

Cats 'meet the moment,' respond after scuffle to blast Georgia State

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Kentucky found another way to keep its perfect record intact and reached the century mark for the fourth time this season with a 105-76 win over Georgia State on Friday night in Rupp Arena. The eighth-ranked Wildcats matched the Panthers' physicality and delivered the decisive knockout blow following a scuffle that resulted in a flagrant foul and two technical fouls between the two teams with 12 minutes remaining and the Wildcats leading 61-53. Following the brief altercation, Kentucky scored

seven of the next 10 points, and outscored the Panthers 44-23 to close out a four-game homestand going into a road game at Clemson, followed by a West Coast trip to take on Gonzaga in Seattle. "I thought it was a great night of basketball, all the saltiness and the whole deal," said Kentucky coach Mark Pope, who walked on the court to help prevent the altercation from escalating. "I thought our guys responded great (after the scuffle). (As) things got a little more intense. I thought our guys really pulled together (and) as such, it was so beautiful to see that as a coach."

Instead of using the scuffle as a distraction, Pope said his squad became focused and sealed the deal down the stretch and he added that proved to be "the difference between winning and losing." "When things got salty, our guys leaned into each other," the Kentucky coach said. "They looked into each other. They're making eye contact with each other. They were talking to each other, backing each other up. That's what you want from a team." Kentucky guard Lamont Butler said the Wildcats created a bond amid the chaos. "I think it just brought us closer together," he said.

"Everybody kind of locked in and we were all ready to fight for each other, to compete with each other. I think they woke up a giant. We made a big run, made some big plays and after that, the dominoes just fell." Jaxson Robinson, who led Kentucky with 19 points, hopes future encounters won't involve a little pushing and shoving. "The scuffle kind of got us going in that second half, but hopefully it doesn't take a scuffle for us to be able to play that way," he said. "But, I think it just shows how much fight that we have, just the grit that we have and determination." Much like an 87-68 win

over Western Kentucky earlier this week, Pope liked the way the Wildcats persevered even when the shots weren't falling early. Kentucky missed its first four 3-pointers and managed just four treys. Overall, Kentucky made a season-low seven 3-pointers but scored 62 points in the paint and scored 36 points off 18 turnovers, including 23 during fast-break opportunities to offset the lack of scoring from behind the arc. "I think we want a different way against Western Kentucky (and) I think we won a different way tonight," Pope said. "I think we have a team that they can meet the moment and will always

strive towards being in the character of what we are. When the game just doesn't play that way, I think we find other ways to win and that's going to be really important for us to be a great team." For the second time this season, Robinson led the Wildcats in scoring with 19 points. Robinson scored 11 of those in the second half and made eight of nine field goal attempts inside the arc. Lamont Butler, who paced Kentucky with 13 points in the first half, finished with 17, followed by Amari Williams with 14, Ansley Almonor and Otega Oweh with 12 each and Andrew Carr and Koby Brea with 10 each.

Area boasts tons of quality girls' hoops teams

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BOYLE COUNTY

Coach: Brian Britt
2022-23 record: 19-12
Top returnees: Maggie Burke, Jr. G; Addison Yates, Fr. G; Ashlen Young, Jr. G.

Outlook: High energy and aggressive defense drove the Lady Rebels to the area's best turnaround, as they improved by eight wins in Britt's first season and enjoyed their first winning campaign in three years.

That won't change this season as Boyle fields a team that will be very young but also very quick, very athletic and potentially very deep. The nine-player rotation includes four freshmen and an eighth-grader, as well as a couple of girls who haven't played in several years, and that rotation could expand to as many as 11 players.

Burke (6.8p, 3.6r) will lead the way from the point in her second year as a starter, Yates (10.4p, 2.2r) returns to the backcourt after enjoying a breakout season as an eighth-grader and Young (3.2p) is back as the only other girl with significant experience over the past two seasons.

Freshmen Caroline Lemonds and Hadley Russell and eighth-grader Kynslee Leffew will move into larger roles. Juniors Raegan Britt and Ellery Taylor are All-State soccer players who have returned to basketball and will be part of the rotation.

Britt said both the learning curve and the ceiling for this team is high as the Lady Rebels try to acquire skills and tire opponents.

Coach's comment: "It is a very fine line teaching so many skills lost in today's game while keeping interest high, frustration low and having fun all at the same time. Once we start playing games, I feel that these concepts are going to make more sense and bring some clarification to these players and this team. They are a very hungry young group that wants to continue to raise the bar for this program seeking consistent success."

DANVILLE

Coach: Hayley Hellyer
2022-23 record: 15-16 (45th

District runner-up)
Top returnees: Aniah Byrd, Sr. G; Tayvionna Caldwell, Jr. F; Jazelynn Doneghy, Sr. G; Nemaeh Jackson, Sr. F; Myla Turner, Sr. F.

Outlook: It's a season of change at Danville following the departure of Judie Mason, the winningest girls coach in 12th Region history. But there will be some familiar faces leading the Lady Admirals in their first season under Hellyer, a former Boyle County player who makes her head coaching debut after most recently working as an assistant at Asbury University.

The Lady Admirals feature a strong senior class headlined by Turner (15.2p, 5.1r), who emerged as the team's top scorer last season and should be one of the area's best player this winter.

Doneghy (5.0p, 3.2r), Jackson (3.7p, 4.9r) and Byrd (2.9p) round out the quartet of seniors that Hellyer says is a gritty group; all saw a great deal of playing time last season.

Caldwell (8.2p, 8.4r) also returns after leading the team in rebounding last season and is poised to become a double-digit scorer.

Two underclassmen who got experience last season, sophomore Anye Thompson (1.4p) and freshman Nahla Yeast (2.3p), figure to move into larger roles as well, as will junior Abree Ganns and sophomore Kyndall Baker, who played sparingly last season.

Coach's comment: "A new coaching staff and system will take some time to adjust to, but I fully expect these young ladies will take it in stride and be ready to go at the start of the season."

DANVILLE CHRISTIAN

Coach: Billy Inmon
2022-23 record: 29-3 (45th District champion, 12th Region champion)

Top returnees: Amauri Blackford, So. F; Grace Mbugua, Jr. F-C; Paisley Metz, Jr. G; Grace Meyer, Jr. F-G.

Outlook: DCA's season will effectively be split into two distinct eras, B.G. (before Grace) and A.G. (after Grace), as the Lady Warriors wait on Mbugua, one of the state's top players, to return from off-season knee surgery. Mbugua (25.7p, 15.4r, 6.6b),

a Louisville signee who was the state's top rebounder for the past three seasons and a top-five scorer last year, is expected to return in January or February to help the Lady Warriors defend their first district and regional championships.

A healthy Mbugua makes DCA one of the top teams in the state, and the team Inmon will field in the meantime will be a dangerous team - albeit with a vastly different look - thanks to the return of three other starters and a key addition.

Blackford (10.5p, 9.6r), who had a breakout freshman year, returns to the lineup along with Meyer (6.4p, 5.4r) and Metz (12.0p), two juniors who are 3-point threats who have improved on defense. The Lady Warriors also have added senior Alayah Quisenberry (14.9p, 6.0a, 4.4r), who played point guard at Danville last year.

Achan Kuol, a 6-10 freshman, will be eligible for the postseason and senior Isabella Perez, freshman Tatum Boyd and eighth-grader Nadya Abrams will also contribute. Inmon said eighth-grader Nadya Abrams, who is only 12 years old and who also got playing time last year, will be the backup point guard and has the potential to be a star in the future.

DCA won't play a home game until Dec. 31 as the Lady Warriors test themselves with a schedule that includes games with Cooper - which beat them at the Girls Sweet 16 last season - Assumption, Central, Johnson Central and Montgomery County.

KENTUCKY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

Coach: Bethany Yance
2022-23 record: 0-12
Top returnees: Aryianna Cockerham-O'Donnell, Jr.; Raigan Privett, Jr.; Jazmine Webb, So.

Outlook: The Colonels couldn't crack the win column last season, but they succeeded simply by putting a team on the floor for the first time since the 2019-20 season. The COVID-19 pandemic led to the suspension of KSD's basketball programs for two seasons, and low numbers prevented the school from fielding a girls team in 2022-23.

The Colonels will try to move forward under the direction of

Yance, a first-year coach who played basketball and volleyball at KSD and the daughter of former KSD boys coach Mike Yance.

The roster remains very small, but all of the players on it have experience from last season.

Junior guard Aryianna Cockerham-O'Donnell (3.1p, 2.2r) leads the way, and junior Raigan Privett (1.1p) sophomore Jazmine Webb (1.9p) were also key players last season.

Junior Madison Adkins and sophomores Ani Cockerham-O'Donnell and Makaylah Crumble also return.

BURGIN

Coach: Keith Monson
2022-23 record: 12-18
Top returnees: Jemma Jenkins, Sr. G; Ashton Lester, Jr. G; Gabrielle Thompson, Sr. G.

Outlook: Burgin must replace two of its top three scorers after coming within one win of the previous season's total, the team's highest in 10 years. Thompson (9.0p, 3.2r), the top scoring threat, and Jenkins (2.8p, 3.6r), a defensive leader, are the only seniors on a team that has more underclassmen than upperclassmen. Lester (3.0p) and sophomore Kynlee Sexton (1.6p) also return to the rotation for a guard-oriented team that will put a premium on defense.

CASEY COUNTY

Coach: Lauren Hatter
2022-23 record: 5-22
Top returnees: Elizabeth Forbes, Jr. G; Molly Gill, Jr. G; Aslan Wethington, Jr. F.

Outlook: A young Casey team struggled on offense last season but figures to improve after losing only one player to graduation. The Lady Rebels have no seniors this season but are led by a large junior class headlined by Forbes (14.5p, 2.4r). Gill (7.4p, 2.5r) and Wethington (6.3p, 5.3r) are among other key juniors, and sophomore Madi Campbell (3.3p, 3.3r) also returns with experience.

GARRARD COUNTY

Coach: Cassandra McWhorter
2022-23 record: 10-21
Top returnees: Erica Heibenthal, Sr. G; Alexys Moore, Sr. G;

Reagan Powell, Sr. G.
Outlook: McWhorter, who won 260 games in 12 seasons at Lincoln County and Somerset, will try to revive a Garrard program that has had 10 wins or fewer in five of the past seven seasons. She'll take the first steps with a roster led by three seniors but otherwise populated entirely by freshmen and eighth-graders. Moore (16.7p, 5.0r) made an impact in the final seven games of last season with speed and defensive tenacity after moving from Tennessee, while Heibenthal (4.6p, 2.9p), Reagan Powell (4.0p) and freshman Bristol Powell (3.0p, 2.1r) are the only others with significant experience.

LINCOLN COUNTY

Coach: Caitlin Hall Parson
2022-23 record: 14-16
Top returnee: Gatlynn Lewis, Sr. F.

Outlook: The Lady Patriots were hit hard by graduation after Parson's first season as coach, and she will attempt to rebuild with a mix of inexperienced players and newcomers. Lewis (8.5p, 8.1r) is the only returning player with significant experience, but she will be joined by senior guard Alexia Baldock (9.4p, 4.1r in 2022-23), who returns to Lincoln after two years at Danville Christian and is returning from a knee injury; and freshman guard Alyssa Burkhart (12.6p, 3.1r), the leading scorer last year at Garrard County.

MERCER COUNTY

Coach: Chris Souder
2022-23 record: 18-14 (46th District champion)
Top returnees: Izzie Carlton, So. C; Kate Carlton, Sr. F; Alexa Wade, Fr. G.

Outlook: Souder, who led Mercer to state championships in 2017 and '18 and ranks fourth among active girls coaches in career wins (626), returns after six seasons at South Laurel to lead a program in full rebuild mode. Sophomore center Izzie Carlton (11.1p, 8.6r), one of only two upperclassmen, should emerge as the Lady Titans' go-to player. Forward Kate Carlton (1.3p) will provide leadership as the team's only senior and freshman guard Alexa Wade (2.0p) is the only other player who was in the rotation last year.

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