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2003-04 Wrestling

Quick Facts

Location	Blacksburg, Va.
President	Dr. Charles Steger
Director of Athletics	. Jim Weaver (Penn State, 1967)
Enrollment	28,000
Conference	Eastern Wrestling League
	(BIG EAST for all other sports)
Nickname	Hokies
Colors	Chicago maroon & burnt orange
2002-03 Record	0-13
	0-6
	Seventh
	T-46th
	Keith Mourlam/Eighth
	lowa/1977
	44-62-1
	Same
	Wes Hand/Second
	lowa/2001
	Scott Justus/First
	Anderson (S.C.) College/1996
Wrestling Office Phone	(540) 231-9357
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Home Facility	Cassell Coliseum (10,052)
	4/6
Returning NCAA Qualifiers	David Hoffman (133 — 2002)

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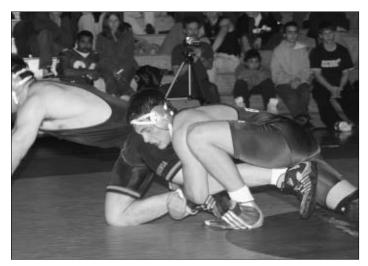
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Canaan Prater returns for his third year in the starting lineup. After a solid freshman campaign, an injury sidelined him for most of last year, but he will be counted on heavily this year.

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The 2003-04 Hokies

Name Steve Borja	Wt. 174	Year So.	Hometown Bowmansville, Pa.	High School Garden Spot	Other	2002-03 8-11	Career Record 8-11
Ryan Broughman	125	Fr.	Roanoke, Va.	Lord Botetourt		N/A	N/A
Aaron Brown	141	SoTR	Pottstown, Pa.	Owen J. Roberts	Hill School/George Mason Univ.	0-3	0-3
Reed Carpenter	149	Jr.	Arlington, Va.	Bishop O'Connell		12-11	26-28
Andrew Donofrio	157	r-Fr.	Oxford, Pa.	St. Mark's (Del.)		redshirted	l N/A
Johnny Gallagher	141	Fr.	Herndon, Va.	Herndon		N/A	N/A
Elliot Gray	165	Fr.	Flemington, N.J.	Hunterdon Central	Regional	N/A	N/A
Shaun Guttridge	174	Jr.	Manassas Park, Va.	Manassas Park	_	1-8	3-25
David Hoffman	133	r-So.	Spring City, Pa.	Hill School		redshirted	29-10
Donny Ooton	141	Fr.	Chesapeake, Va.	Great Bridge		N/A	N/A
Tomas Ovalle	174	Jr.	Lorton, Va.	Hayfield		4-8	9-29
Canaan Prater	197	Jr.	Grundy, Va.	Grundy		4-7	16-19
Tyde Prater	141	r-Fr.	Grundy, Va.	Grundy		redshirted	l N/A
Chris Smolko	133	Fr.	Williamsburg, Va.	Lafayette		N/A	N/A
Chris Stith	165	JrTR	Virginia Beach, Va.	Cox	Neosho C.C.	15-8	15-8
David Talebian	165	Fr.	Herndon, Va.	Herndon		N/A	N/A
Joe Thompson	125	r-Fr.	Roanoke, Va.	Northside		N/A	N/A
Jerome Villanueva	174	Sr.	Alexandria, Va.	Hayfield		2-6	2-6
Kris Wiedegreen	285	Sr.	Blacksburg, Va.	Blacksburg		5-8	7-16

Head Coach: Keith Mourlam (8th season)
Assistant Coach: Wes Hand (2nd season)
Volunteer Assistant: Scott Justus (1st season)

Media Information

Credentials

Home matches are held at Cassell Coliseum and are free of charge. No credentials are needed for entrance. Media interested in attending the matches are encouraged to call the Virginia Tech Sports Information Office for further information.

Interviews

Please schedule all interviews through the Virginia Tech Sports Information Office — (540) 231-3387.

For interviews with head wrestling coach Keith Mourlam or any of the Hokie wrestlers, please contact Assistant Sports Information Director Bryan Johnston at the Virginia Tech Sports Information Office — (540) 231-3387.

Coach Mourlam is usually available for interviews between 10 a.m. and noon, Monday through Thursday. Players will be available for interviews according to class and practice schedules. At no time will an athlete's phone number be released to the media.

Post-Match Interviews

Coach Mourlam and players will be available after matches following a short cool-down period. Please make all requests for interviews with Bryan Johnston at the mat-side scorer's table.

Match Results

Match results will be available immediately following the conclusion of the match, and will also be faxed to the opposing team's

Pronunciation Guide								
Ryan BROUGHMAN	BRO-man							
Andrew DONOFRIO								
Donny OOTON	EWW-ton							
TOMAS OVALLE	Toe-MAS oh-VOL-yay							
CANAAN PRATER								
TYDE PRATER	Tide PRAY-tur							
David TALEBIAN								
Jerome VILLANUEVA	Vill-uh-noo-WAY-vuh							
Kris WIEDEGREEN	WEE-duh-green							

sports information office. Media can access the statistics either in the sports information office or via the Internet. Log onto the official Web site for Tech athletics, www.hokiesports.com, for complete results, stats, bios and stories.

Directions to Blacksburg

From the north, south or east, take Interstate 81 south to exit 118B. Follow US 460 west to Blacksburg.

From West Virginia, take Interstate 77 south (West Virginia Turnpike) to exit 9. Exit and turn left. Follow 460 east to Blacksburg.

Once in Blacksburg, use the 460 bypass around the downtown area. Follow 460 to the signal at Southgate Drive (Va. 314). Turn into campus, and proceed one-half mile on Southgate Drive. Turn left onto Duck Pond Drive then right on Washington Street. Cassell Coliseum will be on the right. There is a parking lot on Spring Road, beside Cassell Coliseum.

Media Outlets

A story, complete with agate, will be sent to the following media outlets which cover Virginia Tech wrestling.

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Richmond Times-Dispatch	(804) 649-6554	(804) 775-8085
Collegiate Times, Blacksburg	(540) 231-9867	(540) 231-5057
WDBJ-TV, Roanoke	(540) 985-3623	(540) 343-7269
WSLS-TV, Roanoke	(540) 981-9126	(540) 343-2059

The Outlook

Hokies Looking to Put Last Season Behind Them

Coming off an 0-13 season in which almost nothing went right, the Virginia Tech wrestling team is not looking back at that 2002-03 campaign. Instead, this young group of talented wrestlers is looking to make some noise in the Eastern Wrestling League one last time before joining a new conference next year.

Despite a new attitude and the slogan of "Back to Basics," the fact still remains that Tech struggled last season, its best wrestler from a year ago graduated, and the EWL is one of the toughest conferences in the nation.

But not all is gloom and doom in Blacksburg. Several wrestlers who redshirted a year are expected to contribute heavily and a year of experience for numerous guys should do wonders. Throw in several freshmen who could step in right away and head coach **Keith**Mourlam has good reason to be excited about this season.

"This team is a lot better," Mourlam says. "I've got some very talented kids, but we're so young right now. A lot of them haven't had a bunch of college matches, so that will be a key for us. But there's at least five guys who could qualify for NCAAs."

Here's a look at each weight class and who figures into the mix:

125 — The Hokies will have some talent at 125 pounds with true freshman Ryan Broughman expected to handle most of the duty. The Roanoke, Va., native had a lot of success in high school, but Mourlam thinks he might be a little undersized right now. "I think he's going to be good, but he's 15 pounds lighter than anyone in the room right now, so we'll see how that factors into his success," Mourlam says.

Backing up Broughman will be **Joe Thompson**, a freshman walkon from Roanoke, Va.

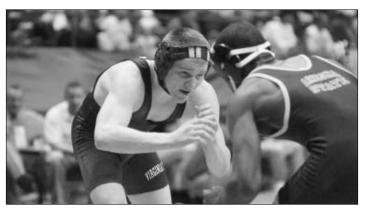
133 — After posting a 29-10 record as a freshman and advancing deep into the NCAA Championships, **David Hoffman** took a redshirt year last season. The sophomore is back and isn't shy about his goals for this year. The Spring City, Pa., native is talking All-America honors and is aiming for the NCAA title. "He's told me he's not going to the NCAAs just to place," Mourlam says. "He's worked hard over the past year. He's bigger, stronger and more mature. He can be as good as he wants to be this year."

Backing him up will be **Chris Smolko**, a freshman from Williamsburg, Va.

141 — The 141-pound job is up for grabs right now, according to Mourlam. Redshirt freshman **Tyde Prater** and true freshman **Donny Ooton** are battling for the spot. "Both guys are talented, but I'm not sure what's going to happen there yet," Mourlam says. "Regardless, we should be solid at this weight class."

Also looking to figure into the shuffle is sophomore **Aaron Brown**, who held down the starting spot last year until tearing his ACL. **Johnny Gallagher**, a walk-on from Herndon, Va., is also looking for time on the mat at this weight class.

149 — Junior Reed Carpenter returns as the starter at 149 pounds. Last year, the Arlington, Va., native posted a 12-11 mark for the Hokies. Mourlam has a big decision here. If he goes with Ooton at 141 pounds, look for Prater to bump up to this class and challenge Carpenter for the spot. "Prater is caught between weights," Mourlam



After redshirting last season, sophomore David Hoffman (shown above at the 2002 NCAAs) is looking to return to the NCAA Championships this season and has set his goals high.

says. "Right now, you have to give the edge to Carpenter because he was the starter last year, but Prater is a very talented wrestler. We'll see how things shake up there."

157 — After sitting out last season while taking a redshirt year, Andrew Donofrio will make his much-anticipated debut for the Hokies this season. Donofrio was one of the top-rated recruits coming out of high school, where he won four state titles and earned All-America recognition. "Andrew hasn't seen any live action in over a year, so it's going to be interesting to see how he starts off," Mourlam says. "But he's got the talent to do very well this year."

165 — Junior **Chris Stith** is the clear leader at this weight class after wrestling at 157 pounds a year ago. Last season, he posted a 15-8 record, but faded down the stretch and failed to place at the EWL Championships or qualify for the NCAAs.

David Talebian, a walk-on from Herndon, Va., and **Elliot Gray**, a walk-on freshman from Flemington, N.J., and brother of former Tech All-American Sean, will push Stith to get better and will wrestle in tournaments.

174 — Sophomore Steve Borja will hold down the starting 174-pound spot after seeing limited action a year ago. As a freshman, Borja posted an 8-11 record overall, 5-5 in EWL matches. "He took his lumps last year as a true freshman, but Steve is a talented wrestler from Pennsylvania who I expect to turn things around this year," Mourlam says.

Senior **Jerome Villanueva**, who has wrestled just eight matches in his career, will be counted on for senior leadership in the practice room and depth at the upper weight classes. Junior **Tomas Ovalle** wrestled in 12 matches last year, but suffered a torn MCL in preseason. He should be back and ready to go for the season.

184 — Junior Shaun Guttridge spent his first two years wrestling anywhere between 157 and 197 pounds. Last year, he wrestled up four weight classes to help the team after injuries decimated the upper weight classes. Despite a valiant effort, Guttridge was outmanned in most matches. This year, he's put on some weight, added strength and is ready to go at 184 pounds. If needed, Villanueva, Borja or Ovalle could move up to this class.

197 — **Canaan Prater** was en route to an excellent sophomore season before a concussion sidelined him for much of the year. In the offseason, he put on 10 pounds of weight and has grown into a 197-pounder's body.

Heavyweight — Senior **Kris Wiedegreen** is the only man at this class. The 25-year-old is a mature wrestler who is exceptionally strong and will be in most matches.

Head Coach Keith Mourlam

Since taking over the Virginia Tech wrestling program prior to the 1997 season, head coach Keith Mourlam has turned Tech into a national-caliber program, capable of contending for conference titles and putting top-notch wrestlers on the mat against quality opponents.

In six years, he has led the Hokies to league championships, coached numerous league champions and helped Sean Gray and Chris Martin earn All-America honors.

Recognized nationally for his feats, Mourlam was named Amateur Wrestling News' Rookie Coach of the Year in 1997 and Colonial Athletic Association Coach of the Year in 1998.

He led the Hokies to back-to-back top-25 finishes at the NCAA Championships in both 2000 and 2001. In 2002, he had three wrestlers qualify, including top-seeded Scott Justus and third-seeded Gray. NCAA qualifier David Hoffman earned Freshman All-America honors from *Amateur Wrestling News*.

Under his tutelage, Gray became Tech's all-time greatest wrestler, leaving the school with several records, including career wins, pins, pins in a season and career winning percentage. Gray is also the only two-time All-American in wrestling at Tech.

With a final record of 10-8 in 1997, Mourlam became the first Tech head coach to lead his squad to a season finish above .500 and earn double-digit wins in his first year.

In the 1999-2000 season, Mourlam led the Hokies to a 10-7 overall record, a third-place finish in the EWL and a 19th-place finish at the NCAA Championships. Five of his wrestlers qualified for the NCAAs while Gray and Martin earned All-America honors. For his efforts, Mourlam was named both the Virginia state and EWL Coach of the Year. In the 2000-01 season,



four wrestlers qualified for the NCAAs and led the Hokies to a tie for 23rd place as Gray once again earned All-America status.

A championship wrestler at the University of Iowa — one of the top wrestling programs in the nation — Mourlam began his first year as the head wrestling coach at Virginia Tech after serving as coach Jerry Cheynet's top assistant during the 1995-96 season.

As the recruiting coordinator during that year, Mourlam signed an outstanding recruiting class which earned accolades from *Amateur Wrestling News* as the 21st-best incoming class in the nation, a first for a Tech wrestling team.

In the 1997-98 season, Mourlam guided Tech to a 9-4 record, a perfect 5-0 mark in the CAA, the CAA dual-meet title, the CAA Tournament title and sent four wrestlers to the NCAAs.

Mourlam continues to put Virginia Tech wrestling on the map as the Hokies accepted an invitation six years ago to join the highly competitive Eastern Wrestling League.

Mourlam had the opportunity to use his coaching expertise in national competition as he served as the head coach for the United States freestyle team at the Pan American Games in

Mourlam's Profile

PERSONAL

Birthdate: July 16, 1955
Birthplace: Webster City, Iowa

EDUCATION

High School: Webster City H.S. College: University of Iowa

(B.S. leisure studies, 1977)

COACHING EXPERIENCE

1995-96: Assistant Coach, Virginia Tech
1993-95: Head Coach, Newport News Apprentice
1984-87: Assistant Coach, University of Iowa
1982-84: Assistant Coach, Northern Iowa University

Virginia Tech Record: 44-62-1 (6 seasons)

1996-present: Head Coach, Virginia Tech

Winnipeg, Canada in 1998. The previous year he served as the assistant coach for the United States Senior team at the Pan American Games in San Juan. Puerto Rico.

Mourlam came to Tech as a standout coach and collegiate wrestler. The 1977 lowa graduate has been a part of four NCAA Championship teams — two as a student-athlete in 1975 and '76, and two as the assistant coach at his alma mater in 1985 and '86. During his senior year, Mourlam was the Big Ten Conference champion and runner-up for the NCAA title at 126 pounds.

Following his illustrious college career, Mourlam continued competing and was a two-time United States Wrestling Federation freestyle champion in 1981 and '82. During those two years, he traveled as a member of an international team competing in Germany, Cuba and Hungary.

Immediately out of college, Mourlam became the assistant coach at the University of Northern lowa for a two-year stint. He then moved on to assist nationally-recognized head coach Dan Gable at lowa for three years. Gaining considerable experience with a highly respected coach and collegiate program, Mourlam worked as an assistant from 1984 until 1987 when he took over the position of administrative assistant. In that position, Mourlam had the opportunity to run the Dan Gable Training Camps.

"Keith is very intense and knows the sport inside and out," former lowa head coach Dan Gable said. "He is an excellent teacher and has a great ability to communicate his knowledge of the sport to his athletes. Keith has been around championship teams and knows what it takes to win. He will do an excellent job at Virginia Tech."

Mourlam was named the Wrestling Coach of the Year for Division II & III Virginia collegiate state champion Newport News Apprentice School for two consecutive years in 1994 and 1995. He was head coach there until accepting the assistant job at Tech.

Mourlam expanded his coaching expertise from the collegiate ranks to international competition beginning in 1992 when he was the assistant coach of the Senior United States wrestling team. Among his long list of coaching accomplishments, Mourlam has acted as the head coach of the championship East team in the 1994 Olympic Festival, head coach of the 1995 USA Senior Freestyle team and head coach of the 1995 USA World Espior Freestyle team.

Wes HAND



Two-time collegiate All-American Wes Hand begins his second year as the top assistant for the Hokie wrestling program. He came to Tech after serving as a volunteer assistant coach for two seasons at the University of Iowa, his alma mater.

While wrestling at lowa, Hand recorded a career record of 102-32 with 18 falls while earning four letters. He was a runner-up at

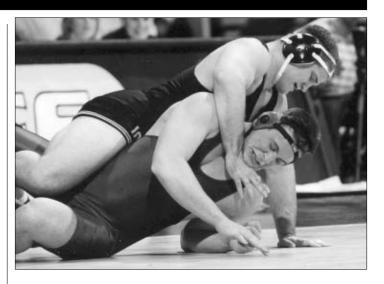
heavyweight in 2000 and placed eighth in the country in 1998.

As a senior, Hand also was the runner-up at the Big Ten Championships, posting a 31-3 season record. He went 17-1 in dual meets and 8-0 in Big Ten duals. Hand won the title at the Midlands Open and the Central Missouri Open. Two of his losses were to eventual national champion Brock Lesnar of Minnesota. He avenged his only other loss to Trent Hynek of Iowa State with an 8-3 victory in the semifinals of the NCAA Championships. He also defeated Lesnar, 5-3, in the final dual match of his career. In addition, he was the winner of the Mike Howard Most Valuable Wrestler Award at Iowa.

As a junior, in 1999, Hand placed eighth at the Big Ten Meet. He posted a 27-7 season record, going 9-2 in dual meets. He was 3-2 in Big Ten duals, but missed the last nine dual meets of the season due to an ankle injury. He placed first at the Northern Iowa Open, third at the Ryan-Kaufman Brand Open and fourth at the Midlands Championships. Hand started the season strong, winning the first 19 collegiate matches. He also scored four major decisions and three technical falls during the season and won the Team Contribution Award.

In 1998, Hand earned his first All-America honors after placing eighth at the NCAA Meet. He placed fourth at the Big Ten Meet, won the title at the Northern Iowa Open and placed fourth at the Midlands Championships. For the season, he posted a record of 23-12, 10-6 in dual matches, with two pins.

As a redshirt freshman in 1997, he placed seventh at the Big



Ten Meet. His season record was 21-9 with three pins and he placed fourth at the Midlands Championships, winning five consecutive wrestleback matches. That year, he won a 3-2 decision over Iowa State's Trent Hynek to seal a 20-18 Hawkeye dual victory in Ames. For his effort, he won the Team Contribution award.

In 1996, Hand redshirted. He recorded a 6-4 mark with three falls while wrestling unattached.

At South Tama High School, Hand was a Second-Team All-American and first-team all-state as a senior. He compiled a career record of 163-16 with 87 falls. As a senior, he was a state champion, posting a 44-0 mark with 32 pins. He also won the Junior Nationals title as a senior. Hand lettered in football as well, and was an honor roll member.

A native of Tama, Iowa, Hand, 27, graduated from the University of Iowa in 2001 with a B.S. in health, leisure and sport studies.

Scott JUSTUS



Scott Justus begins his first year with the Virginia Tech wrestling program as a volunteer assistant coach. Justus is a familiar name to Hokie wrestling fans, lettering 2000-2003 as one of the greats in recent history in Blacksburg.

In 2002, he went undefeated in the regular season, earning a No. 1 seed at 184 pounds at the NCAA Championships. He

finished that year with a 30-2 record.

The .938 winning percentage stands as the highest singleseason mark in school history.

Justus recorded a career record of 98-31, qualifying for the NCAA Championship four times. His 98 wins put him in fourth place all-time at Tech in career victories.

Justus, a native of Grundy, Va., won the EWL title in 2001 and twice placed second at that meet.

He was a three-time Virginia AA state champion at Grundy High School and is working toward his degree in physical education at Virginia Tech.

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Eric Cross .
Equipment Manager



Jesse Donnenwerth ger Student Trainer



Amy Freel Staff Nutritionist



Terry Mitchell Strength Coach



Drew Scales
Academics

Meet The Hokies



Steve BORJA

174 • Sophomore Bowmansville, Pa. Garden Spot H.S.

Is much improved over last year as a wrestler, both technically and physically ... Struggled last season adapting as a freshman ... Coaches are looking for good things to happen with him this year ... Is the starter at 174 pounds until someone takes the job from him.

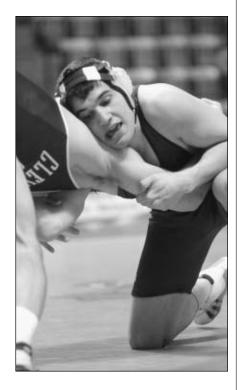
2002-03: Posted an 8-11 overall mark as a true freshman ... Wrestled mostly at 174 pounds, but saw action in two matches at 184 pounds ... Went 4-7 in dual meets and 5-5 in EWL matches

... Had one technical fall, coming against Jack Fleming of Princeton at the PSU Open ... Earned 12 team points in dual meets and nine in EWL meets ... Placed sixth at the EWL Tournament.

High School: Earned four varsity letters at Garden Spot High School for coaches Steve Borja and Ray Kahler ... Was the state runnerup as a junior ... Won the state championship in his senior season ... Twice named the league Wrestler of the Year ... A two-time regional champion ... Also lettered in baseball for three

years ... A three-time

section all-star ...



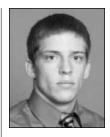
Garnered Most Valuable Player honors at the 2001 Keystone Games ... Named the Outstanding Senior Athlete.

Personal: Steven Thomas Borja, Jr., was born December 2, 1983, in Reading, PA ... The son of Steve and Cheryl Borja ... Father was a two-time wrestling All-American at Division II Lycoming College and is currently a wrestling coach at Garden Spot High School ... Majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise.

Borja's Career Stats

 Year
 Overall
 Dual
 Leag. M.Dec. T.Fall
 Falls
 Time
 Pts.

 2002-03
 8-11
 4-7
 5-5
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 12



Ryan BROUGHMAN

125 • Freshman Roanoke, Va. Lord Botetourt H.S.

One of the hardest workers in the practice room ... Is very talented and athletic ... Size will be a factor as he is a little small right now ... Will likely be the starter at 125 pounds.

High School: Earned four varsity letters at Lord Botetourt High School for Coach Tater Benson ... A two-time Virginia AA state champion ... Claimed the 103-pound title as a junior ... Won the 112-pound title as a senior ... Went 41-0 his final year ... Only two opponents scored on him that year ... Went 81-2 over his last two seasons ... Also lettered in cross country three times ...

Personal: Ryan Lee Broughman was born February 4, 1985, in Tacoma, WA ... The son of Raymond and Tracy Broughman ... Enrolled in university studies.



Aaron BROWN

141 • Sophomore-Transfer Pottstown, Pa.
Owen J. Roberts/George Mason U.

Suffered a torn ACL last year after holding down the starting job ... A very talented transfer ... Is much improved ... Will compete for time at 141 pounds ... Wrestled at the same school as Tech sophomore David Hoffman.

2002-03: Posted an 0-3 record at 141 pounds ... Wrestled two matches at the Keystone Classic ... Lone dual meet action came against Minnesota.

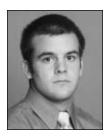
2001-02: Did not see any action on the mat while at George Mason University.

High School: Wrestled four years at Owen J. Roberts High School for Coach Howard Sage ... Placed third at the Pennsylvania Class AAA Championships as a senior ... Posted a career record of 137-13 with 76 falls as a Wildcat, setting school records for victories and pins ... Was a three-time sectional, District I and South East Region champion ... Wrestled at The Hill School as a postgraduate in 2000-01 ... Placed fifth at the National Prep Championships that season ... Finished second at 1998 Cadet Freestyle Championships ... Also earned three letters in soccer ... Named to the all-area team as a stopper.

Personal: Aaron Matthew Brown was born February 6, 1982, in Phoenixville, PA ... The son of Gary and Priscilla Brown ... Majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

Brown's Career Stats

Year Overall Dual Leag. M.Dec. T.Fall Falls Time Pts. 2002-03 0-3 0-1 0-0 0 0 0 — 0

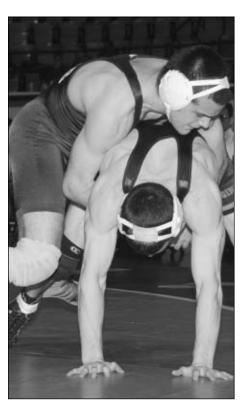


Reed CARPENTER

149 • Junior Arlington, Va. Bishop O'Connell H.S.

The returning starter at 149 pounds ... Is the top contender at that spot this year ... Had a solid sophomore campaign ... Worked hard over the summer ... Has improved greatly ... A very hard worker.

2002-03: Came on late to finish his sophomore season strong ... Went 12-11 on the season, finishing fourth at 149 pounds at



the EWL Tournament ... Went 6-5 in dual meets and 5-5 in league matches ... Recorded one major decision and a fall ... Pin came at the 1:06 mark against Jason Jones of Appalachian State in a dual meet ... Recorded 21 team points in dual meets and nine in EWL meets.

2001-02: Came in and made an immediate impact on the program ... Started every dual meet at 149 pounds as a true freshman ... Posted a 14-17 overall record ... Went 4-10 in dual meets and 1-5 in EWL action ... Recorded two falls

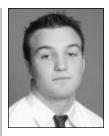
and one major decision ... Earned 15 points for the team in dual meets and three in conference action ... Placed third at the Navy Classic and fourth at the Virginia State Championships.

High School: Lettered four times at Bishop O'Connell High School for Coach Bill Carpenter ... Finished his career with a 210-17 record with 122 pins ... Holds the Virginia state record for career victories ... Was a four-time state champion.

Personal: William Reed Carpenter was born August 2, 1982, in Fairfax, VA ... The son of Bill and Debbie Carpenter ... Majoring in math education.

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Year (Overall	Dual	Leag. M	l.Dec.	T.Fall I	Falls	Time	Pts.
2001-02	14-17	4-10	1-5	1	0	2	2:15	15
2002-03	12-11	6-5	5-5	1	0	1	1:06	21
Totals	26-28	10-15	6-10	2	0	3	1:06	36



Andrew DONOFRIO

149 • r-Freshman Oxford, Pa. St. Mark's (Del.) H.S.

One of the most talented wrestlers on the team ... Was one of the top recruits coming out of high school ... Was redshirted last season ... Hasn't seen a live match in over a year ... Will make a big impact on Virginia Tech wrestling right away ... Could make waves in the Eastern Wrestling League.

2002-03: Was redshirted.

High School: A four-time state champion at St. Mark's High School ... Earned four letters for Coach Steve Bastianelli ... Named the Delaware Wrestler of the Year ... A three-time runner-up at the Beast of the East Tournament ... Received All-America recognition ... Earned academic honors his senior year.

Personal: Andrew Joseph Donofrio was born May 7, 1984, in New York, NY ... The son of Janice and Joseph Donofrio ... Enrolled in university studies.



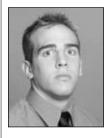
Johnny GALLAGHER

141 • Freshman Herndon, Va. Herndon H.S.

A talented wrestler from Virginia ... Is a hard worker ... Will provide good depth at 141 pounds.

High School: Lettered four times for coaches Carl Spimerwebber and Steve Sobo at Herndon High School ... Placed third at the state meet his senior season.

Personal: John Gallagher was born July 21, 1985, in Herndon, VA ... The son of Lonny and Pat Gallagher ... Majoring in business.



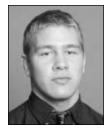
Elliot GRAY

165 • Freshman Flemington, N.J. Hunterdon Central Regional H.S.

One of the hardest working athletes in the practice room ... has only been wrestling for two years ... Gives 110 percent all the time ... Should improve as the season goes along.

High School: Earned two varsity letters at Hunterdon Central Regional High School for Coach Steve Gibble ... Placed second in the district ... Also lettered in football and lacrosse.

Personal: Elliot Jerome Gray was born August 16, 1984, in Flemington, NJ ... The son of Ingrid and Geoffrey Gray ... Brother, Sean, was a two-time All-America wrestler at Tech ... Enrolled in university studies.

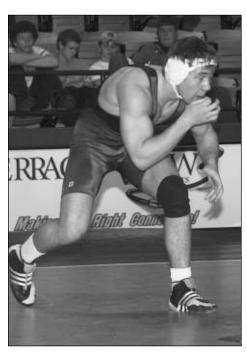


Shaun GUTTRIDGE

174 • Junior Manassas Park, Va. Manassas Park H.S.

Certified at 174 pounds, but will likely wrestle at 184 pounds ... Helped out the team last year at 197 pounds ... Should be much more competitive at 184 pounds ... Struggled at times last season, but placed for the Hokies at the EWL Championships.

2002-03: Was certified at 157 pounds, but helped the team out by moving up four weight classes when injuries sidelined starters ... Went 1-8 on the season ... Was 0-1 at 157 pounds, 1-1 at 184



pounds and 0-6 at 197 pounds
... Went 1-4 in dual meets and 0-6 in league matches ... Lone win came against Ram McDonnell of Virginia, a 1-0 win ... Placed sixth at the EWL Tournament at 197 pounds.

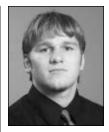
2001-02: Filled in at both 157 and 165 pounds for the Hokies ... Went 2-17 on the year ... Was 0-6 in dual meets and 0-4 in EWL action ... Was 2-7 at 157 pounds ... Both victories came at the UNC Open.

High School: Lettered four times for Coach Richard Fitzsimmons at Manassas Park High School ... Posted a career record of 112-39 ... Capped off his career with a Group A State Championship as a senior at 152 pounds ... Went 41-1 in his final year ... Took second in the state at 140 pounds as a junior and qualified for the state tourney as both a freshman and a sophomore ... Also lettered three times in football, four times in baseball and once in cross country.

Personal: Shaun Michael Guttridge was born July 20, 1983, in Alexandria, VA ... The son of Bruce and Tamara Guttridge ... Majoring in theatre and arts.

Guttridge's Career Stats

Year (Overall	Dual	Leag. N	I.Dec.	T.Fall	Falls	Time	Pts.
2001-02	2-17	0-6	0-4	0	0	0	_	0
2002-03	1-8	1-4	0-6	0	0	0	_	0
Totals	3-25	1-10	0-10	0	0	0	_	0



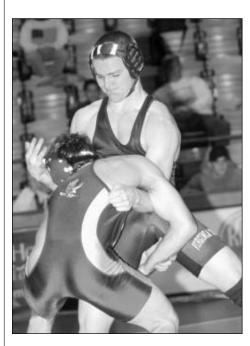
David HOFFMAN

133 • r-Sophomore Spring City, Pa. The Hill School

Will be the starter at 133 pounds ... Is capable of becoming an All-American ... Took a redshirt year last season ... Is ranked in the top 10 preseason ranking at 133 pounds ... Worked hard all summer ... Tech's top returning wrestler and the only one with NCAA Championship experience ... Is dedicated to achieving high goals.

2002-03: Was redshirted.

2001-02: Came in with high expectations and didn't disappoint ... Went 29-10, earning Freshman All-America honors from *Amateur Wrestling News* ... Qualified for the NCAA Championships, where he won two matches ... Eliminated 12th-seeded Rad Martinez of Clarion before knocking out Chris



Spaeller of Lock Haven ... Went 12-3 in dual meet action and 4-3 in EWL meets ... Recorded 10 falls, two major decisions and two technical falls ... Earned 58 points for the Hokies in dual meets and 18 in EWL action ... Took first at the Virginia State Championships, third at the Navy Classic, fifth at the Penn State Open and sixth at the EWL Tournament ... Picked up big wins during the season, pinning nationallyranked Cory Ace of

Edinboro University and Shawn Amistade of Pittsburgh ... Was ranked as high as 17th at one point during the season by *InterMat Wrestling*.

High School: Lettered five times at The Hill School for Coach Tom Hutchinson ... Was a five-time Pennsylvania prep state champion ... Finished his career with a 195-17 record ... Also finished as the runner-up one year and in third place another year at the prep national championships.

Personal: David Allan Hoffman was born August 18, 1982, in Bryn Mawr, PA ... The son of Steve and Donna Hoffman ... Majoring in physical education.

Hoffman's Career Stats

Year	Overall	Dual	Leag. M.	Dec. T	Fall F	alls	Time	Pts.
2001-02	2 29-10	12-3	4-3	2	2	10	1:20	58
2002-03 Was redshirted								
Totals	29-10	12-3	4-3	2	2	10	1:20	58



Donny OOTON

141 • Freshman Chesapeake, Va. Great Bridge H.S.

One of the top wrestlers coming out of the state of Virginia last year ... Will challenge for time on the mat ... One of the hardest workers in the practice room ... Should contend for the 141-pound spot ... Wants to succeed like none other ... Comes from an excellent high school program.

High School: Wrestled for Coach Steve Martin at Great Bridge High School ... Posted a high school record of 156-14 ... Recorded 75 falls ... Was named an All-American by Wrestling USA Magazine ... A three-time Virginia state champion ... Won the AAA 125-pound title as a sophomore at Atlee High ... Won the AA 145-pound title at Lafayette High ... Won the AAA 135-pound title his senior season at Great Bridge High ... Won the Central Region title as a freshman ... Won his district and region as a junior ... As a senior, finished second at the Ironman, fourth at the Beast of the East, first in the Hornet Holiday Classic, first in the Southeastern District, first in the Eastern Region and first in the AAA State Tournament defeating Edison's Sam Alveranga for the title ... Went on to finish sixth in the nation at Senior Nationals ... Was the 1998 National Folkstyle champion ... Was the 1998 Greco Roman national champion.

Personal: Donald Alton Ooton III was born April 25, 1985 ... The son of Donald and Denis Ooton ... Enrolled in university studies.



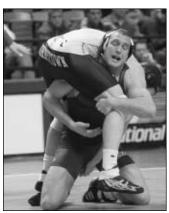
Tomas OVALLE

174 • Junior Lorton, Va. Hayfield H.S.

A great athlete ... Suffered a torn MCL in the preseason, but should be ready to go ... Is a very hard worker ... Is battling for time at 174 pounds, but could move up to 184 pounds if needed.

2002-03: Saw limited action in the mat ... Went 4-8 overall ... Won three matches at the West Virginia Open ... Went 0-4 in dual

meets and 0-1 in EWL action.



2001-02: Was the starter at 174 pounds for the Hokies as a true freshman ... Went 5-21 overall ... Wrestled in all 15 dual meets, posting a 2-13 record ... Went 1-6 in EWL action ... Had one major decision and one technical fall ... Earned seven points for Tech in dual meets and three in EWL action ... Placed sixth at the Navy Classic.

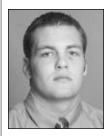
High School: Lettered four times at Hayfield High School

for Coach Roy Hill ... Finished third in the AAA State Meet at 171 pounds ... Finished his career with a 106-28 record ... Placed at the state meet twice ... Was a two-time Patriot District and Northern Region champion ... A member of the Virginia/USA National Wrestling Team ... Gained a decision over Jonas Corl of Lord Botetourt H.S., 6-5, in the 2001 Virginia Challenge.

Personal: Gonzalo Tomas Ovalle was born March 8, 1982, in Chile ... The son of Gonzalo Ovalle ... Majoring in physical education.

Ovalle's Career Stats

Year C	verall	Dual	Leag. M	.Dec.	T.Fall F	alls	Time	Pts.
2001-02	5-21	2-13	1-5	1	1	0	_	7
2002-03	4-8	0-4	0-1	0	0	0	_	0
Totals	9-29	2-17	1-6	1	1	0	_	7



Canaan PRATER

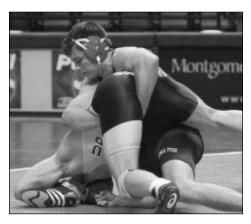
197 • Junior Grundy, Va. Grundy H.S.

Returning from an injury that cost him much of the season ... Is much improved this year ... Has gotten a lot stronger ... Has grown into a 197-pounder's body ... Coaches are expecting big things out of him this year ... Comes from an excellent high school program.

2002-03: Was sidelined midway through the season with a concussion

... Never returned to the mat after the injury ... Went 4-7 overall ... Posted a 2-4 record in dual meets and 0-1 in the EWL ... Had one pin, coming at the 2:30 mark against Drew Roberts of UT-Chattanooga in a dual meet.

2001-02: Started the season as a redshirt, but came



on late to fill a spot at 197 pounds ... Was one of the biggest surprises of the season ... Posted a 12-12 overall mark in his shortened season ... Went 4-7 in dual meets and 1-4 in the EWL ... Recorded two major decisions and one fall ... Earned 16 team points in dual meets and six in the EWL ... Won his weight class at the Virginia State Championships ... Placed sixth at both the Penn State Open and Eastern Wrestling League Tournament ... Also went 4-3 as an unattached wrestler, placing sixth at the UNC Open.

High School: Lettered four times at Grundy High School for Coach Travis Fiser ... A two-time state champion and a three-time finalist ... Regional champion twice and Southwest District champion three times ... Also lettered in football four times ...

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Earned All-Southwest Virginia honors three times and all-region once.

Personal: Michael Canaan Prater was born February 7, 1982, in Grundy, VA ... The son of Gary and Tammy Prater ... Brother, Tyde, is a freshman on the wrestling squad ... Enrolled in university studies.

Prater's Career Stats

Year	Overall	Dual	Leag. M	.Dec.	T.Fall Fa	alls	Time	Pts.
2001-02	12-12	4-7	1-4	2	0	1	3:41	16
2002-03	4-7	2-4	0-1	0	0	1	2:30	9
Totals	16-19	6-11	1-5	2	0	2	2:30	25



Tyde PRATER

141 • r-Freshman Grundy, Va. Grundy H.S.

Comning off a redshirt season ... Is the early leader at 141 pounds to take the starting job ... Could also bump up to 149 pounds and take that job ... A very talented athlete ... Is one of the best athletes in the program ... Brings a lot of quickness and strength to the mat ... Coaches are expecting a lot out of him right away ... Comes from an excellent high school program.

2002-03: Was redshirted after suffering an ankle injury early in the season.

High School: Four-year letterwinner for Coach Travis Fiser at Grundy High School ... Finished second in the state as a freshman ... State champion in his sophomore, junior and senior years ... A three-time team MVP ... Went undefeated in his senior campaign ... Named the state Wrestler of the Year as a senior ... Club team was the Grundy Wrestling Club ... Also lettered four years in football ... Was named to the all-district and all-region teams as both a wide receiver and quarterback in 2001.

Personal: Gabriel Tyde Prater was born January 25, 1984, in Grundy, VA ... The son of Gary and Tammy Prater ... Brother of Tech's Canaan Prater ... Enrolled in university studies.



Chris SMOLKO

133 • Freshman Williamsburg, Va. Lafayette H.S.

Will provide solid depth at 133 pounds ... A good wrestler from the state of Virginia ... Is very competitive in the practice room ... Has only been wrestling a few years ... Should improve as the season goes on.

High School: Earned four varsity letters at Lafayette High School ... Placed fourth in the 2003 AA state meet at 135 pounds ... Finished fifth at 119 pounds as a sophomore ... A two-time district and regional winner ... Placed second in the Junior Freestyle States with the PWA that summer.

Personal: Christopher Smolko was born July 26, 1985, in Massachusetts ... The son of Robert and Peggie Smolko ... Enrolled in university studies.



Chris STITH

165 • Junior-Transfer Virginia Beach, Va. Cox H.S./Neosho C.C.

Should be better moving up to the 165-pound class ... Is stronger than he was a year ago ... A physical presence ... Coaches were disappointed with his finish last year ... Can make an immediate impact if he wrestles like he practices.

2002-03: Had a productive season at 157 pounds ... Went 15-8 overall ... Won the West Virginia Open in his first tournament ... Posted a 6-5 mark in dual meets and 6-4 in the EWL ... Placed second at the Keystone Classic and fifth at the EWL Tournament ... Recorded three major decisions and two falls ... Earned 25 points for the Hokies in dual meets.

Neosho C.C.: Attended Neosho for two years, earning All-America honors on the mat last season ... Wrestled for Coach Terry Pack ... Redshirt his first year, posting a 22-6 record as an unattached wrestler ... Went 33-9 overall ... Was a team captain ... Helped lead his team to a national runner-up finish ... Placed



seventh last year at the National Junior College Championships (NJCC) at 157 pounds.

High School: Wrestled four vears at Cox High School for Coach Jamie Kelly ... Was a state champion as a senior and a high school All-American ... Was named the Outstanding Wrestler his senior vear ... Wrestled for the Peninsula Wrestling Association.

Personal: Chris Stith was born August 9,

1982, in Hampton, VA ... The son of Carol and Willbert Stith ... Majoring in residential property management.

Stith's Career Stats

 Year
 Overall
 Dual Leag. M.Dec. T.Fall Falls
 Time Pts.

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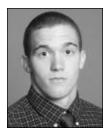
David TALEBIAN

165 • Freshman Herndon, Va. Herndon H.S.

A walk-on who will provide good depth at 165 pounds ... Is a hard worker ... Will get better as he adjusts to collegiate wrestling.

High School: Lettered four times for coaches Carl Spimerwebber and Steve Sobo at Herndon High School ... Was captain of his squad ... Placed fifth in the AAA state meet ... Placed second in the state in the Cadet Greco Roman meet ... Placed third in the state at the Freestyle Cadet meet ... Was a member of the 2001 and 2002 Virginia National Team.

Personal: David Ali Talebian was born August 7, 1985, in Arlington, VA ... The son of Sedi Talebian ... Majoring in business.



Joe THOMPSON

125 • r-Freshman Roanoke, Va. Northside H.S.

A walk-on who had success as a Virginia high school wrestler ... Should provide good depth at both 125 and 133 pounds.

High School: Lettered four times at Northside High School for Coach Mark Agner ... Was the 2002 AA state runner-up ... Was a member of the 2002 Virginia Freestyle team ... Holds the school record for the most career wins with 117.

Personal: Joseph Thompson was born November 17, 1983, in Roanoke, VA ... The son of David and Lori Thompson ... Majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise.



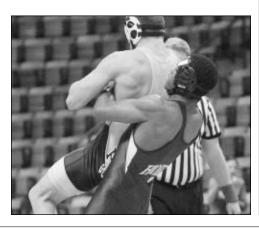
Jerome VILLANUEVA

174 • Senior Alexandria, Va. Hayfield H.S.

Will be counted on for senior leadership ... If he can stay healthy, he should help the team ... Adds depth at both 174 and 184 pounds.

2002-03: Did not see any action on the mat in varsity matches.

2001-02: Sat out the fall semester



while focusing on his academics ... Came back in the spring semester to wrestle eight matches ... Posted a 2-6 mark ... Went 0-4 in dual meets and 0-2 in the EWL ... Had one fall and one major decision ... Both of his wins came in the Virginia State Championships ... Went 0-1 as an unattached wrestler.

2000-01: Did not see any action for the Hokies.

High School: Lettered three times at Hayfield High School for Coach Roy Hill ... Placed third in the district and fourth in the regionals ... Was the Maryland freestyle state champion ... Finished first in both the Greco-Roman and freestyle at the Virginia State Games ... Also lettered twice in football.

Personal: Jerome Villanueva was born April 28, 1982, in Detroit, MI ... The son of John and Francine Villanueva ... Majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise.

Villanueva's Career Stats								
Year	Overall	Dual	Leag.	M.Dec.	T.Fall	Falls	Time	Pts.
2001-02	2 2-6	0-4	0-2	1	0	1	1:20	0
2002-03	3 0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	_	0
Totals	2-6	0-4	0-2	1	0	1	1:20	0



Kris WIEDEGREEN

HWT • Senior Blacksburg, Va. Blacksburg H.S.

Is the lone heavyweight on the team ... Has worked hard in the offseason ... Coaches are expecting good things from him ... Is a good team leader ... Is a mature athlete ... Will bring leadership to a young team.

2002-03: Split time at heavyweight ... Posted a 5-8 overall mark ... Went 1-4 in dual meets and

0-1 in EWL action ... Lone dual meet win came against Matt Seaberg of UT-Chattanooga, a 5-3 win.

2001-02: Provided good depth at the heavyweight spot ... Went 2-8 on the year ... Lost his lone dual meet match, which came against Clarion ... Participated in the West Virginia Open, Navy Classic, Penn State Open and Virginia State Championships.

High School: Lettered once at Blacksburg High School for Coach Lee Worley ... Placed fifth in the regionals in 1996.



Personal: Kristiaan Erik Wiedegreen was born March 12, 1978, in Gainesville, FL ... The son of Eric and Sandy Wiedegreen ... Majoring in sociology.

Wiedegreen's Career Stats								
Year O	verall	Dual	Leag. N	I.Dec.	T.Fall	Falls	Time	Pts.
2001-02	2-8	0-1	0-1	0	0	0	_	0
2002-03	5-8	1-4	0-1	0	0	0	_	0
Totals	7-16	1-5	0-2	0	0	0	_	0

2002-03 Season In Review Hokies struggle despite Justus' success

The 2002-03 Virginia Tech wrestling squad featured several promising newcomers and a good mix of veterans, but in the end, the Hokies couldn't catch a break when they needed one most.

The team, led by senior Scott Justus, struggled with injuries and a tough schedule en route to an 0-13 dual meet record.

Tech opened the season at the West Virginia Open, where Justus and newcomer Chris Stith captured their weight class titles. Justus took the 184-pound crown while Stith, a junior college transfer from Neosho (Kan.) C.C., won the 157-pound title.

Tomas Ovalle went 4-2 at the tournament while Jim Miller posted a 3-2 mark at 149 pounds.

At the Keystone Classic, Stith continued his hot start as he took second place. Freshman Kyle Graham notched a second-lace finish at 125 pounds.

The dual meet season opened up in as tough of a situation as one can imagine as the Hokies took to the road to face two-time defending national champion and third-ranked Minnesota.

Tech scored its lone points of the match when Justus got a 21-8 major decision over Casey Flaherty. The senior from Grundy, Va., led 13-4 following one period after ending the first stanza with a near fall.

Leading 14-4 heading into the final period, the eighth-ranked Justus got three takedowns and a point for riding time to make it 21-8.

Justus and Canaan Prater headed west for the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Open. Justus posted a 3-2 mark while Prater won his first match of the tournament before sustaining an injury and was forced to default the rest of the way.

Following the Cliff Keen tourney, Tech returned to Blacksburg for its home opener against Chattanooga. The Hokies, put up a fight, but fell, 27-15. Heavyweight Kris Weidegreen, along with Reed Carpenter, Steve Borja and Canaan Prater came out with wins.

The Hokies dropped a home match against Ohio University before heading to Hampton, Va., for the Virginia Duals. There, the Hokies took on No. 19 Hofstra and Brown before being eliminated.

Eastern Wrestling League action then began in mid-January as the Hokies traveled to Pennsylvania to take on Lock Haven and Bloomsburg.

Against Lock Haven, Carpenter Stith and Borja earned decisions and Justus pinned his man, but it wasn't enough as the Hokies dropped a 29-15 decision to the Bald Eagles.

Despite four individual victories, the Tech wrestling team fell to Bloomsburg University, 25-14, the next day. Justus, Miller, Carpenter and Mike Cox all picked up wins, but the Hokies still dropped their second match in as many days.

After a loss at Pittsburgh, the Hokies returned home for two winnable meets, against Appalachian State and the University of Virginia.

Against the Mountaineers, Tech came close to picking up its first win of the season, but couldn't finish, dropping a 23-17 heartbreaker. The Hokies trailed by just three points heading into the final match after Justus earned a major decision at 197 pounds, but Pete Pool dropped a 9-6 decision and the Hokies fell to 0-9.

Pool jumped out to a 6-4 lead after one period and led 6-5 heading into the final stanza.

But with under 30 seconds left, ASU's David Hazell took down Pool right to his back, picking up two near-fall points to win 9-6 and giving State the 23-17 win.

The next night, Tech squad dropped an 18-16 dual meet decision to the University of Virginia Saturday night at Cassell Coliseum, despite winning five matches on the night.

The match started at 197 pounds, where Justus, ranked 14th in the nation at 184 pounds, earned a 15-9 decision over Zach Freday. With the win, Justus improved to 85-27 for his career.

The Hokies traveled to Morgantown, for a bout with No. 9 West Virginia, but were only able to come away with two pins — coming from Justus and Stith — as the Mountaineers rolled to a 36-12 win.

After the Edinboro match, scheduled to take place in Grundy, Va., was cancelled due to icy road conditions, Tech wrapped up its dual meet season with a 26-15 loss to No. 25 Cleveland State and a 32-10 loss to Clarion.

At the EWL Championships, Tech placed seventh out of eight teams.

Justus, the 2002 EWL Champion at 184 pounds, fell short of his goal to reclaim the title, falling to Cleveland State's Gerald Harris in a hard-fought match.

Harris, then ranked fourth in the nation, led throughout, but Justus had the opportunity to tie up the match in the closing seconds of the third and final period.

However, he could not manage the necessary takedown and fell 8-6 to finish in second place.

Justus qualified for the NCAA Championships for the fourth time, as the top three wrestlers in each weight class, as well as eight wild-card selections, are chosen to represent the EWL at Nationals.

Despite losing in the first round, Cox earned a spot in the thirdplace match at 165 by winning two matches on Sunday.

Unfortunately, Cox dropped a major decision to Jason Gilligan, 10-2, ending his hopes for an NCAA bid.

Also wrestling in the finals for the Hokies were Carpenter, Stith, Borja and Guttridge.

Carpenter finished fifth at 149, defeating Clarion's Jim Perry, 3-1, while Stith also placed fifth with a 3-1 decision over Jeremy Reitz of Clarion at 157 pounds.

Borja fell to sixth place at 174 with a 3-2 loss to Cleveland State's Matt Klinger, and Guttridge took sixth at 197, getting pinned by West Virginia's Adrian Thomspon at the 5:10 mark.

Justus was the lone Hokie to qualify for the NCAA Championships, earning a No. 12 seed. Justus dropped a 7-4 decision to unseeded Ben Wissel of Purdue in a first round pigtail match, but then came back in the night session to upset 11th-seeded Travis Frick of Lehigh, 9-3, in the first round of the wrestlebacks.

Justus wasn't done for the night, as he downed unseeded Brian Neuman of Duquesne, pinning him at the 2:10 mark to move into Friday's action.

Justus moved two steps closer to his goal of becoming just the fourth All-American in Tech wrestling history on that Friday afternoon by winning two matches in the consolation bracket.

In his first match of the day, Justus cruised past unseeded Austen Palmer of Iowa State, 9-2, to advance in the consolation bracket.

After a break, he came back to beat unseeded Ryan Halsey of Cal-Poly, 10-8, in the third round of wrestlebacks.

The dream, and Justus' career, ended in the next round as he was beaten by second-seeded Greg Parker of Princeton, 14-2, in the fourth round of the consolation bracket.

The loss ended Justus' career just one win shy of attaining All-America status. For the season, he went 23-7 while finishing second at the EWL Championships at 184 pounds.

The four-time NCAA qualifier won the EWL title as a junior. His final record goes down as 98-31, placing him fourth all-time at Tech in wrestling for career victories.

2002-03 DUAL MEET RESULTS

Overall Record: 0-13; EWL: 0-6

Date		Opponent	Site Re	sult/Score
Dec.	1	at Minnesota	Minneapolis, Minn.	L, 4-46
	14	Chattanooga	Blacksburg, Va.	L, 15-27
Jan.	5	Ohio University	Blacksburg, Va.	L, 7-36
	10	vs. #18 Hofstra	Hampton, Va.	L, 6-34
	10	vs. Brown	Hampton, Va.	L, 9-21
	17	at Lock Haven *	Lock Haven, Pa.	L, 15-29
	18	at Bloomsburg *	Bloomsburg, Pa.	L, 14-25
	25	at Pittsburgh *	Pittsburgh, Pa.	L, 9-31
	31	Appalachian State	Blacksburg, Va.	L, 17-23
Feb.	1	Virginia	Blacksburg, Va.	L, 16-18
	9	at #9 West Virginia *	Morgantown, W.Va	. L, 12-36
	15	Edinboro *	Grundy, Va.	Cancelled
	22	#25 Cleveland State *	Blacksburg, Va.	L, 15-26
	23	Clarion *	Blacksburg, Va.	L, 10-32
Mar.	8-9	EWL Championships	Morgantown, W.Va	. 7th/8
Mar. 2	0-22	NCAA Championships	Kansas City, Mo.	T-46th



Scott Justus went 23-7 overall last season, placing second at the EWL Championships and qualifying for the NCAA Championships.

2002-03 WRESTLING STATISTICS

	Re	cords		Major	Tech	F	astest	Points	EWL Pts	Career	Career
	Overall	Dual	EWL	Dec.	Fall	Fall	Time of	own/opp.	own/opp.	Overall	Duals
Steve Borja	8-11	4-7	5-5	0	1	0	_	12/27	9/11	8-11	4-7
Aaron Brown	0-3	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	_	0/6	0/0	0-3	0-1
Reed Carpenter	12-11	6-5	5-5	1	0	1	1:06	21/22	9/15	26-28	10-15
Michael Carr	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	_	0/0	0/0	6-5	2-2
Mike Cox	3-16	1-12	3-7	0	0	0	_	3/42	3/16	24-48^	11-33^
Andrew Donofrio	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	_	0/0	0/0	0-0	0-0
Chris Engle	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	_	0/0	0/0	0-0	0-0
Kyle Graham	6-6	0-2	0-0	1	0	1	3:14	0/12	0/0	6-6	0-2
Stephen Goldenzy	weig 0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	_	0/0	0/0	0-1	0-0
Shaun Guttridge	1-8	1-4	0-6	0	0	0	_	3/15	0/11	3-25	1-10
Dalton Head	5-13	2-9	1-7	1	0	0	_	6/37	3/23	15-30*	5-17†
Geoff Head	7-13	4-7	0-6	3	0	0	_	14/34	0/21	33-34*	14-19†
David Hoffman	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	_	0/0	0/0	29-10	12-3
Scott Justus	23-7	9-2	7-2	7	2	4	2:49	37/6	23/3	98-31	47-12
Justin Knapp	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	_	0/0	0/0	4-9	0-0
Jim Miller	7-11	4-7	2-4	2	0	2	2:40	16/25	10/9	7-11	4-7
Tomas Ovalle	4-8	0-4	0-1	0	0	0	_	0/21	0/6	9-29	2-17
Pete Pool	1-11	0-8	0-7	0	0	0	_	0/33	0/24	11-31	2-20
Canaan Prater	4-7	2-4	0-1	0	0	1	2:30	9/16	0/6	16-19	6-11
Tyde Prater	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	_	0/0	0/0	0-1	0-0
Chris Stith	15-8	6-5	6-4	3	0	2	3:41	25/17	18/7	15-8	6-5
Jerome Villanueva	a 0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	_	0/0	0/0	2-6	0-4
Kris Wiedegreen	5-8	1-4	0-1	0	0	0	_	3/15	0/3	7-16	1-5
Team Totals	102-144	40-81	29-56	19	3	11	1:06	149/328	75/155		
Opponent	144-102	81-40	56-29	27	9	28	1:04	328/149	155/75		

Records by	WE	eight	t							
	125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	Hwt.
Steve Borja	_	_	_	_	_	_	7-10	1-1	_	_
Aaron Brown	_	_	0-3	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Reed Carpenter	_	_	_	12-11	_	_	_	_	_	_
Michael Carr	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	1-1
Mike Cox	_	_	_	_	_	3-16	_	_	_	_
Andrew Donofrio	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Chris Engle	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Kyle Graham	_	6-6	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Stephen Goldenzweig	_	_	_	_	0-1	_	_	_	_	_
Shaun Guttridge	_	_	_	_	0-1	_	_	1-1	0-6	_
Dalton Head	_	5-13	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Geoff Head	7-13	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
David Hoffman	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Scott Justus	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	20-7	3-0	_
Justin Knapp	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Jim Miller	_	_	4-9	3-2	_	_	_	_	_	_
Tomas Ovalle	_	_	_	_	_	_	4-8	_	0-1	_
Pete Pool	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	1-11
Canaan Prater	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	4-7	_
Tyde Prater	_	_	_	0-1	_	_	_	_	_	_
Chris Stith	_	_	_	_	15-8	_	_	_	_	_
Jerome Villanueva	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Kris Wiedegreen	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	5-8
Team Totals	7-13	11-19	4-12	15-14	15-10	3-16	11-20	22-9	7-14	7-19
Opponent	13-7	19-11	12-4	14-15	10-15	16-3	20-11	9-22	14-7	19-7

2002-03 Tournament Results

West Virginia Open

Scott Justus: 1st at 184 pounds Chris Stith: 1st at 157 pounds

Keystone Classic (8th of 10) Chris Stith: 2nd at 157 pounds Kyle Graham: 5th at 133 pounds

Cliff Keen Las Vegas Open No placewinners

Penn State Open No placewinners

EWL Tournament

Scott Justus: 2nd at 184 pounds Mike Cox: 4th at 165 pounds Reed Carpenter: 4th at 149 pounds Chris Stith: 5th at 157 pounds Steve Borja: 6th at 174 pounds Shaun Guttridge: 6th at 197 pounds

NCAA Championships No placewinners

^{* -} Eastern Wrestling League match

^{† -} wrestled one year at James Madison University

^{^ -} wrestled one year at Campbell University

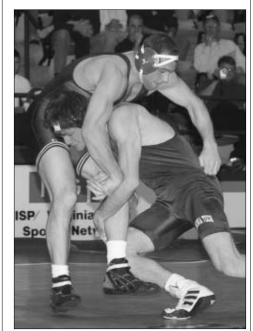
The Record Book

Team Records

Season Wins	238	1997-98
Dual Wins	115	1978-79, 89-90
Dual Team Wins	14	1978-79, 79-80, 89-90
Major Decisions	38	1979-80
Technical Falls	17	2000-01
Falls	58	1979-80
Points	740	1979-80

NCAA Championships Participants

recent champions	·····	. a. c.c.pancs
Alfred Carson		1956
Armand Taylor		1956
John Wright		1956
Sherman Vandevender	(0-1)	1956, 58
Mike Grandstaff	(2-4)	1959, 61, 62
Bob Bowman	(0-1)	1959
Brandon Glover	(3-1)	1959
Joe Heller	(0-2)	1958, 59
Bob Hatcher	(0-1)	1962
Bill Pfeffer	(1-2)	1977
Chuck Broderick	(0-2)	1979
Mark Miller	(0-2)	1978, 79, 80
Rick Stageberg	(1-2)	1984
Jason Diggs	(0-1)	1983
Chuck Broderick	(0-2)	1979
Mark Miller	(0-5)	1978, 79, 80
Rob Fair	(1-2)	1986
Dante Winslow	(0-3)	1991, 93
Josh Feldman	(7-6)	1991, 92, 93
John Dattalo	(2-4)	1996, 97
Eric Hall	(4-6)	1997, 98, 00, 01
Chris Martin	(7-8)	1997, 98, 00, 01
Sean Gray	(13-7)	1998, 00, 01, 02
David Inkman	(0-2)	1998
Mike Akers	(0-2)	2000
Scott Justus	(8-8)	2000, 01, 02, 03
David Hoffman	(2-2)	2002



Scott Justus is one of four Virginia Tech wrestlers to qualify for four NCAA Championships.

NCAA Championships Results

1956	Stillwater, Okla.	T-19th	5.0 pts
1959	Iowa, City, Iowa	T-19th	7.0 pts
1962	Stillwater, Okla.	T-30th	2.0 pts
1967	Kent, Ohio	T-44th	2.0 pts
1968	State College, Pa.	T-67th	1.0 pt
1970	Evanston, III.	T-40th	2.0 pts
1977	Norman, Okla.	T-51st	1.0 pt
1984	Princeton, N.J.	T-66th	.5 pts
1986	Iowa City, Iowa	T-73rd	1.0 pt
1992	Norman, Okla.	T-60th	1.5 pts
1993	Ames, Iowa	T-62nd	1.0 pt
1994	Chapel Hill, N.C.	T-47th	4.5 pts
1998	Cleveland, Ohio	T-48th	7.0 pts
2000	St. Louis, Mo.	19th	27.5 pts
2001	Iowa City, Iowa	T-23rd	19.0 pts
2002	Albany, N.Y.	44th	6.5 pts
2003	Kansas City, Mo.	T-46th	4.0 pts

Eastern Wrestling League Tournament Team Results

1999	Eighth	5.5 points
2000	Third	91.0 points
2001	Fifth	85.0 points
2002	Seventh	48.5 points
2003	Seventh	44.5 points

EWL Coach of the Year

Keith Mourlam 1999-00

Eastern Wrestling League Tournament Individual Champions

Chris Martin	1999-00	165
Sean Gray	1999-00	141
Sean Gray	2000-01	141
Sean Gray	2001-02	141
Scott Justus	2001-02	184

Colonial Athletic Association Tournament Team Results

1991-92	Fourth	43 points
1992-93	First	63 points
1993-94	Fifth	38.75 points
1994-95	Fourth	42.5 points
1995-96	Fourth	48.5 points
1996-97	Fourth	61.0 points
1997-98	First	93.5 points

Colonial Athletic Association Coach of the Year

Jerry Cheynet	1992-93
Keith Mourlam	1997-98

Colonial Athletic Association Tournament Individual Champions

Josh Feldman 1992, 93, 94 HV	VΤ
Dante Winslow 1995 158 lb	os.
John Dattalo 1996 177 lk	os.
John Dattalo 1997 167 lk	os.
Eric Hall 1997, 98 158 lk	os.
Sean Gray 1998 134 lt	os.
David Inkman 1998 142 lk	os.

Colonial Athletic Association Wrestler of the Year

John Dattalo 1997 167 lbs.

Colonial Athletic Association Rookie of the Year

Eric Hall 1997 158 lbs. Sean Gray 1998 134 lbs.

Southern Conference Tournament Team Championships

1954-55	42.0 points
1955-56	82.0 points
1957-58	85.0 points
1959-60	74.0 points
1960-61	73.0 points
1961-62	71.0 points
1962-63	73.0 points

Southern Conference Tournament Individual Champions

Al Carson	1955	130 lbs.
Jim Lock	1955	HWT
Armand Taylor	1955, 57	137 lbs.
Joe Heller	1956, 58, 59, 60	137 lbs.
Armand Taylor	1956	147 lbs.
John Wright	1956	167 lbs.
Sherman Vandevender	1956, 59	157 lbs.
Sherman Vandevender	1957, 58	147 lbs.
Brandon Glover	1957, 58, 59, 60	130 lbs.
Tom Westfall	1957, 58	123 lbs.
Don Vaughan	1957	167 lbs.
Tom Burrus	1958	177 lbs.
Bob Bowman	1959, 60	123 lbs.
Buddy Sanders	1960	177 lbs.
Mike Grandstaff	1961	123 lbs.
Mike Grandstaff	1962	130 lbs.
Frank Kirk	1961	177 lbs.
Bob Robinson	1961	137 lbs.
Gene Breen	1962	HWT
Don Ellerman	1962, 63, 64	137 lbs.
Bob Hatcher	1962	157 lbs.
Ernie Venturino	1962, 63	123 lbs.
Charles Callahan	1963	157 lbs.
Don Marks	1963	HWT
Henry Seymour	1964, 65	123 lbs.
Mickey Jarrell	1965	130 lbs.
Ken Cole	1965	137 lbs.
Ken Jenkins	1965	167 lbs.

NCAA Eastern Regional Team Results

2nd Place	1979, 1980
3rd Place	1973, 1978
4th Place	1977
5th Place	1981, 1982

NCAA Eastern Regional Individual Champions

Bill Pfeffer	1977
Mark Miller	1978, 79, 80
Chuck Broderick	1979
Jason Diggs	1983
Rick Stageberg	1984

Virginia State Championships

1st Place 2000, 2002 2nd Place 1979, 1980, 1998 3rd Place 1983

Virginia State Champions

Steve Brown	(126)	1976
Bill Pfeffer	(HWT)	1978, 1980
Mark Miller	(190)	1979
Chuck Broderick	(158)	1979
Chuck Taylor	(134)	1980
Joe Oleszewski	(158)	1982
Rick Stageberg	(150)	1982
Richard Coates	(126)	1983
Vic Amada	(167)	1984
Rob Fair	(167)	1985
Matt Burlingame	(150)	1992
Dante Winslow	(158)	1992, 1994
Josh Feldman	(HWT)	1994
David Inkman	(142)	1996
John Dattalo	(167)	1997
Mike Mercado	(118)	1997
Christian Basnight	(197)	2000
Doug Easlick	(HWT)	2000
Sean Gray	(141)	2000, 2002
Eric Hall	(174)	2000
Chris Martin	(165)	2000
Geoff Head	(125)	2002
David Hoffman	(133)	2002
Scott Justus	(184)	2002
Canaan Prater	(197)	2002

Virginia State Coach of the Year

Keith Mourlam 2000, 2002

Fastest Fall

13 seconds, Chris Taylor vs. East Carolina, Feb. 7, 1981 (134 pounds)

Career Individual Wins

1.	Sean Gray (1997-02)	133-19-0
2.	Chris Martin (1996-01)	126-25-0
3.	Eric Hall (1996-01)	113-39-0
4.	Scott Justus (1998-03)	98-31-0
5.	Rob Fair (1981-85)	93-29-6
6.	Jason Diggs (1979-83)	88-32-2
7.	Josh Feldman (1989-94)	85-23-1

8.	Dante Winslow (1989-94)	84-29-2
	Matt Mogel (1992-96)	84-39-1
10.	Mark Miller (1976-80)	82-24-0
	Bill Aschenbach (1988-92)	82-44-1
13.	Chris Taylor (1979-83)	77-38-1
14.	Jeff Lally (1989-92)	73-39-1
15.	John Dattalo (1995-97)	72-12-0
	Baird Kilpatrick (1987-91)	72-25-6
	Matt Burlingame (1991-95)	72-39-1

Career Dual Meet Wins

1.	Chris Martin (1996-01)	58-5-0
	Sean Gray (1997-02)	58-3-0
3.	Eric Hall (1996-01)	51-11-0
4.	Baird Kilpatrick (1987-91)	49-11-6
5.	Jason Diggs (1979-83)	48-13-2

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Single Season Wins			
1.	John Dattalo (1996-97)	43-6-0	
2.	Eric Hall (1996-97)	41-10-0	
3.	Sean Gray (1999-00)	40-3-0	
4.	Rob Fair (1984-85)	35-3-0	
5.	Chris Martin (1999-00)	34-5-0	
6.	Chris Martin (1996-97)	32-8-0	
	Sean Gray (1997-98)	32-8-0	
	Chris Martin (1997-98)	32-9-0	
9.	Sean Gray (2001-02)	31-5-0	
10.	Scott Justus (2001-02)	30-2-0	
	Sean Gray (2000-01)	30-3-0	
12.	Josh Feldman (1991-92)	29-5-1	
	John Dattalo (1995-96)	29-6-0	
	David Hoffman (2001-02)	29-10-0	
15.	Josh Feldman (1993-94)	28-7-0	
	Chris Martin (2000-01)	28-5-0	

Single-Season Dual Meet Wins

1.	Baird Kilpatrick (1989-90)	19-1-0
2.	John Dattalo (1996-97)	18-0-0
3.	Eric Hall (1996-97)	17-1-0
	Chris Martin (1996-97)	17-1-0
	Bill Aschenbach (1989-90)	17-4-0
6.	Josh Feldman (1991-92)	16-0-1
	Sean Gray (1999-00)	16-1-0
	Sean Gray (2000-01)	16-0-0
	Mark Miller (1978-79)	16-1-0
	Bo O'Dea (1990-91)	16-3-0

Career Pin Leaders

1.	Sean Gray (1998-2002)	45
2.	Steve Brown (1973-77)	29
3.	Mark Miller (1976-80)	26
4.	Chris Martin (1996-2001)	25
5.	Josh Feldman (1989-94)	23
6.	Scott Justus (1998-03)	22
	Baird Kilpatrick (1987-91)	22
8.	Eric Hall (1996-2001)	21
9.	Bill Pfeffer (1976-80)	20
	Rick Stageberg (1980-1985)	20

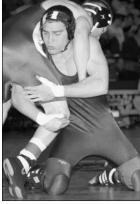
Single Season Pin Leaders

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1.	Sean Gray (2001-02)	15
2.	Sean Gray (1997-98)	14
3.	Steve Brown (1974-75)	11
4.	Bill Pfeffer (1979-80)	10
5.	John Dattalo (1996-97)	9
	Eric Hall (2000-01)	9
	Sean Gray (1999-2000)	9
	David Hoffman (2001-02)	9
	Steve Brown (1976-77)	9
10.	Six tied with eight pins	



Top 15 Career Winning Percentages

(at least two seasons and 60 wins)					
	Name	Years	Pct.	Record	
1.	Sean Gray	(1997-02)	.875	133-19-0	
2.	John Dattalo	(1995-97)	.857	72-12-0	
3.	Chris Martin	(1996-01)	.824	126-27-0	
4.	Josh Feldman	(1989-94)	.784	85-23-1	
5.	Mark Miller	(1976-80)	.773	82-24-0	
6.	Scott Justus	(1998-03)	.760	98-31-0	
7.	Rob Fair	(1981-85)	.750	93-29-6	
8.	Eric Hall	(1996-01)	.743	113-39-0	
9.	Dante Winslow	(1989-94)	.739	84-29-2	
10.	Jason Diggs	(1979-83)	.730	88-32-2	
11.	Baird Kilpatrick	(1987-91)	.728	72-25-6	
12.	Matt Mogel	(1992-96)	.681	84-39-1	
13.	Bo O'Dea	(1986-90)	.677	66-31-2	
14.	Chris Taylor	(1979-83)	.668	77-38-1	
15.	Bill Aschenbach	(1988-92)	.650	82-44-1	
	Jeff Lally	(1989-92)	.650	73-39-1	



Sean Gray is Tech's all-time season winning percentage.

Top 15 Single Season Winning Percentages

(at least 24 wins)

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		Name	Year	Pct.	Record
	1.	Scott Justus	(2001-02)	.938	30-2-0
	2.	Sean Gray	(1999-00)	.930	40-3-0
	3.	Dante Winslow	(1993-94)	.929	26-2-0
	4.	Rob Fair	(1984-85)	.921	35-3-0
	5.	Sean Gray	(2000-01)	.909	30-3-0
	6.	John Dattalo	(1996-97)	.878	43-6-0
	7.	Chris Martin	(1999-00)	.872	34-5-0
	8.	Bill Pfeffer	(1979-80)	.871	27-4-0
		Sean Gray	(2001-02)	.861	31-5-0
	10.	Bob Pincus	(1973-74)	.857	24-4-0
	11.	Josh Feldman	(1991-92)	.843	29-5-1
	12.	John Dattalo	(1995-96)	.829	29-6-0
	13.	Jason Diggs	(1982-83)	.809	27-6-1
,	14.	Eric Hall	(1996-97)	.803	41-10-0
	15	Five tied at 800 v	winning percent	age	

Tech All-Americans



Brandon Glover 1959 All-American 130 pounds Site: Iowa Citu. Iowa

Brandon Glover, from Norfolk, Va., became Tech's first All-American in wrestling when he took third place in the 130-pound weight class at the 1959 NCAA Championships in Iowa City.

A four-time Southern Conference champion (1957-60), Glover went undefeated in his career except in the semifinals of those Championships.

For his career, the Granby High graduate went 26-0 in career dual meets and was a 1988 inductee into the Virginia Tech Sports Hall of



Josh **Feldman** 1994 All-American Heavuweight Site: Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Josh Feldman became Tech's second All-American in wrestling when he took seventh place in the 1994 NCAA Championships at the heavyweight division in Chapel Hill. N.C.

A three-time Colonial Athletic Association champion (1992-94), the native of Dunwoody, Ga., is currently fifth all-time at Tech in career pins with 23 and sixth in all-time wins.

The graduate of Dunwoody High posted a career record of 85-23-1 for the Hokies.



Chris Martin 2000 All-American 165 pounds Site: St Louis, Missouri

Chris Martin became Virginia Tech's third All-American in wrestling when he took fourth place at the 2000 NCAA Championships at 165

Also an Eastern Wrestling League Champion in 2000, the native of Norfolk, Va., posted a career record of 126-25, second-best all-time at

He is tied for the career dual meet wins mark at Tech with 58 victories and is fifth all-time at Tech in career pins with 25.

The graduate of Granby High is also third in career winning percentage, finishing with a .824 clip, as well as second on the alltime victories list with 126 wins.



Sean Gray 2000, '01 All-American 141 pounds Site: St. Louis, Missouri (2000) Site: Iowa City, Iowa (2001)

Sean Gray became Tech's first two-time All-American in wrestling when he finished seventh at 141 pounds at the 2001 NCAA Championships in Iowa City.

He became Tech's fourth All-American when he placed sixth at the 2000 Championships in St. Louis.

The Flemington, N.J., native was a three-time EWL Champion and holds the school record for career wins (133), career winning percentage (.875), pins in a season (15) and career pins (45).

For his career, the graduate of Blair Academy posted a career record of 133-19.

He also finished his career tied for the most career dual meet wins at Tech with 58 victories.

Hokie Wrestlers in the Tech Sports Hall of Fame

The Virginia Tech Sports Hall of Fame was established in 1982 to honor and preserve the memory of athletes, coaches, administrators and staff members who have made outstanding contributions to athleticss at the university. A total 111 individuals have been inducted to the Tech Hall of Fame during special ceremonies held each fall. Following is a list of those in the Hall Of Fame who were inducted and their list of accomplishments. Some of the following were inducted for other sports, but all have ties to the Virginia Tech wrestling team. Gene Breen, a Southern Conference heavyweight champion in the 1960s was inducted this last November.

Milton Andes, inducted in 1994

A 125-pound wrestling champion of 1920s who went on to fame as a National AAU champion.



Brandon Glover, inducted in 1988

One of Tech's All-America wrestlers. He was a fourtime SoCon champion who lost only one match in his college career.



Frank Teske, inducted in 1995

He led Tech to seven Southern Conference wrestling championships in a 23-year coaching stint.



Ken Whitley, inducted in 1990

A dynamic football star and heavyweight wrestler of the 1960s.



Gene Breen. inducted in 2002

A heavyweight champion of the Southern Conference in the 1960s.



Don Oakes, inducted in 2001

A wrestler for Tech in the late 1950s who went on to a successful career as a pro football player.



Sherman Vandevender, inducted in 2001

A four-time SoCon wrestling champion who advanced to the final Olympic tryouts in





Year Record Coach 2002-03 0-13-0 Mourlam 2001-02 5-10-0 Mourlam 2000-01 Mourlam 8-7-1 1999-00 10-7 Mourlam 1998-99 2-13-0 Mourlam 9-4-0 Mourlam 1997-98 10-8-0 1996-97 Mourlam 1995-96 6-9-0 Cheynet 1994-95 6-10-0 Cheynet 1993-94 6-7-0 Cheynet Cheynet 1992-93 9-1-0 1991-92 9-7-1 Cheynet 1990-91 9-12-0 Cheynet 1989-90 14-7-0 Cheynet Cheynet 12-7-1 1988-89 1987-88 7-7-0 Cheynet 1986-87 8-6-0 Cheynet 1985-86 4-10-0 Cheynet 1984-85 8-10-0 Cheynet 1983-84 6-13-1 Cheynet Cheynet 1982-83 2-9-1 1981-82 5-15-0 Cheynet 11-5-1 1980-81 Cheynet 1979-80 14-4-0 Cheynet 1978-79 14-5-1 Cheynet 1977-78 11-5-0 Cheynet 9-5-0 Cheynet 1976-77 12-4-0 1975-76 Cheynet 1974-75 6-9-0 Cheynet 1973-74 5-9-1 Teske 1972-73 4-9-0 Teske 1971-72 1-9-0 Teske 1970-71 3-7-0 Teske

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1969-70	4-15-0	Teske	1953-54	1-6-1	Teske	1935-36	1-4-0	Tilson
1968-69	7-5-1	Teske	1952-53	6-1-1	Teske	1934-35	2-3-0	Tilson
1967-68	8-4-0	Teske	1951-52	5-8-0	Teske	1933-34	2-3-0	Tilson
1966-67	9-1-0	Teske	1950-51	4-5-0	Learned	1932-33	2-3-0	Herring
1965-66	7-2-0	Teske	1949-50	7-4-0	Learned	1931-32	3-2-0	Herring
1964-65	5-6-0	Teske	1948-49	3-4-1	Learned	1930-31	2-3-0	Herring
1963-64	4-5-1	Teske	1947-48	1-7-0	Altman	1929-30	3-4-0	Herring
1962-63	2-7-1	Teske	1946-47	0-6-0	Altman	1928-29	3-4-0	Anderson
1961-62	7-2-0	Teske	1943-46	No Team		1927-28	6-1-0	Herring
1960-61	6-3-0	Teske	1942-43	1-6-1	Altman	1926-27	6-0-1	Herring
1959-60	4-1-0	Teske	1941-42	4-3-0	Altman	1925-26	3-3-0	Herring
1958-59	6-1-0	Teske	1940-41	1-5-0	Altman	1924-25	6-0-0	Herring
1957-58	6-1-0	Teske	1939-40	2-4-0	Altman	1923-24	2-2-1	Herring
1956-57	7-0-0	Teske	1938-39	1-5-0	Tilson	1922-23	1-2-0	Cubbage
1955-56	7-0-0	Teske	1937-38	2-3-0	Tilson	1921-22	2-0-0	Sutton
1954-55	8-0-0	Teske	1936-37	0-4-1	Tilson	1920-21	0-1-0	Herrina

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Jerry Cheynet

All-Ti	ime Coa	iching Rei	cords	(by wins)
Record	Coach	Years/Year started	Win %	Best Year
194-171-7	Jerry Cheynet	22/1974-96	.539	14-4/1979-80
123-96-4	Frank Teske	23/1951-74	.561	8-0/1954-55
44-62-1	Keith Mourlam	7/1996-97	.411	10-7/1999-00
33-19-2	George Herring	10/1920-21, 24-28, 30	0-33 .635	6-0/1924-25
14-13-1	Allan Learned	3/1948-51	.519	7-4/1949-50
9-31-1	William Altman	6/1939-48	.225	4-3/1941-42
8-22-1	C.E. Tilson	6/1933-39	.267	2-3/1934,35,38
3-4-0	G.C. Anderson	1/1928-29	.429	3-4
1-2-0	Ben Cubbage	1/1922-23	.333	1-2
2-0-0	S.B. Sutton	1/1921-22	1.000	2-0

Eastern Wrestling League



The Virginia
Tech wrestling team
enters its sixth
season in the
Eastern Wrestling
League this year.
Tech joined the EWL
in the summer of
1998, after a sevenyear affiliation with

the Colonial Athletic Association.

Tech joins Bloomsburg, Clarion, Cleveland State, Edinboro, Lock Haven, Pittsburgh and West Virginia in the eightteam league. The EWL currently has 37

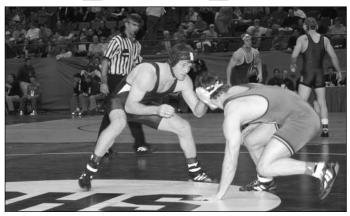
2002-03 EWL Final Standings				
Team	EV	٧L	Total	
West Virginia	7	0	9 3	
Cleveland State	5	2	12 6	
Edinboro	4	2	10 5	
Pittsburgh	4	3	8 5	
Lock Haven	3	4	12 11	
Bloomsburg	2	5	8 8	
Clarion	2	5	9 8	
Virginia Tech	0	6	0 13	

qualifiers for the NCAA Wrestling Championships, the third most qualifiers in the country behind the Big Ten and Pac-10 Conferences.

This past season, the EWL crowned seven All-Americans and a national runner-up in Pittsburgh's Carl Fronhofer at 174 pounds. The league had three teams finish in the top 25. The EWL was

formed in 1976 with Bloomsburg, Clarion, Lock Haven, Penn State, Pittsburgh and Buffalo as its charter members. After Buffalo left the league in 1978, Cleveland State and West Virginia were added. Millersville was briefly a member from 1982 to 1984. In 1989, Edinboro was added before Penn State left for the Big

Ten at the conclusion of the 1992 season.



Senior Scott Justus won the 184-pound class at the 2002 EWL Championships. He placed second last season. In all, three different Virginia Tech wrestlers have won their weight class at the EWL Championships — Justus, Sean Gray and Chris Martin.

Virginia Tech is a member of the BIG EAST Conference in all sports other than wrestling, which competes in the Eastern Wrestling League. The Virginia Tech Athletics Department administers 21 Division I sports.

This year's Eastern Wrestling League Championships will be held at Lock Haven University in Lock Haven, Pa.

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Athletic Performance



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Financial Affairs



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Assistant Director
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Ticketing Operations

Athletic Training

The Virginia Tech Sports
Medicine Department is an everchanging and developing unit that
strives to provide the most current
and comprehensive care to all
student-athletes.

The department, under the leadership of Gunnar Brolinson, D.O., Delmas Bolin, M.D., and Mike Goforth, director of athletic training, is constantly evolving to incorporate new ideas and state-of-the-art resources for the betterment of student-athletes.

A professional staff — including primary care physicians who are Board certified in family medicine and sports medicine, orthopaedic surgeons, certified athletic trainers, physical therapists, chiropractors, massage therapists, sports psychologists, nutritionists and orthotists — is available to manage the health care of Tech's student-athletes.

As part of the evolution, Tech recently completed its first full year in the new 4,300-square-foot Eddie Ferrell Memorial Training Room. This area consolidated the

training rooms that existed in the Merryman Center and Cassell Coliseum. The new facility gives the training staff a centralized area to care for Tech's studentathletes

The new room, which nearly doubles the size of the former Merryman Center facility, also allows the staff to utilize that room for physical therapy, chiropractic care and massage therapy.

With its completion, Virginia Tech now has more than 10,000 square feet dedicated to sports medicine, placing Tech in the top five percent nationally.

In addition, the \$10 million Merryman Center, a state-of-theart facility which includes 2,400 square feet of medical space, supplements the training room.

This treatment room has numerous treatment modalities, including portable X-ray, electric stimulation, ultrasound, hot and cold packs and a lumbar/cervical traction unit. It also has offices for the staff, dozens of training tables, two cold tubs, whirlpools, an underwater treadmill, a Biodex

System 3 and various other pieces of rehabilitation equipment.

The training, medical and strength and conditioning staffs each have a role in bringing the athlete back quickly and ready to play. After an injury, an athlete will go through rehabilitation and physical therapy. Athletes are then moved to weight training, as they become able. The strength and conditioning staff uses specific programs for each injury in an effort to get the athlete back quickly.

The range of benefits athletes have access to include custom orthotics, custom mouth guards, specialized DonJoy prophylactic bracing and many other options to help prevent or protect them from injuries.

A vital part of student-athletes services is the access to the Schiffert Student Health Center in McComas Hall.

A health center and counseling services are available on one side of McComas Hall, while recreation sports and

fitness programs are available on the other. The center also has a fully operational diagnostic laboratory, X-ray facilities and eight full-time physicians.

If physical therapy is needed, student-athletes can be seen by therapist Mark Piechoski in the Ferrell Training Room. In addition, staff sport psychologist Gary Bennett is available to all student-athletes for personal and performance issues. Virginia Tech also enjoys the services of Dr. Greg Tilley, team chiropractor.

Team orthopaedic surgeons Dr. Marc Siegel, Dr. Scott Urch and Dr. Joe Prudhomme bring a wealth of experience and skills to assist when athletes need orthopaedic surgery.

Tech also maintains a special relationship with Montgomery Regional Hospital, the choice for state-of-the-art equipment to perform surgeries, diagnostic imaging and processing of laboratory requests.

Jesse Donnenwerth is in his second year with the wrestling team.

Student Athlete Academic Support Services

The success of Virginia
Tech's wrestling program rests
largely on the academic progress
of each student-athlete. The
academic performance of Tech
student-athletes has improved
each year due in part to the
Student Athlete Academic
Support Services (SAASS).

The Virginia Tech graduation rate for student-athletes has risen significantly in recent years and reached 70 percent in 2003 as compared to the national average of 60 percent.

The 70 percent studentathlete graduation rate marks the second straight year and five in the last 10 years that Tech has reached that level.

In addition to posting impressive graduation figures, Virginia Tech's student-athletes continue to excel in the classroom. Last spring, the Athletic Director's Honors Breakfast paid tribute to a record 371 student-athletes, student trainers, student managers,

cheerleaders and HighTechs who posted 3.0 or greater GPA's in the 2002 calendar year.

Student-athletes are the most visible student component of a university. They entertain thousands of fans, students and alumni. Their athletic ability and achievement is the primary focus for national media attention. Athletic events bring back not only faithful alumni, but are a welcome mat for potential new students

Student-athletes devote many hours to practice, conditioning and training that are not required of all students. Due to their time commitment and their high visibility, it is an obligation and in the best interest of the university to supply these students with services which will allow them to maximize their academic potential.

SAASS commits to providing fundamental and supplemental programming, consistent with University and NCAA policy,

aimed at enhancing each student athlete's educational experience leading to graduation.

The expectations of the Virginia Tech community are that each student-athlete achieves their maximum academic and athletic potential. With the proper assistance, facilities and encouragement, these potentials can become a reality.

SAASS provides programming for student-athletes from their freshman year through graduation. This includes a comprehensive orientation to Tech, study hall, mentoring, tutoring, academic monitoring, academic recognition and eligibility education.

Additionally, student-athletes are referred to and encouraged to take advantage of other campus agencies charged with helping students in their academic pursuits.

Academic facilities for student-athletes include the Monogram Room, a large room

used as a study hall area, adjacent to the SAASS office in Cassell Coliseum.

The HEAT (Hokies Engaging in Advanced Technology) Lab and its satellite sites house over 40 computers in Cassell Coliseum.

Laptop computers are also available for Tech athletes to use when travelling to away contests. The athletic department also provides areas for private, quiet study for the athletes' convenience.

Chris Helms, in his fifth year at Tech, is the director and is responsible for the development and leadership of the office.

Assisting him are associate directors Lois Berg and Colin Howlett, Katie Ammons, Renia Edwards, Drew Scales and Terrie Repass.

Scales oversees the academic progress of the wrestling team.

Office of Student Life

The Office of Student Life at Virginia Tech helps in providing assistance to student-athletes in a number of areas.

Megan Armbruster, director of student life, is dedicated to enhancing the quality of the student-athlete experience through the programs that this office administers.

The office implements the CHAMPS/Life Skills Program, which provides a well-rounded model for student-athletes to develop the individual skills necessary to lead successful and productive lives.

The goal of this program is to enhance five areas of commitment that are vital to personal growth of student-athletes.

Those areas are service, academic excellence, career development, athletic excellence and personal development.

The program attempts to build individual confidence, promote respect for diversity, enhance interpersonal relationships, develop leadership skills, and enable each one to make a valuable contribution to the community.

Armbruster is in her first year at Virginia Tech as the director of student life.

As director, she will oversee the day-to-day operation of the office of student life, as well as direct the CHAMPS/Life Skills Program.

Armbruster comes to Tech from the University of Nebraska, where she has spent the last several years.

She last served as assistant academic counselor at the Hewit Academic Center for Student-Athletes.

She earned her bachelor's degree in community health

education in 1998 and received her master's in educational administration in 2001, both from Nebraska.

Graduate assistants Amy
Turley and Jessica Hood are
assisting Armbruster this year in
coordinating the programs and
activities of the Office of Student
Life.

Hokies With Heart

Hokies With Heart is a program developed by the Office of Student Life, which promotes the involvement of Virginia Tech's student-athletes in community service activities.

The Virginia Tech wrestling program takes great pride in the many projects to which it contributes, including the Hokie Readers program, the Special Olympics, hospital visits and a canned food drive. The team also sponsors a stretch of highway

near campus on Route 460 through the "Adopt a Highway" program.

VT-SAAC

The Virginia Tech Student Athlete Advisory Committee (VT-SAAC) promotes effective communication between athletics administration and studentathletes to better serve their needs.

The program is completely run by student-athletes and each varisty team has two representatives.

VT-SAAC participates in a community service activity called Winning Choices.

This program sends athletes to local elementary, middle and high schools to talk about the importance of citizenship, work ethic, and working with others.

Athletic Performance

Thanks to the direction of Assistant Athletics Director for Athletic Performance Mike Gentry, the Virginia Tech strength and conditioning program is among the best in the nation.

The wrestling team trains in the Jim "Bulldog" Haren Weight Room. Located in Jamerson Athletic Center, the 5,000-square foot weight room was officially dedicated in September 1985 to Haren, a former Hokie football player and long-time supporter of the Virginia Tech Athletic Department.

With the two facilities, the Hokies have over 22,000-square feet of strength and conditioning training space.

Gentry is in his 16th season as the Hokies' director of strength and conditioning.

As assistant athletics director for athletic performance, his duties include overseeing the strength and conditioning training of athletes in all 21 varsity sports at Virginia Tech.

A native of Durham, N.C., he received his bachelor's degree in physical education from Western Carolina University in 1979 and received his master's from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1981.

He received his doctorate in curriculum and instruction, with an emphasis in motor behavior, from Tech in 1999.

Gentry worked as an assistant strength coach at UNC and as the head strength coach at East Carolina University prior to coming to Virginia Tech in 1987.

In 1995 and 1996, Gentry was recognized by the National Strength and Conditioning Association as a finalist for the National Strength and Conditioning Professional of the Year.

Gentry has a son, Roy Christopher, who is 12.

Assisting Gentry in the weight room this year are three full-time assistant strength and conditioning coaches: Jay Johnson, assistant director of strength and conditioning, Terry Mitchell, strength and conditioning coordinator of men's Olympic sports and Emily Chones, strength and conditioning coordinator for women's Olympic sports. Gentry will also have the services of four graduate assistants — Erin O'Neil, Lisa Guarneri, Gabe Teeple and Jarrett Ferguson.

Mitchell, who handles strength and conditioning for Virginia Tech's wrestling team, has experience in the Texas Rangers farm system. He graduated from Lee (Tenn.) College in 1994 and is currently pursuing a master's at Tech.

He is married to the former Terri Thompson and this is his third year with the softball program.

Chones, who is in her third year at Tech, handles many of the women's Olympic sport teams. She graduated from Maryland, where she played lacrosse.

Johnson helps out with the Hokie football team. He received his B.A., in physical education from Emory & Henry in 1995, his master's in physical education from Radford University in 1998 and his doctorate from Virginia Tech in 2001.

Sports Nutrition

In July 2000, the Virginia Tech Athletics Department added another program to better serve the needs of student-athletes — sports nutrition. Amy Freel serves as the Director of Sports Nutrition at Virginia Tech.

Freel graduated from Ball State University with her bachelor's degree in dietetics in 1996 and received her master's in dietetics from Ball State in 1998.

Freel works one-on-one with student-athletes to provide them with information that they need on their diet. She also provides individual players with diet counseling on issues such as gaining lean muscle mass, losing body fat, and how to eat to improve performance.

The sports nutritionist works with the "Training Edge," a dining option for health-conscious students and athletes, to design menus for training tables and daily menu selections.

Also in July 2002, the Virginia Tech Athletics Department purchased the BOD POD body composition system. Tech is one of a handful of college athletic departments using this type of cutting edge technology.

Sport Psychology

A service offered to Virginia Tech student-athletes since August, 2000, is sport psychology.

The sport psychology staff includes Dr. Gary Bennett, who coordinates psychological services for student-athletes, and Dr. Robert Miller, director of the Cook Counseling Center.

The psychologists meet with student-athletes on an individual basis for personal counseling and to discuss the mental aspects of the game.

As a team, the sport psychologists work on team building, communication and performance enhancement.

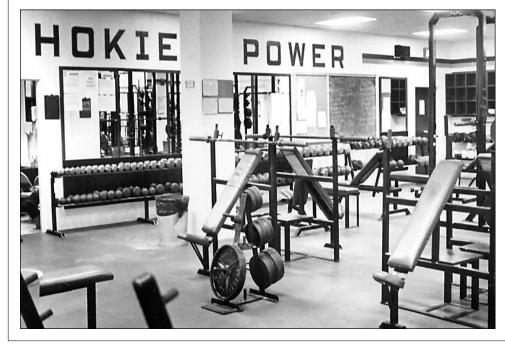
The psychologists also offer an injury group to afford injured athletes the opportunity to meet with other injured athletes and talk about their recovery process.

Injured athletes may also meet individually with the sport psychologists if they do not feel comfortable in the group or cannot make the sessions.

The response to the sport psychology program has been very positive. The student-athletes are very receptive to the services offered by the doctors.

The sport psychology office reaches out to athletes who may not have considered going to the counseling service that is offered to all students at Virginia Tech.

The Virginia Tech wrestling team works out in the Jim "Bulldog" Haren weight room, one of two weight rooms in the athletic department complex.



Blacksburg, Va.



COLLEGE TOWN, U.S.A.

One of America's classic college towns, Blacksburg is a perfect setting for Virginia Tech.

Located in Southwest Virginia on a plateau between the Blue Ridge and Alleghany Mountains, Blacksburg combines the laid-back lifestyle of a small town with the amenities one would expect to find around a major center of higher education. Together, the town and university have worked hard to create a progressive community that ranks among the nation's elite living

environments. Blacksburg was recently named one of the Top 10 places to live by *Outside* magazine.

Virginia Tech and the Town of Blacksburg gained national and international attention by creating the world's first "electronic village." Businesses and industries have been drawn by the quaint town's potential.

Established in 1798 by John and William Black, the town is surrounded by scenic mountain views that accentuate the area. The nearly 40,000 residents (including students) enjoy a close proximity to a variety of recreation areas such as the Blue Ridge Parkway, Appalachian Trail, Claytor Lake and the New River.





