

2024-25 PITT WOMEN'S BASKETBALL **ACC TIPOFF GUIDE**

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ACC TIPOFF



2024-25 STORYLINES

- Pitt is returning six players from last year's squad that went 8-24 overall and 2-16
- The Panthers posted a 6-8 non-conference record last season, marking their third straight season winning at least six non-conference games.
- The Panthers are welcoming a total of seven newcomers this season, including five transfers. All five incoming transfers have previous playing experience at a Power Five school.
- The Panthers return Aaryn Battle, Bella Perkins, Marley Washenitz, Lauren Rust, Raeven Boswell and Aislin Malcolm. The returners averaged a combined 27.3 points per game last season.

ACC Tipoff Attendees







TORY VERDI

HEAD COACH | 2ND SEASON

- Verdi enters his second season at Pitt after rebuilding multiple programs over his 20-year head coaching career.
- Verdi helped transform Eastern Michigan into a postseason team before helping UMass advance to the NCAA Tournament two seasons ago.
- He owns a 210-177 career record while posting five seasons with 20+ wins over his past 11 seasons.
- Verdi led UMass to a program-record 27 wins in 2022-23 as they advanced to the second round of the WNIT.
- His teams have earned five WNIT appearances and one NCAA Tournament appearance.
- A member of the New Britain Sports Hall of Fame.

0 Brooklynn Miles

5-5 | Junior | Guard | Frankfort, Ky.

2024-25 SCHEDULE

OVERALL: 0-0 | ACC: 0-0 Home: 0-0 | Away: 0-0 | Neutral: 0-0

Date	Opponent	Time/Result			
NOV 5	vs. CANISIUS	6:00 PM			
NOV 9	vs. BUCKNELL	TBD			
NOV 12	at West Virginia	7:00 PM			
NOV 17	at Binghamton	2:00 PM			
NOV 20	vs. DELAWARE STATE	11:00 AM			
NOV 23	vs. ROBERT MORRIS	1:00 PM			
NOV 28	vs. Kansas %	1:30 PM			
NOV 29	vs. Auburn %	1:30 PM			
NOV 30	vs. Northern Iowa %	1:30 PM			
DEC 4	vs. DUQUESNE	6:00 PM			
DEC 8	vs. SAINT PETER'S	12:00 PM			
DEC 15	vs. MIAMI*	12:00 PM			
DEC 19	vs. NEW HAMPSHIRE	2:30 PM			
DEC 21	at Utah Tech	2:00 PM			
DEC 29	at Georgia Tech*	2:00 PM			
JAN 5	at Duke*	12:00 PM			
JAN 9	vs. LOUISVILLE*	6:00 PM			
JAN 12	vs. SOUTHERN METHODIST*	1:00 PM			
JAN 16	at North Carolina State*	7:00 PM			
JAN 19	vs. NORTH CAROLINA*	2:00 PM			
JAN 23	vs. VIRGINIA TECH*	6:00 PM			
JAN 30	at Stanford*	10:00 PM			
FEB 2	at California*	TBD			
FEB 6	vs. BOSTON COLLEGE*	6:00 PM			
FEB 9	at Southern Methodist*	TBD			
FEB 13	vs. NOTRE DAME*	8:00 PM			
FEB 16	vs. VIRGINIA*	2:00 PM			
FEB 20	at Florida State*	6:00 PM			
FEB 23	vs. CLEMSON*	1:00 PM			
FEB 27	at Syracuse*	7:00 PM			
MAR 2	at Wake Forest*	2:00 PM			
All Times Eastern					

Home games in CAPS, All times are Eastern

% - Paradise Jam (U.S. Virgin Islands)

- Miles enters her first season with the Panthers following two seasons at Tennessee and one season at Kentucky.
- She averaged 5.8 points per game and 2.8 rebounds per game in 29.8 minutes per game last season at Kentucky, while compiling a team-high 96 assists and 38 steals.
- Accolades include 2023-24 CSC Academic All-District Team, 2022-23 SEC Winter Academic Honor Roll, 2022-23 VOLeaders Academy and 2021-22 SEC First Year Academic Honor Roll.

15 Khadija Faye

6-4 | Forward | Graduate Student | Dakar, Senegal

- Faye enters her first season at Pitt following her freshman and sohpomore seasons at Texas Tech and her junior and senior seasons at Texas.
- Last season as a member of the Longhorns, Faye averaged 5.5 points per game and 3.5 rebounds per
- Faye is a gold medalist with Senegal, who won the 2023 Francophone Games held in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo.



Pittsburgh Women's Basketball 2023-24 Quick Facts

GENERAL

Name of School University of Pittsburgh City/Zip Pittsburgh, PA 15261 Founded 1787 Enrollment 34,580 Nickname **Panthers** Blue & Gold Colors Arena Name Petersen Events Center Capacity 12.508 **Affiliation** NCAA Division I Conference Atlantic Coast Chancellor Joan Gabel **Director of Athletics** Jennifer Tuscano Athletic Dept. Phone (412) 624-5550 **Ticket Office Phone** (412) 648-7488

HISTORY

First Year 1974-75
Overall All-Time Record 666-778
Years in NCAA Tourn./Last Four / 2015
Years in NIT/Last Five / 2010
Last Postseason Opp. #2 Tennessee (3/23/15)
Result L, 77-67

STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS

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COACHING STAFF

Head Coach Tory Verdi Alma Mater, Year Keene State, 1996 Record at Pitt 8-24 Career Record (Entering 13th year) 210-177 **Assistant Coach** John Marcum Assistant Coach **Candice Finley Assistant Coach** Devan Newman **Assistant Coach Anthony Brammer Director of Operations Abby Anderson** Asst. Dir. of Creative Content Chloe Hatfield Director of Video & Player Development Brandon Jackson Athletic Trainer Meghann Lassi Strength & Conditioning Coach Michelle Van Dyke

TEAM INFORMATION

2023-2024 Record 8-24
ACC Record 2-16
ACC Finish 17th
Final Ranking (Poll) NR (AP) / NR (USA Today)
Starters Returning/Lost 2/3
Newcomers 7

RADIO INFORMATION

Radio Network PittsburghPanthers.com Play-by-Play Announcer Josh Rowntree

WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA

Website PittsburghPanthers.com
Twitter @Pitt_WBB
Instagram @Pitt_WBB
Facebook @PittWomensBasketball

The latest ACC standings & stats: theacc.com



2023-24 ROSTER

NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Cl.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown / High School (Previous School)
0	Brooklynn Miles	Sr.	G	5-5	Frankfort, KY / Kentucky
1	Aaryn Battle	So.	G	5-10	Sewell, NJ / Camden Catholic
2	Amiya Jenkins	Jr.	G	5-10	Lexington, KY / Kentucky
3	MaKayla Elmore	Sr.	F	6-3	Fostoria, OH / Clemson
5	Kiara Williams	Fr.	F	6-0	Palm Bay, FL / Palm Bay
10	Bella Perkins	Sr.	G	5-9	Fairfax, VA / Paul VI Catholic (USC)
11	Marley Washenitz	Jr.	G	5-7	Fairmont, WV / Fairmont
13	Lauren Rust	So.	F	6-0	Victoria, British Columbia, Canada / The Webb School
14	Raeven Boswell	Jr.	G	5-11	Austin, TX / Georgia Tech
15	Khadija Faye	Gr.	F	6-4	Dakar, Senegal / Texas
20	Aislin Malcolm	So.	G	5-10	Carnegie, PA / Chartiers Valley
22	Audrey Biggs	Fr.	G	6-0	Catlettsburg, KY / Boyd County
23	Mikayla Johnson	R-So.	G	6-1	Anchorage, AK / Colorado

<u>STAFF</u>

Head Coach: Tory Verdi

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PRONUNCIATIONS

Marley WASHENITZ wash – uh – nitz

