

Champions!

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conference throughout the regular season with a school-record 19 interceptions, 23 turnovers, 105 points allowed, and 11.7 points-per-game allowed. Moreover, Brevard allowed the third-fewest rushing yards-per-game and scored four touchdowns on defense, which was tied for the lead in the USA South.

In addition to these conference-leading numbers, BC's 19 interceptions finished the regular season tied-for-third in all of NCAA DIII Football, trailing just Redlands (23) and Martin Luther (21) while being tied with four other schools.

Brevard's vaunted defense finishes the 2019 campaign with 21 interceptions, 25 total turnovers, 133 points allowed, and 13.3 points allowed-per-game.

Final Thoughts from Head Coach Bill Khayat: "The players are the ones that make the plays on the field for the 60 minutes of football. The coaches are giving the directions and the blueprints to help the players succeed. However, we understand the role that everyone plays in our achieving these victories. Anyone involved in the Brevard community – those at Brevard College, those in the city of Brevard, and Transylvania County – we understand that everyone has a role and they are exceptional in that role, and that has allowed us to achieve great accomplishments this season."

"As thrilled as we are to have been a part of the ECAC Scotty Whitelaw Bowl and achieve this victory, the plan for next year is to be competing in the first round of the NCAA DIII Playoffs," (Brevard College will be fully-eligible for USA South Conference and NCAA postseason in the 2020-21 academic season as full members of NCAA DIII).

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Brevard College is consistently recognized as one of the best liberal arts colleges. The College's focus on experiential learning, small class sizes, and location in the mountains of Western North Carolina near Asheville make Brevard a top choice college for students around the world.

Women's basketball plays Warren Wilson

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After three back-and-forth quarters of basketball that left the score tied at 53, the visiting Warren Wilson College Owls (3-2) outscored the Brevard College women's basketball team, 23-13, as the Tornados (2-5) fell by a final of 76-66 in a Monday evening battle between two WNC-area opponents at the Boshamer Gymnasium.

Junior forward Destiny Williams, who played in her first contest of the 2019-20 season, led Brevard by posting a double-double with 14 points and 10 rebounds in Monday's game. Junior guard Taryn Ledford added 12 points with a team-high three 3-pointers.

The Tornados recorded a total of 14 steals, with Victoria Green, Deja Riddick, Breana Ware, and Williams each registering three steals each. Riddick added nine points and five rebounds, making each of her five free throw attempts.

The Owls of Warren Wilson were led by Asia Caldwell, who scored a game-high and career-high 31 points on 10-of-16 shooting, draining a game-best four 3-pointers and hitting 7-of-7 free throws. Caldwell grabbed six rebounds and swiped a team-high three steals. Malaka Elix added 13 points, while Sam Hoyle recorded a game-high 11 rebounds.

Warren Wilson held the slight edge shooting 24-of-58 (41%) from the field to Brevard's 24-of-65 (37%) but excelled by hitting three more 3-pointers and outshooting BC 40% to 23% from long range.

The Tornados doubled Warren Wilson's steal total (14-to-7) and points in the paint (28-to-14), while Brevard piled on 28 bench points to the Owls' 12, BC was able to turn its steals into 18 points-off-turnovers, while scoring 15 second-chance points to Warren Wilson's 11.

The back-and-forth affair featured six ties and eight lead changes before the Owls were able to pull away in the fourth quarter and seal their third victory of 2019.

Two of the game's six ties happened in the first four minutes of the contest, as Brevard's Avery Lockwood opened the game's scoring with a layup to tie the contest at 2-2 before Mekindia Martin's 3-pointer tied the game at 5-5 with 6:32 left in the first quarter.

Williams' first point of the 2019 season, a free throw at the 4:39 mark in the first quarter knotted the game up at 8-8 before the Tornados took their first lead of the contest as a Ledford 3-pointer with 3:52 left in the first period gave Brevard a slim 11-10 advantage.

Ledford's second long-range bucket of the quarter pushed BC's lead to five points at 16-11, as the Tornados maintained their five-point advantage, 21-15, at the end of the first quarter.

A Shakirah Thompson long-range bucket to open up the second quarter handed the Tornados their largest lead of the contest, a nine-point, 24-15 cushion with 9:35 left to play in the first half. However, the Owls would retake the lead thanks to a perfectly-timed 17-6 scoring run that gave Warren Wilson a 32-30 lead.

Williams was able to tie the score at 32 with a steal and a fast-break layup, but the Owls retook the lead and went to the locker room with a 36-34 advantage.

Brevard's Thompson helped the Tornados regain the lead, as her 3-point jumper earned the Tornados a 42-41 lead with 6:58 left in the third period. Warren Wilson quickly regained the lead with a 6-0 scoring run before the Tornados battled back, retaking the lead by one point at 51-50 before the game was tied at 53 each heading into the fourth and final period.

After Brevard's Lockwood kicked off the scoring in the fourth quarter with a layup, Warren Wilson put together a game-clinching 11-0 scoring run – the Owls' largest of the game - which ate up 3:52 of time and gave Warren Wilson a commanding 64-55 advantage. Brevard scored five-straight points off a Ledford 3-pointer and a pair of Williams' free throws to trim WWC's lead to four points, however, the Owls used a quick 7-0 scoring stretch that put the game out of Brevard's reach, as the visiting Owls claimed the non-conference victory, 76-66.

The Tornados will now turn their attention back to USA South Conference play when Head Coach Donald Hudson and the Brevard women's basketball team head to Maryville, Tennessee to square off against the Maryville College Scots (5-2) on Wednesday, December 4 at 6 p.m. Brevard will return home for the final time in the 2019 calendar year when the Tornados play host to Wesleyan College (0-8, 0-1 USAS) on Saturday, December 7 for a 2 p.m. tip-off at the Boshamer Gymnasium.

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