



## Nittany Lions' projected starting lineup:

0 Myreon Jones 6'3" G

Getting prepared for a lucrative career in podcasting

1 Seth Lundy 6'6" F

Tried to disable 5G tower from spreading COVID

5 Jamari Wheeler 6'1" G

Can usually make about half his free throws

12 Izaiah Brockington 6'4" G

Tied last in his fam for NCAA Tournament appearances

21 John Harrar 6'9" F

Has range extending all the way to the free throw line

HC Jim Ferry

Currently serving as the Interim Head Coach of Penn State following the resignation of Pat Chambers

Good afternoon, Ragers! Michigan basketball is coming off two wins against UCF and Toledo to finish off their non-conference schedule undefeated. Even with COVID issues causing some changes to the schedule, the Wolverines had no trouble closing out their opponents, and they look to start building their conference stats today at the Crisler Center.

### Silent Knight:

In a night where the stars struggled for Michigan (Livers and Wagner combining for 13 points), it breathed another opportunity for the bench to shine against Central Florida. Chaundee Brown Jr. netted 18 points while shooting a phenomenal 4-6 from three. Hunter Dickinson shot 100% from the field while scoring 14 points. The Wolverines were at one point down 25-13, but didn't let that phase them as they outscored the Knights 67-33 the rest of the way for a strong 80-58 final tally, improving to 4-0.

### Border Battle:

Due to concerns within the Wolfpack program at NC State, Michigan's match in the ACC/B1G was 'postponed' and replaced with the top-MAC rated KenPom program, Toledo. The Rockets flew in at a 3-2 mark with some solid wins and tough losses against respective programs. However, it was all Michigan from the start with Austin Davis scoring the first 10 for the Maize and Blue. Up by 18 at halftime, they accessed cruise control for the rest of the game as the final score was 91-71 against the foes from northern Ohio. Hunter Dickinson led scorers with 18 points, and 4 out of 5 starters also scored in the double digits. Expect Dickinson to get the starting nod now that Austin Davis is out 'indefinitely' with a foot injury--indefinitely meaning day-to-day, however injuries like this should be expected to linger even when Big Country returns.

### The Rest of the Nittany Lions:

Myles Dread (#2), Sam Sessoms (#3), Caleb Dorsey (#4), Kyle McCloskey (#10), Patrick Kelly (#14), Trent Buttrick (#15), Taylor Nussbaum (#20), Dallion Johnson (#22), DJ Gordon (#23), Abdou Tsimbila (#30), Andy Christos (#33)

To comply with the Big Ten sportsmanship code, the "Bum of the Game" has been replaced by the "Player to Watch": **Seth Lundy**

**Keep it classy, Rage:** As one of college basketball's premiere student sections, it's important that we refrain from swearing or using other slurs throughout the game. The University of Michigan is an institution of class, and as a collective representative, we need to uphold this standard.

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## Tweets of the Week

Maize Rage (@MaizeRageUM) 12/6

"Going from Lions football to Michigan basketball is an emotional rollercoaster"

Context: The Lions dramatic come from behind win at Chicago last week transitioned into Michigan's slow start against UCF. Yes. This tweet is correct.

Jace Howard (@jacehoward) 12/6

"Headband T Will. That's the tweet. @\_flyyt"

Context: Freshman Terrance Williams broke out a drippy white headband against UCF and proceeded to score a career high 10 points.

Brandon Brown (@BSB\_Wolverine) 12/6

"Juwan Howard closes his post game presser with a flawless recruiting pitch - 'If you're an all-in individual, you're going to enjoy being at #Michigan'."

Context: This is why Michigan currently boasts the #1 recruiting class in the country.

Jenine Howard (@J9Howard) 12/9

"I got big beef with the Coach. Please 😊 and let us rack up points so the bench can get in"

Context: Coach Howard's wife expressing her displeasure with her husband receiving a technical foul and giving the Rockets some free points which meant less of their son, Jace, seeing the floor.

**Remember: A maize Michigan shirt, a Michigan basketball jersey, or costume is required to sit in the bleachers.**

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## A Look at the Lions:

Michigan is facing the Nittany Lions for the pair's 50th matchup ever. The Wolverines lead the all time series 35-14, though Penn State took the win last year 72-63, behind Lamar Steven's 19 points. It should be mentioned that Penn State did wear their black and pink alternate uniforms in that game. The Nittany Lions boast a 12-0 regular season record in these jerseys, perhaps giving them an unfair advantage last season.

Penn State enters this game with a 3-1 record, having beaten VMI, Virginia Tech (ranked 15th), and VCU; their only loss is to Seton Hall. They have some notable depth with seven players currently averaging 7.3 or more points per game. Overall, the Nittany Lions are averaging 81.3 points per game, shooting 44.9% from the field, 37.8% from 3, and 73.3% from the free throw line. They are also averaging 9.5 steals per game, so they'll surely put Michigan to the test this afternoon.

## Pro Blue Update

### Xavier Simpson, Jon Teske & Charles Matthews:

Signed as UDFAs to the Lakers, Magic, and Cavaliers, respectively, our recent Wolverine grads are headed to the big leagues!

### Nik Stauskas:

After spending a season playing in Spain, the former No. 8 draft pick has signed a one-year deal with the Milwaukee Bucks. He looks to build on his 0.353 conversion rate from behind the arc.

### Glen Robinson III

The 37.3% three-point shooter signed a one-year deal with the Sacramento Kings, looking to solidify their long-range shooting.