

HOKIES

2008-09 Virginia Tech Basketball Game Notes

Hokies Host Wisconsin in Opening Game of 2008 ACC/Big Ten Challenge

Game 7

VIRGINIA TECH (4-2)

VS.

#25/19 WISCONSIN (5-1)

MONDAY, DEC. 1, 2008 • 7:00 P.M.
CASSELL COLISEUM (9,847), BLACKSBURG, VA.



Series vs. UW: 1st meeting Series Streak: na

Last Meeting vs. the Badgers: 1st meeting

Live Stats: Hokiesports.com

Radio: Virginia Tech ISP Sports Network XM TV: **ESPN 2**



2008-09 Schedule & Results (4-2, 0-0 ACC)

Date	Opponent	W	L	Score
11/14	GARDNER-WEBB	W		65-62
11/17	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	W		CSN 62-57

O'Reilly Auto Parts Puerto Rico Tip-off

11/20	vs. Fairfield#	W	ESPN2	74-57
11/21	vs. Xavier#	L OT	ESPNU	62-63
11/23	Finals/Consolations#	L	ESPNU	73-77
11/26	ELON	W		76-67

Big Ten/ACC Challenge

12/1	#25/19 WISCONSIN%	7 p.m.	ESPN2
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BB&T Classic - Verizon Center

12/7	vs. Navy^	5 p.m.	MASN
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12/9	at Georgia	7 p.m.	RSN
12/14	LONGWOOD	2 p.m.	

Aeropostale Holiday Festival - Madison Square Garden

12/20	vs. Columbia\$	2 p.m.	MSG
12/21	vs. St. John's/Marist\$	noon/2 p.m.	MSG

12/29	at Charleston Southern	7 p.m.	RSN
	(at North Charleston Coliseum)		
1/4	at Duke*	7:45 p.m.	FoxSN
1/10	VIRGINIA*	4 p.m.	RSN
1/14	RICHMOND	7 p.m.	
1/17	BOSTON COLLEGE*	4 p.m.	ESPNU
1/21	at Wake Forest*	7 p.m.	ESPN2
1/25	at Miami*	5:30 p.m.	FoxSN
1/29	CLEMSON*	7 p.m.	ESPN
1/31	at Boston College*	8 p.m.	Raycom
2/8	NC STATE*	1:30 p.m.	Raycom
2/11	GEORGIA TECH*	7 p.m.	ESPNU
2/14	at Maryland*	4 p.m.	Raycom
2/18	at Virginia*	8 p.m.	Raycom
2/21	FLORIDA STATE*	8 p.m.	RSN
2/25	at Clemson*	7:30 p.m.	ESPN2
2/28	DUKE*	3:30 p.m.	ABC
3/4	NORTH CAROLINA*	7 p.m.	ESPN
3/8	at Florida State*	2 p.m.	Raycom
3/12-	ACC Tournament	TBA	TV
3/15	(Georgia Dome, Atlanta, Ga.)		

Hokie Notables

Entering Tonight's Game

The Hokies enter tonight's game with a 4-2 record ... Wisconsin is 5-1 overall and is currently ranked 25th in the AP poll and 19th in the coaches poll.

Last Time Out: VT 76, Elon 67

The Hokies broke open a close game late with clutch free throw shooting and defeated Elon, 76-67, on Wednesday night in Cassell Coliseum ... **A.D. Vassallo** and **Victor Davila** led the Hokies with 16 points, while **Malcolm Delaney** added 15 points and **Jeff Allen** scored 12 points and grabbed nine rebounds in the win ... Tech hit 23-of-28 free throws, including 12-of-12 by Delaney in the final 2:12 of action.

Playing Champions

This season, the Hokies will face the champions of the ACC (North Carolina), the Big Ten (Wisconsin) and the SEC (Georgia) ... Mount St. Mary's, who Tech defeated Nov. 17, won the Northeast Conference last season and won their first NCAA Tournament game ... Xavier was the Atlantic-10 regular season champion last year.

Hokie Checklist

- ✓ This is the Hokies Centennial Season.
- ✓ This is the Hokies' seventh game in 18 days.
- ✓ This is the first-ever meeting with the Badgers.
- ✓ **A.D. Vassallo** scored his 1,200th career point in the win over Mount St. Mary's and passed Loyd King into 26th in career scoring at Tech in the win over Elon on Wednesday night.

The Hokies in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge

Virginia Tech will have the honor of playing in the opening game of the 2008 ACC/Big Ten Challenge tonight ... The Hokies are 1-2 all-time in the event, but have a 1-0 record in Challenge games played in Cassell Coliseum ... The Hokies defeated Iowa, 69-65, on Nov. 29, 2006 in the Cassell ... Tech fell 66-61 at Penn State in last season's event.



Hokie Probables

F	40	A.D. Vassallo	Sr.	6-6	Toa Baja, P.R.
		16.7 ppg, 6-7 rpg, 4.2 apg			
F	0	Jeff Allen	So.	6-7	Washington, D.C.
		16.8 ppg, 10.5 rpg, 2.5 spg			
C	34	Cheick Diakite	Sr.	6-9	Bamako, Mali
		4.7 ppg, 2.8 rpg, 1.0 bspg			
G	23	Malcolm Delaney	So.	6-3	Baltimore, Md.
		16.3 ppg, 3.8 rpg, 3.5 apg			
G	5	Dorenzo Hudson	So.	6-5	Marshville, N.C.
		2.7 ppg, 1.8 rpg, 1.5 apg			

* - Atlantic Coast Conference Games
- O'Reilly Auto Parts Puerto Rico Tip-off, San Juan, P.R.
% - ACC/Big Ten Challenge, Blacksburg, Va.
^ - BB&T Classic, Washington, D.C.
\$ - Aeropostale Holiday Festival, New York, N.Y.
All times are EST and are subject to change



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Hokie Notes

The Series vs. Wisconsin

This is the first-ever meeting between the Hokies and the Badgers ... Tech is 14-11 all-time against teams currently members of the Big Ten Conference ... The Hokies are 6-6 all-time against schools from the State of Wisconsin.

Victor Stepping Up

Freshman post player **Victor Davila** played well for the Hokies on the trip to his native Puerto Rico, but saved his best performance of the season to date for the first game back ... In the win over Elon, Davila scored a career-high 16 points, including 12 points in the second half ... He was seven-of-nine from the field and also grabbed four rebounds in 22 minutes of action ... The performance moved him into fourth place in scoring for the Hokies this season.



Victor Davila

17 is A Lot

In the loss to Seton Hall on Nov. 23, **Jeff Allen** grabbed a career-high 17 rebounds for the Hokies ... That is the most rebounds in a game for a Hokie since Coleman Collins grabbed 18 rebounds in the Hokies' 67-65 win over #7 Duke on Feb. 17, 2005 in Cassell Coliseum ... Also in the O'Reilly Auto Parts Puerto Rico Tip Off, Allen had five blocked shots in the win over Fairfield ... That is the most blocked shots by a Hokie since **Cheick Diakite** blocked seven shots against St. John's in the championship game of the Aeropostale Holiday Festival in Madison Square Garden last season.



Jeff Allen

More on Jeff

As of Nov. 30, **Jeff Allen** was third in the ACC in rebounding, at 10.5 per game ... Allen and Georgia Tech's Gani Lawal are the only two ACC players currently averaging a double-double ... Allen is seventh in the league in scoring, at 16.8.

The Next Group

Virginia Tech announced the signing of four players to national letters of intent ... Joining the Hokies for the 2009-10 season will be Manny Atkins, a 6-7, 200 lbs. wing, Ben Boggs, a 6-4, 185 lbs. guard, Erick Green, a 6-2, 180 lbs. guard and Cadarian Raines, a 6-8, 210 lbs. forward.

A.D. Leads

A.D. Vassallo is the only Hokie currently leading the ACC in a specific category ... Vassallo leads the league in minutes played, with 36.7 minutes played per game.

A.D. Can Dish It Out, Too

In the Hokies' loss to Xavier, **A.D. Vassallo** recorded a career-high eight assists for Tech ... He has a team-high 25 assists so far this season, for an average of 4.2 per game ... His career per game average entering this season was 1.4 assists per game ... The last time a Hokie had recorded eight assists in a game was Jan. 7, 2008, when **Malcolm Delaney** had eight assists in a win over Charleston Southern ... The last time a Hokie had more than eight assists in a game was on Nov. 14, 2006, when Jamon Gordon had nine assists in a home win over West Florida ... The last time a Tech player had more than eight assists against a Division I foe was Jan. 2, 2006, when Gordon had 10 assists in the win at James Madison.

Thompson Shelved for a While

Forward **J.T. Thompson** will miss the next 3-5 weeks following surgery on Nov. 14 to correct an inguinal hernia.



J.T. Thompson

The Big 3

When speaking about his team, **Seth Greenberg** often refers to the "Big 3" ... That reference is for **A.D. Vassallo, Malcolm Delaney** and **Jeff Allen** ... This season, that trio has more than lived up to expectations ... In the first six games, that group has accounted for 299 of the Hokies 412 points, or 72.6 percent of the team's scoring ... Also, the group has 126 of the 230 rebounds (54.8 percent) and 62 of the 90 assists (68.9 percent) ... Keeping in line with "3", the trio also has hit 35 of the team's 38 three-point field goals.



Malcolm Delaney

Hot from the Line

In the win over Elon, Virginia Tech shot a season-high 82.1 percent from the line (23 of 28) ... The last time Tech shot higher than 82.1 percent from the line, while attempting at least 10 free throws was on Dec. 23, 2007, when the Hokies were 29 of 32 from the line in the loss at Wake Forest (90.6 percent) ... **Malcolm Delaney** was 12-of-12 from the line, all coming in the final 2:12 of the contest ... Delaney has now made 15 consecutive free throws.

All-Time Numbers

Virginia Tech is 1,266-1,057 all-time in men's basketball action, for a .545 winning percentage.

Holding the Opponent Down

Seth Greenberg has coached 164 games at Virginia Tech ... In 56 of those games, or 34.1 percent, the opponent has failed to shoot 40 percent from the field ... Tech is allowing its opponents to shoot just 38.7 percent from the floor this season and has held the opposition to under 40 percent from the floor in five of the six games this season ... Tech opponents have shot better than 45 percent from the field just once this season and just 14 times in this year and last year, combined.

The Centennial Season

This season marks the Centennial Season for Virginia Tech men's basketball ... On Friday, Jan. 22, 1909, the Hokies played their first-ever game, a 33-26 home win over Emory & Henry, in the "Dutch Barn" ... Tech was 4-2 in that inaugural season, winning the first four games ... Tech was a perfect 10-0 in its second season.

In the Cassell

The Hokies have a 473-138 overall record in Cassell Coliseum, good for a .774 winning percentage ... The Hokies are 3-0 in the Cassell this season ... Tech was 14-3 in Cassell Coliseum during the 2007-08 season ... The win over Florida State marked the Hokies' 600th game played in Cassell Coliseum ... Tech was 13-2 in the Cassell last season and 6-2 in ACC games in Cassell a year ago ... Tech was 13-3 in the 2004-05 season and had a 10-7 mark in the 2005-06 season ... Tech defeated Providence, 69-64, on Feb. 23, 2003, for the Hokies' 400th victory in the building ... Tech defeated Rhode Island, 86-63, on Nov. 20, 2002, in its 500th game in the arena ... Tech is now in its 45th season in Cassell ... The first basketball game was played in the Coliseum on Jan. 3, 1962, with the Hokies routing Alabama, 91-67 ... On Sept. 17, 1977, Tech dedicated the Coliseum in honor of the late Stuart K. Cassell ... Tech has had just one break-even home season and one losing season in Cassell Coliseum.

Lights, Camera, Hokies

The Hokies are 2-2 in televised games this season ... Virginia Tech was 15-11 on television last season and 15-10 the previous year ... Tech is 52-57 on television under **Seth Greenberg** ... The Hokies will make a school-record minimum of 27 appearances this season and made a then-school-record 26 television appearances last season ... All 16 ACC games this season will be televised, for the first time since joining the league in 2004 ... Last season's NIT win over Morgan State was the Hokies' first-ever appearance on ESPN Classic.

About A.D.

1,200 A.D.

A.D. Vassallo scored his 1,000th career point in the win over Georgia Tech on Feb. 23, 2008, becoming the 39th Hokie to reach 1,000 points ... In the win over Mount St. Mary's, he scored his 1,200th career point, and in the win over Elon, he passed Loyd King and Sumner Tilson into 25th place in career scoring ... He now has 1,264 career points ... He became the first Hokie junior to score 1,000 career points since Zabian Dowdell in 2006 ... Vassallo recorded his 300th career rebound in the loss to #4/3 Duke last season ... In the win at Maryland last season, he recorded his 100th career assist and 400th point of the season ... If he scores his average points per season this year, he could enter the top 15 in career scoring at Tech ... If he scores the same number of points as a year ago, he could finish in the top 10 in career scoring.



A.D. Vassallo

A.D. Loves the Cassell

In the home win last season over Georgia Tech, **A.D. Vassallo** scored a season-high 27 points ... In the final regular home game of the season, a win over Wake Forest, Vassallo added 20 points ... He scored in double figures in all home games last season, including all eight ACC games ... He averaged 17.7 points per game at home last season and 18.9 ppg in home ACC games a year ago ... This season, he is averaging 16.7 points per game in Cassell Coliseum.

A.D. vs. W.F.

Forgive **A.D. Vassallo** if he is giddy when the Hokies play Wake Forest this season ... Vassallo has played five games in his career against the Demon Deacons and is averaging 20.8 points and 6.6 rebounds per game ... He had his career-high with 29 points in the win in Winston-Salem as a freshman ... His 22 points in the win over Wake Forest in last year's ACC Tournament quarterfinals is a new record for most points in an ACC Tournament game by a Hokie ... He recorded his third career double-double with 19 points and a career-high 11 rebounds in the loss at Wake Forest on Dec. 23 of last season and scored 20 points in the home win over the Demon Deacons on March 4, 2008.

Another A.D. Scoring Note

The 27 points **A.D. Vassallo** scored in the win over Georgia Tech on Feb. 23 is the most points scored by a Hokie in a home ACC game ... It is the fourth-highest point total by a Hokie in any ACC game ... Zabian Dowdell holds the school record for points in an ACC game, with 33 points in the win at #4 North Carolina on 2-13-07.

- 33 Zabian Dowdell at #4 UNC, 2-13-07
- 30 Zabian Dowdell at Miami, 2-23-07
- 29 **A.D. Vassallo at Wake Forest, 1-28-06**
- 27 **A.D. Vassallo vs. Georgia Tech, 2-23-08**
- 25 Carlos Dixon at Clemson, 3-1-05
- 25 Coleman Collins at #1 Duke, 12-4-06
- 25 Zabian Dowdell vs. Clemson, 3-4-07

All-Time Scoring

Here is a list of the names **A.D. Vassallo** is approaching on the list of all-time leading scorers in Virginia Tech history.

Career Points

- 22. Keith Colbert 1,290
- 23. Wayne Robinson 1,283
- 24. Jamon Gordon 1,280
- 25. **A.D. Vassallo** **1,248**
- 26. Sumner Tilson 1,256

ACC Info

ACC Preseason Poll

Here is the ACC preseason media poll, as compiled by the Atlantic Coast Sports Media Association.

1. North Carolina
2. Duke
3. Wake Forest
4. Miami
5. Clemson
6. **VIRGINIA TECH**
7. Maryland
8. Georgia Tech
9. N.C. State
10. Florida State
11. Boston College
12. Virginia



ACC Odds & Ends

The ACC won the Big Ten/ACC Challenge for the ninth consecutive season a year ago ... The ACC has won the series every year ... Here's an oddity; seven of the top 10 scorers in the ACC last season have returned this year ... The only major category leaders that did not return to the ACC this season are J.J. Hickson (FG%), Anthony Morrow (3pt. FG%) and Tyrelle Blair (blocked shots) ... This will be the Hokies fifth season in the ACC and will mark the fifth different arena in which the team has played the ACC Tournament.

Hokie Notes

Seth Likes the Cassell

Seth Greenberg is 64-19 as a head coach in Cassell Coliseum, good for a winning percentage of .771 ... Greenberg is 39-4 (.907) against non-conference competition in Cassell Coliseum.



Seth Greenberg

Wrapping Up the Elon Game

Tech recorded its largest rebounding margin game of the season, out rebounding the Phoenix, 42-27 ... All nine Hokies that played recorded at least one rebound and at least one point ... Tech's bench out scored Elon's bench, 27-8 ... 42 of Tech's 76 points came in the paint.

Need to Change the Nickname

Early in the 2008-09 season, Hokie fans may not recognize the "Big Donut" ... **Jeff Allen** has slimmed down and toned up his body from a year ago, when **Seth Greenberg** tagged him the "Big Donut" ... Allen hit the court around 240 pounds this season ... Despite playing a year ago around 260-270 lbs., Allen was second in the ACC in steals from his power forward position ... He is averaging 16.8 points and 10.5 rebounds per game this season.

Returning Scoring

The Hokies return 81.2 percent of their scoring from last season to this season's squad ... That number increases to 82.0 percent for ACC games.

Prime Time Arenas

In the five-plus seasons since taking over as the head coach of the Hokies, **Seth Greenberg** has made it a priority to play games in high-profile arenas ... Over that span, the Hokies are a combined 6-6 in NBA arenas ... Tech will play at least three games in NBA arenas this season (the Verizon Center in the BB&T Classic against Navy and two games in Madison Square Garden in the Aeropostale Holiday Festival).

Overtime in the Cassell

Virginia Tech is 23-6 all-time in overtime games in Cassell Coliseum.

Hokie Notes

The Hokies

Under Seth Greenberg

VT outrebounds opponent.....	54-22
Opponent outrebounds VT	33-46
Rebounds are equal.....	5- 4
VT leads at the half.....	60- 9
VT trails at the half	29-60
Game is tied at the half	3- 3
VT shoots 50% or better	27- 6
VT outshoots opponent.....	68-15
Opponent outshoots VT	23-57
VT holds opp. under 40%	50- 6
VT scores 100+ points.....	1- 0
VT scores 90-99 points.....	8- 1
VT scores 80-89 points.....	14- 1
VT scores 70-79 points.....	33-16
VT scores 60-69 points.....	28-32
VT scores less than 60 points	8-22
Opponent scores 100+ points.....	0- 1
Opponent scores 90-99 points.....	0- 2
Opponent scores 80-89 points.....	5-20
Opponent scores 70-79 points.....	8-28
Opponent scores 60-69 points.....	30-15
Opp. scores less than 60 points.....	49- 6
VT in games 5-or-fewer points or OT	28-30
VT at home.....	64-19
VT on the road	17-37
VT at a neutral site.....	11-16
Overtime games	7- 4
VT against conference foes.....	40-46
VT on television.....	52-57
VT vs. ranked teams.....	7-22
VT as a ranked team	4- 6

Hokies Led the Way

Perhaps the largest factor in the Hokies' top-four finish in the ACC last season was the fact that Tech led the ACC in scoring defense ... Tech held opponents to 64.7 points per game, 3.2 points per game better than second place Miami ... Tech was second in the league in field goal percentage defense, trailing only Maryland.

Taking the Day Off

The Hokies have earned a first-round bye in three of the four seasons since joining the league in 2004 ... The only team to better that mark is North Carolina, which has had a bye in all four seasons ... Duke and Boston College have each earned two first round byes over that stretch .. BC did not join the league until 2005 ... In the 2004-05 season, with 11 teams, there were five teams receiving byes, but Tech was the fourth seed that season.

Since Expansion

Since the ACC expanded to include Virginia Tech and Miami in 2004 (and Boston College joined in 2005), the Hokies have the fourth-most conference victories ... Tech is 31-33 in that stretch ... Only North Carolina (51-13), Duke (46-18) and Maryland (33-31) have more wins in that span ... Tech's winning percentage is fifth-best over that time (add Boston College to the previous three teams).

Career Double-Doubles

2005-06 Season

A.D. Vassallo (1)
at Wake Forest (29* pts./10* rebs.)

2006-07 Season

A.D. Vassallo (1)
at Georgia Tech (19 pts./10 rebs.)

2007-08 Season

Jeff Allen (10)
vs. Elon (19 pts./10 rebs.)*
at Penn State (18 pts./14 rebs.)*
vs. UNC Greensboro (16 pts./12 rebs.)
vs. George Washington (10 pts./10 rebs.)
at Old Dominion (13 pts./16 rebs.)*
vs. Charleston Southern (10 pts./10 rebs.)
at Maryland (14 pts./14 rebs.)
vs. Boston College (13 pts./10 rebs.)
at Clemson (11 pts./12 rebs.)
vs. Miami, ACC Tourny (10 pts./10 rebs.)

A.D. Vassallo (2)
at Wake Forest (19 pts./11 rebs.)*
at Boston College (14 pts./11 rebs.)*

J.T. Thompson (1)
at Boston College (14 pts./12 rebs.)*

2008-09 Season

Jeff Allen (2)
vs. Xavier (22 pts./11 rebs.)
vs. Seton Hall (17 pts./17 rebs.)
* - career highs at the time

The Hokies in Puerto Rico

After going 1-2 in the 2008 O'Reilly Auto Parts Puerto Rico Tip-Off, the Hokies are now 5-4 in games played in Puerto Rico ... The Hokies finished second in the Puerto Rico Shootout in 1994, defeating Montana State and Nebraska, before falling to Illinois in the finals ... In 1999, Tech finished third in the San Juan Shootout, also with a 2-1 overall record.

Close Games

With the loss to Seton Hall, the Hokies are 28-30 under **Seth Greenberg** in games that were decided in overtime or by five-or-fewer points ... Tech is 2-2 this season, was 6-8 in such games last season and had a 5-5 record in such games two years ago ... The 14 games decided by five-or-fewer points or in overtime last season led the ACC ... Three conference wins came in overtime against nationally-ranked teams last season ... Tech was 2-10 in such games in the 2005-06 season, with 10 games being decided in the final seconds of action.

Hey, That's a Lot of Games

The Jan. 19, 2008 game at Georgia Tech marked the Hokies' 2,300th all-time game.

Where to Find It

Many Virginia Tech men's basketball facts are available on hokiesports.com ... Below is a listing of URLs that may be helpful to the media.

The Last Time:

<http://www.hokiesports.com/lasttime.html>

Tech's all-time games against ranked opponents:

<http://www.hokiesports.com/mbasketball/rankedopp.html>

Opponent History:

<http://www.hokiesports.com/mbasketball/opponents.html>

Past Schedules:

<http://www.hokiesports.com/mbasketball/pastschedules.html>

All-time overtime games:

<http://www.hokiesports.com/lasttime.html> go to men's basketball and toggle the "Show Only OT Games" butto.n

The Last Time page is customizable to search a wide range of topics.

New this season, player bio pages have a new and improved career stats section ... Available now are career highs, multiple splits and career game-by-game stats.



Malcolm Delaney in the 2007-08 ACC Tournament.

Hokie Notes

Virginia Tech Athletic Communications

ON THE INTERNET

www.hokiesports.com

The official Web site of Virginia Tech athletics provides media and fans with schedules, results, rosters, bios, statistics, general releases and game notes on the Hokies.

The Gameday section has live stats, radio and television coverage information and other pertinent information. This section is for home games only.



hokiesports.com

A media-only Web site is designed to make the media's job easier. Here you will find high-resolution, color mug shots of every Hokie basketball player and coach available to download. Please contact the Athletics Communications Office for access to this media-only site.

www.theacc.com

Updated standings, results, schedules, statistics and notes are on the site each week during the season.

What's Up Next

The Hokies are off until Sunday afternoon, when they travel to Washington, D.C., to play Navy in the 2008 BB&T Classic at the Verizon Center ... Game time is 5 p.m. and the game will be televised by MASN.

Our Name, Please

When referring to Virginia Tech, we ask that you please leave it at that - Virginia Tech ... Virginia Tech University is not now and never has been a name for the school ... The official name of the university is Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University ... "VahTech", VPI, VPI&SU, VPI and SU and Va. Tech are also not recognized names and should not be used ... VT is acceptable as a shortended, agate form ... When referring to the school by its nickname, please use "Hokies" ... Your help in these matters is appreciated.

Attendance Figures

Virginia Tech, like other ACC schools, announces total tickets distributed at each home game ... That number includes season tickets, individual game tickets and student tickets.

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Radio

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The Days of the Week

(Under Seth Greenberg)

	Overall	Conference
Monday	7-1	0-0
Tuesday	12-6	5-6
Wednesday	22-11	11-6
Thursday	6-9	2-6
Friday	11-5	1-1
Saturday	27-26	18-18
Sunday	7-14	3-9
Totals	92-72	40-46

New Practice Facility Coming

Virginia Tech has begun construction on a new \$19 million basketball practice facility ... Construction on the 49,000 square-foot complex, to be located adjacent to the east of Cassell Coliseum, is scheduled for a completion date of August 2009 ... More information on the facility is available on pages 158-159 of the 2008-09 Virginia Tech men's basketball media guide.

VT vs. The Conferences

ACC	0-0
Atlantic-10 (Richmond, Xavier).....	0-1
Big East (Seton Hall).....	0-1
Big South (Gardner-Webb, CSU)	1-0
Big Ten (Wisconsin).....	0-0
Independent (Longwood).....	0-0
Ivy League (Columbia).....	0-0
MAAC (Fairfield).....	1-0
Northeast Conference (Mt. St. Mary's)	1-0
Patriot (Navy)	0-0
SEC (Georgia)	0-0
Southern (Elon).....	1-0
Total	4-2

VT vs. The States

(UNDER SETH GREENBERG)

	OVERALL	CONFERENCE
ALABAMA	1-0	
CALIFORNIA	1-0	
CONNECTICUT	1-1	0-1
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	3-1	2-0
FLORIDA	9-6	7-6
GEORGIA	4-2	4-2
INDIANA	0-2	0-1
ILLINOIS	1-2	
IOWA	1-0	
MARYLAND	14-2	4-2
MASSACHUSETTS	3-4	3-4
MICHIGAN	0-2	
MISSISSIPPI	0-2	
MONTANA	1-0	
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1-0	
NEW JERSEY	3-3	2-2
NEW YORK	4-2	1-1
NORTH CAROLINA	20-17	8-15
OHIO	0-4	
PENNSYLVANIA	1-4	0-3
RHODE ISLAND	1-0	1-0
SOUTH CAROLINA	3-4	2-4
TENNESSEE	1-1	
VIRGINIA	15-11	4-5
WASHINGTON	1-1	
WEST VIRGINIA	3-1	2-0
TOTALS	92-72	40-46

On This Date

Virginia Tech is 14-11 in games played on Dec. 1 ... Tech won its last two games on this date, including a 65-51, win over UNC Asheville last year ... Tech is 0-1 against Big Ten schools on this date, a 92-68 loss to Illinois in 1996 in Hilo, Hawaii.

A Little More on A.D.

A.D. Vassallo is currently fifth among active players in career scoring in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Hokie Notes

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES

VIRGINIA TECH

Points

25	Malcolm Delaney vs. Seton Hall
24	A.D. Vassallo vs. Fairfield
22	Jeff Allen vs. Xavier
22	A.D. Vassallo vs. Seton Hall
19	Jeff Allen vs. G-W
19	A.D. Vassallo vs. G-W
18	Malcolm Delaney, MSM
18	Jeff Allen vs. Fairfield

Rebounds

17	Jeff Allen vs. Seton Hall
11	Jeff Allen vs. Xavier
10	A.D. Vassallo vs. Xavier
9	Jeff Allen vs. G-W
9	Jeff Allen vs. MSM
9	A.D. Vassallo vs. Seton Hall
9	Jeff Allen vs. Elon

Assists

8	A.D. Vassallo vs. Xavier
6	A.D. Vassallo vs. G-W
5	Malcolm Delaney vs. Xavier
5	Malcolm Delaney vs. Seton Hall
4	five times

Steals

4	Jeff Allen vs. Xavier
4	Jeff Allen vs. Elon
3	Jeff Allen vs. MSM
3	Malcolm Delaney vs. MSM
2	four times

Blocks

5	Jeff Allen vs. Fairfield
3	Jeff Allen vs. Xavier
2	seven times

OPPONENTS

Points

23	Jeremy Hazell, Seton Hall
21	Grayson Flittner, G-W
19	Jean Cajou, MSM
19	Brett James, Elon
18	Ola Atoyebi, Elon

Rebounds

10	Joshua Henley, G-W
10	Markus Mitchell, MSM
9	Auryn MacMillan, G-W

Assists

6	Jordan Theodore, Seton Hall
5	Jonathan Han, Fairfield
5	Chris Long, Elon
4	four times

Steals

3	Auryn MacMillan, G-W
3	Jeremy Hazell, Seton Hall
3	Paul Gause, Seton Hall
2	four times

Blocks

3	John Garcis, Seton Hall
2	Terrell Holloway, Xavier

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Points for Pondering

Led VT in Scoring: Vassallo (3), Allen (2), Delaney (2), Davila (1)
Double Figure Scoring Games: Allen (6), Delaney (6), Vassallo (5), Hudson (1), Davila (1)
30-point Games: none
20-29-point Games: Vassallo (2), Allen (1), Delaney (1)
Led VT in Rebounding: Allen (6)
Double Figure Rebounding Games: Allen (2), Vassallo (1)
Led VT in Assists: Vassallo (4), Delaney (3), Allen (2)
Double Figure Assist Games: none
Double-Doubles: Allen (2)
Most Points in a Half: 42 (2nd vs. Elon)
Fewest Points in a Half: 23 (1st vs. MSM)
Most Points Allowed in a Half: 43 (2nd vs. Seton Hall)
Fewest Points Allowed in a Half: 23 (1st vs. Xavier)
Largest Lead: 21 pts. (74-53 vs. Fairfield)
Largest Deficit: 8 pts. (35-43 vs. MSM)
Largest Margin of Victory: 17 pts. (74-57 vs. Fairfield)
Largest Margin of Defeat: 4 pts. (77-73 vs. Seton Hall)
Largest Deficit Overcome in a Victory: 8 pts. (35-43 vs. MSM)
Largest Lead Lost in a Loss: 15 pts. (29-15 vs. Seton Hall)
Largest Halftime Lead: 14 pts. (40-26 vs. G-W)
Largest Halftime Deficit: 1 pt. (23-24 vs. MSM)
Average Margin of Victory: 8.5 ppv
Average Margin of Defeat: 2.5 ppl
Average Margin: +4.9 ppg

Winning in Blacksburg

Seth Greenberg is 92-72 in his five seasons at Virginia Tech ... With the win over Gardner-Webb in the season-opener, Greenberg passed Don DeVoe into fifth place on the all-time coaching wins list at Virginia Tech ... Next on the list is Bill Foster, who was 101-78 in his six seasons in Blacksburg ... Greenberg served on Foster's staff at the University of Miami in the '80s ... Charlie Moir is the winningest head coach in Virginia Tech history with a 213-119 all-time record.

Hokies vs. Ranked Teams

The Hokies were 0-6 vs. ranked teams last season The Hokies were 4-1 against nationally-ranked teams two years ago, and 3-0 against teams ranked in the top 5 nationally ... Tech is 6-18 against nationally-ranked teams since joining the ACC for the 2004-05 season and 7-22 against nationally-ranked teams under **Seth Greenberg** ... Tech is 23-127 all-time against teams ranked in the AP poll ... Tech's last two games against ranked teams last season were determined by a total of three points and both games were away from Cassell Coliseum.

Family Tradition

Two Hokie players don't need any introductions ... **J.T. Thompson** was joined on the Tech team in December 2007 by his cousin, **Dorenzo Hudson** ... Hudson and **Jeff Allen** were teammates at Hargrave Military Academy two years ago, as well.

Seth Gets His 300th

Seth Greenberg won his 300th game as a collegiate head coach in the Hokies' 94-62 win over Morgan State in the first round of the 2008 NIT on March 19, 2008 ... Greenberg now has a career record of 305-242 (.558) in 18 seasons as a collegiate head coach and is 92-72 (.561) in his five-plus seasons at Virginia Tech.

Tech Loves the Garden

Madison Square Garden is quickly becoming a second home to the Hokies ... This season, Virginia Tech will return to defend their title in the Aeropostale Holiday Festival ... Since **Seth Greenberg** took over as the Hokies' head coach in 2003, Tech has played five games in "The World's Most Famous Arena" and has a 4-1 record in those games.

A Sweeping Statement

During the Hokies' four seasons in the ACC, Tech has swept the season series from league foes six times, including a single-season high three sweeps last year ... In the 2007-08 season, the Hokies swept Virginia, Maryland and Boston College ... The year before, Tech swept North Carolina and Miami and in the Hokies' inaugural ACC season, 2004-05, Tech swept the Hurricanes ... The 2006-07 sweep over North Carolina was even more impressive, considering the Tar Heels were ranked #1 and #4 in the two games.

Compare & Contrast

VT	UW
68.7.....	Points.....67.3
63.8.....	Points Allowed.....58.0
41.8%.....	FG%.....44.5%
38.7%.....	FG% Defense.....41.5%
32.2%.....	3FG%.....38.6%
26.7%.....	3FG% Defense.....35.1%
74.1%.....	FT%.....70.8%
38.3.....	Rebounds.....33.8
+4.2.....	Rebound Margin.....+5.7
15.0.....	Assists.....12.2
14.2.....	Turnovers.....13.2
5.5.....	Steals.....4.7
5.7.....	Blocks.....4.3

Hokie Notables, 2007-08

100 Times Two

Hank Thorns had 113 assists last season and **Malcolm Delaney** dished out 107 assists during the 2007-08 season ... Jamon Gordon and Zabian Dowdell each registered at least 100 assists in the 2006-07 season ... Virginia Tech was the only ACC team with two freshmen with at least 100 assists last season.

A Strong Freshman Class

Virginia Tech's 2007-08 freshman class of **Jeff Allen, Terrell Bell, Malcolm Delaney, Dorenzo Hudson, J.T. Thompson, Hank Thorns** and **Tom Amalfe** averaged 35.1 points per game - eighth-best scoring average by an ACC freshmen class since freshmen became eligible in 1972-73 ... In ACC games, their numbers increased to 36.9 ppg.

School	Year	W/L	PG
Duke	1982-83	11-17	52.9
Georgia Tech	1982-83	13-15	46.9
Clemson	1995-96	18-11	44.4
North Carolina	2002-03	19-16	42.1
Duke	1999-00	29- 5	40.5
North Carolina	2005-06	23- 8	39.8
Wake Forest	1978-79	12-15	38.1
Virginia Tech	2007-08	21-14	35.1
Wake Forest	1990-91	19-11	35.0
Maryland	1993-94	18-12	34.8
Clemson	1974-75	17-11	34.4

Home Wins

The Hokies finished the 2007-08 season 14-3 in Cassell Coliseum ... That marks the most home wins for the Hokies since the 1982-83 season, when Tech was 16-1 in the Cassell ... The team's 27 combined wins at home over the last two seasons is the most for a two-year stretch in school history.

Man of Steal

In the loss at Clemson, **Jeff Allen** broke the record for freshman steals at Virginia Tech, previously 58 by Dell Curry in the 1982-83 season ... Allen finished the season with 69 steals and was in 10th place in single season steals at Virginia Tech ... In the win over Maryland on Jan. 12, Allen recorded a then-career-high five steals ... It was also a then-season-high in steals for any Hokie ... In the loss at NC State, Allen surpassed that with a new career-high and team season-high of six steals ... The last time a Tech freshman had six or more steals in a game was the 2003-04 season, when Jamon Gordon had an eight-steal-game and seven steal game ... Allen's six steals in the NC State game ties a Virginia Tech record for most steals in an ACC game, set four times in the past ... The six steals tied an ACC season-high last year, set six other times.

What We Did

Here is a list of several Virginia Tech school marks that were surpassed last season.

Free Throws Attempts by a Senior

Deron Washington	219	214
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Fouls by a Senior

Deron Washington	103	102
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Games Played by a Junior

A.D. Vassallo	35	35
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Steals by Freshman

Jeff Allen	69	58
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Assists by Freshman

Hank Thorns	113	112
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Rebounds in an ACC game

51 at Boston College, 1-26-08	(49)
51 vs. Miami, 3-14-08	

Ind. Steals in an ACC game

6, Jeff Allen at NC State, 2-5-08	(6)
6, Hank Thorns at Maryland, 2-20-08	

Games Played by a Senior

Deron Washington	35	34
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Blocked Shots in a Season

2007-08	168	160
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Hokie Honors, 2007-08

Greenberg Earns ACC Honors

Virginia Tech men's basketball coach **Seth Greenberg** was named the 2008 Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year, as selected by members of the Atlantic Coast Sports Media Association ... This is the second time in the team's four seasons in the league that Greenberg has earned the honor ... Greenberg previously earned the award in 2005, the team's inaugural season as a member of the ACC ... Greenberg is the first ACC coach to win the award at least twice in a three-year span since Duke's Mike Krzyzewski won the award three times between 1997 and 2000.

We Are Honored

Three Virginia Tech players have earned All-ACC honors last season ... **A.D. Vassallo** was named to the All-ACC second team, as selected by members of the Atlantic Coast Sports Media Association ... Teammate **Deron Washington** earned an honorable mention ... **Jeff Allen** was named to the All-ACC Freshman team ... Both Washington and Allen were honorable mention on the All-ACC Defensive team.

ACC Tournament Honors

Virginia Tech's starting guards, **A.D. Vassallo** and **Malcolm Delaney**, were each named to the ACC All-Tournament second team on March 16.

Commonwealth Honors

Virginia Tech's **Seth Greenberg** was named the Virginia Coach of the Year by the Virginia Association of Sports Information Directors ... Virginia Tech's **A.D. Vassallo** was named first team All-State by VaSID ... **Deron Washington** was named to the second team and **Jeff Allen** received honorable mention.

Washington, Vassallo Honored

Hokie wings **Deron Washington** and **A.D. Vassallo** were named to the District 4 second team by the National Association of Basketball Coaches.

Vassallo Honored

A.D. Vassallo won the Lou Carnesecca Award, given to the MVP of the Aeropostale Holiday Festival.

Man of Steal II

Hank Thorns tied **Jeff Allen**'s season-high with six steals in the win at Maryland ... This marks a new career-high for Thorns and he is second on the team with 40 steals ... It's not just steals for Thorns this season ... He dished out a career-high seven assists in the Hokies' win over Boston College on Feb. 26.

A New Record

Hank Thorns finished the 2007-08 season with 113 assists on the season ... That sets the Virginia Tech record for assists in a season by a freshman, originally set by Bimbo Coles in the 1986-87 season, with 112 ... **Malcolm Delaney** finished the season with 107 assists.



2008-09 Virginia Tech Roster

Alphabetical Listing

No.	Name	POS	HT	WT	CL	HOMETOWN (HS/OTHER)
0	Jeff Allen	F	6-7	230	So.	Washington, D.C. (Hargrave Military Academy)
1	Terrell Bell	F	6-6	205	So.	Stone Mountain, Ga. (Stone Mountain)
14	Victor Davila	F	6-8	245	Fr.	Canovanas, P.R. (Starmount, N.C.)
32	Paul Debnam	G	6-3	195	Jr.	Farmville, Va. (Prince Edward County)
23	Malcolm Delaney	G	6-3	170	So.	Baltimore, Md. (Towson Catholic)
34	Cheick Diakite	C	6-9	217	Sr.	Bamako, Mali (Bridgton Academy, Me.)
5	Dorenzo Hudson	G	6-5	220	So.	Charlotte, N.C. (Hargrave Military Academy)
11	Chris Panneton	F	6-8	215	Fr.	Fairfax, Va. (South County)
42	Gene Swindle	C	6-11	260	Fr.	Miami, Fla. (Gulliver Prep)
4	Evan Synstad	G	6-3	190	So.	The Plains, Va. (Fauquier)
33	J.T. Thompson	F	6-6	210	So.	Monroe, N.C. (Hope Christian Academy)
10	Hank Thorns	G	5-9	160	So.	Las Vegas, Nev. (Las Vegas Valley)
40	A.D. Vassallo	F/G	6-6	216	Sr.	Toa Baja, P.R. (Hargrave Military Academy)
15	Terrance Vinson	F	6-8	215	r-Jr.	Valdosta, Ga. (Lowndes)
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Coaching Staff

Head Coach: Seth Greenberg (Fairleigh Dickinson, 1978)

Assistant Coaches: James Johnson (Ferrum, 1993)

Ryan Odom (Hampden-Sydney, 1996)

Stacey Palmore (Livingstone, 1993)

Director of Men's Basketball Operations: Adrian Autry (Syracuse, 1994)

Assistant Director of Strength & Conditioning: David Jackson (Virginia Tech, 1997)

Athletic Trainer: Keith Doolan (Tusculum, 1999)

Video Coordinator: Ryan Dowley (Liberty, 2000)

Virginia Tech Pronunciation Guide

Cassell Coliseum	Castle
A.D. Vassallo.....	vuh-SIGH-oh
Cheick Diakite.....	sheck jha-KEY-tay
Terrell Bell.....	tuh-RELL
Chris Panneton.....	PAN-eh-tun
Victor Davila	DAH-vuh-luh
Gene Swindle.....	SWIN-duhl
Evan Synstad.....	SIN-stad

Jeff Allen goes to the hoop in the win over Miami in the 2007-08 ACC Tournament.



The Last Time That The Hokies...

- Tech scored 100 points and won: 102-50 vs. Maryland-Eastern Shore, 11-23-04
- Tech scored 100 points and lost: 106-113 OT vs. Virginia (at Richmond), 1-25-89
- Tech played in overtime: 62-63 vs. Xavier, 11-21-08
- Tech played in consecutive overtime games: 75-74 at Clemson, 2-8-06 & 77-81 at Virginia, 2-11-06
- Tech played 2 OT: 84-75 vs. High Point, 12-30-00
- Tech played 3 OT: 86-90 at WVU, 2-2-83
- Tech scored 100+ points: 102-50 vs. Maryland-Eastern Shore, 11-23-04
- Tech scored 90-99 points: 94-62 vs. Morgan State, 3-19-08
- Tech scored 80-89 points: 80-58, vs. Wake Forest, 3-4-08
- Tech scored 70-79 points: 76-67 vs. Elon, 11-26-08
- Tech scored 60-69 points: 62-63 vs. Xavier, 11-21-08
- Tech scored 50-59 points: 53-92 at North Carolina, 2-16-08
- Tech scored 40-49 points: 49-52 at Richmond, 1-3-08
- Tech scored 30-39 points: 33-43 at East Carolina, 1966-67 season
- Tech scored 20-29 points: 27-40 at McGuire Gen., 1945-46 season
- Tech scored 10-19 points: 16-45 at Virginia, 1938-1939 season
- Tech scored less than 10 points: 7-31 at W&L, 1922-1923 season
- Tech allowed 100+ points: 100-65 at Duke, 1-30-05
- Tech allowed 90-99 points: 53-92 at North Carolina, 2-16-08
- Tech allowed 80-89 points: 72-81 vs. Mississippi (NIT), 3-26-08
- Tech allowed 70-79 points: 73-77 vs. Seton Hall, 11-23-08
- Tech allowed 60-69 points: 76-67 vs. Elon, 11-26-08
- Tech allowed 50-59 points: 74-57 vs. Fairfield, 11-20-08
- Tech allowed 40-49 points: 75-49, vs. UAB, 3-24-08
- Tech allowed 30-39 points: 68-36 vs. George Washington, 12-9-07
- Tech allowed 20-29 points: 31-25 vs. Richmond, 1945-1946 season
- Tech allowed 10-19 points: 60-19 vs. Lynchburg College, 1945-1946 season
- Tech allowed less than 10 points: 28-9 vs. Hampden-Sydney, 1922-1923 season
- Largest margin of victory: 83 points vs. Randolph Macon Academy 87-4, 1910-11 season
- Last time two Tech players recorded double-doubles in a single game: Deron Washington (14 points/12 rebounds) and Jeff Allen (10 points/10 rebounds) vs. Miami, ACC Tournament, 3-14-08
- Last time a Tech player had five or more steals: Jeff Allen (6) at NC State, 2-5-08
- Last time a Tech player had 10 or more assists in a game: Jamon Gordon (11) vs. North Carolina A&T, 12-7-05
- Last time two Tech players had double figures in rebounds: Jeff Allen (11 rebounds) and A.D. Vassallo (10 rebounds) vs. Xavier, 11-21-08
- Last time two Tech players had five or more assists: A.D. Vassallo (8) & Malcolm Delaney (5) vs. Xavier, 11-21-08
- Last time two Tech players scored 20 or more points: Malcolm Delaney (25) & A.D. Vassallo (22) vs. Seton Hall, 11-23-08
- Last time a Tech player scored 30-39 points in a game: 33, Zabian Dowdell at North Carolina, 2-13-07
- Last time a Tech player scored 40-49 points in a game: 42, Bimbo Coles vs. Rutgers, 12-27-90
- Last time a Tech player scored 50+ points in a game: 51, Bimbo Coles vs. Southern Miss., 2-6-88
- Last time that Tech defeated a ranked opponent on the road: 81-80 (OT) at No. 4 North Carolina, 2-13-07
- Last time that Tech defeated a ranked opponent at home: 67-64 (OT) vs. No. 21 Maryland, 1-21-07
- Last time a Tech player had consecutive double-doubles: Jeff Allen, 11-21 & 11-23-08



Virginia Tech Streaks				
	Total	Home	Road	Neutral
Overall	Won 1	Won 3	Lost 1	Lost 2
ACC*	Lost 1	Won 3	Lost 1	---
Non-Conference	Won 1	Won 3	Lost 1	Lost 3
* - regular season games only				
Longest winning streak this season	3	11-14/11-20		
Longest losing streak this season	2	11-21/-23		

2008-09 Starters	
Hudson, Diakite, Allen, Delaney, Vassallo	4-2

