallied 48.85 on vault and placed third.
- Freshman Abbie Pierson and Cluchey pace the Mountaineers with top-100 rankings on their respective events. Cluchey boasts a team-high 9.855 NQS on floor and is tied at No. 80, while Pierson is tied at No. 82 on vault with an NQS of 9.82. Freshman Kianna Yancey leads WVU on bars with a 9.82 NQS mark, and sophomore Esperanza Abarca and Pierson pace WVU on beam with matching 9.79 NQS scores.

QUICK TWISTS

The Mountaineers are 6-1 at the WVU Coliseum this season, 1-5 in true road meets and 0-3 against ranked teams ... WVU is 10-5 in multi-team meets ... sophomore Kendra Combs paces the team with 253.5 season points, followed by senior Chloe Cluchey with 242.825 ... freshman Abbie Pierson ranks third with 234.6, followed by classmate Kianna Yancey with 234.025 ... senior Julia Merwin passed the 500-career point threshold on Feb. 23 and now shows 516.2 points ... junior McKenna Linnen also passed the 500 career-point threshold on Jan. 26 and now shows 651.95 points ... senior Abby Kaufman is the most experienced Mountaineer, having competed in 47 career meets, and is on pace to etch her name in the WVU record book ... the York, Pennsylvania, native leads the team with 1,283.025 career points, 188.1 points shy of moving into the top-20 all-time ... all 16 Mountaineers have competed in at least one meet this season ... currently, a freshman or sophomore is featured in 14 of the Mountaineers' 24 lineup positions ... eleven of the 16 Mountaineers who have competed this season have reached the podium ... Yancey paces WVU with 10 podium finishes, while Cluchey, Combs and Pierson show eight podium finishes apiece.

Head Coach Jason Butts



- At WVU: Ninth Season
- Record at WVU: 121-84-1 (.588)
- Career Record: 121-84-1 (.588)

Coaching Experience

- WVU Head Coach (2012-present)
- WVU Associate Head Coach (2011)
- WVU Assistant Head Coach (2010)
- WVU Assistant Coach (2007-09)

Career Coaching Highlights

- In 2019, coached Kirah Koshinski to her third career NACGC/W Regular-Season All-America Vault honor and first first-team recognition. She was named to the second team three times (2016-18) and is the first Mountaineer in program history to earn at least one All-America award in three consecutive seasons.
- Coached Zaakira Muhammad to an individual all-around qualification to the 2017 NCAA National Championships, WVU's first qualifier since 2014.
- In 2017, helped Koshinski (regular season, vault and Muhammad (NCAA Championships, floor) attain All-America second-team accolades, just the second pair in program history to earn honors in the same season.
- Coached Koshinski to the 2016 Big 12 Newcomer of the Year honor.
- Led the Mountaineers to a program best second-place finish at the 2015 Big 12 Gymnastics Championship.
- Coached Hope Sloanhoffer to an individual all-around qualification at the 2014 NCAA National Championships, WVU's first qualifier since 2009.
- Ushered in a new era for WVU gymnastics in 2013, leading WVU to a 13-9 record in 2013, its first season in the Big 12 Conference. WVU scored 196.0 or better in each home meet, a program first.
- Led the Mountaineers to the 2012 EAGL title in his first season as head coach.
- Mountaineers finished 2012 ranked No. 21, the team's first season-ending ranking since 2009, and with a 21-5 record, the team's first 20-win mark since 2008.
- Coached five individual conference champions
- Coached 19 all-conference gymnasts
- Coached 53 NACGC/W Scholastic All-Americans
- Two-time Southeast Regional Assistant Coach of the Year

Education

- Georgia, 2006
- Bachelor's degree (business administration and management)
- West Virginia, 2012
- Master's degree (athletic coaching education)

TRACKING THE TUMBLERS

Media Services

The WVU athletics communications office will be available throughout the 2020 gymnastics season to accommodate any media requests. Members of the media wishing to interview a gymnast or member of the coaching staff during the week should contact the gymnastics SID Amy Salvatore at (304) 293-2821 or by email at alsalvatore@mail.wvu.edu.

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WVUsports.com is the place for media and fans to go for the latest news on Mountaineer gymnastics. Streamed audio and video broadcasts will be available on WVU's official athletics website, along with live scores to keep track of every routine. Meet notes are made available in PDF format one day prior to meet day.

Big 12 Digital Media

Fans can track Big 12 gymnastics action on Twitter (@Big12Conference), Facebook (Facebook.com/Big12), Instagram (@Big12Conference) and YouTube (YouTube.com/Big12Conference).

2020 MEET RECAPS

Meet 1: WVU at No. 17 Penn State (1/11)

Despite recording its highest season-opening meet score in program history and posting a trio of first-place event finishes, West Virginia started its 2020 season with a 195.75-195.325 setback to No. 17 Penn State on Jan. 11, inside Rec Hall, in University Park, Pennsylvania ... the Mountaineers hit 22-for-24 routines and earned a 48.9-48.75 edge over the Nittany Lions on vault and a 48.75-48.675 win on floor exercise ... PSU claimed the balance beam (49.025-48.925) and uneven bars (49.3-48.75) victories ... additionally, freshman Abbie Pierson posted a pair of 9.9 scores in her Mountaineer debut ... for her efforts, the New Kensington, Pennsylvania, native finished first overall on vault and beam ... senior Chloe Cluchey also made her return on floor, notching a 9.85 score to place first.

Meet 2: No. 24 WVU at No. 12 Iowa State (1/17)

In its first Big 12 meet of the season, West Virginia came up short in a tight battle against No. 12 Iowa State on Jan. 17, falling 195.8-194.5 at the Hilton Coliseum, in Ames, Iowa ... the Mountaineers hit 24-for-24 routines, and sophomore Kendra Combs scored her first career victory with a personal-best 9.85 mark on beam ... the Cyclones took the team win on all four events: vault (49.0-48.275), bars (49.025-48.675), beam (48.775-48.725) and floor (49.0-48.825) ... additionally, senior Abby Kaufman competed in the all-around for the first time this season, finishing second with a 38.725 total.

Meet 3: WVU vs. New Hampshire and Temple (1/26)

Three scores of 9.9 or better on floor helped push WVU to a first place, 196.025 showing in its home season opener at the WVU Coliseum on Jan. 26 ... the Mountaineers swept their competition, as New Hampshire finished second (195.125) and Temple finished third (191.925) ... the Mountaineers' 196.025 score is a season best and ties the 41st highest score in program history ... the Mountaineers were victorious on vault (48.9), bars (48.9) and floor (49.475) ... the Wildcats won beam with a 49.15 total ... a WVU gymnast also finished first on a trio of events, including a win on floor for Cluchey ... the Woodbridge, Virginia, native collected her first 9.9 of the season, matching her career-high total of 9.925 in the event ... she also tied for the vault win with classmate Julia Merwin and Temple's Ariana Castrence, with each gymnast notching 9.8 scores ... additionally, freshman Kianna Yancey posted a winning, 9.875 on bars, good for a career high ... Yancey also took home the all-around crown for the first time as a Mountaineer, finishing in front of New Hampshire's Riley Freehling with a 39.15 total.

Meet 4: WVU at George Washington with Pitt and William & Mary (1/31)

The Mountaineers earned a 194.85 total and placed third at George Washington's quad meet on Jan. 31, held inside the Charles E. Smith Center ... Pitt tallied 195.7 and finished first overall, while the host Colonials placed second with a 195.375 mark ... William & Mary scored 191.425 and finished fourth ... despite a slow start, the Mountaineers closed the meet strong, tying for the vault win and placing second on bars with scores of 48.85 and 48.95, respectively ... WVU's bars score is a season best ... additionally, the team finished third on beam (48.175) and floor (48.875) ... Kaufman paced the Mountaineers' lineup on vault and beam ... the York, Pennsylvania, native tied for first overall on vault with a 9.85 score, matching her career high last set on March 13, 2019 ... the vault win marked her first event victory of the year ... she also matched her season high on beam with a 9.825 total and placed fourth overall ... Pierson tied for the floor win with George Washington's Cydney Crasa and Pitt's Ciara Ward, scoring matching 9.875 totals ... Pierson notched a career high in the tie and now owns an event win on floor, vault and beam ... WVU's final rotation on bars was highlighted by sophomore Esperanza Abarca's 9.9 score ... The Colony, Texas, native posted the first 9.9 of her career to win the event outright.

2020 POINT LEADERS

Point Leaders	Season Points (Career Total)
1. Kendra Combs	253.5 (360.825)
2. Chloe Cluchey	242.825 (804.825)
3. Abbie Pierson	234.6 (234.6)
4. Kianna Yancey	234.025 (234.025)
5. Abby Kaufman	233.55 (1,283.025)
6. McKenna Linnen	194.15 (651.95)
7. Esperanza Abarca	185.075 (437.725)
8. Kayla Yancey	145.875 (145.875)
9. Erica Fontaine	107.275 (409.125)
10. Julia Merwin	58.575 (516.2)
11. Rachel Hornung	48.975 (437.575)
12. Michelle Waldron	48.5 (223.075)
13. Sydney Marler	47.125 (269.525)
14. Maya Kraus	38.5 (38.5)
15. Taylor Sell	19.25 (86.125)
16. Emily Holmes-Hackerd	9.6 (9.6)

2020 PODIUM FINISHES

Name	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Kianna Yancey	2	3	5	10
Chloe Cluchey	5	0	3	8
Abbie Pierson	4	3	1	8
Kendra Combs	3	3	2	8
Esperanza Abarca	3	3	0	6
Abby Kaufman	1	2	1	4
Julia Merwin	1	1	1	3
Erica Fontaine	0	1	1	2
Rachel Hornung	1	0	1	2
McKenna Linnen	0	0	1	1
Kayla Yancey	0	1	0	1

2020 MEET RECAPS CONT.

Meet 5: WVU at New Hampshire with Brown and George Washington (2/8)

West Virginia finished in second place at New Hampshire's quad meet with a 195.075 total on Feb. 8, inside Lundholm Gymnasium, in Durham, New Hampshire ... host New Hampshire scored 195.85 and finished first overall, while George Washington placed third with a 192.9 total ... Brown finished fourth with a 191.4 score ... the Mountaineers finished first on vault (48.9), tying their season high, and second on bars (48.75), beam (48.65) and floor (48.775) ... Yancey earned a pair of podium finishes on the night, tying for second on vault (9.8) and bars (9.775).

Meet 6: WVU at No. 1 Oklahoma with Texas Woman's (2/14)

West Virginia posted a season-best road score of 195.575 in a second-place finish at No. 1-ranked Oklahoma's tri-meet, with Texas Woman's University, on Feb. 14, at the Lloyd Noble Center, in Norman, Oklahoma ... the Sooners placed first with a 198.4 total, while the Pioneers finished third with a 193.875 ... WVU finished second to OU on all four events, scoring 49.225 on floor, 48.9 on vault and bars and 48.55 on beam ... of note, the Mountaineers matched their season high on vault for the fourth time this season ... WVU tallied its highest team total of the night in the third rotation, as all six Mountaineers scored 9.8 or better on floor to put the squad's score at 49.225 ... Kaufman matched her career-high score of 9.875 and tied for third, the Mountaineers' highest individual finish on the evening ... she now has four podium finishes on the year.

Meet 7: WVU at Pitt (2/21)

Highlighted by Pierson's third 9.9 of the season, West Virginia earned a big win against its regional rival Pitt, 194.925-194.575, on Feb. 21, at Fitzgerald Field House, in Pittsburgh ... the Mountaineers hit 23-for-24 routines and earned a 48.675-48.475 edge over the Panthers on vault, a 48.875-48.4 win on bars and a 49.0-48.875 victory on floor ... Pitt claimed the beam win, 48.825-48.375 ... individually, Pierson matched her career high and scored a 9.9 on vault for the first time since the Mountaineers' 2020 season opener on Jan. 11 to win the event outright ... sophomore Rachel Hornung paced the Mountaineers on beam with a season-high mark of 9.85 and tied for first overall, while Combs tied for first on floor with a 9.85 total.

Meet 8: WVU vs. Bowling Green, Towson and Western Michigan (Beauty and the Beast) (2/23)

A season-high score on beam helped West Virginia sweep the competition with a 196.0 showing in the program's sixth Beauty and the Beast Meet on Feb. 23, at the WVU Coliseum ... Western Michigan finished second overall with a 195.075 score, and Bowling Green placed third with a 194.225 mark ... Towson totaled 193.425 and finished fourth ... the Mountaineers nearly swept the event wins, finishing first on bars (48.875), beam (49.175) and floor (49.125) ... WVU also finished second on vault (48.825) ... the Broncos won vault with a score of 48.85 ... Abarca took home the beam title for the first time in her career with a personal-best mark of 9.9 ... she was the first gymnast to post a 9.9 or better since Pierson's routine in the Mountaineers' 2020 season opener on Jan. 11 ... additionally, Cluchey and Combs tied for the event win on floor with matching 9.875s.

Meet 9: WVU vs. Rutgers and Pitt (3/1)

A season-best score of 196.425 was not enough to give West Virginia its third sweep of the season, as the Mountaineers finished in second place on March 1, at the WVU Coliseum, in Morgantown ... Pitt scored 196.5 and finished first overall, while Rutgers placed third with a 195.3 ... the Mountaineers matched the 15th-best score in program history thanks to three first-place event showings ... WVU was most impressive on beam, where all six gymnasts scored 9.8 or better, giving the Mountaineers a season-high 49.225 score ... the event total matches the fourth-best score in program history ... West Virginia also finished first on floor with a 49.375 ... the Mountaineers' floor total marks the fourth consecutive meet and fifth time this season WVU has scored 49.0+ ... it also is the Mountaineers' second-highest floor score of the year ... Cluchey posted a personal best on floor, scoring 9.95 in the No. 3 position to win the event outright ... Cluchey's total was the team's highest individual score of the season ... she has scored 9.9 or better twice this season and has won the event outright three times ... she also is the first WVU gymnast to earn a 9.95+ on floor since Kirah Koshinski scored a 9.975 on March 17, 2019 ... in addition to its wins on beam and floor, West Virginia also finished first on bars with a season-high 48.975 score ... WVU tallied 48.85 on vault and placed third ... Pitt won the event title with a 49.2 mark.

2020 ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/Club Gym
Esperanza Abarca	So.	5-5	The Colony, Texas/World Olympic Gymnastics Academy
Chloe Cluchey	Sr.	5-4	Woodbridge, Va./Capital Gymnastics
Kendra Combs	So.	5-3	Windsor, Conn./Gymnastics Express Too
Erica Fontaine	Sr.	5-5	Gaithersburg, Md./Hill's Gymnastics
Emily Holmes-Hackerd	Fr.	5-4	Ipswich, Mass./Brestyan's Gymnastics
Rachel Hornung	So.	5-4	Pittsburgh, Pa./Pittsburgh Northstars
Abby Kaufman	Sr.	5-6	York, Pa./Prestige Gymnastics
Maya Kraus	Fr.	5-3	Fairport, N.Y./Rochester Gymnastics Academy
McKenna Linnen	Jr.	5-3	Canton, Mich./Gym America
Sydney Marler	Jr.	5-6	New Port Richey, Fla./Suncoast Gymnastics Academy
Julia Merwin	Sr.	5-4	Frederick, Md./Fredrick Gymnastics Club
Abbie Pierson	Fr.	5-3	New Kensington, Pa./Gymkhana Inc
Taylor Sell	So.	5-2	Manheim, Pa./Prestige Gymnastics
Michelle Waldron	Jr.	5-2	Sagamore Beach, Mass./Cape Cod Gymnastics Center
Kayla Yancey	Fr.	4-11	Hatfield, Pa./Montgomery County Sports Performance Center
Kianna Yancey	Fr.	5-4	Hatfield, Pa./Montgomery County Sports Performance Center

Head Coach: Jason Buttss (9th season)

Associate Head Coach: Travis Doak (6th season, 12th overall)

Assistant Coach: Kaylyn Millick (2nd season, 5th overall)

Volunteer Assistant: Kristin Land (1st season)

Director of Operations: Caleigh Shaffer (3rd season)

Pronunciation Guide

Esperanza Abarca ess-per-AHN-zuh uh-BARK-uh
Chloe Cluchey CLUE-chee
Rachel Hornung HOR-nun

TENTATIVE LINEUPS

	Class	Career High	Season High	Season Avg.	Season NQS	National Ranking (Top 100)	Regional Ranking (Top 50)	Big 12 Ranking (Top 25)
Vault								
Kianna Yancey	Fr.	9.8	9.8	9.769	9.79	--	22	15
Julia Merwin	Sr.	9.875	9.825	9.763	9.75	--	T-28	T-18
Abby Kaufman	Sr.	9.85	9.85	9.743	9.75	--	T-28	T-18
Michelle Waldron	Jr.	9.8	9.8	9.7	--	--	--	--
Kayla Yancey	Fr.	9.75	9.75	9.708	9.7	--	39	22
Abbie Pierson	Fr.	9.9	9.9	9.818	9.82	T-82	T-13	9
Uneven Bars								
Esperanza Abarca	So.	9.9	9.9	9.783	9.81	--	T-17	18
Kendra Combs	So.	9.85	9.825	9.767	9.785	--	24	19
Kayla Yancey	Fr.	9.775	9.775	9.736	9.76	--	28	20
Chloe Cluchey	Sr.	9.925	9.8	9.722	9.74	--	32	21
Kianna Yancey	Fr.	9.875	9.875	9.811	9.82	--	14	17
Rachel Hornung	So.	9.775	9.775	9.775	--	--	--	--
Balance Beam								
McKenna Linnen	Jr.	9.85	9.8	9.622	9.745	--	29	21
Abby Kaufman	Sr.	9.9	9.825	9.744	9.785	--	T-20	18
Abbie Pierson	Fr.	9.9	9.9	9.728	9.79	--	T-18	T-16
Rachel Hornung	So.	9.875	9.85	9.8	--	--	--	--
Kendra Combs	So.	9.875	9.875	9.678	9.775	--	24	T-19
Esperanza Abarca	So.	9.9	9.9	9.703	9.79	--	T-18	T-16
Floor Exercise								
McKenna Linnen	Jr.	9.875	9.875	9.778	9.815	--	T-20	T-17
Kendra Combs	So.	9.9	9.9	9.797	9.84	--	T-18	12
Abby Kaufman	Sr.	9.875	9.875	9.745	--	--	--	--
Chloe Cluchey	Sr.	9.95	9.95	9.803	9.855	T-80	22	10
Erica Fontaine	Sr.	9.9	9.9	9.786	9.805	--	24	19
Abbie Pierson	Fr.	9.875	9.875	9.791	9.8	--	23	20
All-Around								
Kianna Yancey	Fr.	39.15	39.15	39.15	--	--	--	--
Abby Kaufman	Sr.	39.225	38.725	38.725	--	--	--	--

Tentative lineups for Sunday's meet (3/8)

Rankings based on the Road to Nationals Rankings (3/2)

NATIONAL RANKINGS - WEEK 9

Team	NQS	Avg.	High
1. Oklahoma	198.080	197.898	198.450
2. Florida	197.880	197.747	198.375
3. UCLA	197.425	197.197	198.025
4. Utah	197.335	197.272	198.075
5. Michigan	197.285	197.091	197.950
6. LSU	197.245	196.955	197.875
7. Denver	197.135	196.839	197.425
8. Alabama	197.080	196.950	197.550
9. California	196.980	196.642	197.325
10. Georgia	196.900	196.631	197.425
11. Minnesota	196.885	196.825	197.400
12. Washington	196.765	196.631	197.600
13. Kentucky	196.690	196.553	197.275
14. Oregon State	196.560	196.031	196.825
15. Auburn	196.490	196.058	196.700
16. Missouri	196.465	196.150	196.850
17. BYU	196.430	196.269	197.075
17. Arkansas	196.430	196.139	196.950
19. Nebraska	196.395	196.228	197.100
20. Iowa State	196.380	196.139	196.800
21. Southern Utah	196.035	196.033	197.225
22. NC State	195.960	195.497	196.500
23. Illinois	195.895	195.638	196.550
24. Arizona	195.880	195.781	196.275
25. Penn State	195.860	195.458	196.575

Based on Road to Nationals Rankings (as of March 2)

BOLD - 2020 Opponent

BIG 12 EVENT RANKINGS - WEEK 9

Team Total	NQS	Avg.	High
1. Oklahoma	198.080	197.898	198.450
2. Denver	197.135	196.839	197.425
3. Iowa State	196.380	196.139	196.800
4. West Virginia	195.600	195.411	196.425
Vault	NQS	Avg.	High
1. Oklahoma	49.585	49.523	49.775
2. Denver	49.235	49.114	49.325
3. Iowa State	49.030	48.978	49.275
4. West Virginia	48.880	48.786	48.900
Uneven Bars	NQS	Avg.	High
1. Oklahoma	49.550	49.528	49.675
2. Denver	49.395	49.208	49.575
3. Iowa State	49.190	49.150	49.375
4. West Virginia	48.900	48.850	48.975
Balance Beam	NQS	Avg.	High
1. Oklahoma	49.520	49.428	49.675
2. Denver	49.380	49.306	49.650
3. Iowa State	49.065	48.869	49.200
4. West Virginia	48.845	48.728	49.225
Floor Exercise	NQS	Avg.	High
1. Oklahoma	49.505	49.430	49.575
2. Denver	49.265	49.211	49.425
3. Iowa State	49.235	49.142	49.425
4. West Virginia	49.120	49.047	49.475

The Road to an NQS: The Road to Nationals Rankings were determined by team averages throughout the first half of the season. The Feb. 24 poll was the first of the year determined by National Qualifying Scores (NQS). NQS determines the top 16 teams that are seeded on a national basis for the NCAA Regional Championships. A team NQS is calculated by taking a squad's six highest scores, three of which must be from a road meet, dropping the top score and averaging the remaining five.

WVU's second NQS of 195.6 is based on its results from the following meets:

1. 196.425, March 1, WVU Coliseum
2. 196.025, Jan. 26, WVU Coliseum
3. 196.0, Feb. 23, WVU Coliseum
4. 195.575, Feb. 14, at Oklahoma
5. 195.325, Jan. 11, at Penn State
6. 195.075, Feb. 8, at New Hampshire

WVU IN THE RANKINGS

WVU in the NCAA						WVU in the Southeast Region						WVU in the Big 12 Conference					
Date	Total	V	UB	BB	FE	Date	Total	V	UB	BB	FE	Date	Total	V	UB	BB	FE
Jan. 6	--	--	--	--	--	Jan. 6	--	--	--	--	--	Jan. 6	--	--	--	--	--
Jan. 13	24	23	24	20	31	Jan. 13	4	6	3	5	6	Jan. 13	4	4	4	4	3
Jan. 20	27	40	28	22	31	Jan. 20	4	7	3	5	6	Jan. 20	4	4	4	4	4
Jan. 27	24	37	27	24	18	Jan. 27	4	6	3	3	3	Jan. 27	4	4	4	4	3
Feb. 3	26	34	26	35	21	Feb. 3	4	6	3	5	4	Feb. 3	4	4	4	4	4
Feb. 10	29	33	27	35	28	Feb. 10	5	6	4	5	5	Feb. 10	4	4	4	4	4
Feb. 17	28	T-33	27	T-35	27	Feb. 17	4	5	4	5	5	Feb. 17	4	4	4	4	4
Feb. 24	32	32	31	38	30	Feb. 24	5	5	5	5	5	Feb. 24	4	4	4	4	4
Mar. 2	31	35	T-30	36	26	Mar. 2	5	5	5	5	5	Mar. 2	4	4	4	4	4
Mar. 9						Mar. 9						Mar. 9					
Mar. 16						Mar. 16						Mar. 16					
Mar. 23						Mar. 23						Mar. 23					
Mar. 30						Mar. 30						Mar. 30					
Apr. 6						Apr. 6						Apr. 6					

2020 VAULT LINEUP MEET-BY-MEET

Meet	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jan. 11 (48.9)	Kianna Yancey (9.775)	Chloe Cluchey (9.775)	Michelle Waldron (9.7)	Maya Kraus (9.65)	Kayla Yancey (9.75)	Abbie Pierson (9.9)
Jan. 17 (48.275)	Kianna Yancey (9.8)	Chloe Cluchey (9.35)	Michelle Waldron (9.55)	Maya Kraus (9.45)	Kayla Yancey (9.725)	Abby Kaufman (9.75)
Jan. 26 (48.9)	Kianna Yancey (9.775)	Kayla Yancey (9.75)	Chloe Cluchey (9.8)	Abby Kaufman (9.75)	Julia Merwin (9.8)	Michelle Waldron (9.775)
Jan. 31 (48.85)	Kianna Yancey (9.8)	Kayla Yancey (9.725)	Abby Kaufman (9.85)	Chloe Cluchey (9.05)	Abbie Pierson (9.725)	Maya Kraus (9.75)
Feb. 8 (48.9)	Kianna Yancey (9.8)	Kayla Yancey (9.625)	Julia Merwin (9.8)	Abby Kaufman (9.775)	Abbie Pierson (9.775)	Chloe Cluchey (9.75)
Feb. 14 (48.9)	Kianna Yancey (9.8)	Chloe Cluchey (9.775)	Julia Merwin (9.825)	Abby Kaufman (9.6)	Kayla Yancey (9.675)	Abbie Pierson (9.825)
Feb. 21 (48.675)	Kianna Yancey (9.7)	Julia Merwin (9.75)	Michelle Waldron (9.675)	Chloe Cluchey (9.625)	Abbie Pierson (9.9)	Maya Kraus (9.65)
Feb. 23 (48.825)	Kianna Yancey (9.725)	Julia Merwin (9.675)	Abby Kaufman (9.725)	Chloe Cluchey (9.775)	Abbie Pierson (9.825)	McKenna Linnen (9.775)
Mar. 1 (48.85)	Kianna Yancey (9.75)	Julia Merwin (9.725)	Abby Kaufman (9.75)	Michelle Waldron (9.8)	Abbie Pierson (9.775)	McKenna Linnen (9.775)
Mar. 8						
Mar. 13						
Mar. 21						
Apr. 2						

2020 UNEVEN BARS LINEUP MEET-BY-MEET

Meet	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jan. 11 (48.75)	Esperanza Abarca (9.7)	Chloe Cluchey (9.75)	Sydney Marler (8.675)	Kendra Combs (9.725)	Kianna Yancey (9.85)	Kayla Yancey (9.725)
Jan. 17 (48.675)	Esperanza Abarca (9.75)	Kendra Combs (9.675)	Chloe Cluchey (9.675)	Abby Kaufman (9.625)	Kayla Yancey (9.75)	Kianna Yancey (9.825)
Jan. 26 (48.9)	Esperanza Abarca (9.85)	Kendra Combs (9.775)	Chloe Cluchey (9.675)	Abby Kaufman (9.675)	Kayla Yancey (9.725)	Kianna Yancey (9.875)
Jan. 31 (48.95)	Esperanza Abarca (9.9)	Kendra Combs (9.8)	Chloe Cluchey (9.65)	Kayla Yancey (9.775)	Kianna Yancey (9.825)	Sydney Marler (9.2)
Feb. 8 (48.75)	Esperanza Abarca (9.675)	Kendra Combs (9.775)	Kayla Yancey (9.775)	Kianna Yancey (9.775)	Chloe Cluchey (9.75)	Abby Kaufman (9.625)
Feb. 14 (48.9)	Esperanza Abarca (9.8)	Kendra Combs (9.75)	Kayla Yancey (9.775)	Kianna Yancey (9.8)	Chloe Cluchey (9.7)	Sydney Marler (9.775)
Feb. 21 (48.875)	Esperanza Abarca (9.725)	Kendra Combs (9.8)	Kayla Yancey (9.75)	Kianna Yancey (9.8)	Chloe Cluchey (9.8)	Sydney Marler (9.7)
Feb. 23 (48.875)	Esperanza Abarca (9.8)	Kendra Combs (9.775)	Kayla Yancey (9.6)	Chloe Cluchey (9.75)	Kianna Yancey (9.775)	Sydney Marler (9.775)
Mar. 1 (48.975)	Esperanza Abarca (9.85)	Kendra Combs (9.825)	Kayla Yancey (9.75)	Chloe Cluchey (9.75)	Kianna Yancey (9.775)	Rachel Hornung (9.775)
Mar. 8						
Mar. 13						
Mar. 21						
Apr. 2						

2020 BALANCE BEAM LINEUP MEET-BY-MEET

Meet	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jan. 11 (48.925)	Esperanza Abarca (9.775)	McKenna Linnen (9.8)	Abby Kaufman (9.8)	Abbie Pierson (9.9)	Kendra Combs (9.1)	Taylor Sell (9.65)
Jan. 17 (48.725)	Esperanza Abarca (9.75)	McKenna Linnen (9.75)	Abby Kaufman (9.625)	Abbie Pierson (9.75)	Taylor Sell (9.6)	Kendra Combs (9.85)
Jan. 26 (48.75)	Esperanza Abarca (9.725)	McKenna Linnen (9.725)	Abby Kaufman (9.825)	Abbie Pierson (9.825)	Kendra Combs (9.65)	Kianna Yancey (9.625)
Jan. 31 (48.175)	McKenna Linnen (9.65)	Abby Kaufman (9.825)	Abbie Pierson (9.75)	Kendra Combs (9.775)	Kianna Yancey (8.875)	Esperanza Abarca (9.175)
Feb. 8 (48.65)	McKenna Linnen (9.775)	Abby Kaufman (9.675)	Abbie Pierson (9.2)	Kendra Combs (9.775)	Rachel Hornung (9.65)	Esperanza Abarca (9.775)
Feb. 14 (48.55)	McKenna Linnen (9.675)	Abby Kaufman (9.7)	Abbie Pierson (9.75)	Kendra Combs (9.575)	Erica Fontaine (9.65)	Esperanza Abarca (9.775)
Feb. 21 (48.375)	McKenna Linnen (8.925)	Abby Kaufman (9.65)	Abbie Pierson (9.75)	Rachel Hornung (9.85)	Erica Fontaine (9.55)	Esperanza Abarca (9.575)
Feb. 23 (49.175)	McKenna Linnen (9.5)	Abby Kaufman (9.8)	Abbie Pierson (9.75)	Rachel Hornung (9.85)	Kendra Combs (9.875)	Esperanza Abarca (9.9)
Mar. 1 (49.225)	McKenna Linnen (9.8)	Abby Kaufman (9.8)	Abbie Pierson (9.875)	Rachel Hornung (9.85)	Kendra Combs (9.825)	Esperanza Abarca (9.875)
Mar. 8						
Mar. 13						
Mar. 21						
Apr. 2						

2020 FLOOR EXERCISE LINEUP MEET-BY-MEET

Meet	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jan. 11 (48.75)	McKenna Linnen (9.5)	Kendra Combs (9.725)	Abbie Pierson (9.75)	Abby Kaufman (9.625)	Chloe Cluchey (9.85)	Erica Fontaine (9.8)
Jan. 17 (48.825)	Kendra Combs (9.575)	Abby Kaufman (9.725)	McKenna Linnen (9.8)	Chloe Cluchey (9.8)	Erica Fontaine (9.7)	Kianna Yancey (9.8)
Jan. 26 (49.475)	McKenna Linnen (9.875)	Kendra Combs (9.9)	Kianna Yancey (9.875)	Abbie Pierson (9.75)	Chloe Cluchey (9.925)	Erica Fontaine (9.9)
Jan. 31 (48.875)	McKenna Linnen (9.8)	Kendra Combs (9.775)	Abbie Pierson (9.875)	Chloe Cluchey (9.55)	Erica Fontaine (9.775)	Abby Kaufman (9.65)
Feb. 8 (48.775)	McKenna Linnen (9.8)	Kendra Combs (9.8)	Abbie Pierson (9.7)	Chloe Cluchey (9.65)	Erica Fontaine (9.7)	Kianna Yancey (9.775)
Feb. 14 (49.225)	McKenna Linnen (9.825)	Kendra Combs (9.8)	Abbie Pierson (9.825)	Abby Kaufman (9.875)	Erica Fontaine (9.85)	Kianna Yancey (9.85)
Feb. 21 (49.0)	McKenna Linnen (9.75)	Kendra Combs (9.85)	Abbie Pierson (9.825)	Chloe Cluchey (9.825)	Erica Fontaine (9.75)	Esperanza Abarca (9.7)
Feb. 23 (49.125)	McKenna Linnen (9.8)	Kendra Combs (9.875)	Abbie Pierson (9.825)	Chloe Cluchey (9.875)	Erica Fontaine (9.75)	Emily Holmes-Hackerd (9.6)
Mar. 1 (49.375)	McKenna Linnen (9.85)	Kendra Combs (9.875)	Chloe Cluchey (9.95)	Abby Kaufman (9.85)	Erica Fontaine (9.85)	Abbie Pierson (9.775)
Mar. 8						
Mar. 13						
Mar. 21						
Apr. 2						

BOLD - Season High
Dropped Score