



NCAA Division II Elite Eight Capsule

Semifinal Game #1

Thurs., March 25, 2021 • Ford Center • Evansville, Ind. • 6 p.m.
 Telecast on CBS Sports Network

West Texas A&M (#1 seed)



Head Coach: Tom Brown (7th year)
Overall Record: 18-2
Conference Record: 10-2 (2nd in Lone Star Conference West Division; won LSC tournament)
vs. Top 25 Teams: 5-2
vs. 2020-21 NCAA Field: 7-2
All-Time NCAA Tournament Record: 17-18
NCAA Appearance: 18th (4th Elite Eight, first appearance since 2019)
Longest Winning Streak: 9 (Jan. 14-Feb. 25)

Probable Starters:

No.	Name	Ht.	Year	PPG	RPG	AST	STL	Hometown
2	Qua Grant	6-1	Jr.	22.4	8.2	65	40	Waxahachie, Texas
4	Jon'il Fugett	6-0	Jr.	13.2	4.0	47	27	Denver, Colo.
11	Kavon Booker	6-6	So.	5.1	4.1	5	5	Schertz, Texas
13	Joel Murray	6-0	Jr.	23.9	6.7	87	37	Rowlett, Texas
14	Zach Toussaint	5-10	So.	10.7	1.2	13	12	Johnsburg, Ill.

2021 NCAA Tournament Results (South Central Regional)

Semifinals:
 def. DBU 82-65
Championship Game:
 def. Lubbock Christian 101-92
Elite Eight Quarterfinals:
 def. Daemen 97-83

Notes:

West Texas A&M, the top seed in the Elite Eight, is in the national semifinals for the second time; its previous trip there in 2018 ended with a loss to eventual national champion Ferris State. ... The Buffaloes rank third in NCAA Division II in turnover margin, forcing 6.8 more per game than their foes and had a plus nine in that category in its quarterfinal win over Daemen. ... The Buffaloes are also sixth in scoring at 91.9 points per game and had three players score at least 20 points in the victory over Daemen, led by Joel Murray's 31 points. ... Wednesday marked the fourth time in the last eight games that West Texas A&M has had a 30-point scorer; the top mark in that span was the 40 scored by Qua Grant in the regional championship game win over Lubbock Christian.

Lincoln Memorial (#4 seed)



Head Coach: Josh Schertz (13th year)
Overall Record: 19-3
Conference Record: 14-3 (won South Atlantic Conference; did not play in conference tournament)
vs. Top 25 Teams: 4-0
vs. 2020-21 NCAA Field: 7-1
All-Time NCAA Tournament Record: 18-8
NCAA Appearance: 10th (3rd Elite Eight, first appearance since 2017)
Longest Winning Streak: 9 (Jan. 13-Feb. 8)

Probable Starters:

No.	Name	Ht.	Year	PPG	RPG	AST	STL	Hometown
2	Devin Whitfield	6-5	Sr.	18.5	4.8	41	15	Lipscomb, Ala.
4	Julius Brown	5-11	Jr.	10.1	2.6	56	31	Westerville, Ohio
5	Alex Dahling	6-3	Sr.	9.2	5.0	56	15	Cincinnati, Ohio
32	Jordan Guest	6-9	Jr.	14.7	7.5	25	5	Rancho Santa Margarita, Ca.
35	Cameron Henry	6-6	Jr.	15.4	6.0	94	44	Chesterfield, Va.

2021 NCAA Tournament Results (South Atlantic Regional)

Semifinals:
 def. Tusculum 80-66
Championship Game:
 def. Emmanuel 103-67
Elite Eight Quarterfinals:
 def. Colorado School of Mines 90-76

Notes:

Lincoln Memorial has made the national semifinals for the third time in three Elite Eight appearances; it won its semifinal game in 2016 and lost there a year later. ... The Railsplitters added to their NCAA Division II-leading assist total with 12 in its quarterfinal win, giving them 486 on the year. ... LMU also owns the top scoring margin in the nation of plus 22.3 points per game and all three of its post-season wins have been by double figure margins. ... The Hilltoppers had four players in double figures in the win over Colorado School of Mines, led by Jordan Guest's 28 points. Guest averaged 28 points in three NCAA Tournament games and nine straight games (19.7 average). ... Devin Whitfield made 64 three-point baskets this season and his 43.2 percent mark from beyond the arc led the South Atlantic Conference.