



FORT LEE BOYS BASKETBALL GAME NOTES

Sports Information - 3000 Lemoine Avenue, Fort Lee, N.J. 07024

2019-20 Schedule and Results

Overall: 1-3 | Home: 0-2 | Away: 1-1

December

20	Dwight Morrow	L, 68-65
27	NV - Old Tappan*	L, 55-38
28	Bergenfield*	L, 51-34

January

3	Westwood Regional+	W, 67-66
7	Ramsey+	7 P.M.
9	Mahwah+	7 P.M.
14	Pascack Hills+	7 P.M.
16	Dumont+	7 P.M.
18	NV - Old Tappan	TBA
21	Ridgefield Park+	7 P.M.
23	Cliffside Park+	7 P.M.
25	Memorial (WNY)	1 P.M.
28	DePaul Catholic	7 P.M.
30	Mahwah+	7 P.M.

February

4	Westwood Regional+	7 P.M.
6	Pascack Hills+	7 P.M.
11	Dumont+	7 P.M.
13	Ramsey+	7 P.M.
18	Ridgefield Park+	7 P.M.
20	Cliffside Park+	7 P.M.
25	Bergenfield	7 P.M.

* denotes Jack Reilly Holiday Tournament
 + denotes BNC American Division contest
Italicizations indicate home game



Fort Lee (1-3, 1-0 BNC)

HC: Adam Shrager

Ramsey (3-4, 1-0 BNC)

HC: Kevin McGuire

Game #5 - Away Game #3

January 7, 2020 - 7 P.M. | Ramsey H.S. (Ramsey, N.J.)

Regular Season

Officials

Referee: Robert Nutile; **Umpires:** Lance Gaines, Brian Gogerty

GAME GUIDE

- With the win on 1/3 at Westwood Regional, Fort Lee begins the new year 1-0 (1-0 BNC). On the season, the Bridgemen are now 1-3 with all four contests played so far this season in the Big North Conference.
- Girls hoops: Fort Lee fell to Westwood Regional on 1/3 at home, 44-28, to fall to 5-2 on the season. Before the contest vs Westwood Regional, the Bridgemen were on a three-game win streak.
- Fort Lee's last matchup against the Rams was on February 7, 2019, in Ramsey with the home side winning, 56-42. In the last five matchups between Fort Lee and Ramsey, the smallest margin of victory was 11 points which came on December 15, 2017, with the Rams defeating the Bridgemen, 69-38.
- Fort Lee returns home to "The Fort" on January 9, 2020, for a league tilt with Mahwah at 7 P.M. Following a trip to Montvale to face Pascack Hills on 1/14, the Bridgemen return home for back-to-back games vs Dumont on 1/16 at 7 P.M. and Northern Valley - Old Tappan on 1/18. The contest vs NV/OT will be part of the annual Jeffrey G. Murren Coaches vs Cancer Classic. Time TBA.
- Eight Bridgemen participated in the contest at Westwood Regional with five scoring. Hamza Ahmad finished the game with 32 points, Luis Armas with 22 and Raffi Gueyikian with nine. As a team, the Bridgemen shot 10-for-18 from the free throw line in the Township of Washington.
- Power Points Check: As of 1/4/20, Fort Lee sits 20th on the NJSIAA North 2, Group II table with 21 power points through four contests.



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NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Cl.	Ht./Wt.	PPG/APG/RPG
1	Sontiliano Llaho	G/F	SR	6-0/180	0.0/0.0/0.0
3	Warren Wilkerson	G/F	JR	5-9/145	1.3/0.0/1.8
4	Kyle Katjomuise	G/F	JR	5-11/175	0.0/0.0/0.0
5	Luis Armas*	G/F	SR	6-3/195	15.0/0.0/7.3
10	Raffi Gueyikian	G/F	SO	6-1/225	5.0/0.0/5.5
11	Nathan Garcia	G/F	JR	5-6/125	5.8/1.8/2.5
12	Joshua Estella	G/F	SR	5-11/215	0.0/0.0/0.0
22	Isiah Stang	G/F	FR	5-8/130	2.3/0.0/0.3
23	Samuel Morell*	G/F	SR	6-1/196	0.0/0.0/0.7
24	Adam Khan	G/F	SR	5-11/170	0.5/0.3/1.3
25	Kevin Hernandez	G/F	SR	5-9/175	1.0/0.0/0.0
32	Hamza Ahmad*	G/F	JR	6-2/155	20.8/0.8/2.3

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Cl.	Ht./Wt.
32	Hamza Ahmad*	G/F	JR	6-2/155
5	Luis Armas*	G/F	SR	6-3/195
12	Joshua Estella	G/F	SR	5-11/215
11	Nathan Garcia	G/F	JR	5-6/125
10	Raffi Gueyikian	G/F	SO	6-1/225
25	Kevin Hernandez	G/F	SR	5-9/175
4	Kyle Katjomuise	G/F	JR	5-11/175
24	Adam Khan	G/F	SR	5-11/170
1	Sontiliano Llaho	G/F	SR	6-0/180
23	Samuel Morell*	G/F	SR	6-1/196
22	Isiah Stang	G/F	FR	5-8/130
3	Warren Wilkerson	G/F	JR	5-9/145

Breakdown

Bridgemen by Grade

Seniors (6)
 Juniors (4)
 Sophomores (1)
 Freshmen (1)

Bridgemen by Height

Luis Armas (6'3")
 Hamza Ahmad (6'2")
 Samuel Morell (6'1")
 Raffi Gueyikian (6'1")
 Sontiliano Llaho (6'0")
 Joshua Estella (5'11")
 Kyle Katjomuise (5'11")
 Adam Khan (5'11")
 Warren Wilkerson (5'9")
 Kevin Hernandez (5'9")
 Isiah Stang (5'8")
 Nathan Garcia (5'6")

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Adam Shrager - Second season
 Assistant Coach (JV): Sean Scully - Fourth season
 Assistant Coach (F): Josuwha Ford - First season
 Volunteer Assistant Coach (F/V): Leo Ellison - First season
 Volunteer Middle School Coach: Lewis Maira - First season

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#1 SONE-tell-ee-AH-no (prefers Soney [sony]) LA-ho, #4 Kat-JO-Moose-AY, #5 AHR-mas, #10 Gay-KEY-in, #23 (prefers Sam) Mor-ELL, #32 HAM-zuh



2019-20 BNC American Standings

Team	Division	Overall	PCT
Pascack Hills	1-0	4-0	1.00
Ramsey	1-0	3-4	0.429
Fort Lee	1-0	1-3	0.250
Mahwah	0-0	3-0	1.00
Dumont	0-1	3-1	0.750
Ridgefield Park	0-1	3-2	0.600
Westwood	0-1	3-3	0.500
Cliffside Park	0-0	2-2	0.500

The Series: Fort Lee vs Westwood

Last Five Meetings: Fort Lee trails, 5-0

2/7/19 - RAM wins, 56-42

12/20/18 - RAM wins, 49-33

12/15/17 - RAM wins, 69-58

12/16/16 - RAM wins, 70-51

1/19/16 - RAM wins, 83-44

Ramsey: Last Five Games

1/4/20 - L vs Rutgers Prep, 63-48

12/29/19 - W vs Dwight Morrow, 63-53

12/27/19 - L vs Hackensack, 64-52

12/26/19 - W vs Ramapo, 52-48

12/22/19 - L vs St. Joseph (Montvale), 71-67

Fort Lee: Last Five Games (Includes '18-'19)

1/3/20 - W vs Westwood Regional, 67-66

12/28/19 - L vs Bergenfield, 51-36

12/27/19 - L vs Northern Valley - Old Tappan, 55-38

12/20/19 - L vs Dwight Morrow, 68-65

2/25/19 - L vs Madison, 69-62

Bold denotes 2019-20 season



Westwood Regional Recap:

On 1/3, Fort Lee hit the road for their first away contest of the season to divisional foe Westwood Regional. Fort Lee trailed early in the game with the Cardinals taking the 12-9 lead after the first eight minutes. Fort Lee posted a 19-10 mark in the fourth quarter behind senior guard/forward Luis Armas's 11 points in the final period.

Overall, junior guard/forward Hamza Ahmad lead the scoring for the Orange and Black with 32 points, of which only nine came from three-point goals scored. Ahmad went seven-for-ten from the free throw line, with four trips coming in the third quarter where he shot 75% from the stripe in the period. With the win against Westwood, Fort Lee is now 1-0 in the Big North Conference, American Division and is 1-3 on the season.

For the Cardinals, JoJo Ciringione lead the scoring with 19 points in the Friday night contest; only one other Cardinals scored in double digits (Jaden Brown, 12pts).

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	F
FL	9	18	21	19	67
WW	12	20	24	10	66

Quotes from Head Coach Adam Shrager (1/3/20):

On the team's approach going into the game at Westwood...

"Our approach is the same every night. We want to control our effort, attitude and be good teammates. We knew they had great shooters and so we wanted to pressure the shooters and push the pace on offense. In this league [BNC American] all games are very competitive, so we just want a chance to win at the end."

On the importance of the team's senior leadership and captains...

"Luis [Armas] played well in the second half as he got his shot going. He continued his focus on being a better rebounder and defender. Hamza [Ahmad] carried us early and made some excellent plays late in the game. Sam [Morell] is the heart of the team and is a great teammate and leader for our squad this season."

On junior G/F Hamza Ahmad's start to the 2019-20 season...

"I think we forget that Hamza [Ahmad] had a great sophomore season, but unfortunately he got a concussion in the second to last week of the season last year which caused him to miss our last four games. Hamza is only touching the surface of how good he can be. He is a hard worker and will continue to get better."

TALE OF THE TAPE



1-3 - Overall - 3-4
1-3 - Conference - 2-3
1-0 - Division - 1-0
W1 - Streak - L1
XX - '19-20 Last 5 - 2-3
XX - '19-20 Last 10 - XX
51.0 - PPG - 48.17

THE 4-1-1

Luis! Senior G/F Luis Armas has scored in double-digit figures in all but one game this season for the Bridgemen. Armas is averaging 14.0 PPG and 7.3 RPG. Armas has played 124 minutes for Fort Lee this season out of a possible 128 through four contests. The 6'3" senior posted five three-point goals in the final 16 minutes of the game to add to his jumper in the second quarter for a total of 22 points in the contest.

32 for 32: Junior Hamza Ahmad matched his jersey number 32 with 32 points scored in the bout at Westwood Regional on January 3. Ahmad scored at least five points in each period played. The junior got off to a quick start with 16 points coming in the first half and the same in the second half of play. In all contests played this season, Ahmad has scored in double-digit figures, with the fewest amount of points scored coming in the loss vs Northern Valley - Old Tappan on December 27 with 11 points scored.

Off the Bench: Eight Bridgemen played in the game at Westwood Regional. Coming off the bench for the Orange and Black were Warren Wilkerson, Josh Estella, Isiah Stang, Sam Morell and Kevin Hernandez. Three of the reserves attempted three-point field goals and three attempted field goals. Morell picked up an offensive rebound for Fort Lee.

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2018-19 In Review:

The 2018-19 season brought about a wave of change for the Bridgemen, beginning with the man at the helm. Adam Shrager joined the Bridgemen as head coach following a tenure at Champion High School in Boerne, Tex. (Full bio is available on the Media Resources page).

Fort Lee began the season on a three-game skid falling to Dwight Morrow, Westwood Regional and Ramsey at home before picking up three consecutive wins in the Jack Reilly Holiday Tournament vs Lyndhurst, NV - Demarest and Paramus Catholic, culminating in their championship berth. Towards the midway stretch of the season, the Bridgemen notched big wins over longtime rivals Cliffside Park and Ridgefield Park, sweeping the home-and-away series with both schools.

Perhaps the most thrilling victory for the Orange and Black came on January 24, 2019, against Mahwah at home when senior Huasly Paredes-Garcia launched a game-winning three-point field goal with 2.9 seconds remaining in the fourth quarter; Fort Lee would take the game, 59-58.

In the first round of the 2018-19 NJSIAA North 2, Group II State Sectional Tournament, the tenth-seeded Bridgemen traveled to the section's seventh-seeded Madison Dodgers for a high scoring duel that saw both teams put up a combined 131 points. Despite having three players score in double-digits and a team total of nine three-point field goals made, Fort Lee would fall on the road, 69-62, ending their season.

Fort Lee finished the season with a 14-13 record, 6-8 in the Big North Conference American Division.

In May of 2019, Paredes-Garcia announced his decision to continue playing basketball at Utica College, a Division III school in Utica, N.Y.



Previous Game Statistical Leaders:

Minutes.....Luis Armas and Hamza Ahmad, 34
Raffi Gueyikian, 21

Points.....H. Ahmad, 32
L. Armas, 22

Defensive rebounds.....R. Gueyikian, 7
L. Armas, 4

Offensive rebounds.....R. Gueyikian, 4
Nathan Garcia and Sam Morell, 1

Total rebounds.....R. Gueyikian, 11
L. Armas, 4

Free throws made.....H. Ahmad, 7
N. Garcia, 2

Two-point goals made.....H. Ahmad, 8
L. Armas and R. Gueyikian, 3

Three-point goals made.....L. Armas, 5
H. Ahmad, 3

Season Composite Line Score (Through four games)

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	T
Fort Lee	46	42	54	62	204
Opponents	61	62	64	53	240