



BYUBASKETBALL

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2020-21 BYU SCHEDULE

N25	Wed	Westminster	6 p.m.	BYUtv
N26	Thu	New Orleans	7 p.m.	BYUtv
N28	Sat	Utah Valley	7 p.m.	BYUtv
D1	Tue	vs. USC+	2:30 p.m.	ESPN2
D3	Thu	vs. UConn/Vanderbilt+	TBD	TBD
D5	Sat	at Utah State	TBD	TBD
D9	Wed	Boise State	TBD	TBD
D12	Sat	Utah	TBD	BYUtv
D18	Fri	at San Diego State	TBD	TBD
D21	Mon	Texas Southern	TBD	BYUtv
D23	Wed	vs. Weber State#	TBD	BYUtv
D31	Thu	at Pepperdine	TBD	ESPN*
J2	Sat	at San Diego	TBD	TBD
J7	Thu	Pacific	TBD	TBD
J14	Thu	at Saint Mary's	TBD	ESPN*
J16	Sat	at San Francisco	TBD	ESPN*
J21	Thu	Portland	TBD	TBD
J23	Sat	Pepperdine	TBD	ESPN*
J30	Sat	San Francisco	TBD	TBD
F4	Thu	at Portland	TBD	TBD
F6	Sat	at Gonzaga	TBD	ESPN*
F11	Thu	Saint Mary's	TBD	ESPN*
F13	Sat	San Diego	TBD	TBD
F18	Thu	at Pacific	TBD	TBD
F20	Sat	at Loyola Marymount	TBD	TBD
F25	Thu	Santa Clara	TBD	TBD
F27	Sat	Gonzaga	TBD	ESPN*

M4-9 WCC Championships

+ Legends Classic Presented by Old Trapper

at Vivint Smart Home Arena

* WCC Game

* Specific ESPN Network to be determined at a later date

All times local to site

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SEASON PREVIEW 2020-21

BYU men's basketball enters year two of the Mark Pope era with a promising roster in what will likely be one of the most unique seasons in college basketball history. The 2019-20 season was cut short due to the COVID-19 pandemic and concerns about the virus continue to impact sports at all levels. The start date for the 2020-21 men's basketball season has been pushed back to Nov. 25 but the 2021 NCAA Tournament remains on schedule.

In 2019-20, Pope led the Cougars to a final national ranking of No. 18/16 in the AP/USA Today Coaches polls and a 24-8 overall record. BYU was poised to return to the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 2016 and were projected to receive a single-digit seed. Days before Selection Sunday, it was announced that the 2020 NCAA Tournament was canceled due to the pandemic. BYU's 2020-21 squad is deep and experienced and features several exciting newcomers. Check out a position breakdown below.

Point Guard

The lead guard position will be captured by a pair of seniors who will likely play together for a majority of the minutes. Alex Barcelo, who transferred from Arizona before last season, started all 32 games at the two-guard in 2019-20 and averaged 9.3 points, 3.1 rebounds and 1.8 assists in his debut season with the Cougars. The Preseason All-WCC honoree will be joined in the backcourt by Brandon Averette, who comes to BYU as a graduate transfer from Utah Valley. Averette, who played his freshman and sophomore seasons at Oklahoma State, averaged 12.8 points, 2.1 rebounds and 3.0 assists while starting all 30 games for the Wolverines in 2019-20.

Jesse Wade also returns to the program after an injury-riddled 2019-20. A junior, Wade played his freshman season at Gonzaga before sitting out 2018-19 at BYU due to NCAA transfer rules. A prolific scorer and shooter in high school, Wade will give Pope another option at either guard spot in 2020-21. In addition to Wade, walk-on Cameron Pearson returns for his sophomore season.

Wing

Connor Harding, a two-year letterwinner with starting experience, is one of the more versatile players on the roster. A capable ball-handler and passer who may see time at the point guard spot, Harding can attack the basket and shoot from the outside. Last season he averaged 6.1 points, 3.2 rebounds and 1.3 assists while shooting 51.8 percent from the field and 44.2 percent from 3-point range. He is a likely candidate to pick up some of the scoring slack.

Trevin Knell returns for his sophomore season and has his sights set on an increased role. Knell played his freshman season just off a mission and missed significant time due to a hand injury. He showed promise as a capable defender and has the potential to be a significant threat as an outside shooter. Wyatt Lowell is eligible after sitting out last season due to NCAA transfer rules. The 2018-19 WAC Freshman of the Year while playing at Utah Valley, Lowell was often the best shooter in the gym in practices during his redshirt year. At 6-foot-10, Lowell has the ability to score in a variety of ways and gives Pope the ability to go big without sacrificing 3-point shooting.

The returnees are joined by a very intriguing group of newcomers on the wing. Hunter Erickson and Caleb Lohner are two highly touted freshmen who prepped in Utah. Erickson played at Timpview High School where he was a two-time first-team all-state honoree and averaged 22.0 points as a junior and 22.6 as a senior. The high-scoring guard served an LDS mission following high school. Lohner graduated from Wasatch Academy in 2020 and brings a college-ready 6-foot-8 frame to the Cougars. Playing with several other Division I level athletes, Lohner averaged 14.5 points and 5.8 rebounds while helping lead Wasatch to a record of 27-2 in 2019-20. As a junior, he posted 10.4 points and 5.4 rebounds on a team that finished the season ranked No. 10 in the USA Today Sports Super 25 and played in the GEICO High School Nationals.

Townsend Tripple rounds out the incoming freshman class. A 6-foot-8 wing, Tripple earned first-team all-state honors at Rocky Mountain High School in Idaho and is a threat to shoot from the outside.

The incoming class also features three transfers, including Gideon George and Spencer Johnson from the junior college ranks. George, who played at New Mexico Junior College, was a two-time NJCAA Region V Team and All-Western Junior College Athletic Conference Team honoree. Last season he averaged 14.5 points and 8.0 rebounds and has two years of eligibility remaining. Johnson played his freshman season at Salt Lake Community College in 2019-20. He averaged 13.2 points and 4.9 rebounds while earning All-Region 18 Second Team honors and helping SLCC to a record of 29-4 and the No. 4 overall seed in the NJCAA National Tournament. Johnson has three years of eligibility remaining.

Brandon Warr comes to BYU after three seasons at Westminster in Salt Lake. He averaged 15.3 points and 8.9 rebounds last season while earning second-team all-conference honors. Warr will sit out this season and play his senior year in 2021-22.

Post

BYU has an experienced group of returning players in the post, including juniors Kolby Lee and Gavin Baxter, who both have significant starting experience in a BYU uniform. After dealing with injuries as a freshman, Lee started 28 games last season and averaged 7.0 points and 3.2 rebounds on 62.5 percent shooting, the third-best field goal percentage in a season in BYU history. Baxter overcame a shoulder injury to contribute in the final seven games last season. As a freshman in 2018-19, Baxter earned All-WCC Freshman Team recognition while posting averages of 4.7 points, 3.1 rebounds and 1.1 blocks per game. He set the BYU record for field goal percentage in a season, shooting 64.8 percent from the field.

Utah Valley transfer Richard Harward gives BYU experience and a big body in the post. The 6-11, 255-pound junior is eligible after sitting out last season. He had a breakout sophomore season playing for Pope in 2018-19, when he averaged 6.9 points and 4.9 rebounds and shot 63.8 percent.

Purdue transfer and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Award watch list member Matt Haarms comes to BYU after playing three years at Purdue, where is fourth all-time in career blocks and sixth in field goal percentage. Last season he posted averages of 8.6 points, 4.6 rebounds and 2.0 blocks. During his sophomore campaign, Haarms averaged 9.4 points and 5.4 boards while leading the Big Ten in blocks at 2.1 per game. He helped the Boilermakers finish 26-10 and advance to the Elite Eight of the 2019 NCAA Tournament.

Career Highlights

- Led BYU to a record of 24-8 in his first season as head coach, the most wins for a first-year coach in program history
- Named the USBWA District VIII Coach of the Year
- A semifinalist for the Werner Ladder Naismith Men's Coach of the Year
- Led BYU back into the top 25 for the first time since 2010-11 with a No. 23 ranking on Feb. 17 and the Cougars jumped to as high as No. 14 and finished No. 18/16 in the AP/USA Today Coaches Polls
- Is only the second coach in program history to lead the Cougars into the top 25 in his first season and the first to finish his first season ranked in the top 25
- Coached three All-WCC First Team honorees in Yoeli Childs, TJ Haws and Jake Toolson in 2019-20
- Guided BYU to national rankings of No. 1 in 3-point field goal percentage, No. 2 in assist/turnover ratio, No. 3 in field goal percentage, No. 4 in 3-point field goals per game and No. 5 in assists per game
- Led BYU to a win over No. 2 Gonzaga in the Marriott Center, the highest ranked team the Cougars have defeated in the Marriott Center's history
- As head coach of Utah Valley from 2015-19, led the Wolverines to a record of 77-56
- Led Utah Valley to three-straight bids to the College Basketball Invitational (2017, 2018, 2019), including a trip to the semifinals in 2017
- Coached the Wolverines to 23 and 25 wins in 2017-18 and 2018-19, the first back-to-back 20-win seasons in Utah Valley history
- Utah Valley's 25 wins in 2018-19 are a school record
- Coached the 2019 Western Athletic Conference Player of the Year and Freshman of the Year
- Utah Valley was 30-2 at home from 2017-19
- Led the Wolverines to 22-straight home wins from 2017-19, the nation's second-longest active home win streak at the time and the longest home win streak in school history
- In 2018-19 led Utah Valley to its first-ever preseason tournament title as the Wolverines won the MGM Main Event Middleweight Championship in Las Vegas
- Helped create and organize the #Toughest24 as Utah Valley opened the 2017-18 season playing at No. 4 Kentucky and at No. 1 Duke on back-to-back nights
- As an assistant to Dave Rose at BYU from 2011-15, helped BYU to at record of 98-43, three NCAA tournament appearances and a trip to the semifinals of the NIT



Coaching Experience

- BYU Head Coach (2019-present)
- Utah Valley Head Coach (2015-19)
- BYU Assistant Coach (2011-2015)
- Wake Forest Assistant Coach (2010-11)
- Georgia Director of Basketball Operations (2009-10)

Education

- Kentucky (1996, B.A. in English)
- Completed two years of medical school at Columbia University in New York
- Newport HS in Bellevue, Wash. (1991)

Playing Career

- Played freshman and sophomore seasons at Washington (1991-93)
- Earned Pac-10 All-Academic honors as a sophomore
- Played junior and senior seasons at Kentucky (1994-96)
- Helped Kentucky to SEC title and Elite Eight run while earning Academic All-SEC honors in 1995
- Helped Kentucky to SEC title and NCAA National Championship as a team captain in 1996
- Drafted in the second round of the 1996 NBA Draft by the Indiana Pacers
- Played the 1996-97 season for Efes Pilsen in Turkey
- Played for the Indiana Pacers under Larry Bird from 1997-99 and helped the Pacers to the 1998 Eastern Conference Finals
- Played for the La Crosse Bobcats of the CBA and Ulkerspor in Turkey in 1999-00
- Played for the Milwaukee Bucks under coach George Karl from 2000-02 and helped the Bucks to the Eastern Conference Finals in 2001
- Spent the 2002-03 season on injured reserve with the New York Knicks
- Played for the Denver Nuggets from 2003-05

Personal/Family

- Wife: Lee Anne
- Daughters: Ella, Avery, Layla and Shay

POPE'S DIVISION I HEAD COACHING RECORD													
Season	School	Overall	Pct.	Home	Pct.	Away	Pct.	Neutral	Pct.	Conf.	Pct.	Conf. Tourney	Postseason
2015-16	UtahValley	12-18	.400	7-8	.467	5-9	.357	0-1	.000	6-8	.429	0-1	N/A
2016-17	UtahValley	17-17	.500	8-5	.615	8-11	.421	1-1	.500	6-8	.429	1-1	2-1 CBI
2017-18	UtahValley	23-11	.676	16-1	.941	6-9	.400	1-1	.500	10-4	.714	1-1	1-1 CBI
2018-19	UtahValley	25-10	.714	14-1	.933	8-8	.500	3-1	.750	12-4	.750	1-1	1-1 CBI
2019-20	BYU	24-8	.750	14-1	.933	6-5	.545	4-2	.667	13-3	.813	0-1	0-0
	Totals	101-64	.612	59-16	.787	33-42	.440	9-6	.600	47-27	.635	3-5	4-3

QUICK FACTS

University Information

Location: Provo, Utah 84602

Elevation: 4,553 feet

Enrollment: 33,511 (Daytime)

Founded: October 15, 1875

Owned: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Nickname: Cougars

Mascot: Cosmo

Colors: Blue and White

Arena (capacity): Marriott Center (18,987)

Conference: West Coast Conference

President: Kevin J Worthen (BYU, 1979)

Athletic Director: Tom Holmoe (BYU, 1983)

Athletic Website: BYUcougars.com

Tickets: (801) 422-BYU1 or (800) 322-BYU1

2020-21 Preview

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 6/8

Newcomers: 8

Returning Redshirts: 3

Starters Returning/Lost: 2/4

Returning Scoring: 29.0% (739 of 2,548)

Returning Rebounding: 30.3% (810 of 1,118)

Returning Assists: 22.7% (126 of 556)

Returning Blocks: 17.9% (12 of 67)

Returning Minutes: 36.9% (2,391 of 6,475)

2019-20 Review

Overall Record: 24-8

H/A/N Record: 14-1/6-5/4-2

Conference Record/Finish: 13-3 (2nd)

2020 Postseason: Canceled due to CoVID-19 Pandemic

2020 Final National Ranking: 18/16

BYU Coaching Staff

Head Coach: Mark Pope

Alma Mater (year): Kentucky (1996)

Record at School (years): 24-8 (2nd year)

Career Division I Record (years): 101-64 (6th)

Assistant Coach: Chris Burgess (Utah, 2014)

Assistant Coach: Cody Fueger (Utah, 2006)

Assistant Coach: Nick Robinson (Stanford, 2005)

Director of Basketball Operations:

Bobby Horodyski (Central Florida, 2013)

BYU History

First Year of Basketball: 1903

All-Time On-Court Record: 1853-1103 (.627)

All-Time Adjusted Record: 1806-1101 (.621)

Winning Seasons: 92/90 (last 2018-19)

Regular Season Conf. Championships: 29 (last 2010-11)

Postseason Appearances (record):

43/41 (33-44/30-42)*

Total NCAA Appearances (record): 29 (15-32)

Last NCAA Appearance: 2015

First Round: L vs. No. 11 seed Ole Miss, 90-94

Total NIT Appearances (Record):

14/12 (18-12/15-10)*

Last NIT Appearance: 2018

First Round: L at No. 3 seed Stanford, 86-89

*On court record/official adjusted record

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KSL 102.7 FM and 1160 AM

Play-By-Play Announcer: Greg Wrubell

Beat Writers: Jeff Call, Deseret News

Darnell Dickson, Daily Herald

Norma Gonzalez, Salt Lake Tribune

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Hunter Erickson	G	6-3	180	Fr.	Provo, Utah (Timpview HS)
1	Wyatt Lowell	F	6-10	205	So.	Gilbert, Arizona (Utah Valley)
2	Brandon Warr	G	6-5	210	Sr.	Salt Lake City, Utah (Westminster)
3	Matt Haarms	F/C	7-3	250	Sr.	Amsterdam, Netherlands (Purdue)
4	Brandon Averette	G	5-11	185	Sr.	Richardson, Texas (Utah Valley)
5	Gideon George	F	6-6	190	Jr.	Minna, Nigeria (New Mexico JC)
10	Jesse Wade	G	6-1	175	Jr.	Kaysville, Utah (Gonzaga)
13	Alex Barcello	G	6-2	180	Sr.	Chandler, Arizona (Arizona)
15	Cameron Pearson	G	6-0	175	So.	Lakewood, Colorado (Chatfield HS)
20	Spencer Johnson	G	6-5	175	So.	American Fork, Utah (Salt Lake CC)
21	Trevin Knell	G	6-5	190	So.	Woods Cross, Utah (Woods Cross HS)
24	Townsend Tripple	G	6-8	200	Fr.	Meridian, Idaho (Rocky Mountain HS)
25	Gavin Baxter	F	6-9	210	Jr.	Provo, Utah (Timpview HS)
33	Caleb Lohner	F	6-8	230	Fr.	Dallas Texas, (Wasatch Academy)
40	Kolby Lee	F	6-9	240	Jr.	Meridian, Idaho (Rocky Mountain HS)
42	Richard Harward	C	6-11	255	Jr.	Orem, Utah (Utah Valley)
44	Connor Harding	G	6-6	185	Jr.	Pocatello, Idaho (Highland HS)

Head Coach: Mark Pope, 2nd year (Kentucky, 1996)

Assistant Coaches: Chris Burgess (Utah, 2014), Cody Fueger (Utah, 2006), Nick Robinson (Stanford, 2005)

Director of Basketball Operations: Bobby Horodyski (Central Florida, 2013)

Video Coordinator: Keegan Brown (BYU, 2017)

Graduate Assistants: Luke Worthington (BYU, 2019), Brad Kitchen (Utah Valley, 2020), Evan Troy (BYU, 2020)

Athletic Trainer: Robert Ramos (BYU, 1995)

POSITION BREAKDOWN								
Point Guard			Wing			Post		
Brandon Averette	5-11	Sr.	Hunter Erickson	6-3	Fr.	Gavin Baxter	6-9	Jr.
Alex Barcello	6-2	Sr.	Gideon George	6-6	Jr.	Matt Haarms	7-3	Sr.
Cameron Pearson	6-0	So.	Connor Harding	6-6	Jr.	Richard Harward	6-11	Jr.
Jesse Wade	6-1	Jr.	Spencer Johnson	6-5	So.	Kolby Lee	6-9	Jr.
			Trevin Knell	6-5	So.	Wyatt Lowell	6-10	So.
			Caleb Lohner	6-8	Fr.			
			Wyatt Lowell	6-10	So.			
			Townsend Tripple	6-8	Fr.			
			Brandon Warr	6-5	Sr.			

GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN			
Arizona	Alex Barcello Wyatt Lowell		
Colorado	Cameron Pearson		
Idaho	Connor Harding Kolby Lee Townsend Tripple		
Texas	Brandon Averette Caleb Lohner		
Utah	Gavin Baxter Hunter Erickson Richard Harward	Spencer Johnson Trevin Knell Jesse Wade	Brandon Warr
Netherlands	Matt Haarms		
Nigeria	Gideon George		

CLASS BREAKDOWN			
Seniors	Juniors	Sophomores	Freshmen
Brandon Averette Alex Barcello Matt Haarms Brandon Warr	Gavin Baxter Gideon George Connor Harding Richard Harward Kolby Lee Jesse Wade	Spencer Johnson Trevin Knell Wyatt Lowell Cameron Pearson	Hunter Erickson Caleb Lohner Townsend Tripple

SENIOR SPOTLIGHTS

Brandon Averette

- Played his junior season at Utah Valley in 2019-20
- Earned a spot on the All-WAC Newcomer Team
- Averaged 12.8 points, 2.1 rebounds and 3.0 assists while adding 27 steals
- Posted season highs of 23 points, six rebounds, seven assists and three steals
- Played his freshman and sophomore seasons (2016-18) at Oklahoma State
- As a sophomore in 2017-18, averaged 6.3 points, 1.8 rebounds and a team-best 2.9 assists per game
- Played in all 36 games with six starts on a team that finished 21-15 overall and advanced to the third round of the 2018 NIT
- Posted season highs of 22 points, four rebounds, seven assists and three steals
- As a freshman in 2016-17 averaged 5.2 points, 1.5 rebounds and 1.8 assists
- Played in all 33 games, helping the Cowboys finish 20-13 overall and earn an at-large bid in the 2017 NCAA Tournament
- Posted season highs of 17 points, five rebounds, five assists and four steals

Alex Barcello

- Played in and started all 32 games for BYU in 2019-20
- Averaged 9.3 points, 3.1 rebounds and 1.8 assists
- Shot 49.3 percent from the field, 48.6 percent from 3-point range and 87.9 percent from the free-throw line
- Posted season highs of 18 points (twice), 7 rebounds (twice), 5 assists (twice), 3 steals (twice), 2 blocks (Cal State Fullerton) and 6 3-point field goals (at Loyola Marymount)
- In the BYU record book for a single season, finished fourth all-time in 3-point field goal percentage (minimum 35 attempts), fifth in points available percentage and 10th in effective field goal percentage
- Scored in double figures 14 times
- Had three-plus steals twice and three-plus 3-pointers nine times
- Let the team in scoring three times, rebounds three times and assists twice

Matt Haarms

- Played three seasons at Purdue from 2017-20 and appeared in 102 games with 40 starts and averaged 7.5 points, 4.4 rebounds and 2.1 blocks
- In the Purdue record book is fourth all-time in school history with 210 blocks and sixth in career field goal percentage at 58.2
- Set career highs of 26 points, 10 rebounds and seven blocks
- As a junior in 2019-20, averaged 8.6 points and 4.6 rebounds while ranking fifth in the Big Ten with 2.0 blocks per game
- As a sophomore in 2018-19, led the Big Ten in blocks with 2.1 per game and field goal percentage at 63.2 to go with averages of 9.4 points and 5.4 rebounds
- Helped the Boilermakers finish with a record of 26-10 and advance to the Elite Eight of the 2019 NCAA Tournament
- In Purdue's four 2019 NCAA Tournament games, averaged 12.0 points, 5.5 rebounds and 2.3 blocks while shooting 65.6 percent from the field
- As a freshman in 2017-18, averaged 4.8 points and 3.2 rebounds and was second in the Big Ten at 2.1 blocks per game
- Helped Purdue advance to the Sweet 16 in the 2018 NCAA Tournament and finish with a record of 30-7
- Earned a spot on the 2017-18 Big Ten All-Academic Team

NOTES AND STORYLINES

Cougars to play in Legends Classic Presented by Old Trapper

On Oct. 14, BYU men's basketball was added to the field of the Legends Classic Presented by Old Trapper. The tournament will be held at Mohegan Sun in Uncasville, Connecticut. The Cougars will play USC on Dec. 1 and face either UConn or Vanderbilt on Dec. 3.

Preseason recognition

Several Cougars have earned recognition heading into the 2020-21 season. Senior center Matt Haarms has been named one of 20 watch list members for the 2021 Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Center of the Year Award by the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. In the WCC Preseason Polls, BYU was picked to finish second and senior guard Alex Barcello was named to the Preseason All-WCC Team. Finally, college basketball writer Jon Rothstein named Mark Pope one of 12 coaches on the rise entering 2020-21.

Pope sets records in his first season

Mark Pope became the 19th head coach in BYU history when he was hired on April 10, 2019. He came to Provo after four seasons at Utah Valley in Orem where he led the Wolverines to 77 wins, three-straight postseason bids and back-to-back 20-win seasons. In his inaugural season at the helm in 2019-20, Pope became the fifth BYU coach to record 20 wins in his opening season, joining G. Ott Romney (20-10 in 1928-29), Stan Watts (22-12 in 1949-50), Roger Reid (21-9 in 1989-90) and Dave Rose (20-9 in 2005-06). His 24 wins are a BYU record for a coach in his first season and his .750 win percentage is second best. Floyd Millet had the best win percentage by a Cougar coach in his first season* at .850 (17-3 in 1941-42). Pope is only the second coach to have his team ranked in his first season (Glenn Potter in 1972-73) and the first to finish his first season with his team ranked in the top 25.

*Minimum 20 games

Improved 3-point shooting

In Mark Pope's first season as head coach, BYU made significant improvements shooting from long range and set several program records along the way. The Cougars shot 42.2 percent in 2019-20 (first in the nation) after hitting 33.0 percent in 2018-19. Several of BYU's returning players made significant improvements from 2018-19 to 2019-20, including Connor Harding (30.9 percent to 44.2), Kolby Lee (25.0 to 71.1) and Alex Barcello (29.2 to 48.6). The 2019-20 Cougars also set program record for 3-point field goals (332) and 3-point field goals per game (10.4) in a single season.

Missions

Eleven of BYU's players and three members of the coaching staff have served missions for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. See the list below:

Players	Players	Coaches
Gavin Baxter: Washington, D.C.	Kolby Lee: Australia	Nick Robinson: Brazil
Hunter Erickson: North Carolina	Wyatt Lowell: Minnesota	Nate Austin: Texas
Connor Harding: Georgia	Cameron Pearson: Chile	Luke Worthington: Chile
Richard Harward: Australia	Jesse Wade: France	
Spencer Johnson: Italy	Brandon Warr: Germany	
Trevin Knell: Uruguay		

BY THE NUMBERS

- 6** The number of consecutive games BYU made 10-plus 3-pointers in 2019-20 on two occasions (11/27 to 12/14 and Jan. 25 to Feb. 13), a school record for consecutive games with double-digit 3s. The previous record was three.
- 9** The number of consecutive games BYU shot 50.0 percent-plus from the field in 2019-20 (1/11/20 to 2/9/20), tied for the longest streak in team history. The previous record was set in the final nine games of the 1988-89 season.
- 15** Including the 2019-20 season, BYU has posted a winning on-court record in 15-straight seasons (officially 12 – all but one win in 2015-16 and 2016-17 were vacated by the NCAA). The Cougars won 20-plus games in 14 of those seasons and 19 in the other.
- 16** The number of games BYU made double-digit 3-pointers in 2019-20, a Cougar record for games in a season with double-digit 3s. The 2015-16 team had 13 games with double-digit 3-pointers. The 2010-11 and 2014-15 teams reached the mark 12 times and the 2007-08 team made 10-plus 3s 11 times.
- 18/16** BYU's final ranking in 2019-20. It marked the first time BYU was ranked during the regular season and finished a season ranked in the top 25 since the 2010-11 season. Mark Pope became the first BYU coach to finish in the top 25 during his first season.
- 24** BYU's win total in 2019-20, Mark Pope's first season at the helm. The 24 wins mark the most by a BYU head coach in his first season.
- 48.6** Alex Barcello's 3-point field goal percentage in 2019-20, fourth all-time in 3-point field goal percentage (minimum 35 attempts) in a single season in BYU history.

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pts.	Reb.	Hometown (Previous School)	Notes
0	Hunter Erickson	G	6-3	180	Fr.	22.6*	—	Provo, Utah (Timpview HS)	Two-time first-team all-state
1	Wyatt Lowell	F	6-10	205	So.	5.4*	3.0*	Gilbert, Arizona (Utah Valley)	2018-19 WAC Freshman of the Year at UVU
2	Brandon Warr [^]	G	6-5	210	Sr.	15.3*	8.9*	Salt Lake City, Utah (Westminster)	Career averages of 12.8 ppg, 7.6 rpg
3	Matt Haarms	F/C	7-3	250	Sr.	8.6*	4.6*	Amsterdam, Netherlands (Purdue)	4th all-time in blocks, 6th in FG% at Purdue
4	Brandon Averette	G	5-11	185	Sr.	12.8*	2.1*	Richardson, Texas (Utah Valley)	Named to 2019-20 WAC Newcomer Team
5	Gideon George	F	6-6	190	Jr.	14.5*	8.0*	Minna, Nigeria (New Mexico JC)	Two-time NJCAA Region V and All-WJCAC
10	Jesse Wade	G	6-1	175	Jr.	1.3*	0.4*	Kaysville, Utah (Gonzaga)	Missed last season due to injury
13	Alex Barcello	G	6-2	180	Sr.	9.3	3.1	Chandler, Arizona (Arizona)	48.6% from 3-point range, BYU 4th all-time
15	Cameron Pearson	G	6-0	175	So.	0.0	0.2	Lakewood, Colorado (Chatfield HS)	Appeared in 13 games
20	Spencer Johnson	G	6-5	175	So.	13.2*	4.9*	American Fork, Utah (Salt Lake CC)	NJCAA All-Region 18 Second Team honors
21	Trevin Knell	G	6-5	190	So.	1.5	0.6	Woods Cross, Utah (Woods Cross HS)	Season highs of 9 points, 3 rebs., 2 assists
24	Townsend Tripple	G	6-8	200	Fr.	15.0*	6.1*	Meridian, Idaho (Rocky Mountain HS)	Earned first-team all-state honors
25	Gavin Baxter	F	6-9	210	Jr.	1.3	1.6	Provo, Utah (Timpview HS)	Due to injury missed all but 7 games 2019-20
33	Caleb Lohner	F	6-8	215	Fr.	14.5*	5.8*	Dallas Texas, (Wasatch Academy)	Led Wasatch Academy to 27-2 in 2019-20
40	Kolby Lee	F	6-9	240	Jr.	7.0	3.2	Meridian, Idaho (Rocky Mountain HS)	Shot 62.5% from the field, BYU 3rd all-time
42	Richard Harward	C	6-11	255	Jr.	6.9*	4.9*	Orem, Utah (Utah Valley)	Shot 63.8% from the field at UVU in 2018-19
44	Connor Harding	G	6-6	185	Jr.	6.1	3.2	Pocatello, Idaho (Highland HS)	Shot 44.2% from 3-point range in 2019-20

[^]Sitting out due to NCAA transfer rules

*Stats from previous school

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

TEAM

BRANDON AVERETTE: a-ver-ET

ALEX BARCELLO: bar-SELL-o

MATT HAARMS: harms

TREVIN KNELL: NEL

CALEB LOHNER: LOH-ner

BRANDON WARR: war

STAFF

CODY FUEGER: FEE-ger

ROBERT RAMOS: RAY-mus

ERICK SCHORK: sh-ork

2020-21 SEASON AND CAREER HIGH

#	Player	Points	Rebounds	Assists
0	Hunter Erickson	Season — Career —	—	—
1	Wyatt Lowell	Season — Career — D1 Career 14 vs. Saint Mary's (2018-19)	— — 6 vs. Western State (2018-19)	— — 2 vs. Chicago State (2018-19)
3	Matt Haarms	Season — BYU Career — D1 Career 26 vs. Minnesota (2019-20)	— — 10 vs. Jacksonville State (2018-19)	— — 4 vs. Indiana (2018-19)
4	Brandon Averette	Season — BYU Career — D1 Career 23 vs. Grand Canyon (2019-20)	— — 6 at Grand Canyon (2019-20)	— — 7 vs. Seattle (2019-20)
5	Gideon George	Season — Career —	— —	— —
10	Jesse Wade	Season — BYU Career — D1 Career 9 vs. Howard (2017-18)	— — 3 vs. Santa Clara (2017-18)	— — 1 vs. LMU (2017-18)
13	Alex Barcello	Season — BYU Career 18 (2x) last at Loyola Marymount D1 Career Same	— 7 (2x) last vs. Santa Clara Same	— 5 (2x) last vs. San Francisco 6 vs. UMBC (2017-18)
15	Cameron Pearson	Season — Career —	1 vs. Cal State Fullerton Same	— —
20	Spencer Johnson	Season — Career —	— —	— —
21	Trevin Knell	Season 9 vs. Montana Tech Career Same	3 vs. San Diego State Same	2 vs. San Diego State Same
24	Townsend Tripple	Season — Career —	— —	— —
25	Gavin Baxter	Season — Career 25 vs. Loyola Marymount (2018-19)	— 10 vs. Loyola Marymount (2018-19)	— 3 vs. Pacific (2018-19)
33	Caleb Lohner	Season — Career —	— —	— —
40	Kolby Lee	Season — Career 21 vs. San Diego	— 10 at Portland	— 4 (2x) last vs. Virginia Tech
42	Richard Harward	Season — BYU Career — D1 Career 19 vs. Chicago State (2018-19)	— — 10 vs. Jacksonville State (2018-19)	— — 4 vs. Indiana (2018-19)
44	Connor Harding	Season — Career 14 vs. Utah State (2018-19)	— 7 (2x) last vs. Rice (2018-19)	— 4 vs. Santa Clara (2018-19)



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Team Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	24-0	14-1	6-5	4-2
CONFERENCE	13-3	8-0	5-3	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	11-5	6-1	1-2	4-2

Score by Period

Team	1st	2nd	OT	TOT
BYU	1196	1326	26	2548
Opponents	982	1166	40	2188

Team Team Score

No.	Player	GP-GS		Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds		PF		DQ		A		TO		BLK		STL		PTS		AVG	
		GP	GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	FG%	3FG-3FGA	3FG%	FT-FTA	FT%	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	DQ	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG				
23	CHILDS, Yoeli	19	19	549:42	28.9	175-305	.574	22-45	.489	50-93	.538	38	133	171	9.0	49	0	38	45	17	14	422	22.2				
5	TOOLSON, Jake	32	32	1076:25	33.6	171-362	.472	85-181	.470	59-74	.797	15	139	154	4.8	45	0	126	65	13	34	486	15.2				
30	HAWS, TJ	32	32	1038:17	32.4	163-355	.459	59-159	.371	64-84	.762	9	70	79	2.5	58	1	185	82	7	43	449	14.0				
4	BARCELLO, Alex	32	32	962:12	30.1	108-219	.493	53-109	.486	29-33	.879	12	87	99	3.1	58	0	56	31	3	30	298	9.3				
33	NIXON, Dalton	28	16	625:35	22.3	82-161	.509	24-63	.381	23-37	.622	28	93	121	4.3	78	3	42	28	10	18	211	7.5				
40	LEE, Kolby	30	28	519:60	17.3	85-136	.625	7-14	.500	32-45	.711	39	57	96	3.2	60	1	21	26	3	7	209	7.0				
2	SELJAAS, Zac	32	0	637:51	19.9	68-161	.422	36-101	.356	39-51	.765	24	105	129	4.0	70	1	27	27	8	25	211	6.6				
44	HARDING, Connor	32	0	723:42	22.6	71-137	.518	34-77	.442	18-27	.667	12	90	102	3.2	57	0	43	24	1	11	194	6.1				
21	KNELL, Trevin	19	0	109:47	5.8	11-33	.333	7-26	.269	0-0	.000	0	12	12	0.6	11	0	3	1	1	2	29	1.5				
25	BAXTER, Gavin	7-1		61:15	8.8	4-8	.500	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	5	6	11	1.6	7	0	3	5	4	0	9	1.3				
3	NIELD, Blaze	17-0		59:09	3.5	4-7	.571	1-2	.500	3-6	.500	0	2	2	0.1	5	0	7	1	0	0	12	0.7				
24	TROY, Evan	22-0		66:57	3.0	5-9	.556	2-5	.400	0-2	.000	0	8	8	0.4	8	0	3	4	0	0	12	0.5				
13	MAUGHAN, Taylor	17-0		28:47	1.7	2-3	.667	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	0	6	6	0.4	5	0	2	2	0	2	6	0.4				
15	PEARSON, Cameron	13-0		15:21	1.2	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	1	2	0.2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0				
Team												26	45	71				13									
Total		32		6475		949-1898	.500	332-786	.422	318-454	.700	209	854	1063	33.2	513	6	556	354	67	186	2548	79.6				
Opponents		32		6475		819-1869	.438	193-626	.308	357-515	.693	266	811	1077	33.7	505	6	380	412	77	200	2188	68.4				

Team Statistics

	BYU	OPP
Scoring	2548	2188
Points per game	79.3	68.4
Scoring margin	+10.9	-
Field goals-att	949-1898	819-1869
Field goal pct	.500	.438
3 point fg-att	332-786	193-626
3-point FG pct	.422	.308
3-pt FG made per game	10.4	6.0
Free throws-att	318-454	357-515
Free throw pct	.700	.693
FThrows made per game	9.9	11.1
Rebounds	1063	1077
Rebounds per game	33.2	33.7
Rebounding margin	-0.4	-
Assists	556	380
Assists per game	17.4	11.9
Turnovers	354	412
Turnovers per game	11.1	12.9
Turnover margin	+1.8	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.5	0.9
Steals	186	200
Steals per game	5.8	6.3
Blocks	67	77
Blocker per game	2.1	2.4
Winning streak	0	-
Home win streak	11	-
Attendance	189392	50707
Home games-attendance	29-12000	11-4500
Neutral site-attendance	-	0-000

Team Results

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
11/05/2019	Cal St. Fullerton	W	76-58	11116
11/09/2019	San Diego St.	L	71-76	12567
11/13/2019	Southern Utah	W	68-63	10661
11/15/2019	at Houshon	W	72-71	7035
11/20/2019	at Boise St.	Lot	68-72	6143
11/25/2019	vs UCLA	W	78-63	2400
11/26/2019	vs Kansas	L	56-71	2400
11/27/2019	vs Virginia Tech	W	90-77	2400
11/30/2019	Montana Tech	W	98-63	10990
12/04/2019	at Utah	Lot	95-102	11565
12/07/2019	vs UNLV	W	83-50	11356
12/10/2019	Nevada	W	75-42	10570
12/14/2019	vs Utah St.	W	68-64	10291
12/21/2019	Weber St.	W	91-61	11862
12/28/2019	Oral Roberts	W	79-73	12365
01/04/2020	Loyola Marymount	W	63-38	12422
01/09/2020	at Saint Mary's (CA)	Lot	84-87	3500
01/11/2020	Portland	W	96-70	13048
01/16/2020	San Diego	W	93-70	11339
01/18/2020	at Gonzaga	L	69-92	6000
01/23/2020	at Pacific	W	74-60	3097
01/25/2020	at San Francisco	L	82-83	3006
01/30/2020	Pepperdine	W	107-80	10939
02/01/2020	Saint Mary's (CA)	W	81-79	15212
02/06/2020	at Portland	W	85-54	3013
02/08/2020	San Francisco	W	90-76	14757
02/13/2020	at Loyola Marymount	W	77-54	1533
02/15/2020	at San Diego	W	72-71	2711
02/20/2020	Santa Clara	W	85-75	12757
02/22/2020	Gonzaga	W	91-78	18987
02/29/2020	at Pepperdine	W	81-64	3104
03/09/2020	vs Saint Mary's (CA)	L	50-51	0



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Team Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	13-3	8-0	5-3	0-0
CONFERENCE	13-3	8-0	5-3	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Score by Period

Team	1st	2nd	OT	TOT
BYU	624	699	7	1330
Opponents	521	600	10	1131

Team Box Score

No. Player				Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds											
	GP-GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	FG%	3FG-FGA	3FG%	FT-FTA	FT%	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	DQ	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
23 CHILDS, Yoell	12-12	348:01	29.0	116-203	.571	13-30	.433	27-52	.519	27	75	102	8.5	34	0	27	23	9	9	272	22.7
30 HAWS, TJ	16-16	531:56	33.2	90-179	.503	30-71	.423	46-55	.836	3	38	41	2.6	27	0	108	42	4	28	256	16.0
5 TOOLSON, Jake	16-16	530:19	33.1	88-183	.481	46-92	.500	33-44	.750	7	63	70	4.4	22	0	62	27	7	21	255	15.9
4 BARCELLO, Alex	16-16	491:52	30.7	48-98	.490	30-56	.536	13-14	.929	6	46	52	3.3	35	0	23	10	1	17	139	8.7
2 SELJAAS, Zac	16-0	324:00	20.3	37-87	.425	19-52	.365	18-26	.692	11	52	63	3.9	35	0	17	16	6	12	111	6.9
33 NIXON, Dalton	13-5	268:15	20.6	36-71	.507	8-25	.320	8-15	.533	13	35	48	3.7	32	0	15	10	4	6	88	6.8
40 LEE, Kolby	16-15	262:56	16.4	43-65	.662	4-9	.444	17-22	.773	19	31	50	3.1	29	0	6	9	2	4	107	6.7
44 HARDING, Connor	16-0	346:11	21.6	31-62	.500	16-37	.432	3-5	.600	6	41	47	2.9	26	0	22	11	1	8	81	5.1
24 TROY, Evan	10-0	24:46	2.5	3-6	.500	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.1	5	0	3	1	0	0	7	0.7
25 BAXTER, Gavin	6-0	43:08	7.2	2-6	.333	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	4	4	8	1.3	6	0	2	5	3	0	4	0.7
21 KNELL, Trevin	6-0	15:21	2.6	1-3	.333	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.5
3 NIELD, Blaze	10-0	21:44	2.2	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	2-3	.667	0	1	1	0.1	3	0	2	0	0	0	4	0.4
13 MAUGHAN, Taylor	9-0	10:01	1.1	1-1	1.000	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	0.3
15 PEARSON, Cameron	6-0	06:28	1.1	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team										11	21	32					5				
Total	16	3225		497-967	.514	169-380	.445	167-236	.708	108	411	519	32.4	257	0	287	159	37	106	1330	83.1
Opponents	16	3225		411-917	.448	106-322	.329	203-280	.725	128	402	530	33.1	253	3	202	216	39	102	1131	70.7

Team Statistics

	BYU	OPP
Scoring	1330	1131
Points per game	83.1	70.7
Scoring margin	+12.4	-
Field goals-att	497-967	411-917
Field goal pct	.514	.448
3 point fg-att	169-380	106-322
3-point FG pct	.443	.329
3-pt FG made per game	10.5	6.5
Free throws-att	167-236	203-280
Free throw pct	.708	.725
F-Throws made per game	10.4	12.5
Rebounds	519	530
Rebounds per game	32.4	33.1
Rebounding margin	-0.7	-
Assists	287	202
Assists per game	17.9	12.6
Turnovers	159	216
Turnovers per game	9.9	13.5
Turnover margin	+0.5	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.8	0.9
Steals	106	102
Steals per game	6.6	6.4
Blocks	37	39
Blocks per game	2.3	2.4
Winning streak	9	-
Home win streak	8	-
Attendance	109461	25964
Home games-avg/total	8-13098	8-3348
Neutral site-avg/total	-	0-0

Team Results

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
01/04/2020	Loyola Marymount	W	63-38	12422
01/09/2020	at Saint Mary's (CA)	Lot	84-87	3500
01/11/2020	Portland	W	95-70	13048
01/16/2020	San Diego	W	93-70	11339
01/18/2020	at Gonzaga	L	69-92	6000
01/23/2020	at Pacific	W	74-60	3097
01/25/2020	at San Francisco	L	82-83	3006
01/30/2020	Pepperdine	W	107-80	10939
02/01/2020	Saint Mary's (CA)	W	81-79	15212
02/06/2020	at Portland	W	85-54	3013
02/08/2020	San Francisco	W	90-76	14757
02/13/2020	at Loyola Marymount	W	77-54	1533
02/15/2020	at San Diego	W	72-71	2711
02/20/2020	Santa Clara	W	85-75	12757
02/21/2020	Gonzaga	W	91-78	18987
02/29/2020	at Pepperdine	W	81-64	3104



#0 HUNTER ERICKSON
6-3 | 180 | Freshman | Guard
Provo, Utah | Timpview HS



#1 WYATT LOWELL
6-10 | 205 | Sophomore | Forward
Gilbert, Arizona | Utah Valley



#2 BRANDON WARR
6-5 | 210 | Senior | Guard
Salt Lake City, Utah | Westminster



#3 MATT HAARMS
7-3 | 250 | Senior | Forward/Center
Amsterdam, Netherlands | Purude



#4 BRANDON AVERETTE
5-11 | 185 | Senior | Guard
Richardson, Texas | Utah Valley



#5 GIDEON GEORGE
6-6 | 190 | Junior | Forward
Minna, Nigeria | New Mexico JC



#10 JESSE WADE
6-1 | 175 | Junior | Guard
Kaysville, Utah | Gonzaga



#13 ALEX BARCELLO
6-2 | 180 | Senior | Guard
Chandler, Arizona | Arizona



#15 CAMERON PEARSON
6-0 | 175 | Sophomore | Guard
Lakewood, Colorado | Chatfield



#20 SPENCER JOHNSON
6-5 | 175 | Sophomore | Guard
American Fork, Utah | Salt Lake



#21 TREVIN KNELL
6-5 | 190 | Sophomore | Guard
Woods Cross, Utah | Woods Cross



#24 TOWNSEND TRIPPLE
6-8 | 200 | Freshman | Guard
Meridian, Idaho | Rocky Mountain



#25 GAVIN BAXTER
6-9 | 210 | Junior | Forward
Provo, Utah | Timpview HS



#33 CALEB LOHNER
6-8 | 215 | Freshman | Forward
Dallas, Texas (Wasatch Academy)



#40 KOLBY LEE
6-9 | 240 | Junior | Forward
Meridian, Idaho | Rocky Mountain



#42 RICHARD HARWARD
6-11 | 255 | Junior | Forward
Orem, Utah | Utah Valley



#44 CONNOR HARDING
6-6 | 185 | Junior | Guard
Pocatello, Idaho | Highland HS



MARK POPE
Head Coach (2nd Season)