# VIRGINIA Basketball

Basketball 2005-06 Media Notes Virginia (7-6, 1-2 ACC)

Virginia Tech (10-6, 0-3 ACC)

January 15, 2006 • 4:00 p.m.

Cassell Coliseum (9,847)

Blacksburg, Va.



# 2005-06 Schedule

7-6 Overall / 1-2 ACC

Home: 5-2 Away: 1-4 Neutral: 1-0

Nov. 11	CONCORDIA (ex)		W, 98-62
Nov. 18	LIBERTY		W, 79-44
Nov. 22	at Richmond	CN8	W, 59-43
Nov. 27	at #9 Arizona	1982	L, 51-81
Nov. 30	NORTHWESTERN%	ESPNU	W, 72-57
Dec. 4	at Georgia Tech	E524	L, 54-63
Dec. 7	FORDHAM		L, 60-62
Dec. 17	at #10 Gonzaga	FSN - NW	L, 69-80
Dec. 23	Loyola (Md.)		W, 98-59
Dec. 28	vs. UMBC #		W, 77-66
Dec. 31	HARTFORD		W, 71-62
Jan. 2	at Western Kentucky	(Bostonico) Theory tenders	L, 68-78
Jan. 7	CLEMSON	was dies. It	W, 64-58
Jan. 11	FLORIDA STATE	L	., 82-87 OT
Jan. 15	at Virginia Tech	marking III	4:00 p.m.
Jan. 19	NORTH CAROLINA		7:00 p.m.
Jan. 24	MIAMI	ESPNU	9:00 p.m.
Jan. 28	at Duke		7:00 p.m.
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Feb. 1	at N.C. State	RSN	7:00 p.m.
Feb. 4	WAKE FOREST	wastin 🗓	1:30 p.m.
Feb. 7	at Maryland	RSN	7:00 p.m.
Feb. 11	VIRGINIA TECH	vasdiik 🔃	8:00 p.m.
Feb. 15	LONGWOOD		7:00 p.m.
Feb. 18	at Florida State	mandillia 🔃	4:00 p.m.
Feb. 21	BOSTON COLLEGE	RSN	7:00 p.m.
Feb. 25	at Clemson		2:00 p.m.
Mar. 1	at North Carolina	maddin II	9:00 p.m.
Mar. 5	MARYLAND	RSW.	3:30 p.m.
Mar. 9-12	ACC Tournament ^	and the second	TBA
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% - ACC/Big Ten Challenge

# - Siegel Center, Richmond, Va.

^ - Greensboro, N.C.

All Times Eastern

#### **TELEVISION**

Today's game will be televised by Raycom/Jefferson Pilot. Steve Martin will handle the play-by-play. Dan Bonner is the analyst.

#### **RADIO**

All UVa games are heard on the Virginia Sports Network originating at WINA/WWWV in Charlottesville. Mac McDonald calls the play by play. Jim Hobgood provides the analysis.

# **OFFICIALS**

# **THE GAME**

Virginia enters today's Atlantic Coast Conference game with a 7-6 overall record and a 1-2 mark in the ACC. The Cavaliers are coming off an 87-82 overtime loss to Florida State (Jan. 11) at University Hall.

**Virginia Tech** stands at 10-6 overall and 0-3 in the ACC. The Hokies fell to North Carolina 64-61 (Jan. 10) in Blacksburg in their last outing.

# The Series vs. Virginia Tech

Virginia leads the series with Virginia Tech 74-46. The two teams split a pair of meetings last season with both schools winning on their home court. The Hokies won the first game last season 79-73 (Jan. 27) in Blacksburg in the first conference meeting between the two teams since 1936-37 (both teams were members of the Southern Conference). UVa earned a split in the season series with a 65-60 victory (Feb. 12) in Charlottesville. It also marked the first time since 1983-84 the two teams met twice in the same season. UVa won the first game of the 1983-84 season 74-64 (Jan. 4) in Roanoke, while the Hokies claimed a 56-54 win (Feb. 15) in Richmond.

In 2003-04, UVa recorded an 80-65 win (Nov. 28) in Charlottesville. Virginia Tech snapped the Cavaliers' six-game winning streak in the series with a 73-55 victory (Jan. 21) in Blacksburg in the 2002-03 season.

On Dec. 1, 2001, UVa defeated the Hokies 69-61 in Charlottesville for its sixth consecutive victory in the series. In the 2000-01 season, the Cavaliers defeated Virginia Tech 64-48 (Nov. 24) in Blacksburg. Tech's 48 points are the fewest scored in the series by either team since the second meeting of the 1947-48 season when UVa was held to 43 points (Tech won 57-43 in Blacksburg). It was also the fewest points the Hokies scored in a game in the series since scoring 29 points versus UVa in the 1945-46 season (UVa won 57-29 in Charlottesville). Virginia has won 14 of the last 18 meetings and 25 of the last 32.

This is only the seventh time since the 1975-76 season the game will not be played on a neutral floor. Over the past 30 years (36 games), the series has been held at the Richmond Coliseum (14 times), Roanoke Civic Center (13 times), Cassell Coliseum (four times, including today), The Norfolk Scope (once), the Hampton Coliseum (once), and University Hall (three times).

The Cavaliers are 14-24 all-time in games played in Blacksburg and have lost the last two meetings at Tech. UVa's 64-48 victory (Nov. 24) in the 2000-01 season snapped Virginia's 13-game losing streak in Blacksburg. UVa's last win in Blacksburg prior to the 64-48 victory was a 95-73 triumph in the 1953-54 season.

This is the 72nd consecutive season the Cavaliers and Hokies have met (every season since 1934-35). They have played 100 games in that span. Virginia's next oldest opponent in terms of consecutive seasons played is Maryland (59 straight seasons).

Virginia's PROBABLE Starters										
No.	Pos.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	CI.	Ppg.	Rpg.	Apg.	Mpg.	Notes
30	F	Adrian Joseph	6-7	195	So.	10.5	4.2	0.3	28.2	Career-high 24 points (5 threes) vs. Loyola (12/23)
33	F	Jason Cain	6-10	212	Jr.	8.8	8.2	0.6	25.5	Four double-doubles in last nine games
21	С	Tunji Soroye	6-11	212	So.	2.8	4.6	0.1	22.3	Career high 12 points vs. Fordham (12/7)
2	G	J.R. Reynolds	6-2 1/2	197	Jr.	14.7	3.3	3.5	32.7	Season-high 26 points vs. Western Kentucky (1/2)
44	G	Sean Singletary	6-0	174	So.	18.2	4.6	4.8	33.8	Six games of 20 or more points this season
Virgi	Virginia's Key Reserves									
11	F	Laurynas Mikalauskas	6-8	241	Fr.	5.2	4.4	0.1	21.6	Shooting 61.2% (30-49) from the field
12	G	Billy Campbell	6-0	184	Sr.	1.3	1.0	0.5	8.0	Made first career start vs. Fordham (12/7)
15	G	T.J. Bannister	5-10 1/2	176	Jr.	0.7	0.7	2.3	9.0	Played in 3 games; season-high 18 min. vs. FSU (1/11)
24	G/F	Mamadi Diane	6-5	185	Fr.	8.4	3.8	1.1	27.6	Career-high 18 points vs. Northwestern (11/30)

The Cavaliers' 74 wins against Virginia Tech make the Hokies Virginia's second-most defeated opponent in school history. UVa has defeated VMI a record 100 times.

This is the 121st meeting in the series, the fifth-most played series in school history. North Carolina is Virginia's most frequent opponent with the two teams having met 165 times.

# Tale of the Tape

Here's a statistical comparison of Virginia and Virginia Tech in the 2005-06 season.

Virginia	Category	Virginia Tech
69.5	Points	69.9
64.6	Points Allowed	60.8
+4.9	Scoring Margin	+9.1
42.9	Field Goal %	46.4
41.7	Field Goal % Defense	40.0
35.2	3 Point Field Goal %	33.3
31.3	3 Point Field Goal % Defense	31.5
73.9	Free Throw %	66.9
38.8	Rebounds	32.2
+7.6	Rebound Margin	1.9
11.2	Assists	13.8
	Turnovers	
5.5	Steals	8.9
3.9	Blocked Shots	4.9

# Commonwealth Challenge

Today's game marks another installment of the inaugural Commonwealth Challenge, presented by Adelphia, with the winner earning one point in the series. The Commonwealth Challenge is a friendly comprehensive rivalry series between the two school's athletics programs on an annual basis that continues the growing relationship between the two in-state members of the ACC. With Adelphia's support, it is designed to increase the exposure and interest level in the various sports, while promoting good sportsmanship among student-athletes, coaches and fans of the schools. Apoint system determines the annual winner of the competition.

The Cavaliers currently lead the series 6-3. UVa earned a point in volleyball, women's soccer, men's cross country, women's cross country, men's swimming and diving, and women's swimming and diving. The Hokies earned a point in men's soccer and two points in football.



**Head Coach Dave Leitao** 

Dave Leitao was named the 10th head men's basketball coach at Virginia on April 16, 2005. Leitao was the head coach at DePaul University the last three seasons. His DePaul teams compiled an overall record of 58-34 and competed in a postseason tournament each season. The Blue Demons participated in the NCAA Tournament in 2004 and in the National Invitation Tournament in 2003 and 2005. Leitao also spent two seasons as the head coach at his alma mater, Northeastern University, and now sports an 87-75 record in six seasons as a head coach.

This is Leitao's first meeting against Virginia Tech as a head coach.

Leitao has coached in 22 games against AP ranked teams and is 5-17. Against top 10 AP teams, Leitao is 0-7. He was 0-4 against ranked teams in two seasons at Northeastern, 5-11 vs. ranked opponents in three years at DePaul, and 0-2 against ranked foes at UVa.

In six season-openers, Leitao is 4-2. In addition to this year's season-opening win, Leitao won all three season openers while at DePaul and lost both openers at Northeastern. Here's a look at the results of Leitao's six season-openers:

1994-95	Northeastern lost at Duke 93-70
1995-96	Northeastern lost at Marist 73-55
2002-03	DePaul won at Northern Illinois 63-48
2003-04	DePaul won at home over Loyola-Chicago 73-61
2004-05	DePaul won at home over Bowling Green 69-59
2005-06	Virginia won at home over Liberty 79-44

# **Dave Leitao Makes Virginia Debut**

A new era of Virginia basketball began on Nov. 18 when Dave Leitao made his Virginia coaching debut. The Cavaliers rolled to a 79-44 victory over Liberty. Leitao became the seventh (of 10) head coach to win his opener at UVa. Here's a look at how the nine other coaches fared in their Cavalier debut: Henry Lannigan (1905-06) W 30-9 Charlottesville YMCA (H) Roy Randall (1929-30) 65-32 Duke (H) L Gus Tebell (1930-31) W 32-15 Staunton Collegians (H) Evan "Bus" Male (1951-52) W 56-50 Catholic (H) Billy McCann (1957-58) 73-69 William & Mary (A) Bill Gibson (1963-64) L 75-64 Kentucky (A) 77-69 Washington & Lee (H) Terry Holland (1974-75) W Jeff Jones (1990-91) 80-77 Siena (N) W Pete Gillen (1998-99) 86-70 Va. Commonwealth (N) W 79-44 Liberty (H) Dave Leitao (2005-06) W

Leitao also earned a win in his second game at Virginia and joined four of the previous nine head basketball coaches at UVa to start out their stay at Virginia with consecutive wins. Jeff Jones (1990-91), Terry Holland (1974-75) and Gus Tebell (1930-31) each started out 2-0, while Henry Lannigan (1905-06) is the only Virginia coach to win more than his first two games. He led UVa to four consecutive victories in the first year of the Cavalier basketball program in 1905-06.

# **Virginia Quick Facts**

**Location:** Charlottesville, Va. **Founded:** 1819 by Thomas Jefferson

Enrollment: 20,018 (13,140 undergraduates)

President: John T. Casteen III
Athletics Director: Craig Littlepage

Faculty Athletic Rep.: Carolyn M. Callahan Conference: Atlantic Coast Conference

**Arena:** University Hall (8,392) **Colors:** Orange and Blue

Nicknames: Cavaliers, Wahoos, 'Hoos

Mascot: Cavalier

# **Basketball Information**

Head Coach: Dave Leitao (Northeastern '83)

Career Record: 87-75 (sixth season) Record at Virginia: 7-6 (first season)

**Assistant Coaches:** Gene Cross (Illinois '94) – first season, Rob Lanier (St. Bonaventure '90) – first season, Steve

Seymour (Bridgewater State '81) – first season

Director of Basketball Operations: Drew Diener (Saint

Louis '03) – first season **2004-05 Record:** 14-15

**2004-05 ACC Record:** 4-12 (10th-tie)

Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 8/6

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# New UVa Coaches in Home ACC Debut

Dave Leitao made his ACC home game coaching debut against Clemson (Jan. 7) – a 64-58 win. He is only the third of seven UVa coaches to win their first home ACC game. Billy McCann was the first UVa coach to win his home ACC debut in the 1957-58 season (a 66-61 win over Wake Forest – Dec. 14). In 1990-91, Jeff Jones was the second UVa coach to win his first home ACC game (an 81-64 win over #8 Duke – Jan. 5).

#### Virginia vs. In-State Teams

This is the Cavaliers' third of five regular season games against an in-state opponent. UVa began the 2005-06 season with a 79-44 win over Liberty (Nov. 18) and posted a 59-43 win at Richmond (Nov. 22) in the second game of the season. In the last 29 seasons (since 1977-78), UVa is 114-16 (.877) against instate opponents. Virginia has won its last 12 in-state home games and is 3-2 in its last five away games against in-state competition.

Virginia was 2-1 vs. in-state opponents last season. UVa defeated Richmond 85-58 (Nov. 28) at University Hall. The Cavaliers also split a pair of games against Virginia Tech. The Hokies won 79-73 (Jan. 27) in Blacksburg, but Virginia earned a 65-60 win (Feb. 12) in Charlottesville.

UVa won all four games against in-state opponents in the 2003-04 season. The Cavaliers defeated Virginia Tech 80-65 (Nov. 28), VMI 78-56 (Dec. 5), James Madison 90-80 (Dec. 16), and William & Mary 84-71 (Jan. 5) in 2003-04.

Virginia had its 15-game in-state winning streak snapped with a 73-55 loss at Virginia Tech (Jan. 21) in the 2002-03 season. Virginia also posted a 77-58 victory over Liberty (Dec. 30) in 2002-03. Prior to losing to the Hokies during the 2002-03 season.

son, UVa's most recent in-state loss was a 69-64 setback to Liberty (Jan. 7) in U-Hall in the 1997-98 season.

In 2001-02, Virginia registered home victories against Virginia Tech (69-61 – Dec. 1) and VMI (93-59 – Jan. 24).

In the 2000-01 season, the Cavaliers won both of their contests against in-state opponents. UVa defeated Virginia Tech 64-48 (Nov. 24) in Blacksburg and VMI 89-70 (Dec. 4) in Lexington.

In 1999-00, Virginia was 4-0 against in-state opponents with the four victories coming against VMI 98-57 (Nov. 21) at University Hall, Hampton 102-56 (Dec. 10) at the Hampton Convocation Center, Richmond 69-65 (Dec. 21) at the Robins Center, and Virginia Tech 71-66 in overtime (Jan. 24) at the Richmond Coliseum.

In 1998-99, the Cavaliers' were 5-0 against in-state opponents defeating Hampton, Liberty, Virginia Commonwealth, VMI and Virginia Tech. In the 1997-98 season, the Cavaliers were 5-2 against in-state foes. The two losses were the most against state teams since the 1987-88 season when UVa was 1-3 vs. state teams.

Dave Leitao has been the head coach in three games against a team from the Commonwealth and is 3-0. In addition to the first two games of this season vs. Liberty and Richmond, Leitao coached DePaul to a 73-60 victory over Old Dominion on Jan. 2, 2005.

# Don't Be Surprised By the Unusual Tonight

Virginia and Virginia Tech have met in some peculiar games and wild finishes through the years.

In the first meeting last season (a 79-73 Hokie win – Jan. 27 in Blacksburg), Virginia Tech built two double digit leads that the Cavaliers nearly erased. The Hokies led by 10 points during the first half, but UVa was able to trim the lead to three, 37-34, at the half. Virginia Tech slowly built its lead to 16 points in the second half, including 62-46 with 10:45 remaining in the contest. Virginia outscored the Hokies 27-17 over the final 10:29 of the game. The Cavaliers cut the deficit to three points on three occasions and two points once – 75-73 with nine seconds remaining. UVa held a 38-25 edge in rebounds, but had 22 turnovers to Virginia Tech's 11.

The second meeting of the 2004-05 season (a 65-60 UVa win – Feb. 12 in Charlottesville) was a tale of two halves for the Cavaliers. Virginia shot only 33.3 percent (11-33) from the field and 1-5 (20.0 percent) from the free throw line in the first half. Virginia heated up in the second half, connecting on 14-28 (50.0 percent) shots from the floor and 9-11 (81.8 percent) of its free throw attempts. (Virginia Tech made 9-10 attempts from the line in the second half).

Virginia used a 15-7 run over the final seven minutes of the opening stanza to help erase an eight-point deficit to tie the game at 26-26 at the half. The Cavaliers trailed 41-35 with 12:45 left in the game, but used an 11-3 run to take a 46-44 lead with 7:10 left and never trailed again (the Hokies did tie the game at 46-46).

UVa had only nine turnovers in the game and Virginia Tech committed just 10.

There were several statistical anomalies in the game:

- Four players (Devin Smith, Elton Brown, Sean Singletary and Jason Cain) led UVa in rebounding with seven apiece.
- UVa made 10 free throws with Smith, Brown, Singletary, T.J.
   Bannister and Gary Forbes making two apiece.
- Seven UVa players combined to commit 19 fouls with five players committing three and two players committing two.

In the 2003-04 season, Virginia Tech scored the first seven points of the game and led for much of the first half. Todd Billet's three-pointer with 1:41 to go in the first stanza gave UVa the lead for good, 31-30. Virginia led by double digits the final 14 minutes of the game and won 80-65. UVa shot 58.3 percent (7-12) from

three-point range, but only 46.4 percent (13-28) overall in the first half. The Cavaliers shot 49.2 percent in the game (30-61). Virginia Tech was an identical 13-36 (36.1 percent) from the field in both the first and second halves. The Hokies held a 44-39 edge in rebounds and committed only 10 turnovers while forcing 12 UVa miscues.

In 2002-03, the Cavaliers led by one point (30-29) at half-time, but were outscored 44-25 in the second half, including a 13-0 run to close the contest, in a 73-55 loss at Cassell Coliseum. UVa outshot Virginia Tech 42.9 to 40.3 percent and held a 39-37 edge in rebounds. The difference in the game was at the foul line as Virginia was a woeful 1-6 (16.7 percent), while the Hokies were 17-26 (65.4 percent), and in turnovers as UVa committed 23 while forcing only 11.

In the 2001-2002 meeting, Virginia Tech built a 19-point first half lead and led by 16 (43-27) at the intermission. The Cavaliers outscored Virginia Tech 42-18 in the second half for a 69-61 victory (Dec. 1) at University Hall.

The Cavaliers opened the second half with a 25-8 run to take their first lead of the game, 52-51, with 8:34 left on a running jumper by guard Keith Jennifer. UVa grabbed the lead for good, 60-59, on a jumper by guard Roger Mason, Jr., with 2:13 to play.

In the 2000-01 season, UVa posted a 64-48 win over Virginia Tech (Nov. 24) at Cassell Coliseum, its largest margin of victory in the series since an 86-61 triumph in the 1990-91 season. Tech's 48 points are the fewest scored in the series by either team since the second meeting of the 1947-48 season when UVa was held to 43 points (Tech won 57-43 in Blacksburg). It was also the fewest points the Hokies scored in a game in the series since scoring 29 points versus UVa in the 1945-46 season (UVa won 57-29 in Charlottesville).

It also marked the first time since the 1975-76 season the game was not played on a neutral floor.

In 1999-00, the Cavaliers won 71-66 in overtime (Jan. 24) at the Richmond Coliseum, the fourth time a game in the series has been decided in an extra session. All four overtime games have come since the 1975-76 season, including three since 1988-89.

In the 1999-00 game, UVa built a 12-point lead midway through the second half, only to see Virginia Tech use a 13-0 run to take a 54-53 lead with just over five minutes to play. UVa briefly regained the lead only to see the Hokies go on a 6-0 run to take a 60-56 edge. The Cavaliers scored the final four points of regulation to force overtime, before prevailing in the extra session.

The 1998-99 matchup in Richmond wasn't as close as some games in previous years, but it was unique. UVa won by nine points, 64-55, but the game could have been extremely close had the Hokies been able to capitalize on some Virginia miscues. Virginia committed 23 turnovers in the game (Virginia Tech had 11), but the Cavaliers overcame that by shooting 53.5 percent (23-43) from the field. On the other hand, the Hokies shot 27.5 percent (19-69) from the floor, the lowest percentage by a UVa opponent that season. The Hokies managed 22 offensive rebounds, but only 11 second chance points. Despite giving up 22 offensive rebounds, UVa managed to grab 29 missed Virginia Tech shots.

The Cavaliers won 58-57 in the 1996-97 season in Richmond in a game that hinged on the last shot. The Hokies had two opportunities to win in the last 10 seconds, but weren't able to connect. Brendan Dunlop missed a runner in the lane, but got the rebound and called timeout following a mad scramble with five seconds left. With time running down, Tech's Jim Jackson drove into the lane and lost control of the ball. Norman Nolan grabbed the ball as Virginia held on to win.

Virginia's 63-62 victory in 1995 in Richmond was a tight contest throughout. Harold Deane's running jumper in the lane with 17.2 seconds remaining proved to be the winning basket for UVa. The Hokies' Shawn Smith had a chance to win it for Tech in the

final seconds, but his jumper rimmed out and Tech could not control the rebound as time expired.

Jason Williford was Virginia's hero in that game. Playing in his final college game in his hometown, he brought the Cavaliers back from a seven-point deficit in the game's final 2:34. He scored eight of Virginia's last 10 points in the final two minutes to rally the Cavaliers. He made a steal in the backcourt, converted it into a layup, drew a foul and hit the ensuing free throw with 53.8 seconds left to put UVa ahead for just the second time in the second half at 61-60. Tech's Ace Custis made two free throws with 34.3 seconds left to set the stage for Deane's game-winning basket.

Virginia shot over 50 percent from the field only once during the 1993-94 season, but it came in a 70-61 win over the Hokies in Roanoke. The Cavaliers shot 51.1 percent in defeating the Hokies.

The 1989 meeting played at the Richmond Coliseum is the second-highest scoring game in UVa history. The Cavaliers needed overtime, but posted a 113-106 win.

Virginia built a 16-point lead early in the second half of the 1993 game in Richmond, but scored only 12 points in the final 16 minutes and dropped a 59-53 decision to the Hokies. The Cavaliers made five field goals in the second half, including three in the final 18 minutes.

Virginia posted a 61-57 double overtime win at the Roanoke Civic Center in 1992. The Cavaliers shot 33.3 percent from the field for the game and managed to pull out the win. That was the lowest UVa had shot and won since January 12, 1977. On that day, the Cavaliers shot 28.9 percent (13-45) in a 55-50 win over Virginia Tech.

# **Back to ACC Play**

The Cavaliers opened ACC play on Dec. 4 (a 63-54 loss at Georgia Tech) and played their second conference game on Jan. 7 against Clemson (a 64-58 win). UVa lost its third ACC game 87-82 in overtime to Florida State (Jan. 11). The 33 days between ACC games (Georgia Tech and Clemson) is the longest stretch ever between ACC contests for Virginia. The previous longest length of time between ACC games for UVa was 31 days in the 1979-80 season – Dec. 1 (vs. Georgia Tech) to Jan. 2 (vs. Wake Forest).

Virginia also played six non-conference games between league matchups. The six games ties for the second most all-time between ACC contests (1997-98, 1996-97, 1981-82, and 1967-68). In 1979-80, the Cavaliers played eight non-conference contests between their first two ACC games.

#### The Opener

UVa's 35-point margin of victory over Liberty (Nov. 18) marked the largest in a season-opener since the 2000-01 season when the Cavaliers won by 46 points over Long Island (Nov. 17) – 96-50. The 44 points allowed by UVa are the fewest in a season opener since 1991-92 when Virginia posted a 78-43 win over William & Mary (Nov. 24).

# Singletary Named ACC Player of the Week

Sophomore guard Sean Singletary was named the Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Week on Dec. 19. Singletary scored a career-high 35 points in UVa's 80-69 loss at 10th-ranked Gonzaga (Dec. 17). In addition to the 35 points, Singletary tied his career high with six steals and added six rebounds and four assists.

Singletary, who was a five-time ACC Rookie of the Week last season, is the first UVa player to garner the ACC's Player of the Week award since Elton Brown captured the honor on Dec. 27, 2004.

Singletary is currently fourth in the ACC with 18.2 points per game.

#### **Cavalier Captains**

Junior J.R. Reynolds and sophomore Sean Singletary are co-captains of the 2005-06 Virginia basketball team. Singletary is the first sophomore since Donald Hand in the 1998-99 season to be a team captain.

# Cavaliers Drop 87-82 Overtime Decision to Florida State

Florida State scored the final five points of regulation and then scored the first basket of overtime and held on for an 87-82 overtime win over Virginia (Jan. 11) at University Hall.

The Seminoles, who shot an impressive 60.0 percent (30-50) from the field in the game, made 8-10 free throws in the extra session to help seal the victory.

Sean Singletary led the Cavaliers with a game-high 27 points. He also added a game-best seven assists and five rebounds. J.R. Reynolds scored 17 points, including four three-pointers. Mamadi Diane came off the bench to score 11 points, all of which came in the first half.

Florida State led by as many as eight points in the first half, including 46-38 with 1:58 remaining. UVa closed out the opening stanza with a 7-1 run to pull within two, 47-45 at halftime.

In the second half, the Seminoles extended their lead to as many as seven points (52-45) with 17:20 left. UVa came back to take its first lead since midway through the first half when Singletary made two free throws with 10:08 left in the game that made the score 62-60. The Cavaliers eventually built their lead to five, 77-72, with 2:48 to play on Adrian Joseph's three-pointer. The Cavaliers were scoreless the remainder of regulation and Florida State scored the final five points to knot the game at 77-77 and force overtime.

Florida State scored four of the first five points in overtime to take an 82-78 lead. UVa was able to cut the deficit to one, 83-82, with 11 seconds left on a Singletary jumper, but the Seminoles made their final four free throw attempts to seal the victory.

UVa shot 44.6 percent (29-65) from the field, but couldn't match FSU's 60.0 percent accuracy. The Seminoles held a slim 29-28 edge in rebounds (UVa held a 13-8 advantage on the offensive glass). The Cavaliers forced 16 turnovers in the game and committed 12.

Al Thornton led Florida State with 22 points and nine rebounds, while Alexander Johnson had 16 points and nine rebounds. Isaiah Swann added 17 points.

# **Cavaliers Open Season Strong**

Virginia opened the 2005-06 season with a pair of victories, marking the seventh consecutive year UVa started out the season 2-0. UVa won its season-opener 79-44 over Liberty (Nov. 18) and then registered a 59-43 victory at Richmond (Nov. 22). The Cavaliers had their two-game winning streak snapped with an 81-51 loss at ninth-ranked Arizona Nov. 27.

# Thief

Sean Singletary is third in the ACC in steals with 2.17 steals per game. Singletary has 26 steals in 12 games this season. He has three or more steals in five games this season.

#### **Swat**

Sophomore Tunji Soroye has blocked a career-best 24 shots this season for an average of 1.8 per game. Soroye is currently tied for fourth in the ACC in blocked shots per game. He has blocked two or more shots in eight games, including a seasonhigh four blocks vs. Clemson (Jan. 7).

#### Singletary Goes for 35

Sean Singletary scored a career-high 35 points in UVa's 80-69 loss at Gonzaga (Dec. 17). The 35 points set a McCarthey Athletic Center record for the most points scored by a Gonzaga opponent. Singletary, who missed UVa's previous game against Fordham (Dec. 7) with a hip injury, made 11-20 attempts from the field (4-9 three-pointers) and 9-14 free throws. He also had a career-high tying six steals, six rebounds and four assists in 39 minutes.

Singletary's 35 points are the most scored in a game by a UVa player since J.R. Reynolds tallied 32 points vs. Miami (Mar. 10) in last year's ACC tournament. The last time a UVa player scored more than 35 points in a game was last season when Devin Smith tallied 40 points against lowa State (Dec. 6).

Singletary scored just over half of Virginia's points in the game against Gonzaga. The last time one player scored more than half of UVa's points in a game was when Smith scored his 40 points against Iowa State last season (UVa had 79 as a team).

# Cavaliers Improve to 4-2 in ACC/Big Ten Challenge

With a 72-57 victory over Northwestern (Nov. 30), Virginia improved to 4-2 in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge. The Cavaliers also helped the ACC win the series for the seventh consecutive year as ACC schools won six of 11 contests. The ACC's cumulative record in the Challenge is 40-24.

#### Virginia Signs Three Players

Head basketball coach Dave Leitao announced the signing of three individuals to letters of intent with Virginia during the November signing period.

The three players are 6-6 forward Will Harris from Corona, N.Y.; 6-8 forward Johnnie Lett of Mobile, Ala.; and 6-9 forward Jamil Tucker of Gary, Ind.

# Minter No Longer on Team

Head coach Dave Leitao announced on Dec. 22 that Donte Minter is no longer on the team for personal reasons.

"Donte is a fine young man and I wish him well," Leitao said. Minter, a 6-8 junior forward/center from Salisbury, N.C., did not play in a game for the Cavaliers this season.

Minter lettered for Virginia the last two seasons. He played in all 31 games for the Cavaliers and started three as a freshman during the 2003-04 season. He averaged 5.6 points and 2.6 rebounds a game that season, while shooting 56.0 percent (70-125) from the field and 71.7 percent (33-46) from the free throw line.

Minter was hampered by injuries in 2004-05. He played in 18 games that season, scoring 23 points and grabbing nine rebounds.

# **Bannister Returns to Action**

After missing six consecutive games, guard T.J. Bannister returned to action for the Cavaliers against Florida State (Jan. 11). He entered the game with 11:42 left in the first half and logged a season-high 18 minutes. He did not score in the game, but had five assists with just one turnover.

Bannister missed the first four games of the season and made his 2005-06 season debut against Georgia Tech (Dec. 4). He played two minutes during the first half and made his only field goal attempt. Bannister also played seven minutes against Fordham and had two assists and one rebound before missing the next six games.

Last season, Bannister averaged 4.3 points and 3.7 assists per game.

#### **Ruling the Offensive Glass**

Jason Cain registered an amazing 16 offensive rebounds in two games (7 vs. Georgia Tech – Dec. 4 and 9 vs. Fordham – Dec. 7). The 16 offensive rebounds ties Bryant Stith for the most offensive rebounds in back-to-back games in school history. Stith had 16 offensive boards (eight each) against Wake Forest (Mar. 1, 1989) and Maryland (Mar. 5, 1989).

Furthermore, Cain's nine offensive rebounds vs. the Rams was just one shy of the single game school mark which is shared by three players (Stith, Matt Blundin, and Travis Watson). Only one other player – Junior Burrough – has had nine offensive boards in a game (against Old Dominion on Dec. 11, 1993).

On the season, Cain has 49 offensive rebounds for an average of 3.77 per game (first in the ACC) and 46.2 percent (49 of 106) of his rebounds are of the offensive variety.

# **Really Raising Cain**

Jason Cain recorded back-to-back double-doubles twice this season. He has four double-doubles in his last nine contests and is averaging 9.2 rebounds per game during that span. He has led Virginia in rebounding in eight of the last 10 games.

Cain had his first career double-double in UVa's 63-54 loss to Georgia Tech (Dec. 4). The junior forward tallied then career highs of 15 points and 11 rebounds. Against Fordham (Dec. 7), Cain posted career bests with 16 points and 15 rebounds. Against Loyola (Dec. 23), he recorded 15 points and 16 rebounds with the 16 boards setting yet another career high. Against UMBC (Dec. 28), Cain tied his career high with 16 points and added 12 rebounds for his fourth double-double of the season.

His former career highs of 13 points and nine rebounds came in different games against NC State last season.

Cain is the only current UVa player to have a double-double to his credit (and is also the only Cavalier to have a double-digit rebounding performance). He leads UVa with 106 rebounds (8.2 per game – fourth in the ACC), including 49 offensive rebounds (3.77 per game). Cain is fourth on the team in scoring with 8.8 points per game.

# Home is Sweet for Diane

Freshman Mamadi Diane has played well at home this season while struggling on the road. Here's a breakdown of Diane's statistics at home vs. on the road.

Category	Home (7 gms)	Away (6 gms)*	Overall
Points per game	9.7	6.8	8.4
FG shooting	46.9% (23-49)	27.3 % (15-55)	36.5% (38-104
3-pt FG shooting	42.9% (6-14)	20.0% (3-15)	31.0% (9-29)
Turnovers	6	12	18
Assists	12	2	14
Steals	7	4	11
Blocks	4	4	8
Rebounds	3.7	4.0	3.8
Minutes Played	26.7	28.7	27.6

\*UVa's game against UMBC (Dec. 28) is included as an away game. Diane had 16 points (6-11 field goals), three rebounds, three steals, one assist and one blocked shot with no turnovers.

# **Ditto for Joseph**

Adrian Joseph is averaging 14.3 points per game at home (seven games), but is averaging only 6.2 points per game away from U-Hall (six games). Joseph is shooting 45.5 percent (35-77) from the field and 43.2 percent (16-37) from three-point range at home. Away from U-Hall, Joseph is shooting only 35.9 percent (14-39) from the field and 19.0 percent (4-21) from three-point territory.

Overall, Joseph is averaging 10.5 points per game while shooting 42.2 percent (49-116) from the field.

#### **Reynolds Breaks Out**

After making only four three-point field goals (on 28 attempts) in the first seven games of the season, J.R. Reynolds drained a career-high tying five three-pointers against Loyola (Dec. 23) on seven attempts.

Including the Loyola game, Reynolds has made 17-36 (47.2 percent) three-point attempts in the last six games. Reynolds is now 21-64 (32.8 percent) from beyond the three-point line this season.

Reynolds snapped an 0-11 slump that spanned four games when he made his first three against Loyola with 12:53 left in the first half. His 5-7 effort from long range against Loyola also snapped a 1-20 slump over the previous five games.

Reynolds is 14-36 (38.9 percent) from three-point land at home, but just 7-28 (25.0 percent) from long range away from University Hall. He made four threes against Western Kentucky after having just three three-pointers in his previous five games away from U-Hall.

In the last six games (111 points), Reynolds is averaging 18.5 points per game while shooting 41.6 percent (32-77) from the field.

#### **Three-Point Field Goal Leaders**

J.R. Reynolds has made 120 three-point field goals in his career and ranks 11th on UVa's all-time three-point field goals list. Chris Williams (1999-02) is 10th with 130 career threes.

#### **Turnovers**

UVa is averaging 14.8 turnovers per game this season. The Cavaliers committed 18 or more turnovers in four of their first five games. In the last eight games, UVa has cut its turnovers down to 13.3 per game (106 turnovers). The most miscues UVa has made in its last eight games is 17 vs. Hartford (Dec. 31) and Clemson (Jan. 7).

Against Northwestern (Nov. 30), UVa had only eight turnovers, including just two miscues in the second half against the Wildcats. In its previous game against Arizona, Virginia committed a season-high 24 turnovers.

# Field Goal Percentage Leader

Freshman Laurynas Mikalauskas leads the Cavaliers in field goal percentage. He has made 30-49 attempts from the field for 61.2 percent accuracy. Over the last four games, Mikalauskas has made 11-14 attempts (78.6 percent) from the floor.

# **No Threes**

UVa was 0-13 from three-point range against Georgia Tech (Dec. 4). The last time Virginia failed to make a three-pointer in a game was Jan. 31, 2004 at Wake Forest.

# 28 Offensive Rebounds

UVa pulled down 28 offensive rebounds against Georgia Tech (Dec. 4) and it ties for the second highest offensive rebounds total in a game in school history. The Cavaliers also had 28 offensive boards against Virginia Tech on Jan. 25, 1989. The school record for offensive rebounds in a game is 30 vs. Towson on Dec. 3, 1994.

Virginia gave up 28 offensive rebounds to Hartford (Dec. 31). The 28 offensive boards by the Hawks is the fourth highest total by a UVa opponent ever.

#### **Guards Lead the Way**

Starting guards Sean Singletary and J.R. Reynolds are pacing the Cavaliers this season. The two guards have combined to lead UVa in scoring in nine of 13 games.

Singletary leads UVa with 18.2 points per game and is averaging 4.8 assists per game (58 assists). Reynolds is second on the squad with 14.7 points per contest and has tallied 45 assists (3.5 per game).

Singletary has led UVa in scoring five times – 24 points against Arizona, 23 points vs. Northwestern, 35 points vs. Gonzaga, 22 points vs. Hartford, and 27 points vs. Florida State. Reynolds has led the Cavaliers in scoring four times – 23 points against Richmond, 25 points vs. Loyola (Md.), 20 points vs. UMBC and 26 points vs. Western Kentucky.

# Rebounding a Key

One of the keys to success for UVa this season is rebounding and so far Virginia has more than held its own on the glass. The Cavaliers have outrebounded 10 of their first 13 opponents and are averaging 7.6 more rebounds per game than the opposition. UVa is averaging 38.8 rebounds overall and 14.5 offensive boards per contest.

The Cavaliers have outrebounded seven of their opponents by 10 or more rebounds. In three ACC games, Virginia has outrebounded the opposition 119-91 for an average of +9.3 per game.

#### Free Throw Accuracy

UVa is shooting an impressive 73.9 percent (201-272) from the free throw line this season which ranks third in the ACC (UVa is shooting 72.7 percent – 48-66 – in ACC play). The Cavaliers have two players ranked among the leaders in the ACC in free throw shooting. Sean Singletary is seventh at 79.2 percent (61-77). while J.R. Reynolds is eighth in the conference at 78.1 percent (50-64).

Several other Cavaliers are shooting extremely well from the free throw line, but don't qualify to be listed among the ACC's leaders because they haven't made enough free throws (2.5 made per game is the requirement to be ranked).

- Mamadi Diane is shooting 88.9 percent (24-27) from the line.
- Adrian Joseph is shooting 79.2 percent (19-24) from the line
- Tunji Soroye is shooting 73.3 percent (11-15) from the line.

# **Double Figures in First Six Games**

After scoring in double figures in back-to-back games only once last season, Sean Singletary scored in double figures in the first six games he played in this season before having his streak stopped when he scored only four points against Loyola (Md.). Singletary, who is averaging 18.2 points a game, scored only seven points against UMBC (Dec. 28). Singletary has scored in double figures the last four games and in 10 of the 12 games he has played this season.

Singletary scored in double figures in 13 games last season, but not in back-to-back games until he scored 17 vs. NC State (Mar. 2) and 11 vs. Florida State (Mar. 6).

Dating back to the final game of the 2004-05 season, Singletary scored in double digits in seven consecutive games (he tallied 16 points in the ACC Tournament vs. Duke - Mar. 11) before having the streak snapped against Loyola (Md.).

# **Reynolds Free Throw Streak Snapped**

J.R. Reynolds had his streak of 20 consecutive free throws snapped when he missed his second attempt vs. Clemson (Jan. 7) with 1:30 remaining in the first half.

Reynolds' streak started when he made his last free throw vs. Loyola (Dec. 23). He was a career-best 10-10 against UMBC

(Dec. 28) and then made all four attempts from the line against Hartford (Dec. 31). Reynolds also made all four attempts from the charity stripe against Western Kentucky (Jan. 2).

#### **Impressive Start**

Virginia limited its first two opponents to an average of 43.5 points per game (Liberty 44 points, Richmond 43 points) and 25.7 percent (27-105) shooting from the field. The last time UVa held its first two opponents under 50 points was way back in the 1948-49 season. In 1948-49, the Cavaliers held Lynchburg Independents to 40 points (in a 72-40 win) and Langley Field to 38 points (in a 78-38 win).

On the season, Virginia's opponents are shooting 41.7 percent (309-741) from the field and averaging 64.6 points per game.

# Last Season in University Hall

The 2005-06 campaign is the last season in University Hall for Virginia's men's and women's basketball teams. After calling University Hall home since the 1965-66 season, the Cavaliers will move across the street to their new facility, the John Paul Jones Arena, for the 2006-07 season.

In 41 seasons (including 2005-06), the Cavaliers are 398-142 (.737) all-time at University Hall.

# **Shiembob Shines**

Walk-on freshman forward Drew Shiembob made outstanding contributions in UVa's wins over UMBC (Dec. 28) and Hartford (Dec. 31).

In seven minutes vs. UMBC, Shiembob had a career-high four points while making both attempts from the field. Against Hartford, Shiembob equalled his career best with four points (2-3 shooting from the field) and also tallied a career-high two rebounds (both offensive). He also had an assist and a steal while playing a career-high 16 minutes.

Shiembob has played in seven games this season.

# Two Players Join Virginia Squad

University of Virginia men's head basketball coach Dave Leitao announced on Nov. 8 that junior Matt Deasey and freshman Drew Shiembob joined the Virginia team after going through a tryout process.

Deasey is a 6-0 guard from Wynnewood, Pa. He lettered three times in basketball at Episcopal Academy and was the team captain his senior season.

Shiembob is a 6-4 freshman forward from Richmond, Va. He was a four-year starter at St. Christopher's School. He averaged 18.5 points and 6.9 rebounds a game as a senior and earned Virginia League of Independent Schools first-team All-State honors. He finished his career at St. Christopher's as the school's career leader in rebounds (582) and ranked fourth in scoring (1,097 points). Shiembob was the team's captain as a junior and a senior.

# **UVa Guards Make Game-Winning Plays**

Three returning guards for the Cavaliers provided game-winning heroics during the 2004-05 season. Sean Singletary scored Virginia's final four points, including the winning basket with 2.2 seconds to play, in a 64-62 victory at North Carolina State. J.R. Reynolds' driving layup with 1.5 seconds remaining in overtime provided UVa with its margin of victory in a 79-77 win over Loyola Marymount. T.J. Bannister's jumper in the lane with 2.7 seconds left in the second overtime period gave the Cavaliers' an 80-79 win over Western Kentucky.

#### **UVa Returns Three Starters**

The Cavaliers return three starters from last year's team. The returning starters are guards T.J. Bannister, J.R. Reynolds and Sean Singletary.

# Singletary and Reynolds Earn ACC All-Freshmen Honors

Virginia has had a player earn All-ACC Freshmen honors each of the last two seasons.

Sean Singletary was named to the All-ACC Freshmen Team in 2005 after earning ACC Rookie of the Week honors five times. He averaged 10.5 points, 3.9 assists, 3.0 rebounds and 29.9 minutes played a game, and was the only UVa player to start all 29 games during the 2004-05 season.

J.R. Reynolds was named to the All-ACC Freshmen Team in 2004. He averaged 9.4 points, 1.7 rebounds, 2.0 assists and 24.7 minutes played a game during the 2003-04 season.

# J.R. Reynolds in the ACC Tournament

Guard J.R. Reynolds has played very well in the first two Atlantic Coast Conference Tournaments of his Virginia career.

In two games in the 2005 ACC Tournament, Reynolds scored 43 points and earned second-team All-Tournament honors. He scored a career-high 32 points and tied his career-high with 39 minutes played in the 66-65 victory over Miami in the opening round of the tournament. His 32 points tied for the third highest point total ever by a Virginia player in an ACC Tournament game. He is Virginia's first All-Tournament selection since Junior Burrough was a first-team pick in 1995.

Reynolds scored 38 points in UVa's two games in the 2004 ACC Tournament. He had a season-high 20 points against Duke in the tournament quarterfinals and 18 against Clemson in the first round.

# Virginia Assistants have Head Coaching Experience

Two members of University of Virginia men's head basketball coach Dave Leitao's coaching staff have head coaching experience at the Division I level.

Rob Lanier was the head coach at Siena College the last four years (2001-05). During his four years as Siena's head coach, the Saints participated in one NCAA Tournament and one National Invitation Tournament (NIT).

Siena won the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Tournament Championship in 2002 to earn a spot in the NCAA Tournament. The Saints defeated Alcorn State in the NCAA Tournament opening round game before losing to eventual national champion Maryland.

During the 2002-03 season, Lanier led Siena to a 21-11 record and a third-place finish in the MAAC with a 12-6 record. The Saints earned a berth in the NIT where they defeated Villanova and Western Michigan before losing to Alabama-Birmingham.

Steve Seymour was the head coach at Drexel University for two years (1999-2001). Drexel compiled a 21-15 record in the America East Conference during his two years as head coach. He later served as an assistant coach at Siena during Rob Lanier's first three years as head coach of the Saints.

# **Brown Named Strength and Conditioning Coach**

Shaun Brown, the head strength coach of the Toronto Raptors of the National Basketball Association the last two years, was named strength and conditioning coach for the University of Virginia men's basketball program on October 13.

Brown has 17 years of experience at the professional and collegiate levels. Before joining the staff of the Toronto Raptors, he was the head strength coach for the Boston Celtics from 1997-2003.

From 1992-97, Brown was the head strength coach for men's basketball at the University of Kentucky. During his time at Kentucky, the men's basketball team won the 1996 NCAA Championship.

"The hiring of Shaun Brown continues to move our program in the right direction and helps us provide the best possible student-athlete experience," said UVa men's head basketball coach Dave Leitao. "Shaun comes to Virginia with credentials that speak for themselves. He has been a part of a national championship program, and has successfully trained athletes at the professional and collegiate levels."

Evan Marcus is Virginia's head strength coach and director of the McCue Center weight room. Ed Nordenschild (head strength coach for Olympic sports), and assistant coaches Bill Miller, Shad Pospahala and Lorenzo Rivers assist Marcus. Nordenschild will continue his work with the UVa women's basketball team.

"The strength training unit is critical to our success and has done a tremendous job in support of the athletics department's 10-year goals," said Virginia Executive Associate Athletics Director Jon Oliver. "Shaun Brown is an important addition in this area. His credentials are reflective of the type of professionals we have in the strength training unit."

Brown served as the head strength coach at Providence College from November of 1989 until April of 1992. Prior to that he was an assistant strength coach at Rutgers University from August of 1989 until he accepted the position at Providence.

A native of Hornell, N.Y., Brown earned a bachelor's degree from Canisius College in 1987 and a master's degree from Ohio State University in 1988. He served as a graduate assistant strength coach at Ohio State and as strength and conditioning coach at Dublin High School in Dublin, Ohio, from August of 1988 to August of 1989.

# Littlepage Chairs NCAA Basketball Committee

University of Virginia Athletics Director Craig Littlepage is the chair of the NCAA Men's Division I Basketball Committee. The main responsibility of the committee is the administration of the NCAA men's basketball tournament. Littlepage has been a member of the committee since Sept. 1, 2002. His term on the committee ends on Sept. 1, 2006.

# John Paul Jones Arena On Its Way

On May 30, 2003 ground was broken on the University of Virginia's new special events center, the John Paul Jones Arena. Scheduled for completion in the summer of 2006, the arena will replace University Hall. The new 15,000-seat arena will feature training and weight rooms, men's and women's basketball locker rooms, coaches' offices, and one-and-a-half practice courts per program so the men's and women's basketball teams can practice simultaneously, and when the arena is being used for other purposes.

# 25 Matt Deasey

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Episcopal Academy • Wynnewood, Pa.

[Pronunciation Key: Dee-see]

**WORTH NOTING:** Joined the team as a walk-on prior to the 2005-06 season ... team captain his senior season at Episcopal Academy ... received team Hustle and Coaches Awards as a senior ... earned All-Area and team Most Improved Awards his junior season.

HIGH SCHOOL: Competed four seasons for head coach Dan Doughtery at Episcopal Academy . . . served as team captain his senior season ... lettered three times in basketball ... three-sport athlete in high school ... also competed in water polo and baseball.

**PERSONAL:** Matthew Joseph Deasey ... born February 7, 1985, in Wynnewood, Pa. ... son of Geoffrey and Molly Deasey ... has two siblings ... father rowed at the University of Pennsylvania ... Jefferson Scholar finalist ... Dean's List student ... neuroscience major.

# 35 Drew Shiembob

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St. Christopher's School • Richmond, Va.

[Pronunciation Key: Shem-bob]

WORTH NOTING: Joined the team as a walk-on prior to the 2005-06 season ... team captain as a junior and senior at St. Christopher's ... finished his high school career as St. Christopher's career leader in rebounds (582) ... fourth in career scoring (1,097 points) at St. Christopher's ... Virginia League of Independent Schools first-team All-State selection as a senior.

HIGH SCHOOL: Averaged 18.5 points and 6.9 rebounds per game during the 2004-2005 season ... a four-year starter for head coach Chuck Thomas at St. Christopher's ... school's all-time career leader in rebounds (582) and ranked fourth in scoring (1,097 points) at the conclusion of his high school career ... team captain in both his junior and senior seasons ... named first-team All-Prep League as a junior and senior ... Virginia League of Independent Schools first-team All-State as a senior ... participated in the Dominion Classic All-Star game.

**PERSONAL:** Andrew Reed Shiembob ... born September 11, 1986, in Richmond, Va. ... son of Mark and Cheryl Shiembob ... has one sibling ... father earned both his undergraduate and Law degrees at UVa ... Jefferson Scholar finalist.