Point Park Pioneers (17-4, 10-3 KIAC) vs. West Virginia Tech Golden Bears (9-10)

TONIGHT’S MATCHUP:
Point Park continues its four-game homestand with a non-conference date vs. West Virginia Tech. It is the first of two meetings between the teams, including the Pioneers’ regular-season finale Feb. 16 in Montgomery, W.Va. Point Park is off the next two weekends from KIAC play, but the Pioneers will look to stay sharp for the stretch run and the conference tournament. The Pioneers have already clinched a KIAC Tournament home game Feb. 23 and a top-four seed in the conference tournament.

POINT PARK UNIVERSITY PIONEERS (17-4 overall, 10-3 KIAC)
The Skinny: With a KIAC Tournament spot locked up and the guarantee of a top-four seed and the playoff home game that comes with it, the Pioneers are playing for seeding the rest of the way. With just two conference games left, PPU will try to rack up the non-conference wins and continue its current, five-game win streak. The Pioneers have won 13 of 15 overall dating back to Nov. 30.

Last Time Out: Point Park beat Carlow, 69-52, at home Jan. 22. The Pioneers trailed, 49-47, with 6:33 left but scored the next 19 points to take control. All five starters scored in double figures led by April Austin with 16 points and Katresa Savisky with 13 points and 12 rebounds.

Key Players: Point Park has used the same starting lineup since mid-December and will starters averaging above 9.0 ppg. F Ja’Nia McPhatter (15.1 ppg), G Emily Schartner (12.6), G April Austin (11.1), G/F Teresa Davis (10.0) and G/F Katresa Savisky (9.0) are all capable of a big game.

Key Stats: Point Park’s defense has worked its way up to 15th in the NAIA DII at 57.7 ppg (1st in KIAC). PPU also takes good care of the ball ranking 16th in the country in turnover margin (+4.5) and 18th in assist-to-turnover margin (.934).

RV in NAIA DII Top 25: The Pioneers moved up a couple of spots in the Jan. 22 NAIA DII Top 25 Poll to No. 32 overall. PPU is in the ‘others receiving votes’ section and have yet to crack the Top 25.

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WEST VIRGINIA TECH GOLDEN BEARS (9-10 overall)
The Skinny: The Golden Bears are 9-10 overall and enter today having lost five of their last seven games. They are 4-9 on the road with just four home games thus far (3-0). WVU Tech has eight guards and two centers on its 10-player roster. C Mashya White (6-0) got her first start in the last game at Rio Grande (L, 84-79) and scored 25 points. C Roche Wimberly (6-2) also has size.

Top 25 Wins: WVU Tech owns two wins over Milligan (Tenn.), currently No. 23 in NAIA Division II.

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2012-13 SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER
Tue 6 at Wilberforce W, 86-82
Thur 8 SALEM INTL W, 70-42
Sat 10 at Daemen L, 74-60
Fri 16 at Mt. Vernon Naz. W, 73-62
Mon 19 PSU-FAYETTE W, 74-57
Wed 21 ALICE LLOYD (Ky.)* L, 71-64
Fri 30 at IU Southeast* W, 74-69 2ot

DECEMBER
Sat 1 at Brescia (Ky.)* W, 77-72
Fri 7 MT. VERNON NAZ. W, 52-50
Sat 15 at PSU-Fayette W, 74-57
Mon 17 ASPURY (Ky.)* W, 63-56
Tue 18 MIDWAY (Ky.)* W, 53-47
Sat 29 IU SOUTHEST* W, 63-56
Sun 30 Brescia (Ky.)* W, 86-54

JANUARY
Fri 4 at Alice Lloyd (Ky.)* L, 63-57
Sat 5 at Asbury (Ky.)* L, 83-75
Wed 9 MAINE-FORT KENT W, 59-46
Fri 11 at Berea (Ky.)* W, 62-41
Sat 12 at Midway (Ky.)* W, 86-53
Sun 13 vs. St. Louis COP W, 68-32
Tue 22 CARLOW* W, 69-52
Sat 26 WV TECH 1:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY
Fri 1 DAEMEN (Play 4Kay) 7:00 p.m.
Sat 9 BEREA (Ky.)* (Sr. Day)12:00 p.m.
Mon 11 at PSU-Greater Allegh. 6:00 p.m.
Tue 12 at Salem Intl 6:00 p.m.
Fri 15 at Carlow* 7:30 p.m.
Sat 16 at WV Tech 2:00 p.m.

KIAC Tournament
Feb. 21 First Round (9 at 8) TBA
Feb. 23 Quarterfinals at PPU TBA
Feb. 25 Semifinals (at IU Southeast) TBA
Feb. 26 Finals (at IU Southeast) TBA

NAIA National Championship
March 6-12 TBA

Home games in BOLD CAPS
Home games at CCAC-South Gym
* KIAC Game

KIAC Standings (Jan. 25)

School     KIAC  Overall
Point Park (Pa.)  10-3  17-4
Alice Lloyd (Ky.)  7-3  13-8
Asbury (Ky.)  5-3  16-7
Brescia (Ky.)  5-3  12-7
IU Southeast  4-5  11-9
Midway (Ky.)  4-6  6-14
Carlow  4-9  10-12
Berea (Ky.)  2-5  6-14
St. Louis COP  0-4  1-11
Point Park University Pioneers (17-4 overall, 10-3 KIAC)

No. Name Pos. Ht. Cl. Hometown/High School/Prev. School (s)
3 Katresa Savisky G/F 5-9 Jr. Butler, Pa./Butler HS/Butler County CC
4 Erin Gilmartin G 5-5 Fr. Springdale, Pa./Springdale HS
5 Carly Corcoran G 5-6 Fr. Pittsburgh, Pa./Baldwin HS
10 Haley Sauer G 5-8 So. Pittsburgh, Pa./Shaler HS
11 Emily Schartner G 5-11 Sr. Finleyville, Pa./Ringgold HS/NJIT
12 Brittany Dunmire G 5-6 Sr. West Homestead, Pa./Steel Valley HS
15 Anna-Maria Boshkova F 6-1 Sr. Sofia, Bulgaria/22nd High School/Fairmont St.
20 Ashley Campbell F 5-11 Sr. Chicora, Pa./Karns City HS/Butler County CC
21 Maria Romano G 5-2 So. New Castle, Pa./New Castle HS
22 Alexa Xenakis G 5-6 Fr. Pittsburgh, Pa./Keystone Oaks HS
23 April Austin G 5-6 Sr. Penn Hills, Pa./North Catholic HS/Dayton
24 Teresa Davis G/F 5-6 Jr. Vermilion, Ohio/Firelands HS
25 Maura McCaslin G 5-5 Sr. West Sunbury, Pa./Moniteau HS/Pitt-Titusville
32 Ja'Nia McPhatter F 5-9 So. New Castle, Pa./New Castle HS/La Roche
34 Briana Brownfield C 5-11 Fr. McKeensport, Pa./McKeensport HS
42 Anna Shaw C 6-0 Jr. Mingo Junction, Ohio/Steubenville Cath. Central
43 Maeve Gallagher F 5-9 Sr. Brookline, Pa./Perry Traditional Acad.

Head coach: Tony Grenek (IUP '94), second season; Career Record 40-11
Assistant coach: Ryenn Micaletti (Seton Hill '11), second season

West Virginia University Tech Golden Bears (9-10 overall)

No. Name Pos. Cl. Ht. Home
3 LaKisha Adkins G Fr. 5-7 Huntington, W.Va.
10 Courtney Sturdivant G Sr. 5-5 New Haven, Conn.
15 Dee Hawkins G So. 5-4 Chicago, Ill.
16 Nia Nolan G So. 5-3 Dayton, Ohio
21 Cheyanna Lusk G Fr. 5-7 Cyclone, W.Va.
22 Amber Tully G Sr. 5-7 Amherst, Ohio
32 Amy Gardner G Sr. 5-10 Medina, Ohio
34 Tracee Mitchell G Jr. 5-9 Mineral Wells, Ind.
50 Roche Wimberly C So. 6-2 Cleveland, Ohio
54 Masha White C So. 6-0 Cincinnati, Ohio

Head coach: Jenna Everhart, second season. WVU Tech Record: 16-33
Assistant Coaches: Shikina Jones, Jessie Johnson

2012-13 SEASON STATISTICS — POINT PARK UNIVERSITY WOMEN’S BASKETBALL (All Games)

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Point Park University Women’s Basketball Preseason Information / Quick Facts:
2011-12 Record: 23-7, 12-2 AMC
2011-12 Playoff Result: L, 60-58 (NAIA DII National Champions 1st Rd)
Starters Returning/Lost: 2-3
Letter Winners Ret./Lost: 10/4
KIAC Preseason Poll: 3rd of 9 teams

Jan. 26, 2013 — Game No. 22 — Point Park University Women’s Basketball — 2011-12 NAIA DII National Tournament