

VALDOSTA STATE



2017-18 GAME NOTES

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND • 2:00 P.M. EST
PENSACOLA, FLA. • UWF FIELD HOUSE



VS.



VALDOSTA STATE LADY BLAZERS

RECORD: 4-1, 0-0 GSC
 HEAD COACH: Carley Kuhns
 YEAR AT VSU 2nd
 RECORD AT VSU 26-11, 16-6 GSC
 VSU ALL-TIME vs. UWF 28-20



VALDOSTA STATE LADY BLAZERS (4-1, 0-0 GSC)

#	NAME	POS.	HT.	CL.	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL
3	Kayla Bonilla	PG	5-0	Fr.	Columbus, Ga. / Shaw HS
4	Taylor Buie	G	5-5	Sr.	Puyallup, Wash. / Nova Southeastern
5	Kia Perry	PG	5-5	Sr.	Gallatin, Tenn. / Belmont
11	Sonya Franklin	PG	5-7	Sr.	Douglas, GA / Santa Fe College
12	Abby Rouse	F	6-5	Fr.	Macon, GA / Tattnall Square HS
13	Jazmyyn McIntosh	F	5-9	Jr.	Columbus, Ga. / Columbus HS
15	Madi Mitchell	F	6-1	Sr.	Warwick, Ga. / Mercer
20	Sunshine Walton	G/F	6-0	Jr.	Warner Robins, Ga. / Northside HS
21	Crystal Townsend	G	5-8	Sr.	Cape Coral, Fla. / Eastern Florida State
22	Kendra Green	F	5-10	Jr.	Macon, Ga. / Cowley College
30	Brianna Johnson	G	5-10	So.	Panama City, Fla. / Bradwell Institute
33	Maddy Corazza	F	5-11	Jr.	Pembroke Pines, Fla. / Nova HS
34	Kenya Samone' Dixon	F	5-9	Sr.	Baton Rouge, LA / FAMU
35	Aaliyah Cheatham	PG/G	5-7	Jr.	Perry, Ga. / Perry HS
43	Bria Clemmons	G	5-9	Fr.	Dalton, Ga. / Northwest Whitfield HS

Head Coach: Carley Kuhns (2nd Year)

Associate Coach: Chandler Merkerson (1st Year)



WEST FLORIDA LADY ARGONAUTS (4-2, 0-0 GSC)

#	NAME	POS.	HT.	CL.	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL
00	Antoinette Williams	G	5-7	Jr.	Jacksonville, Fla. / Ellsworth CC
3	Jade Davis	G	5-4	Sr.	Atlanta, Ga. / St. Francis HS
4	Faihe Franklin	G	5-5	So.	Pensacola, Fla. / West Florida HS
11	Imani Mulmore	G	5-5	So.	New Orleans, La. / Edna Karr HS
15	Danielle Norquest	F	5-10	Fr.	Diamond, Ohio / Southeast HS
20	Belle Bistrow	G	5-9	Jr.	Jacksonville, Fla. / Providence HS
21	Shaniqua Magee	G	5-9	Sr.	Collins, Miss. / Pearl River CC
22	Shami Goodman	G	5-6	Sr.	Chicago, Ill. / NW Florida State
23	Chloe Branch	F	5-11	Sr.	Fayetteville, Ga. / Kennesaw State
24	Toni Brewer	F	5-10	Sr.	Huntsville, Ala. / Sparkman HS
25	Courtney Meyer	F	6-2	Sr.	Onalaska, Wisc. / Onalaska HS
32	Halee Nieman	F	5-11	Jr.	Midland, Mich. / Saginaw Valley State

Head Coach: Stephanie Lawrence Yelton (6th Year)

Graduate Assistant Coach: Alex Coyne

Assistant Coach: LaQuandra Quick

Team Manager: Connor Williams



VALDOSTA STATE LADY BLAZERS SEASON STATISTICS

Overall: 4-1 Conf: 0-0 Home: 2-0 Away: 1-1 Neutral: 1-0

##	PLAYER	-MINUTES-		-TOTAL-		-3-PTS-		-F-THROWS-		-REBOUNDS-		-SCORING-				
		GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A-AVG	TO STL BLK PTS-AVG
15	Mitchell, Madi	4-3	111-27.8	25-44	.568	1-6	.167	15-20	.750	8	15	23	5.8	9	4-1.0	7 1 0 66-16.5
04	Buie, Taylor	5-5	149-29.8	21-50	.420	9-29	.310	12-15	.800	0	6	6	1.2	5	17-3.4	10 10 1 63-12.6
34	Samone, Dixon, Kenya	5-5	166-33.2	17-57	.298	5-24	.208	19-21	.905	9	43	52	10.4	11	14-2.8	12 3 0 58-11.6
35	Cheatham, Aaliyah	5-5	173-34.6	18-48	.375	13-36	.361	1-2	.500	3	14	17	3.4	6	17-3.4	7 7 0 50-10.0
03	Bonilla, Kayla	5-4	92-18.4	8-20	.400	4-9	.444	13-15	.867	4	10	14	2.8	14	6-1.2	11 2 0 33-6.6
33	Corazza, Maddy	5-3	86-17.2	11-32	.344	3-8	.375	5-7	.714	9	20	29	5.8	15	11-2.2	5 0 0 30-6.0
21	Townsend, Crystal	4-0	48-12.0	8-16	.500	1-1	1.000	6-6	1.000	4	8	12	3.0	7	0-0.0	1 1 0 23-5.8
22	Green, Kendra	4-0	39-9.8	6-10	.600	0-3	.000	3-4	.750	7	7	14	3.5	2	1-0.3	0 0 0 15-3.8
20	Walton, Sunshine	3-0	30-10.0	4-9	.444	1-3	.333	1-2	.500	2	7	9	3.0	3	1-0.3	4 1 0 10-3.3
05	Perry, Kia	5-0	72-14.4	3-12	.250	2-7	.286	4-4	1.000	3	1	4	0.8	8	9-1.8	6 5 0 12-2.4
30	Johnson, Brianna	3-0	23-7.7	2-9	.222	0-3	.000	1-2	.500	1	2	3	1.0	1	2-0.7	3 1 0 5-1.7
43	Clemmons, Bria	2-0	11-5.5	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	1.0	0	1-0.5	1 0 0 0-0.0
Total		5	1000	123-308	.399	39-129	.302	80-98	.816	62	143	205	41.0	81	83-16.6	68 31 1 365-73.00
Opponents			1000-200.0	108-289	.374	28-99	.283	47-71	.662	38	119	157	31.4	107	55-11.0	77 33 10 291-58.20



WEST FLORIDA LADY ARGONAUTS SEASON STATISTICS

Overall: 4-2 Conf: 0-0 Home: 2-0 Away: 0-2 Neutral: 2-0

##	PLAYER	-MINUTES-		-TOTAL-		-3-PTS-		-F-THROWS-		-REBOUNDS-		-SCORING-				
		GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A-AVG	TO STL BLK PTS-AVG
32	Nieman, Halee	6-6	153-25.5	29-63	.460	9-21	.429	25-45	.556	10	28	38	6.3	17	9-1.5	6 12 6 92-15.3
25	Meyer, Courtney	6-6	166-27.7	25-54	.463	0-0	.000	18-30	.600	28	47	75	12.5	20	5-0.8	9 4 18 68-11.3
22	Goodman, Shami	6-0	105-17.5	18-43	.419	11-20	.550	8-10	.800	2	14	16	2.7	6	7-1.2	8 5 0 55-9.2
20	Bistrow, Belle	6-6	185-30.8	19-48	.396	9-27	.333	4-8	.500	2	13	15	2.5	14	15-2.5	12 7 0 51-8.5
11	Mulmore, Imani	6-4	131-21.8	12-40	.300	3-12	.250	22-28	.786	4	12	16	2.7	13	11-1.8	17 3 0 49-8.2
21	Magee, Shaniqua	6-2	68-11.3	19-43	.442	1-8	.125	9-14	.643	7	10	17	2.8	7	9-1.5	8 3 0 48-8.0
23	Branch, Chloe	6-0	111-18.5	14-30	.467	0-0	.000	2-12	.167	7	28	35	5.8	11	4-0.7	9 0 3 30-5.0
00	Williams, Antoinette	6-0	78-13.0	5-22	.227	1-4	.250	16-17	.941	5	6	11	1.8	10	7-1.2	16 1 0 27-4.5
03	Davis, Jade	6-6	114-19.0	9-21	.429	0-1	.000	2-3	.667	3	6	9	1.5	7	11-1.8	7 9 0 20-3.3
15	Norquest, Danielle	6-0	63-10.5	7-15	.467	1-2	.500	4-6	.667	4	14	18	3.0	8	1-0.2	3 0 0 19-3.2
04	Franklin, Faithe	5-0	43-8.6	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	6-10	.600	2	12	14	2.8	10	5-1.0	8 1 0 8-1.6
10	O'neal, Megan	2-0	8-4.0	1-4	.250	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.5	1	0-0.0	1 0 0 2-1.0
Total		6	1225	159-386	.412	35-98	.357	116-183	.634	91	209	300	50.0	124	84-14.0	108 45 27 469-78.17
Opponents			1225-204.2	125-378	.331	30-134	.224	89-123	.724	62	168	230	38.3	154	63-10.5	108 53 20 369-61.50

PROJECTED LADY BLAZER STARTERS

#3 KAYLA BONILLA

#35 AALIYAH CHEATHAM

#15 MADI MITCHELL

#4 TAYLOR BUIE

#34 KENYA SAMONE-DIXON



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QUICK NOTES:

- The Valdosta State women's basketball team has been predicted as the top finisher in the Gulf South Conference, as announced by the GSC office
- Senior Madi Mitchell recieved MVP at the Lynda Goodrich Thanksgiving Classic this past weekend. Mitchell averaged 19.5 points per game on 14-27 shooting (51.9%) with 6 rebounds per game. She lead the Lady Blazers to a 2-0 record during their time in Bellingham Washington. The senior drained 22 points in their win vs. Western Washington Friday night.
- Senior gaurd Taylor Buie was placed on the All-Tournament team during the Lynda Goodrich Thanksgiving Classic where she averaged 18 points per game and drained 8 three-pointers for the Lady Blazers. She had a season high 22 points in their game vs. Saint Martins Saturday night.
- The Lady Blazers are currently 3rd in the Gulf South Conference with field goals made (39). They are averaging 7.8 FGs per game.
- Kenya Samone' Dixon is currently 2nd in the league in rebounds, averaging 10.4 per game. The senior has pulled down 43 defensive and 9 offensive (52 total) for the Lady Blazers thus far.
- The Lady Blazers' 22-win season marks their best since 2011-12, when the team went 22-8 en route to a sweet sixteen appearance. One more win will give VSU their most wins since 2007-08, when the team put together a 26-6 season and entered the South Regional as the No. 6 seed. VSU made a sweet sixteen appearance that season also.

PRONUNCIATION KEY:

#3 Kayla Bonilla Bo-KNEE-yah
 #4 Taylor Buie BOO-ee
 #33 Maddy Corazza Co-RAH-zah
 #35 Aaliyah Cheatham CHEAT-uhm



STANDINGS

Team	GSC	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
UNA	1-0	1.000	6-0	1.000
LU	1-0	1.000	6-1	0.857
UU	1-0	1.000	6-1	0.857
UAH	1-0	1.000	5-1	0.833
UWG	1-0	1.000	4-2	0.667
DSU	1-0	1.000	1-4	0.200
VSU	0-0	0.000	4-1	0.800
UWF	0-0	0.000	4-2	0.667
AUM [^]	0-1	0.000	3-3	0.500
MC	0-1	0.000	2-3	0.400
CBU	0-1	0.000	1-4	0.200
UWA	0-1	0.000	2-5	0.286
UM	0-1	0.000	2-5	0.286
SU	0-0	0.000	1-5	0.167

[^] not eligible for postseason

Valdosta State Lady Blazer Quick Facts

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Name Valdosta State University
 Location Valdosta, Ga.
 Founded 1906
 Enrollment 12,300
 Nickname Lady Blazers
 School Colors Red and Black
 Home Arena The Complex
 Capacity 5,300
 Affiliation NCAA Division II
 Conference Gulf South
 University President Dr. Richard Carvajal
 Athletic Director Herb Reinhard

PROGRAM INFORMATION

First Year of Basketball 1974
 All-Time Record 782-449
 All-Time Gulf South Conference Record 283-217
 GSC Tournament Record 9-15
 GSC East Champions 8
 (1983, 1984, 1995, 1997, 2005, 2007, 2010, 2017)
 NCAA South Regional Champion 2
 (1983, 1984)
 NCAA South Regional Participant 10
 (1983, 1984, 1995, 1997, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2017)
 WBCA Academic Honor Roll 2
 (2001, 2006)

2016-17 FINISH

Overall Record 22-10
 Home Record 13-3
 Away Record 7-5
 Neutral Record 2-2
 Gulf South Conference Record 16-6
 GSC Finish 1st
 Letterwinners R/L 5/0
 Starters Returning/Lost 5/0
 Newcomers 5

LADY BLAZER STAFF

Head Coach Carley Kuhns (2nd Year)
 Assistant Head Coach Chandler Merkerson (1st Year)
 Women's BBal Athletic Trainer AJ Freeman
 Alma Mater Northern Iowa, 2011
 Strength/Conditioning Coach Gabby Felps

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**LADY BLAZERS' RECORD WHEN:**

Overall.....	4-1
GSC.....	0-0
Non-Conference.....	4-1
Home.....	2-0
Road.....	1-1
Neutral.....	1-0
In November.....	4-1
In December.....	0-0
In January.....	0-0
In February.....	0-0
In March.....	0-0
Day games.....	0-0
Night games.....	4-1
Ahead at halftime.....	2-1
Trailing at halftime.....	0-0
Tied at halftime.....	2-0
In Overtime.....	0-0
Games by 5 or less.....	1-0
Games by 6-10 points.....	0-1
Games by 11-15 points.....	0-0
Games by 16-20 points.....	1-0
Games by 20+ points.....	2-0
VSU scores 65+ points.....	3-0
VSU scores under 65 points.....	1-1
VSU makes more FG.....	3-0
Opponent makes more FG.....	1-1
Tied in FG.....	0-0
VSU has a better FG percentage.....	3-0
Opponent has a better FG pct.....	1-1
Tied in FG percentage.....	0-0
VSU Shoots 40% or better.....	2-0
VSU Shoots less than 40 %.....	2-1
VSU makes more 3FG.....	4-1
Opponent makes more 3FG.....	0-0
Tied in made 3FG.....	0-0
VSU has a better 3FG percentage.....	2-0
Opponent has a better 3FG pct.....	2-1
Tied in 3FG percentage.....	0-0
VSU attempts more free throws.....	4-1
Opponent attempts more free throws.....	0-0
Tied in free throw attempts.....	0-0
VSU makes more free throws.....	3-1
Opponent makes more free throws.....	0-0
Tied in made free throws.....	0-0
VSU shoots better than 70 pct. FT.....	4-1
VSU shoots less than 70 pct. FT.....	0-0
VSU shoots 70 percent FT.....	0-0
Opp. shoots better than 70 pct. FT.....	2-0
Opp. shoots less than 70 pct. FT.....	1-1
Opp. shoots 70 pct. FT.....	0-0
VSU has more rebounds.....	3-1
Opponent has more rebounds.....	0-0
Tied in rebounds.....	1-0
VSU has more defensive rebounds.....	3-1
Opponent has more def. rebounds.....	1-0
Tied in defensive rebounds.....	0-0
VSU has more offensive rebounds.....	4-1
Opponent has more off. rebounds.....	0-0
Tied in offensive rebounds.....	0-0
VSU has more assists.....	4-0
Opponent has more assists.....	0-1
Tied in assists.....	0-0
VSU has more turnovers.....	1-1
Opponent has more turnovers.....	3-0
Tied in turnovers.....	0-0
VSU has more blocks.....	0-0
Opponent has more blocks.....	4-0
Tied in blocks.....	0-1
VSU has more steals.....	2-0
Opponent has more steals.....	2-1
Tied in steals.....	0-0

2017-18 SCHEDULE**NOVEMBER**

10 FORT VALLEY STATE	THE COMPLEX	W 87-53
11 ALBANY STATE	THE COMPLEX	W 76-47
14 vs. Georgia Southwestern	Americus, Ga.	L 54-62
24 vs. Western Washington	Bellingham, Wash.	W 59-56
25 vs. Saint Martin's #	Bellingham, Wash.	W 89-73

DECEMBER

2 vs. West Florida*	Pensacola, Fla.	2 P.M. EST
6 vs. Tampa	Tampa, Fla.	5:30 P.M.
10 LYNN	THE COMPLEX	2 P.M.
11 THOMAS	THE COMPLEX	6 P.M.
16 MONTEVALLO*	THE COMPLEX	2 P.M.
18 WEST ALABAMA*	THE COMPLEX	6 P.M.

JANUARY

2 vs. Lee*	Cleveland, Tenn.	6 P.M.
4 vs. Shorter*	Rome, Ga.	6 P.M.
7 DELTA STATE*	THE COMPLEX	2 P.M.
9 MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE*	THE COMPLEX	6 P.M.
13 vs. Christian Brothers*	Memphis, Tenn.	2 P.M. EST
15 vs. Union*	Jackson, Tenn.	7 P.M. EST
18 AUBURN MONTGOMERY*	THE COMPLEX	6 P.M.
20 WEST GEORGIA*^	THE COMPLEX	2 P.M.
25 vs. Alabama-Huntsville*	Huntsville, Ala.	6:30 P.M. EST
27 vs. North Alabama*	Florence, Ala.	2 P.M. EST

FEBRUARY

1 SHORTER*	THE COMPLEX	6 P.M.
3 LEE*	THE COMPLEX	4 P.M.
8 vs. West Georgia*	Carrollton, Ga.	6 P.M.
10 vs. Auburn Montgomery*	Montgomery, Ala.	3 P.M. EST
14 vs. Montevallo*	Montevallo, Ala.	7 P.M. EST
17 NORTH ALABAMA*	THE COMPLEX	2 P.M.
22 WEST FLORIDA*	THE COMPLEX	6 P.M.
27 GSC Tournament Quarterfinals	TBA	TBA

MARCH

3-4 GSC Tournament Semi-Finals	Birmingham, Ala.	TBA
9-12 NCAA South Regional	TBA	TBA
19 NCAA Elite Eight	Sioux Falls, S.D.	TBA
21 NCAA Final Four	Sioux Falls, S.D.	TBA
23 NCAA Championship	Sioux Falls, S.D.	TBA

* Gulf South Conference Match

Neutral

All Times Eastern

HOME MATCHES

^ Hall of Fame Weekend



HEAD COACH CARLEY KUHNS

2ND SEASON - VALDOSTA STATE 2008



Carley Kuhns was named the Head Coach of the women's basketball program at Valdosta State prior to the start of the 2016-17 season.

Kuhns, and a 2015 Blazer Athletics Hall of Fame inductee, will take over at VSU following a six year stint as an assistant coach at Belmont, where she helped lead the Bruins to an Ohio Valley Conference Championship in 2015-16 and the program's second NCAA Tournament appearance in the history of Bruin Basketball. During Kuhns' tenure at Belmont, she participated heavily in the program's recruiting process, and five of her recruits earned All-OVC recognition. In addition, Kuhns served as an academics and compliance liaison while also adding

contributions with scouting, team workouts, camps, and the training of perimeter players. Her efforts helped lead the Bruins to a 24-9 record in 2015-16.

Kuhns went to the Bruins after completing a two-year graduate assistantship at Valdosta State. While with the Lady Blazers, she assisted with various components of the program. Within one month of joining the Bruin staff in 2010, Kuhns was named to the prestigious Gulf South Conference All-Decade Second Team for her stellar career on the hardwood at Valdosta State.

A former student-athlete at Valdosta State, Kuhns constructed her Hall of Fame career and received numerous honors from 2004 through 2008, including becoming the first Lady Blazer since 2001 to be named a Kodak/State Farm WBCA Honorable Mention All-American. She also recorded 1,133 career points, the 16th-most in program history and was a two-time First Team All-Gulf South Conference selection. Her 262 three-pointers earned the sharpshooter ownership of the school record in the category and placed her 5th all-time in Gulf South Conference history.

The illustrious playing career of Kuhns also helped VSU earn a trip to the NCAA Division II Sweet Sixteen during her senior campaign with a 26-6 overall record. She led the team in scoring, averaging 10.4 points per game, and shot .373 percent from behind the three-point arc that season. In her career, Kuhns also tallied 436 rebounds, 247 assists, 35 blocked shots, and 245 steals.

The approach with Kuhns at the helm is expected to bring an energetic, fast paced style of basketball with an effort to score quickly off the break on offense and put heavy pressure on the ball on defense.

Kuhns earned her Bachelor's in Physical Education from Valdosta State in 2008 and completed her Master's in Higher Education Leadership in 2010. She and her husband Matt, who also played basketball for Valdosta State, have two daughters, Carsten (2) and Kyler (6 months).



ASSISTANT HEAD COACH

CHANDLER MERKERSEN

(1ST SEASON, NORTH FLORIDA, 2014)

Merkersen serves as an exciting new addition to the coaching staff for the defending Gulf South Conference champions, with a list of notable accomplishments as both a player and a coach at the collegiate level.

Merkersen's experience as a student-athlete in the NCAA began at the University of North Florida in 2010, where she kicked off a career as a consistent starter for the Ospreys. Her senior season as a post player included 22 starts and resulted in a team-high 88.6 percent free throw shooting percentage.

The Florida native carried her love of basketball into a coaching career in 2014, when she transitioned into a graduate assistant role at Lincoln Memorial. While earning a Masters degree in Business Administration, Merkersen made the most of her two years and helped lead LMU to a 17-12 record in 2015-16. The successful season marked the program's most single-season wins in over ten years and led the team to its first ever semifinal appearance in the South Atlantic Conference Tournament.



2017-18 Game-by-Game Statistics

	SCORE	RESULT	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	TO	BLK	STL
Valdosta State	87-53	W	28-58	.483	10-17	.370	21-27	.778	13	30	43	43.0	16	22	14	0	8
vs. Fort Valley State			31-71	.437	7-24	.292	12-18	.667	19	22	41	41.0	19	17	9	1	8
Valdosta State	76-47	W	25-66	.379	8-29	.276	18-20	.900	20	32	52	47.5	13	11	12	0	5
vs. Albany State			16-55	.291	5-13	.385	10-16	.625	9	21	30	30.0	25	7	14	1	6
Valdosta State	54-62	L	18-53	.340	5-23	.217	13-18	.722	6	27	33	42.7	19	16	13	0	7
at Ga. Southwestern			24-57	.421	4-18	.222	10-17	.588	5	24	29	29.7	22	18	12	0	9
Valdosta State	59-56	W	18-61	.295	5-20	.250	18-23	.783	10	29	39	41.8	17	11	14	0	5
at Western Washington			23-60	.383	4-19	.211	6-7	.857	8	31	39	32.0	23	7	20	5	6
Valdosta State	89-73	W	34-70	.486	11-30	.367	10-10	1.000	13	25	38	41.0	16	23	15	1	6
vs. Saint Martin's			29-63	.460	7-19	.368	8-15	.533	8	21	29	31.4	11	15	14	2	5
Valdosta State (TOTAL)	-		123-308	.399	39-129	.302	80-98	.816	62	143	205	41.0	81	83	68	1	31
Opponents (TOTAL)	-		123-308	.399	39-129	.302	80-98	.816	62	143	205	41.0	81	83	68	1	31

2017-18 Results

OPPONENT	RESULT	RECORD	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDS	HIGH ASSISTS	HIGH STEALS	HIGH BLOCKS
vs. Fort Valley State	W, 87-53	1-0	21-Cheatham	12-Samone' Dixon	5-Corazza	2-Samone' Dixon	-
vs. Albany State	W, 76-47	2-0	13-Samone' Dixon	12-Corazza	3-Corazza	2-Cheatham	-
at Ga. Southwestern	L, 54-62	2-1	18-Mitchell	9-Mitchell	7-Buie	4-Cheatham	-
at W. Washington	W, 59-56	3-1	22-Mitchell	15-Samone' Dixon	3-Samone' Dixon	2-Buie	-
vs. Saint. Martins	W, 89-73	4-1	22-Buie	8-Mitchell	10-Cheatham	4-Buie	1-Buie



1 Fort Valley State 53

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THE COMPLEX IN VALDOSTA, GA.

Fort Valley (0-1)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TRPF	Pts.	A TO	B S	Min.
11 Franklin*	5-18	5-14	6-8	2-2	4	1	21	0	5 0 34
13 Carter*	6-13	1-4	4-4	1-8	9	3	17	3	0 10 34
10 Height*	1-3	1-3	2-2	0-3	3	4	5	0	2 0 1 19
3 Cox*	0-5	0-3	0-0	1-0	1	5	0	0	0 0 0 16
45 West*	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	2	0	0	0 10 14
24 Jones	3-9	0-2	1-2	2-2	4	2	7	2	0 1 35
31 Rumehe	1-3	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	1	3	1	2 0 0 9
44 Moye	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	5	0	0	2 0 0 19
12 Powell	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	2	0	2	3 0 1 13
22 Cook-Pirtle	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0 0 0 4
52 Jordan	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	0	0	0	0 0 0 3
TM TEAM	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-3	3	0	0	0	1 0 0 0
TOTALS	16-54	8-30	13-16	8-22	30	26	53	8	17 2 7 200

Valdosta State(1-0)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TRPF	Pts.	A TO	B S	Min.
35 Cheatham*	8-14	5-11	0-0	1-3	4	2	21	2	0 0 0 29
34 Samone* Dixon*	4-9	1-3	7-8	3-9	12	1	16	5	2 0 2 34
3 Bonilla*	3-3	2-2	4-4	0-0	0	3	12	1	3 0 2 27
4 Buie*	3-9	0-6	3-5	0-1	1	1	9	4	2 0 2 20
33 Corazza*	1-3	1-2	1-2	1-3	4	3	4	5	1 0 0 18
20 Walton	2-5	1-2	1-2	2-4	6	1	6	1	2 0 0 17
22 Green	2-3	0-1	2-2	1-4	5	0	6	0	0 0 0 16
21 Townsend	2-4	0-0	2-2	1-3	4	3	6	0	0 0 0 11
30 Johnson	2-6	0-0	1-2	1-0	1	1	5	1	2 0 1 16
5 Perry	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	2	1 0 1 4
43 Clemmons	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	1	1 0 0 8
TM TEAM	0-0	0-0	0-0	3-2	5	0	0	0	0 0 0 0
TOTALS	28-58	10-27	21-30	43-16	87	22	14	0	8 200

Fort Valley State	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Tot	FG%	3FG%	FT%
Fort Valley State	12	10	11	20	= 53	29.6%	26.7%	81.3%
Valdosta State	22	26	18	21	= 87	48.3%	37.0%	77.8%

Pts in the Paint: VSU-30, FVSU-8
 2nd Chance Pts: VSU-12, FVSU-0
 Bench Pts: VSU-25, FVSU-10
 FVSU Largest Lead: -
 Pts off Turnovers: VSU-28, FVSU-9
 Fast Break Pts: VSU-12, FVSU-2
 Tied 0 times, Lead Changed 0 times
 VSU Largest Lead: 41 in 4th-02:07

Lady Blazers Start Strong With 87-53 Win Over Wildcats

Valdosta State Wins, 87-53

VALDOSTA, Ga. - The No. 8 ranked Valdosta State Lady Blazer basketball team returned to the hardwood with a purpose on Friday at The Complex, which ended in an 87-53 rout of the Fort Valley State Wildcats.

The matchup between the two south region participants led to a 1-0 start for Valdosta State, while the Wildcats fell to 0-2 on the young season.

Aaliyah Cheatham sparked the Lady Blazers offensively with a three pointer just over one minute into the contest, and Valdosta State never looked back the rest of the night. Cheatham's sharp shooting was the story of the evening, as the junior put together an 8-of-14 shooting effort for a team-high 21 points. Five of Cheatham's field goals were three point shots.

Blazer Nation also got their first look at 5'0" freshman, Kayla Bonilla, and the Columbus, Ga. native did not disappoint. Bonilla was perfect in every sense of the word. Along with disrupting Fort Valley State with a pesky defensive performance, the newcomer also hit every shot she took, ending the night 3-of-3 from the field, 2-of-2 from three point range, and a perfect 4-of-4 from the free throw line.

Preseason All-GSC selection Kenya Samone* Dixon provided the consistent veteran presence on the floor that Lady Blazer fans have grown accustomed to, and she ended the night with 16 points and 12 rebounds for her first double-double of the year.

As a team, Valdosta State shot 48.3 percent from the field and 37.0 percent from the three point line. VSU outrebounced the Wildcats 43-30, and 13 offensive boards led to 12 put back points.

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Nov. 11, 2017 Valdosta State 47

THE COMPLEX IN VALDOSTA, GA.

Albany State (0-2)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TRPF	Pts.	A TO	B S	Min.
24 Foster*	3-9	0-0	3-6	2-1	3	3	9	0	1 0 0 25
1 Layfield*	3-5	1-1	0-0	1-1	2	3	7	1	2 0 0 19
4 Johnson*	2-7	2-4	0-0	1-1	2	3	6	2	3 1 0 32
20 Holland*	1-9	1-3	2-2	0-7	7	1	5	1	1 0 2 28
12 Thompson*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0 0 0 2
32 Udofia	3-7	0-0	0-0	0-0	4	6	1	1	0 1 13
33 Dugger	1-2	0-0	2-2	0-2	2	0	4	1	0 0 2 13
13 Norman	1-3	0-2	1-2	0-1	1	3	3	0	2 0 0 14
3 Davis	1-1	1-1	0-0	1-0	1	3	0	2	0 0 0 7
10 Bowman	1-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	0	0 0 0 10
11 James	0-5	0-1	1-2	0-3	3	2	0	2	0 0 0 14
23 Ibejunio	0-3	0-0	0-0	1-2	6	2	1	0	0 0 13
2 Ward	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0 0 0 7
30 Toubou	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0 0 0 3
TM TEAM	0-0	0-0	0-0	3-0	3	0	0	0	0 0 0 0
TOTALS	16-55	5-13	10-16	9-21	30	25	47	7	14 1 6 200

Valdosta State(2-0)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TRPF	Pts.	A TO	B S	Min.
34 Samone* Dixon*	4-12	1-5	4-4	2-8	10	1	13	2	0 0 33
35 Cheatham*	4-11	4-9	0-0	1-2	3	1	12	1	2 0 2 31
4 Buie*	3-9	0-3	6-6	0-1	1	1	12	2	1 0 0 28
33 Corazza*	4-8	1-1	0-0	3-9	12	2	9	3	1 0 0 18
3 Bonilla*	2-5	1-3	3-4	0-3	3	8	1	3	0 0 19
15 Mitchell	4-5	1-1	0-0	1-1	2	2	9	1	0 0 10
21 Townsend	1-3	0-0	4-4	2-2	4	0	6	0	0 1 16
22 Green	2-5	0-2	1-2	6-1	7	1	5	1	0 0 0 16
20 Walton	1-3	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	1	2	0	1 0 1 7
5 Perry	0-3	0-2	0-0	2-1	3	1	0	1	0 1 14
30 Johnson	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-2	2	0	0	0	0 0 0 5
43 Clemmons	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0 0 0 3
TM TEAM	0-0	0-0	0-0	3-0	3	0	0	0	1 0 0 0
TOTALS	25-66	8-29	18-20	32	52	13	76	11	12 0 5 200

Albany State	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Tot	FG%	3FG%	FT%
Albany State	11	16	8	12	= 47	29.1%	38.5%	62.5%
Valdosta State	22	15	15	24	= 76	37.9%	27.6%	90.0%

Pts in the Paint: VSU-28, ASU-16
 2nd Chance Pts: VSU-24, ASU-9
 Bench Pts: VSU-22, ASU-20
 ASU Largest Lead: 3 in 1st- 09:39
 Pts off Turnovers: VSU-19, ASU-12
 Fast Break Pts: VSU-4, ASU-4
 Tied 1 time, Lead Changed 2 times
 VSU Largest Lead: 30 in 4th- 02:34

Lady Blazers Seal Weekend Sweep With 76-47 Win Over ASU

Valdosta State Wins, 76-47

VALDOSTA, Ga. - The Lady Blazer basketball team closed out opening weekend with another convincing south region win over the Albany State Lady Rams on Saturday night at The Complex in Valdosta, Ga.

The 76-47 victory marked the second in as many nights for Head Coach Carley Kuhns' squad, and improved Valdosta State to 2-0 on the season. The Lady Rams of Albany State dropped to 0-2 overall with the loss.

The Lady Rams struck first with a three ball in the opening seconds of the contest, but the lead was short-lived, as VSU turned it around with a 17-6 run over the next eight minutes. VSU closed out the opening frame with a 22-11 lead, and though the Lady Rams pulled to within six late in the half, four unanswered points in the final minute of the second quarter gave the red and black some insurance prior to intermission.

The second half was all Lady Blazers, as VSU outscored ASU 39-20 over the 20-minute span. The second-half surge helped open up a significant lead that helped seal the victory for VSU.

The Lady Blazers produced impressive numbers on the boards throughout the night, outrebouncing the Lady Rams 53 to 30. Kenya Samone* Dixon's 10 rebounds helped seal her second consecutive double-double, and junior forward Kendra Green used six offensive boards to lift VSU to a total of 20 offensive rebounds on the night. The put-back opportunities played a big role in the contest, and Valdosta State took advantage with 24 second-chance points.

Offensively, Samone* Dixon joined Taylor Buie and Aaliyah Cheatham to represent the team's three double-digit scorers, as the trio combined for 37 of VSU's points. Furthermore, senior Madi Mitchell, who saw limited playing time on the weekend due to injury, racked up nine points in just 10 minutes of play on the night.



3 Valdosta State 54

Nov. 14, 2017 Georgia Southwestern 62

STORM DOME IN AMERICUS, GA.

Georgia SW (2-1)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TR	PF	Pts.	A	TO	B	S	Min.
1 Jones*	5-8	0-1	2-8	0-2	2	2	12	3	0	0	2	27
12 Figgers*	3-7	3-6	0-0	0-2	2	0	9	6	0	0	1	29
23 Grant*	3-9	1-5	2-2	2-5	7	1	9	2	0	0	0	25
24 Moore*	3-10	0-1	3-3	2-2	4	2	9	2	3	0	2	21
34 Melosky*	3-5	0-1	0-0	0-4	4	3	6	2	2	0	1	21
22 Trimble	5-6	0-1	2-2	1-4	5	3	12	1	4	0	3	24
33 Parris	1-4	0-0	1-2	0-2	2	5	3	0	0	0	0	14
3 Cochran	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-3	3	3	2	0	1	0	0	16
14 Beckham	0-4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	10
15 Duncan	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	8
21 Blue	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	5
TOTALS	24-57	4-18	10-17	5-24	29	22	62	18	12	0	9	200

Valdosta State(2-1)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TR	PF	Pts.	A	TO	B	S	Min.
15 Mitchell*	7-12	0-3	4-5	3-6	9	2	18	1	3	0	0	34
34 Samone* Dixon*	4-9	2-5	2-2	0-8	8	4	12	3	1	0	0	31
35 Cheatham*	2-8	2-5	1-2	0-5	5	1	7	2	0	0	4	40
4 Buie*	2-7	1-4	1-2	0-1	1	0	6	7	5	0	2	37
33 Corazza*	2-10	0-3	2-3	3-4	7	4	6	2	2	0	0	27
5 Perry	0-1	0-1	2-2	0-0	0	4	2	1	0	0	1	14
22 Green	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	4
3 Bonilla	0-5	0-2	1-2	0-2	2	3	1	0	2	0	0	13
TOTALS	18-53	5-23	13-18	6-27	33	19	54	16	13	0	7	200

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Tot	FG%	3FG%	FT%
Georgia Southwestern	10	16	13	23	= 62	42.1%	22.2%	58.8%
Valdosta State	19	12	10	23	= 54	34.0%	21.7%	72.2%
Pts in the Paint: VSU-20, GSW-30	Pts off Turnovers: VSU-16, GSW-12							
2nd Chance Pts: VSU-8, GSW-6	Fast Break Pts: VSU-0, GSW-0							
Bench Pts: VSU-5, GSW-17	Tied 0 times, Lead Changed 1 time							
VSU Largest Lead: 8 in 4th-00:34	VSU Largest Lead: 13 in 3rd-06:22							

Lady Blazers Upset In Road Trip Opener by Georgia Southwestern Georgia Southwestern Wins, 62-54

AMERICUS, Ga. - The Valdosta State women's basketball team faced their first setback of the 2017-18 season in a 62-54 road loss to the Lady Canes of Georgia Southwestern on Tuesday evening in Americus, Ga.

The loss pushed the Lady Blazers to 2-1 overall on the season, while GSW moved to 1-0 after the successful season opener.

A 19-point first quarter gave the Lady Blazers a solid start and a nine point lead heading into the second period, but the Lady Canes outscored VSU 16-12 in the second to pull to within five at intermission.

With a 31-26 lead at the break, Valdosta State used two three-pointers by Aaliyah Cheatham in the first two minutes of second half to open up 37-26 lead at the 7:55 mark. The lead marked VSU's largest of the game, but a scoring drought ensued for the red and black in the final eight minutes, and GSW outscored Valdosta State 13-4 during that stretch to close the gap to a two-point, 41-39 Lady Blaze lead.

In the deciding frame, the Lady Canes went on an offensive tear, scoring 23 points against VSU's 13. Valdosta State pulled to within one possession two different times during the final two minutes of the contest, but clutch free throw shooting by Shanya Jones held the Lady Blazers at bay down the stretch.

Madi Mitchell delivered 18 points and nine rebounds for VSU, while Kenya Samone* Dixon posted 12 points and eight boards. However, the duo's efforts weren't enough to overcome the balanced attack of the Lady Canes, which included points from eight different players and 17 points off the bench.

4 Valdosta State 59

Nov. 24, 2017 Western Washington 56

CARVER GYM IN BELLINGHAM, WA.

Western Washington (3-2)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TR	PF	Pts.	A	TO	B	S	Min.
15 Stipanovich*	7-13	0-0	0-0	2-3	5	4	14	0	3	1	2	29
22 Castaneda*	5-8	1-3	3-3	2-1	3	2	14	0	6	0	1	29
3 Bland*	3-9	0-3	2-2	1-5	6	3	8	5	3	0	1	31
10 Iwami*	3-10	1-5	1-2	0-4	4	3	8	1	3	0	1	29
44 Schwesche*	1-3	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	11
12 Lance	2-3	2-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	20
33 Westendorf	1-8	0-4	0-0	3-7	10	4	2	0	1	3	1	28
23 Duff	1-4	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	1	2	1	1	0	1	13
34 Rogers	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-6	6	1	0	0	2	0	0	10
TM TEAM	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	23-60	4-19	6-7	8-31	39	23	56	7	20	5	6	200

Valdosta State(3-1)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TR	PF	Pts.	A	TO	B	S	Min.
15 Mitchell*	6-15	0-1	10-14	2-2	4	2	22	0	2	0	0	35
4 Buie*	5-8	2-3	2-2	0-2	2	2	14	1	1	0	2	33
34 Samone* Dixon*	3-18	0-8	4-5	2-13	15	3	10	3	3	0	0	37
35 Cheatham*	2-8	1-5	0-0	0-3	3	0	5	2	1	0	1	38
3 Bonilla*	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-3	3	4	0	1	2	0	0	15
5 Perry	1-5	1-2	2-2	1-0	1	1	5	3	3	0	2	22
33 Corazza	1-4	1-1	0-0	1-1	2	3	3	1	1	0	0	13
21 Townsend	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	7
TM TEAM	0-0	0-0	0-0	4-4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	18-61	5-20	18-23	10-29	39	17	59	11	14	0	5	200

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Tot	FG%	3FG%	FT%
W. Washington	15	11	6	24	= 56	38.3%	25.0%	78.3%
Valdosta State	15	11	15	18	= 59	29.5%	21.1%	85.7%

Pts in the Paint: VSU-20, WWU-36 Pts off Turnovers: VSU-10, WWU-11
2nd Chance Pts: VSU-12, WWU-6 Fast Break Pts: VSU-0, WWU-9
Bench Pts: VSU-8, WWU-10 Tied 5 times, Lead Changed 11 times
WWU Largest Lead: 4 in 1st-07:38 VSU Largest Lead: 11 in 3rd-01:23

Lady Blazers Secure 59-56 Victory Over WWU Valdosta State Wins, 59-56

BELLINGHAM, Wash. - In the midst of a lengthy road trip of both distance and duration, the No. 20 ranked Valdosta State women's basketball team held off a pesky Western Washington squad on the Vikings' home turf to secure a 59-56 victory on Friday evening in Bellingham, Wash.

Valdosta State began their trek to Washington State earlier this week to compete in the Lynda Goodrich Classic in the northeast part of the country, and the Lady Blazers started on the right foot Friday night, thanks in large part to a season-high 22-point performance by senior Madi Mitchell. Mitchell finished the offensive breakout effort with a 6-of-15 shooting display from the field and a 10-of-14 night from the free throw line. Thirteen of Mitchell's 22 points came in the fourth quarter, when VSU needed them most.

In addition to Mitchell's solid effort, seniors Taylor Buie and Kenya Samone* Dixon each reached double-digit figures in the scoring column, with Buie posting a season-high 14 points on offense. Furthermore, Dixon tallied yet another double-double - her third in four games - with 10 points and a whopping 15 rebounds. Dixon's 15 boards supplemented 39 team rebounds for the Lady Blazers and helped lead the squad to 12 second chance points on 10 offensive boards.

Both teams went toe-to-toe throughout the first half, leading to a 15-15 tie at the end of the first quarter and a 26-26 tie at the halftime break. Valdosta State broke away in the third quarter, as the Lady Blaze defense locked down to allow just six Western Washington points in the frame. With a 41-32 lead heading into the final period, however, WWU's offense came alive for 24 points. The Lady Blazers weathered the late storm by going inside to their All-Conference senior, and Mitchell answered the call with a layup at the 6:35 mark that sparked the aforementioned 13-point surge down the stretch. The strong finish for Mitchell also included two three-point plays, one of which came with the score tied at 53-53 inside the final minute of the contest.

Despite just a 29.5 (18-of-61) team shooting effort, the Lady Blazers gutted out the win to improve to 3-1 on the season, while the Vikings fell to 3-1 overall.



5 Valdosta State

Nov. 25, 2017 Saint Martin's

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CARVER GYM IN BELLINGHAM, WA.

Saint Martin's (4-1)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TRPF	Pts.	A TO	B S	Min.
25 Johansson*	9-19	0-0	4-6	1-3	4	2	22	0	7 2 0 35
1 Simpson-Patu*	5-15	0-3	1-1	3-5	8	2	11	1	3 0 0 23
3 Reynolds*	2-5	1-2	2-2	0-1	1	0	7	4	0 0 1 31
31 Russ*	2-3	2-3	1-2	0-2	2	3	7	3	0 0 0 16
13 Baugh*	2-5	1-4	0-0	0-5	5	0	5	2	2 0 1 30
10 Schultz	5-10	1-4	0-2	0-3	3	1	11	2	1 0 1 26
22 Bowen	3-4	2-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0 0 0 12
30 Kessler	1-1	0-0	0-0	2-0	2	0	2	0	0 0 0 7
5 Kenned	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	3	0	3	1 0 1 10
44 Lindley	0-1	0-0	0-2	1-1	2	0	0	0	0 0 1 10
TM TEAM	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	0	0	0	0 0 0 0
TOTALS	29-63	7-19	8-15	8-21	29	11	73	15	2 5 200

Valdosta State (4-1)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TRPF	Pts.	A TO	B S	Min.
4 Buie*	8-17	6-13	0-0	0-1	1	1	22	3	1 1 4 31
15 Mitchell*	8-12	0-1	1-1	2-6	8	3	17	3	1 0 1 32
3 Bonilla*	3-6	1-2	5-5	4-2	6	1	12	3	1 0 0 18
34 Samone' Dixon*	2-9	1-3	2-2	2-5	7	2	7	1	5 0 1 31
35 Cheatham*	2-7	1-6	0-0	1-1	2	2	5	10	4 0 0 35
21 Townsend	5-7	1-1	0-0	1-2	3	2	11	0	0 0 0 14
33 Corazza	3-7	0-1	2-2	1-3	4	3	8	0	0 0 0 10
5 Perry	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	3	2	1 0 0 18
20 Walton	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	1	2	0	1 0 0 6
22 Green	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	2	0	0 0 0 3
30 Johnson	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	1 0 0 2
TM TEAM	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-2	4	0	0	0	0 0 0 0
TOTALS	34-70	11-30	10-10	13-25	38	16	89	23	15 2 6 200

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Tot	FG%	3FG%	FT%
Saint Martin's	21	11	16	25	= 73	46.0%	36.8%	53.3%
Valdosta State	21	23	23	22	= 89	48.6%	36.7%	100.0%
Pts in the Paint: VSU-38, SMU-36					Pts off Turnovers: VSU-19, SMU-21			
2nd Chance Pts: VSU-15, SMU-10					Fast Break Pts: VSU-4, SMU-9			
Bench Pts: VSU-26, SMU-21					Tied 3 times, Lead Changed 1 time			
SMU Largest Lead: 5 in 1st-02:43					VSU Largest Lead: 26 in 3rd-06:11			

Buie Shines in 89-73 Win Over Saint Martin's

Valdosta State Wins, 89-73

BELLINGHAM, Wash. - The No. 20 ranked Valdosta State Lady Blazers completed their northwestern trek with a convincing 89-73 victory over Saint Martin's in non-conference Division II women's basketball action on Saturday at Carver Gym in Bellingham, Wash.

Taylor Buie delivered her first 20-plus point performance of the season with 22 points on 8-of-17 shooting from the floor and a whopping six three pointers on 13 attempts. The total of Buie's shots made from beyond the arc on Saturday doubled the total that the senior had made prior to the start of the game.

The two teams fought tooth and nail throughout the opening period, but were forced to settle for a 21-21 tie heading into the second quarter. The number two frame was where the Lady Blazers created some separation, as Kia Perry connected from three-point range at the 8:04 mark to spark a 23-point surge before the break. The effort, along with a defensive lockdown that limited the Saints to just 11 points in the quarter, resulted in a 12 point lead for VSU at the half.

Valdosta State never scored fewer than 21 points in a single quarter throughout the game, which helped soften the blow of a 25-point offensive push by Saint Martin's in the final period.

Madi Mitchell, who joined Buie on the All-Tournament team for the Lynda Goodrich Classic hosted by Western Washington, added another solid effort with 17 points and eight rebounds. The Blazers also benefited from a breakout performance by Crystal Townsend, who came off the bench to score 11 of 26 bench points for the Lady Blazers on the afternoon. Townsend shot 5-of-7 from the field and connected on the only three pointer that she took in the contest, and she did it all in just 14 minutes of action.

As a team, the Lady Blazers shot 48.6 percent from the floor and outrebounded the Saints 38-29. The 13 offensive rebounds by VSU led to 15 putback points, which nearly covered the entire spread of the final score.

The win lifted the Lady Blazers to 4-1 on the season, while Saint Martin's stayed above .500 but dropped to 4-3 on the year.

6 Valdosta State

Dec. 2, 2017 West Florida

THE UWF FIELD HOUSE IN PENSACOLA, FL.

W. Florida (-)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TRPF	Pts.	A TO	B S	Min.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Valdosta State (-)	FG-A	3G-A	FT-A	O-D	TRPF	Pts.	A TO	B S	Min.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Tot	FG%	3FG%	FT%
West Florida	-	-	-	-	= -	%	%	%
Valdosta State	-	-	-	-	= -	%	%	%
Pts in the Paint:					Pts off Turnovers:			
2nd Chance Pts:					Fast Break Pts:			
Bench Pts:					Tied-, Lead Changed-			
UWF Largest Lead:					VSU Largest Lead:			



Valdosta State Lady Blazers Record vs. All Opponents

Air Force	1-0	Long Beach State	1-0
Alabama	5-0	Louisiana State	1-2
Alabama-Huntsville	36-14	Louisiana Tech	1-1
Albany State	50-14	Lynn	2-2
Arkansas-Monticello	2-0		
Arkansas Tech	2-4	Maryland	0-1
Armstrong Atlantic State	9-4	McNeese State	2-0
Army	1-0	Memphis State	2-1
Auburn	1-0	Mercer	8-15
Augusta State	0-1	Miles	1-0
		Minnesota	0-1
Barry	3-1	Mississippi	4-2
Baylor	0-1	Mississippi College	18-11
Belhaven	1-0	Mississippi State	1-0
Belmont	4-0	Miss. U. for Women	12-2
Benedict	1-1	Missouri	1-1
Berry	4-1	Montevallo	21-7
Bethune-Cookman	1-1	Morris Brown	3-0
Blue Mountain (MS)	1-0		
Bowie State	1-0	Nebraska	1-0
Brewton-Parker	8-2	Norfolk State	1-0
Brigham Young	0-1	North Alabama	37-33
Bowie State	1-0	North Florida	3-3
		Northwest Missouri State	0-1
Catawba	1-0	Northern Kentucky	0-1
Central (Iowa)	1-0	Nova Southeastern	9-5
Central Arkansas	0-3		
Central Florida	2-2	Ouachita Baptist	0-1
Central Missouri State	0-2	Old Dominion	0-2
Christian Brothers	8-6	Oklahoma City	1-0
Clark Atlanta	2-1		
Clayton College & State	2-1	Paine	5-0
Clemson	0-1	Palm Beach Atlantic	7-1
Coastal Georgia	1-0	Penn State	1-0
Columbus State	3-3	Piedmont	1-0
Concordia-Selma	0-1	Pittsburgh	0-1
Covenant College	1-0	Puerto Rico-Cayey	5-0
David Lipscomb	1-0	Queens (NY)	1-0
Delta State	9-38		
		Rollins	5-4
Eckerd	10-3		
Edward Waters	3-0	St. Anselm	0-1
Elizabeth City State	1-0	Saint Leo	12-5
Emporia State	0-1	Saint Martin's	1-0
		Savannah State	12-2
Faulkner	1-0	Shorter	7-3
Flagler	7-0	Siena Heights	1-0
Florida	10-2	South Alabama	1-1
Florida Atlantic	4-3	South Carolina	1-1
Florida Gulf Coast	1-5	Southeast Louisiana	0-1
Florida International	3-2	Southern Arkansas	1-0
Florida Southern	12-3	Southern Connecticut State	0-1
Florida State	12-1	Southern Mississippi	0-1
Florida Tech	4-1	Southern Tech	1-0
Fort Valley State	30-14	Spelman	2-0
		Stephen F. Austin State	0-1
Georgia	11-5	Stonehill	0-1
Georgia College & State	14-11		
Georgia Southern	17-7	Talladega	2-1
Georgia Southwestern State	19-7	Tampa	11-6
Georgia State	4-4	Temple	1-0
Georgia Tech	4-0	Tennessee	1-3
Georgian Court	1-0	Tennessee Tech	2-1
Grand Valley State	1-1	Tennessee Temple	1-0
		Tift	3-0
Harding	2-0	Trinity	6-0
Henderson State	3-3	Troy State	20-4
Hope	1-0	Tuskegee	14-2
		Union	3-8
Immaculate	1-0	UT Chattanooga	2-1
Indiana State	1-0	UT Martin	8-4
Jacksonville State	13-11	Virginia Union	0-1
Kansas State	1-0	Warner Southern	85-44
Kennesaw State	2-5	Washburn	0-2
Kentucky	0-1	Wayland Baptist	0-1
		Webster	5-0
Lambuth	2-0	West Alabama	44-27
Lander	0-1	West Florida	28-20
Lee	5-4	West Georgia	39-33
Lincoln Memorial	13-13	Western Kentucky	0-1
		Western Washington	1-0
		Wisconsin	1-0



3 Kayla Bonilla

POSITION: POINT GAURD • **HEIGHT:** 5-0

CLASS: FRESHMEN • **HOMETOWN:** COLUMBUS, GA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: SHAW HIGH SCHOOL



BONILLA'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				--F-THROWS--		----REBOUNDS----				SCORING											
YEAR	GP	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	TO	S	B	PTS	AVG
Total	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

4 Taylor Buie

POSITION: GAURD • **HEIGHT:** 5-5

CLASS: SENIOR • **HOMETOWN:** PUYALLUP, WA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: NOVA SOUTHEASTERN



BUIE'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				--F-THROWS--		----REBOUNDS----				SCORING											
YEAR	GP	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	TO	S	B	PTS	AVG
Total	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

PRIOR TO VALDOSTA STATE: Named All-Sunshine State Conference in 2013-14 at Nova Southeastern... Named SSC Tournament and South Region Tournament MVP during same season... Named to the 2012-13 Division II South Region All-Tournament Team... Honorable mention WBCA All-American and All-South Region honoree... Helped lead the Sharks to an Elite-8 appearance in 2012-13 and the NCAA Division II Final-4 in 2013-14... Averaged 15.1 points per game with an 84 percent free throw shooting percentage and a 44 percent shooting effort from the three point line...



5 *Kia* PERRY

POSITION: GUARD • **HEIGHT:** 5-5

CLASS: SENIOR • **HOMETOWN:** GALLATIN, TN

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: BELMONT



PERRY'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----			--F-THROWS--		---REBOUNDS---		SCORING	
	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF DEF TOT	AVG	PF A TO S B PTS-AVG

PRIOR TO VALDOSTA STATE: Came off the bench in 16 contests for the Bruins ... Logged five or more minutes on the hardwood five times ... Grabbed one assist on six occasions ... Opened season against North Alabama (11/16) with season-high five point output, including lone three pointer of the year ... Played a season-high nine minutes on the floor at Denver (11/29) ... Also pulled down a season-high two rebounds in the effort.... Three-time All-Region honoree ... Three-time All-State selection ... Tabbed County MVP as a senior in high school ... Two-time Region MVP ... Led Station Camp in points (14.9), assists (4.4) and steals (3.9) as a senior ... Served as team captain ... Recorded 1,000 career points ... Played AAU ball for Tennessee Flight....

13 *Jazmya* MCINTOSH

POSITION: GUARD • **HEIGHT:** 5-9

CLASS: JUNIOR • **HOMETOWN:** COLUMBUS, GA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: COLUMBUS HIGH SCHOOL



MCINTOSH'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----			--F-THROWS--		---REBOUNDS---		SCORING	
	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF DEF TOT	AVG	PF A TO S B PTS-AVG
2016-17	29-5	650-22.4	42-103	.408	1-7	.143	25-46	.543	59 76 135	4.7	67 30 53 21 7 110-3.8
2015-16	27-0	242-9.0	17-34	.500	0-0	.000	4-7	.571	20 16 36	1.3	28 0 12 17 0 38-1.4
Total	56-5	892-15.9	59-137	.431	1-7	.143	29-53	.547	79 92 171	3.1	95 30 65 38 0 38-1.4

IN 2016-17 (SOPHOMORE): Brought the energy off the bench as the teams go-to sixth man.... Played in 29 games for the Lady Blazers.... Averaged 22.4 minutes per game.... Drained 42 field-goals on the year.... Racked up 110 points.... Went 25-for-46 (.543%) at the free-throw line... Grabbed 135 total rebounds, averaging 4.7 per game.... Tallied 30 assists.... Totaled 21 steals for the Lady Blazers.... Led the team, off the bench, to a GSC Conference Championship....

IN 2015-16 (FRESHMAN): Played in 27 games and averaged 9.0 minutes per game....Went 4-for-7 at the free-throw line....Totaled 36 rebounds with 20 offensive and 16 defensive boards....Added 17 steals....Contributed 38 points on the season.



15 Madi MITCHELL

POSITION: FORWARD • **HEIGHT:** 6-1

CLASS: SENIOR • **HOMETOWN:** WARWICK, GA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: MERCER



MITCHELL'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				--F-THROWS--			---REBOUNDS---								SCORING	
YEAR	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	T	S	B	PTS-AVG	
2016-17	32-32	1153-36.0	194-388	.500	10-31	.323	134-172	.779	94	178	272	8.5	70	40	46	12	3	532-16.6	
2015-16	28-27	761-27.2	109-288	.378	14-71	.197	56-81	.691	53	76	129	4.6	50	22	33	9	3	288-10.3	
Total	60-59	1914-31.9	303-676	.488	24-102	.235	190-253	.751	53	178	272	6.7	120	62	79	21	6	820-13.7	

IN 2016-17 (JUNIOR): Led the Lady Blazers offensively as the teams leading scorer (532 points).... Started all 32 games averaging 36 minutes per game.... Drained 194 of 388 field goals (.500 FG%).... Sank 10 three-pointers.... From the line, tallied 134 of 172 free throws resulting in a .779 percentage.... Totaled 272 rebounds in the paint.... Had 40 assists with 12 steals.... Honored with First Team All-GSC and First Team All-South Region.... Finished as one of the leagues top five scorers (16.6 points per game).... Ranked 8th in the GSC in rebounding (8.5 per game) 13 double-doubles on the year.... GSC Tournament MVP.... Received All-America Honorable Mention recognition....

10 Sunshine WALTON

POSITION: GUARD/FORWARD • **HEIGHT:** 6-0

CLASS: JUNIOR • **HOMETOWN:** WARNER ROBINS, GA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: NORTHSIDE HIGH SCHOOL



WALTON'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				--F-THROWS--			---REBOUNDS---								SCORING	
YEAR	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	TO	S	B	PTS-AVG	
2016-17	22-0	119-5.4	12-29	.414	0-3	.000	16-17	.941	9	21	30	1.4	16	6	8	3	2	40-1.8	
2015-16	13-0	52-4.0	10-23	.435	0-0	.000	6-7	.857	4	11	15	1.2	11	2	5	1	1	26-2.0	
Total	35-0	171-4.9	22-52	.423	0-3	.000	22-24	.917	13	32	45	1.3	27	8	13	4	3	26-2.0	

IN 2016-17 (SOPHOMORE): Played in 22 games for the Lady Blazers.... Had a team high .941 free throw percentage, knocking down 16 out of 17 from the line.... Drained 12 field goals.... Secured 30 total rebounds.... Recorded 40 points on the season.... Placed on the GSC Honor Roll....

IN 2015-16 (FRESHMAN): Appeared in 13 games.... Averaged four minutes per game.... Went 6-for-7 at the line to lead with a team average high of .857.... Tallied 1 block and 1 steal.... Produced 26 points on the season....



21 Crystal TOWNSEND

POSITION: GUARD • **HEIGHT:** 5-8

CLASS: SENIOR • **HOMETOWN:** CAPE CORAL, FL

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: EASTERN FLORIDA STATE



TOWNSEND'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				--F-THROWS--			----REBOUNDS----				SCORING				
	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	TO	S	B	PTS-AVG
Total																		

PRIOR TO VALDOSTA STATE: Townsend was EFSC's third leading scorer starting all 29 games for the Titans. She scored 12 points per game while shooting 48.9% from the floor. She also grabbed the team's 2nd highest rebounds with an average of 8 per game earning her 1st Team All-Southern Conference. Townsend graduated from Cape Coral High School in Cape Coral, Fla., where she helped lead her team to the FHSAA Class 5A Elite Eight and a 24-6 overall record while averaging 14.1 points, 8.2 rebounds and 2.5 steals per game.

30 Brianna JOHNSON

POSITION: GUARD • **HEIGHT:** 5-10

CLASS: SOPHOMORE • **HOMETOWN:** PANAMA CITY, FL

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: BRADWELL INSTITUTE



JOHNSON'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				--F-THROWS--		----REBOUNDS----				SCORING					
YEAR	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	TO	S	B	PTS-AVG
2016-17	12-0	99-8.3	10-32	.313	4-10	.400	8-13	.615	2	6	8	0.7	9	3	9	4	0	32-2.7
Total	12-0	99-8.3	10-32	.313	4-10	.400	8-13	.615	2	6	8	0.7	9	3	9	4	0	32-2.7

IN 2016-17 (FRESHMAN): Played in 12 games for the Lady Blazers...Hit 10 field-goals out of 32 racking up a .313 percentage...Drained 4 three-pointers from the arc...Tallied a .615 free-throw percentage (8 for 13)...Grabbed 8 rebounds and recorded 4 steals defensively... Totaled 32 points on the season...



33 Maddy CORAZZA

POSITION: FORWARD • HEIGHT: 5-11

CLASS: JUNIOR • HOMETOWN: PEMBROKE PINES, FL

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: NOVA HIGH SCHOOL



CORAZZA'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				--F-THROWS--			---REBOUNDS---								SCORING	
YEAR	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	TO	S	B	PTS	PTS-AVG
2016-17	32-28	685-21.4	60-199	.302	11-49	.224	28-43	.651	55	94	149	4.7	91	28	43	23	6	159	5.0
2015-16	26-9	501-19.3	28-103	.272	4-31	.129	24-46	.522	26	62	88	3.4	51	24	24	35	7	84	3.2
Total	58-37	1186-20.4	88-302	.291	15-80	.188	52-89	.584	81	156	237	4.1	142	52	78	38	13	243	4.2

IN 2016-17 (SOPHOMORE): Became an everyday starter for the Lady Blazers appearing in 32 games with 28 starts...Recorded a .302 field goal percentage, draining 60 from inside the arc...Tallied a .651 free-throw percentage (28 for 43)...Racked up 11 three-pointers... Secured 149 rebounds on the season....Defensively attained 23 steals with 6 blocks...Recorded 159 points and led the Lady Blazers to a GSC Championship...

34 Kenya SAMONE'-DIXON

POSITION: FORWARD • HEIGHT: 5-9

CLASS: SENIOR • HOMETOWN: BATON ROUGE, LA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY



SAMONE' DIXON'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				--F-THROWS--		---REBOUNDS---				SCORING						
YEAR	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	TO	S	B	PTS	PTS-AVG
2016-17	32-32	1100-34.4	161-406	.397	78-187	.417	77-98	.786	34	241	275	8.6	98	38	70	30	4	477-14.9	
Total	32-32	1100-34.4	161-406	.397	78-187	.417	77-98	.786	34	241	275	8.6	98	38	70	30	4	477-14.9	

IN 2016-17 (JUNIOR): Started all 32 games on the season and quickly became the Lady Blazers sharp shooter... Fueled the offense with 161 field goals, racking up a .397 percentage... Drained a team high 78 three-pointers out of 178 attempts... Placed 17th in the nation among all women's basketball players in Division II for her three-point field goal percentage (.417)... Secured 275 rebounds on the season with an average of 8.6 per game... Recorded 30 steals... Ranked among the league's top ten in both scoring (14.9 ppg / 8th) and rebounding (8.6 rpg / 7th)... Tallied 477 points on the season... Honored with First Team All-GSC, Second Team All-South Region and GSC Honor Roll... Voted as one of eleven GSC student-athletes placed on the GSC Fireseeds Winter All-Academic Team... Led her team to a GSC Conference Championship...



35 Aaliyah CHEATHAM

POSITION: GUARD • **HEIGHT:** 5-7

CLASS: JUNIOR • **HOMETOWN:** PERRY, GA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: PERRY HIGH SCHOOL



CHEATHAM'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				--F-THROWS--			----REBOUNDS----				SCORING	
	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF DEF TOT	AVG	PF	A TO	S B	PTS	PTS-AVG
2016-17	31-29	1128-36.4	124-354	.350	70-225	.311	69-88	.784	11 94 105	3.4 41	90 83	38 5		387	12.5
2015-16	28-25	849-30.3	93-250	.372	39-119	.328	57-69	.826	15 98 113	4.0 46	54 88	26 6		282	10.1
Total	59-54	1977-33.5	217-604	.359	109-344	.317	126-157	.803	26 192 218	3.7 87	144 171	64 11		669	11.3

IN 2016-17 (SOPHOMORE): Started in 29 games for the Lady Blazers...Averaged 36.4 minutes per game...Racked up 70 three-pointers on the season...Connected 69 out of 88 free-throws resulting in a .784 percentage...Averaged 3.4 rebounds per game and added a total of 105 rebounds total...Recorded a team high 38 steals... Tallied 387 points on the season with 12.5 points per game...Led the way to a GSC Conference Championship...

IN 2015-16 (FRESHMAN): Played in 28 games with 25 starts...Averaged 30.3 minutes per game... Tallied 39 three-pointers on the season... Made 57 out of 69 free-throws which produced a .826 percentage... Added 54 assists, 26 steals and six blocks... Recorded 282 points and averaged 10.1 points a game.

43 Bria CLEMMONS

POSITION: FORWARD • **HEIGHT:** 5-9

CLASS: FRESHMAN • **HOMETOWN:** DALTON, GA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: NORTHWEST WHITFIELD HIGH SCHOOL



CLEMMONS VSU CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				--F-THROWS--			----REBOUNDS----				SCORING	
	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF DEF TOT	AVG	PF	A TO	S B	PTS	PTS-AVG
Total	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

PRIOR TO VALDOSTA STATE: Three-time 6-AAAA All-Region honoree... Named 2016-17 6-AAAA All-Region Player of the Year and the Dalton Daily Citizen Player of the Year... Helped lead her 2012-13 North Georgia Middle School Team to a 29-1 record...



22 Kendra GREEN

POSITION: FORWARD • **HEIGHT:** 5-10

CLASS: JUNIOR • **HOMETOWN:** MACON, GA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: COWLEY COLLEGE



GREEN'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

	---MINUTES---		---TOTALS---				-F-THROWS-		---REBOUNDS---				SCORING					
YEAR	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	TO	S	B	PTS-AVG
Total																		

PRIOR TO VALDOSTA STATE: Led the Cowley Tigers to a 24-9 record in their 2016-17 season.... Played in 28 games averaging 18.3 minutes per game.... Racked up 144 total points of the season with 5.1 per game.... Had a team high 72.2% free throw percentage (32-44).... Pulled down 121 rebounds for the tigers (37 offensive, 84 defensive) averaging 4.3 per game.... Had 10 assists on the season and 17 steals.... Drained 55 out of 149 field goals (36.9%).... Led the Tigers to the Region VI Tournament....

12 Abby ROUSE

POSITION: FORWARD • **HEIGHT:** 6-5

CLASS: FRESHMEN • **HOMETOWN:** MACON, GA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: TATTNALL SQUARE HIGH SCHOOL



ROUSE'S VSU CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	---MINUTES---		-----TOTALS-----				-F-THROWS-		---REBOUNDS---				SCORING					
	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	A	TO	S	B	PTS-AVG
Total	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--