

POSTGAME NOTES // 2018-19 KANSAS MEN'S BASKETBALL

(4) Kansas 87, (13) Northeastern 53

Thursday, March 21, 2019 Salt Lake City, Utah // Vivint Smart Home Arena



KU STARTERS (SEASON/CAREER)

Devon Dotson (35/35) Quentin Grimes (35/35) Ochai Agbaji (15/15) Dedric Lawson (35/99*) Includes 64 starts at Memphis David McCormack (12/12)

With their 35th starts of the season, Devon Dotson and Quentin Grimes tied Josh Jackson (2017) and Jacque Vaughn (1994) for sixth all-time in games started in a single season by a freshman.

SERIES INFO: KU leads, 1-0

ATTENDANCE: 16,576

KANSAS' WIN...

- Made Kansas 26-9 and gave KU 26 victories for the fifth-straight season and the 12th time in the last 13 seasons beginning in 2006-07.
- Gave KU its 13th-straight NCAA Tournament first game victory, which started in 2007.
- Made KU 34-2 in its last 36 NCAA Tournament round-of-64 games, beginning in 1981.
- Made KU 1-0 all-time against Northeastern and 5-0 against current membership of the Colonial Athletic Association.
- Made KU 6-1 in neutral-site games this season.
- Made Kansas 108-46 all-time in NCAA Tournament games.
- Made Bill Self 473-105 while at Kansas, 680-210 all-time and 48-19 in the NCAA Tournament (38-14 while at KU).
- Made Kansas 2.274-858 all-time.

TEAM NOTES

- Kansas led 20-19 with 7:59 remaining in the first half, the Jayhawks ended the period on a 17-6 run taking a 37-25 lead into the break. During this span, Kansas forced Northeastern to go 1-for-10 in its last 10 shots from the field.
- Kansas held Northeastern to just two assists in the second half, the fewest by a Jayhawk opponent in a half since Kansas State tallied two on February 25, 2019.
- The Jayhawks hit 70.4 percent from the field in the second half (19-27), Kansas' best shooting performance in a half this season and its best since KU shot 72 percent (18-25) in the second half against West Virginia on March 10, 2018.
- Northeastern's one double-figure scorer marks the fewest by a Javhawk opponent since Baylor failed to have a player hit double-digits on January 2, 2016.
- Northeastern's eight rebounds in the second half is the fewest by a Jayhawk opponent in a half since Toledo grabbed five in the first half on November 28, 2017.
- Northeastern opened the second half on a 5-0 but KU responded with an 18-2 run of its own to take a 55-32 lead, Northeastern never got back within 20 points.
- The Jayhawks held the Huskies to a season low by a KU opponent 28.1 percent from the field along with a season low 16 made shots.

TEAM NOTES (CONT.)

- KU's 34-of-61 mark from the field tallied a season best 55.7 percent shooting percentage.
- Kansas shot over 50% for the 13th time this season with a record of 13-0 and a 251-9 mark in the Self era.
- KU held its opponent to under 60 points for the sixth time this season, the Jayhawks are a perfect 6-0 in those contests and 168-1 under Self.
- Northeastern's 53 points tied for a season low by a Jayhawk opponent matching Eastern Michigan on December 29, 2018 and West Virginia on February 16, 2019.
- The 53 points were the fewest by a Jayhawk opponent in the NCAA Tournament since Kansas defeated Detroit 65-50 on March 16, 2012.
- KU's 34-point victory marked the largest in the NCAA Tournament since Kansas defeated Austin Peay 105-79 on March 17, 2016.
- The Jayhawks scored 50 points in the paint for a second-straight game.

OPPONENT NOTES

- Kansas held the Huskies to 28.1 percent shooting on the day, Northeastern's worst shooting performance of the season.
- The Jayhawks held Northeastern to 25 points in the first half, the fewest in a half by the Huskies since Charleston held them to 23 points in the first half on January 17, 2019.
- Northeastern started 3-of-4 from deep and finished the game going 3-for-24 from long range.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

RS-Junior forward Dedric Lawson

- Lawson's 21st double-double of the season ties him for third all-time in a single season with Cole Aldrich (2009) and Raef LaFrentz (1997).
- Lawson now has 361 rebounds this season moving him into ninth all-time in rebounds during a single season. Lawson moved past Bill Bridges who grabbed 353 in 1961 and Cole Aldrich who tallied 354 in 2010. Lawson now trails Wilt Chamberlain who recorded 367 rebounds in 1958.
- His 12 field goal attempts in the first half marked the most by a Jayhawk since Lawson took 14 shots in the second half against Kansas State on February 25, 2019.

Freshman guard Devon Dotson

- Finished in double figures for the fifth-straight game as the freshman scored 18 points off 6-of-12 shooting.
- Committed zero turnovers for the fifth game this season.
- His two assists moved Dotson past Kirk Hinrich who dished 123 in 2000 for sixth all-time in assists during a single season by a freshman. Dotson has 124 assists this season.
- Finished 5-for-5 from the line, his five attempts moved Dotson to third alltime in free throws attempted in a single season by a freshman, passing Darnell Valentine (1978) and Joel Embiid (2014) who both took 143 respectively. Dotson has taken 145 free throws this season.
- Dotson played 30 minutes on the day moving his season total to 1,134 as he moved past Danny Manning who recorded 1,120 minutes in 1985 for third all-time in minutes played in a single season by a freshman.







Redshirt sophomore guard KJ Lawson

- Turned in the third double-figure scoring game of the season.
- His six field goals were a season-high.
- His 23 minutes marked the third time he has played 20 or more minutes this season.

Junior forward Mitch Lightfoot

- Shot a perfect 2-for-2 on the day including 1-of-1 from deep finishing with five points and seven rebounds.
- Lightfoot recorded one block which ties him with Paul Pierce (1996-98) for 20th all-time in KU history with 98 career blocks.



