

# VIRGINIA TECH

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

### Virginia Tech Hokies vs. Florida Gators

#### Postgame Notes

March 19, 2021

Hinkle Fieldhouse | Indianapolis, Ind.

**FINAL SCORE: No. 10 Virginia Tech 70, No. 7 Florida 75 (OT)**

#### RECORDS AND NOTABLES

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- With the five-point setback in the first round of the NCAA Tournament, Virginia Tech wraps up its record with a 15-7 overall mark.
- Florida moves to 15-9 and will take on either No. 2 Ohio State or No. 15 Oral Roberts in the second round of the NCAA Tournament on Sunday.
- The all-time series with the two schools is now knotted at 5-5, with six of those matchups being played on a neutral court.
- Tech is now 8-12 in the NCAA Tournament and 0-1 as a No. 10 seed. Tech coach Mike Young is now 1-6 in the NCAA Tournament.
- Young is now 0-1 versus Mike White and 0-1 against Florida as well.

#### TEAM NOTES

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- Virginia Tech used the starting lineup of Nahiem Alleyne, Keve Aluma, Wabissa Bede, Justyn Mutts and Tyrece Radford. It marked the fourth straight game Tech has used that starting lineup and it went 1-3 to close the season.
- **KEY FIRST HALF RUN:** With the game at 10-8 in the early going, the Hokies went on a 11-3 run behind Hunter Cattoor nailing three 3-pointers to give them their biggest lead of the game (10 points) at the 9-minute mark, 21-11.
- **KEY SECOND HALF RUN:** Trailing by six points with three minutes remaining in regulation, Nahiem Alleyne went to work by scoring nine points and hitting a triple with two seconds left to send the game into overtime, 64-64.
- **KEY OVERTIME PLAY:** Owing a one-point lead with 25 seconds left, the Gators' Tre Mann hit a stepback 3-pointer to put Florida up four points, which proved to be the difference, as it went on to win 75-70.
- Tech shot 42.1 percent for the game (24 for 57), 30.4 percent from 3-point range (7 for 23) and 71.4 percent from the free-throw line (15 for 21).

- Tech cashed in on Florida's miscues, outscoring the Gators 17-9 in points off turnovers. It also forced Florida into 18 turnovers.
- The Hokies allowed Florida to shoot 56.5 percent from the field, making 26 field goals.
- The Gators owned the glass, outrebounding Tech 36-22. Tech finished its last two games getting outrebounded by double-digits.
- Tech led for 30 minutes of the game, while Florida owned a lead for nine minutes.

## **INDIVIDUAL NOTES**

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### **NAHIEM ALLEYNE**

- Alleyne scored the second-most points in an NCAA Tournament by a Hokie in school history, racking up 28 points on 8-of-18 shooting. The school record is 29 points and that was done by Glen Combs versus Indiana on March 17, 1967.
- The 28 points for the sophomore marked the most of his career, topping his previous career high of 22 versus Chattanooga his freshman season (Dec. 11, 2019).
- Alleyne hit four 3-pointers for the second straight game (4 vs. UNC) and also chipped in one rebound, an assist and a steal.

### **TYRECE RADFORD**

- Radford scored the second-most points on the team, dropping 18 on 7-of-15 shooting. The Louisiana native also had four rebounds and two assists in 44 minutes of work.
- The guard finished the season scoring in double figures his last seven games, dating back to Jan. 12 against Duke.

### **HUNTER CATTOOR**

- Cattoor hit three 3-pointers in a row in the first half and ended up finishing with 11 points. His other bucket came with under a minute left in overtime when he slammed home a fastbreak dunk to make it a one-point game.
- The sophomore played 29 minutes and also had a game-high three steals and three rebounds.