

Virginia Tech Hokies vs. Gardner-Webb Runnin' Bulldogs

**Postgame Notes** 

Dec. 15, 2019

Cassell Coliseum | Blacksburg, Va.

FINAL SCORE: Virginia Tech 73, Gardner-Webb 46

#### **RECORDS AND NOTABLES**

- Virginia Tech improves to 8-3 overall with the victory over the Runnin' Bulldogs.
- Landers Nolley ranks fifth in the ACC in points averaging 18.5 per game. Wabissa Bede ranks second in the ACC in assists with 6.8 per game.
- Tech leads the all-time series 3-0 following the victory today. The Hokies first defeated Gardner-Webb 65-62 in 2008. Last season, the Hokies beat the Runnin' Bulldogs 87-59 in Tech's season-opener. All three matchups have been played in Blacksburg.
- **UP NEXT:** The Hokies will continue their home stretch when they take on VMI on Saturday, Dec. 21 at 4 p.m. ET at Cassell Coliseum.

#### **TEAM NOTES**

- Virginia Tech used the starting lineup of Wabissa Bede, Tyrece Radford, P.J. Horne, Landers Nolley II, and Nahiem Alleyne. This is the ninth straight game the Hokies have started these five, resulting in six victories. These five are averaging 54.9 points per game combined.
- **KEY FIRST HALF RUN:** Tech was leading 14-11 with just under 12 minutes remaining when freshman Jalen Cone nailed a 3-pointer, sophomore Isaiah Wilkins finished an and-1 and freshman Hunter Cattoor scored a fastbreak layup to push the lead to 22-11. With just over two minutes to go in the first half, Catoor drilled a triple from downtown and freshman John Ojiako snatched an offensive rebound and finished it home to give Tech a 32-21 lead. The Hokies entered the break leading 34-24.
- **KEY SECOND HALF RUN:** Early in the second half, Nolley sunk back-to-back 3s from way downtown to give Tech a healthy 45-27 advantage. Midway through the second, Nolley again hit a jumper followed by a Cattoor 3-pointer to provide Tech with a 22-point lead at 53-31. The Hokies led the entire second half.
- Nolley scored a team-high 18 points against the Bulldogs. Nolley has led Tech in scoring in seven out Tech's 11 games this season.
- Tech received significant contributions off the bench, with Wilkins scoring 13 points and Cattoor adding 11. The Hokies' bench scored a combined 34 points.

### **INDIVIDUAL NOTES**

# **Tyrece Radford**

• Radford recorded his first double-double of his career with 10 points and 10 boards. Radford is tied with Nolley for the team-high in rebounds per game with a 5.8 average.

# **Landers Nolley**

• Nolley scored 18 points against the Bulldogs and has now scored in double-figures in every game this season but one (Duke, Dec. 6). Nolley has now also scored 15 plus points in eight contests this season.

### **Hunter Cattoor**

• Cattoor recorded his fourth double-figures scoring performance this season with 11 points. Cattoor also swiped a career-high three steals against the Bulldogs.

#### **Isaiah Wilkins**

• Wilkins put together his second-highest scoring performance of the season with 13 points (15, Delaware St., Nov. 20). Wilkins had two steals which his season high.

# John Ojiako

• Ojiako grabbed a career-high nine rebounds against the Bulldogs.