

# **2024 PREVIEW GUIDE**

**Team Name: Appalachian State Mountaineers** 

Mascot: Yosef

**Location:** Boone, NC

#### **Captain(s)/Coach(s):**

John Mason Rogers, Colin Hewett, Dalton Oehler, Nate Garrison, Greyson Tappy

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

• 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: 11-9

• Final Conference Ranking: 5th

Regional Tournament Results? N/A

• World Series Results? *N/A* 

• Notables: 11 game win streak with two conference sweeps

**Number of Returning Players:** 15

# Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

John Mason Rogers - 2022 All American

Austin Poythress - 2022 Mid Atlantic 3rd Team All-Region

#### Players to Watch:

John Mason Rogers, Austin Poythress, Matt Azuma, Dalton Oehler, Nolan Rayl, Spencer Hamil, Charlie Vestal

#### **New additions:**

Matt Azuma

Morgan Young

Spencer Hamil

Andrew Callaway

Charlie Lytle

Charlie Vestal

Drew Kittinger

Elijah Pomeroy

Ethan Chandler

Jordon Brooks

Lucas Mammano

Matt Kilduff



Nolan Rayl Jackson Leatherman **Biggest Rival:** Western Carolina University

#### **Best Player Nickname:**

"Chuck" - Charlie Lytle
"Uncle Tev" - Tevon Canady

#### 2024 Season Outlook:

With the new addition of 16 talented freshmen, and 15 returning players, the Mountaineers are looking more competitive than previous seasons. After completing the fall season with a record of 7-2, the young team's spring season looks bright. The team's offense was hot during the fall season, and scored an impressive 71 runs through nine games, while having a team batting average of .302 and a OBP of .457. The Mountaineers deep bullpen held opponents to a .194 batting average and had a .954 fielding percentage. Thanks to an influx of talented freshmen, and notable returners, the Mountaineers are primed to make a run at a conference championship.

#### **Manager Quote:**

"The combination of depth, talent, and veteran leadership in all positions makes me excited for the 2024 Spring season. I believe this year we will not only send off our seniors with the best season ever, but leave a strong foundation for many more years of successful Mountaineer baseball."



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**Team Name: Elon University** 

**Mascot:** 

Location: Elon, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Jaden Ryan, Garrett Fitschen, Justin Ziolkowski, Jimmy Bean

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

• 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: **12-9** 

• Final Conference Ranking: 4th

• Regional Tournament Results? N/A

• World Series Results? N/A

• Notables:

**Number of Returning Players: 25** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): N/A

Players to Watch: Jaden Ryan, Garrett Fitschen, Jimmy Bean, Chris Sawyer, Jacob Trumbo, Sammy Johnson

New additions: TBD

**Biggest Rival: ECU** 

Best Player Nickname: Ryan "Zeus" Lynch

2024 Season Outlook: Win the Conference

Manager Quote: JTY Forever. We love and miss you buddy. This one's for you.



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# 2024 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name: James Madison D1** 

**Mascot: Dukes** 

Location: Harrisonburg, Virginia

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Connor Sorokowski

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: **10-8 (8-7)**
- Final Conference Ranking: 4th
- Regional Tournament Results? N/A
- World Series Results? N/A
- Notables: Went 3-3 against regional tournament teams (University of South Carolina and Virginia Tech)

**Number of Returning Players: 18** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & vears won): Eli Coley 1st Team All Region (2022), Jared Smith 2nd Team All Region (2022)

Players to Watch: Pitchers: So. Jason Cheifetz, Fr. Andrew Market, Sr. Jared Smith, Jr. Daniel

Shields, Sr. Connor Sorokowski

Hitters: Fr. Caleb Newcomer, Jr. Eli Coley, Jr. Travis Balint, Fr. Cole Elrod, So. Hill Naski, So.

**Bobby Ulmer, Jr. Peyton Davis** 

New additions: Fr. Caleb Newcomer, Jr. Travis Balint, Fr. Cole Elrod, Jr. Peyton Davis, Fr. Logan Douglas, Fr. Conner Fox, Fr. Trey Davis, Fr. Justin Swerdlow, So. Jason Cheifetz, Fr. Andrew Market, So. Hunter Trimarchi

Biggest Rival: Virginia Tech

Best Player Nickname: Mr. Heisman



2024 Season Outlook: Champions of the Charleston Invitational going 5-0 and outscoring opponents 50 to 11. We look to keep this momentum rolling into the spring with one of the deepest rosters this JMU program has seen and make a deep postseason run. Looking forward to the first series with a stacked NC State roster, this is the series to keep your eyes on.

Manager Quote: This is one of the deepest pitching rotations and lineups that I have seen in my time with Club Baseball. As long as we can stay focused and play our game, there is no reason for you to not see the Dukes in the playoffs.



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**Mascot:** Lancers

**Location:** Farmville, VA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach: Coy Craun, Assistant Coach: Tommy Portella

Captains: Zach Updike, Kohl Strom

### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

• 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: 3 Wins 10 Losses

• Final Conference Ranking: 5th In Conference

• Regional Tournament Results? N/A

• World Series Results? N/A

• Notables: N/A

#### **Number of Returning Players:**

#### **8 Returning Players**

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

N/A

**Players to Watch:** 

Zach Updike Charlie Ewell Kohl Strom

New additions: Charlie Ewell, Daniel Henshaw, Martin Sawyers, Kevin Eams, Will Hellier, Trevor

**Boyle, Nick Foran** 

**Biggest Rival:** University of Virginia

**Best Player Nickname:** 



#### 2024 Season Outlook:

Longwood Club Baseball will be entering the season with high hopes of competing for the top of the division, the fresh faces in the organization have brought about a new level of internal motivation and competition.

### **Manager Quote:**

"This is the most competitive and unified team I have ever been a part of, and we are excited to perform in 2024."



# 2024 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name: NC State** 

**Mascot: Wolfpack** 

**Location: Raleigh, North Carolina** 

Captain(s)/Coach(s): President: Reid Richards

**Vice President: Nate Johnson** 

Officer: Cooper Hench Officer: Alfonso Bardes

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

• 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: **17-6** 

• Final Conference Ranking: 1st

• Regional Tournament Results? 2nd place in Charleston Regional

World Series Results? N/A

• Notables: Finished '23 ranked 14 nationally, went 5-4 against ranked opponents, first conference title since 2011, first time ECU had not won conference since 2013 (went 3-1 against the Pirates)

**Number of Returning Players: 17** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won):

Derek Astoske (RHP) (2023 Mid Atlantic All Region 2nd Team)

Alfonso Bardes (LHP) (2022 Mid Atlantic All Region 2nd Team)

#### **Players to Watch:**

Reece Landmark - 1B (Last Season): 16/33 (.485 AVG), 3 2B, 3 HR, 13 RBI, 11 R, .564 OBP

Derek Astoske - RHP (Last Season): 2-1, 1.57 ERA, 6 G, 1 S, 23 IP, 19 H, 6 R, 4 ER, 0 HR, 9 BB, 32 K

**Clay Lawrence** - 3B (Last Season): 18/46 (.391 AVG), 2 2B, 3B, 13 RBI, 10 R, .434 OBP

Garrett Langdon - 2B (Last Season): 8/23 (.348 AVG), 3 RBI, 7 R, 4 SB, .414 OBP, 1.000 F%

**Reid Richards** - C (Last Season): 11/38 (.289 AVG), 2B, HR, 11 RBI, 4 R, .396 OBP

Cooper Hench - RHP (Last Season): 3-0, 3.36 ERA, 6 G, 8.1 IP, 8 H, 4 R, 4 ER, 0 HR, 6 BB, 15 K

#### New additions:

Sean McSoley - OF Aidan Masi - OF / LHP



Aaron Smith - IF
Jacob Jones - LHP / 1B
Jake Montgomery - OF
Jack Wingard - C / OF
Alex Manuel - RHP / IF
Ryan Sproull - RHP
Carson Dunlap - IF
Mason Bae - IF
Asa Bullard - IF
John Constantino - C
Carson King - RHP / 1B

**Biggest Rival:** East Carolina

Best Player Nickname: Chad "Wick" Carpenter

2024 Season Outlook: The Wolfpack look to not only return to the regional and win the MASC title once more, but with a huge class of newcomers and the return of ace Derek Astoske and cleanup hitter Reece Landmark, they believe they are poised to win the regional and make their first world series appearance since 2008. The batting order is stacked with talent and will include multiple players fighting for playing time at each position. The pitching staff is poised for a postseason run with 3 dominant starters in Derek Astoske, Cooper Hench, and Ryan Sproull, a plethora of middle relievers, and a shutdown closer in Jacob Jones. The Pack is even scheduling mid-week contests to ensure that their bullpen is challenged enough to prepare for the postseason. The senior class of 2024 is 7 players deep and includes every player listed under "Players to Watch". However, newcomers like Jake Montgomery (OF), Carson Dunlap (SS), Jacob Jones (LHP/1B) and Ryan Sproull (RHP) will provide immediate impacts with strong bats and electric arms. Members of the class of 2025 will also look to step into a new role. Junior southpaw Alfonso Bardes looks to bounce back from an injury plagued 2023 and return to his allregion status in 2024. Nolan Lawrence (UT), Michael Weaver (SS), Nate Johnson (RHP), Chad Carpenter (RHP/IF), and Brandon Fury (RHP) had minor roles as underclassmen, but look to provide invaluable strength and leadership as upperclassmen. Before completion of the schedule, the Wolfpack have already penciled-in non-conference series with Campbell, James Madison, and Miami OH. They will also make a return trip to the Swing into Spring event in Panama City Beach, Florida and play 5 more non-conference games. NC State takes pride in their performance in the state of Florida, as they are currently on an 18 game winning streak dating back to 2017 in the sunshine state (5-0 in 2017, 5-0 in 2019, 5-0 in 2022, 3-0 v. Florida in Gainesville 2023). The boys from Raleigh are unbelievably excited to start the 2024 season and strive to grow the game of club baseball.

Manager Quote: "Why not us?" - President Richards

"Optional means mandatory." - Vice President Johnson



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### **2024 PREVIEW GUIDE**

Team Name: Club Baseball at UVA

**Mascot: Cavaliers** 

Location: Charlottesville, VA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): None

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: 6-12-0
- Final Conference Ranking: Last
- Regional Tournament Results? None
- World Series Results? None
- Notables: UTL Player Tyler Gorecki was first team All American.

**Number of Returning Players: 19** 

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): Tyler Gorecki/First Team All American (2023)

Players to Watch: Tyler Gorecki (UTL), Sean Goodhart (OF), Malik Kabra (SS/C), James Pilot (P), Julian Schneck (OF), Charlie Payne (P), Jay Sorkin (SS/P), Tommy Williams (2B)

New additions: Ben D'Amico, Ben Herald, David Sewell, Ellis Laveen, Finn Popkin, Elijah Hall, Henry Wheeler, Isaiah Bumgardner, Jake McDonald, James Pilot, Jay Sorkin, Julian Schneck, Nate Carter, Patrick Apel, Reid Steinberg, Sam Motlovsky, Tommy Williams

**Biggest Rival: Virginia Tech** 

Best Player Nickname: Tyler Gorecki (Gecko), Sean Goodhart (Goody)



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2024 Season Outlook: UVA will look to bounce back from a rough season. There is a lot of talent returning, and as well as coming in. We look forward to competing and giving teams our best. The team morale is at an all-time high, and we have a very optimistic outlook!

Manager Quote: N/A



# **2024 PREVIEW GUIDE**

Team Name: Virginia Tech Club Baseball

Mascot: Hokie Bird

Location: Blacksburg, VA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Derek Furr (President) and Ryan Sekman (Vice President)

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

• 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: 22-7

• Final Conference Ranking: 1st

• Regional Tournament Results? Regional Champions

• World Series Results? 3rd place

Notables: Spring break game against Penn

State

Number of Returning Players: 23

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific

accolades & years won): All region 2023 winners: Ryan Pastirik, Ryan Sekman, Derek Furr, Josh

Morris, Joseph Califano, Nick Gasparis

Players to Watch: Derek Furr, Nic Psimas, Joseph Califano, and Dylan

Malmlov

New additions: Grayson Snead, Jaden Greene, Liam Andrews, Ryan Marshal, Trent Pulliam

Biggest Rival: ECU, However, an up and coming rival is Penn State vs Virginia

Tech

Best Player Nickname: Nick Gasparis AKA "Gaspack"

Take the season game by game and wipe out our region in hopes of

2024 Season Outlook: securing another spot in the World Series.

Manager Quote: "Play the game the right way and the baseball Gods will take care of the rest."



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### 2024 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: College of William and Mary

**Mascot: Tribe** 

Location: Williamsburg, Virginia

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Colby Bestick

#### 2022/2023 NCBA Season Performance (Last Year):

- 2022/2023 NCBA Season Record: **12-6** (**10-5** in Conference Play)
- Final Conference Ranking: 2nd
- Regional Tournament Results? N/A
- World Series Results? N/A
- Notables: Set record for Most Conference Victories in Club History since joining the Mid-**Atlantic Conference**

Number of Returning Players: 20

Returning Past All Region/NCBA All American Award Winners (Please list player names, specific accolades & years won): William Lautenbach (2023 NCBA Mid-Atlantic 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All Region), Josh Shankman (2022 NCBA Mid-Atlantic 3rd Team All Region), Colby Bestick (2023 NCBA Mid-Atlantic 1st Team All Region, 2022 NCBA Mid-Atlantic 3rd Team All Region, 2023 NCBA 2nd Team All American)

Players to Watch: William Lautenbach, Ryan Goudschaal, Lucas Kahan, Andrew (AJ) Liao, Eli Hamilton, Ben Monforth, Jake Diaz, Josh Shankman, Liam Fish, Colby Bestick, Aidan McLaren, Wes McLaughlin, Mo Gleichenhaus, Finley Cochran, Ethan Schlapp, Jake Rodrigues, Sajen Schuchert, Nick Hauer, Justin Gregor, Duncan Zona

New additions: Ethan Bomersheim, Josh Budzinski, Dustin Reeder, Jake Zaetta, Sam Schenk, Allen Baxter, Zach Barnet, Thomas Felton, Davis Sawyer, Josh Ruby, Aidan Mahoney, Caden Ballum, Tom Chesnut, Shane McCorkle, Mason Wrede, Jake Price, Nick Voivoda

**Biggest Rival: University of Virginia** 

Best Player Nickname: William Lautenbach: "Big Willy"



2024 Season Outlook: The Tribe look to continue to improve upon a great 2023 Spring season finishing  $2^{nd}$  place in the Mid-Atlantic North Region with continued success into this year's season. They return many starters and veteran leadership while adding high quality freshmen who are expected to make a big impact as well. In a very competitive region and conference, the Tribe know the road will be tough to return to their winning ways for a second consecutive season, but are ready to tackle any opponent head on and look to make it a season to remember.

Manager Quote: "Last year, we established the building blocks of what a winning program looks like, and I feel as if we are ready to take that next step forward and improve on our success last year. As I have told our guys, make your mark on the season. Make your mark on the league. Make everyone remember William and Mary. Why Not Us.