

## **Elevance Health Women's Fort Myers Tip-Off Team Details**

### **Island Division Team Information**

#### **Butler**

Head Coach: Austin Parkinson (266-195 overall, 42-54 at Butler)

Notables: Austin Parkinson is in his fourth season with the Butler program, having won 42 games in his first three seasons after inheriting a team that won one game the year prior to his arrival ... Lily Zeinstra, who was third on the team in minutes and started 22 games last year, returns to lead the program, along with several high-impact transfers.

#### **Dayton**

Head Coach: Tamika Williams-Jeter (37-53 overall, same at Dayton)

Notables: Tamika Williams enters her fourth season with the program, returning the program to its winning ways with 18 victories a season ago ... guard Nicole Stephens returns to lead the Flyers after starting 25 games last season, averaging 29 minutes per game to go with 91 assists on the year.

#### **Georgia**

Head Coach: Katie Abrahamson-Henderson (419-206 overall, 47-49 at Georgia)

Notables: Katie Abrahamson-Henderson is entering her fourth season with the Bulldogs and 21st overall ... Georgia is one of the NCAA's all-time leaders in tournament berths with 36, including five Final Fours ... the Bulldogs return two of their top three leading scorers from last year, Trinity Turner (12.2 ppg) and Mia Woolfolk (11.0 ppg).

#### **Kansas**

Head Coach: Brandon Schneider (544-301 overall, 143-163 at Kansas)

Notables: The Jayhawks are led by 11th year head coach Brandon Schneider, who has led Kansas to the postseason in three of the last four seasons, including a pair of NCAA berths ... Kansas returns virtually its entire lineup from last season, which saw S'Mya Nichols (18.6 ppg, 3.7 apg, 2.5 spg) named first-team All-Big 12 for the second straight year.

### **Shell Division Team Information**

#### **Abilene Christian**

Head Coach: Julie Goodenough (539-3633, 229-136 at ACU)

Notables: Advanced to the WNIT Super 16 last season, it's first postseason appearance since 2021 ... Julie Goodenough has guided ACU to five 20-win seasons in the program's 12-year history, and first since 2019-20 ... Meredith Mayes returns after earning second-team All-WAC honors as a sophomore.

#### **Bradley**

Head Coach: Kate Popovec-Goss (24-73 overall, same at Bradley)

Notables: Kate Popovec-Goss was a player for Northwestern from 2011-13 and served on the NU staff both as Director of Player Development later an assistant coach, leading the

Wildcats to the NCAA Tournament in 2015 ... has improved the team's win total in each of her first three years after the program won four games during the 2021-22 season.

#### Missouri

Head Coach: Kellie Harper (393-260 overall, first year at Missouri)

Notables: Missouri welcomes new head coach Kellie Harper to the program this season after she spend the last five seasons at Tennessee, leading the storied program to 108 victories and four NCAA Tournament appearances ... rising junior Grace Slaughter returns to lead the Tigers after averaging a team-best 15 ppg last season.

#### Northwestern

Head Coach: Joe McKeown (777-432 overall, 268-258 at Northwestern)

Notables: Head Coach Joe McKeown will begin his 18th and final season on the Northwestern sidelines, retiring from coaching after a 40-year career ... owns 777 victories as a head coach, a mark that ranks fourth among active Division I coaches in NCAA women's basketball ... Caroline Lau returns following a junior campaign in which she became the first Wildcat since 2016-17 to lead the Big Ten in assists (6.0 apg).