

FORT LEE BOYS BASKETBALL GAME NOTES

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

2019-20 Schedule and Results

Overall: 1-5 | Home: 0-3 | Away: 1-2

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

January						
3	Westwood+	W, 67-66				
7	Ramsey+	L, 74-53				
9	Mahwah+	L, 63-45				
14	Pascack Hills+	7 P.M.				
16	Dumont+	7 P.M.				
18	NV - Old Tappan	3 P.M.				
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.				
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February

4 Westwood+	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 (1-5, 1-2 BNC)

Pascack Hills (5-1, 2-1 BNC)
HC: Paul D'Errico

HC: Adam Shrager

Game #7 - Away Game #4

January 14, 2020 - 7 P.M. I Pascack Hills High School Gymnasium (Montvale, N.J.)

Regular Season

Officials

Referee: Rich Lustig; Umpires: Wiwat Jacksarn, Richard DePena

GAME GUIDE

- Fort Lee fell to Mahwah at home on 1/9 in their third divisional contest of the year, 63-45.
- Boys bowling: Fort Lee boys bowling won the 2019-20 BCCA Group 1-2 title on 1/11 at Bowler City Lanes. The Bridgemen lost the overall county title by one pin to Bergen County Technical.
- Girls hoops: Fort Lee advanced to 8-2 on the seasoning following a road win on 1/10 at McNair Academic in Jersey City, 43-9. The Bridgemen are 2-1 in division with the lone loss coming against Westwood Regional.
- Fort Lee's last matchup against the Cowboys came on 2/9/19 with the Bridgemen winning, 71-68. This win for the Bridgemen also marked the smallest margin of victory for either side in their last five meetings.
- Next Home Game: The Bridgemen return home on 1/16 for a Big North Conference American Division matchup with Dumont at 7 P.M.
 Fort Lee will also host Northern Valley - Old Tappan on 1/18 in the Jeffrey G. Murren Coaches vs Cancer Classic at 3 P.M.
- In the 2018-19 season, Fort Lee proved their mettle as a defensive team with the team's 17.1 defensive rebounds per game in head coach Adam Shrager's inaugural season in "The Fort." The Orange and Black also averaged 8.3 steals per game last season for a total of 225 steals in the '18-'19 campaign. On the offensive side of the ball, Fort Lee players achieved double-doubles five times.
- Power Points Check: As of 1/12/20, Fort Lee sits 18th on the NJSIAA North 2, Group II table with 35 power points through six contests.

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NUMERICAL ROSTER

<u>No.</u>	Player	Pos.	Cl.	Ht./Wt.	PPG/RPG/APG
1	Sontiliano Llaho	G/F	SR	6-0/180	0.8/0.3/0.0
3	Warren Wilkerson	G/F	JR	5-9/145	1.3/1.8/0.2
4	Kyle Katjomuise	G/F	JR	5-11/175	0.0/0.0/0.0
5	Luis Armas*	G/F	SR	6-3/195	16.2/6.3/0.5
10	Raffi Gueyikian	G/F	SO	6-1/225	4.0/4.3/0.3
11	Nathan Garcia	G/F	JR	5-6/125	4.7/2.5/1.7
12	Joshua Estella	G/F	SR	5-11/215	0.0/0.2/0.2
22	Isiah Stang	G/F	FR	5-8/130	1.5/0.5/0.0
23	Samuel Morell*	G/F	SR	6-1/196	1.0/0.7/0.0
24	Adam Khan	G/F	SR	5-11/170	0.5/1.3/1.0
25	Kevin Hernandez	G/F	SR	5-9/175	0.5/0.0/0.0
32	Hamza Ahmad*	G/F	JR	6-2/155	21.0/2.7/0.5

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

Breakaown					
Bridgemen by Grade	Bridgemen by Height				
Seniors (6)	Luis Armas (6′3″)				
Juniors (4)	Hamza Ahmad (6'2")				
Sophomores (1)	Samuel Morell (6'1")				
Freshmen (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")				

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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

* denotes captain



2019-20 BNC American Standings

*current as of 1/10/2020

Team	Division	Overall	PCT
Ramsey	3-0	6-34	0.600
Mahwah	2-1	6-1	0.857
Dumont	2-1	5-1	0.833
Pascack Hills	2-1	5-1	0.833
Ridgefield Park	2-1	5-2	0.714
Fort Lee	1-2	1-5	0.167
Westwood	0-3	3-5	0.375
Cliffside Park	0-3	3-5	0.375

The Series: Fort Lee vs Pascack Hills

Last Five Meetings: Pascack Hills leads, 3-2

2/9/19 - FL wins, 71-68

1/31/19 - FL wins, 62-57

1/8/19 - PH wins, 51-45

2/1/18 - PH wins, 64-37

1/31/17 - PH wins, 77-50

Pascack Hills: Last Five Games

1/9/20 - L vs Ramsey, 67-47

1/7/20 - W vs Westwood Regional, 67-36

1/3/20 - W vs Ridgefield Park, 58-51

12/29/19 - W vs Cresskill, 58-45

12/27/19 - W vs Northern Highlands, 51-48

Fort Lee: Last Five Games

1/9/20 - L vs Mahwah, 63-45

1/7/20 - L vs Ramsey, 74-53

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



Mahwah Recap:

On 1/9, the Bridgemen hosted Mahwah for a Big North Conference American Division matchup. Mahwah would top the home side, 63-45. Fort Lee fell to 1-2 in-division after the contest.

Senior G/F Luis Armas lead the scoring for Fort Lee with 20 points. Armas shot 50% from the field on eight attempts. Only six points for the Bridgemen would come from behind the three-point line with both Armas and junior G/F Warren Wilkerson each making one three-point goal. Armas also lead the team in rebounds in the game with a total of six rebounds (all defensive).

For the Thunderbirds, Nicholas Peltekian would lead the scoring affair with 28 of his team's 63 points in the contest.

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	F
MAH	10	17	17	19	63
FL	6	15	11	13	45

Quotes from Head Coach Adam Shrager (1/9/20):

On playing on your home court following a two-game road trip... "Right now playing at home is a bit of a challenge. When on the road the guys at times are less distracted. We need to learn to handle playing at home a bit better."

On the team's ability to bounce back on Mahwah's shots with 20 defensive rebounds...

"We have improved in our defensive rebounding this year, but we still have a long way to go. We are undersized in most games that we play and so we have to have a concerted effort to have five guys rebound."

On his team's preparation for the matchup against Pascack Hills back on the road...

"We know [Pascack] Hills will be a very tough matchup for us. They have very good length and are very disciplined. They play excellent defense and will mix up what they do. What makes things tough is they have lots of experience with three returning starters and guys off the bench that have varsity experience. We will have to play really well in all phases of the game to win Tuesday night."

TALE OF THE TAPE





1-5 - Overall - 5-1

1-5 - Conference - 4-1

1-2 - Division - 2-1

L2 - Streak - L1

1-4 - '19-20 Last 5 - 4-1

XX - '19-20 Last 10 - XX

50.33 - PPG - 56.5

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 scored 20 points in the matchup vs Mahwah on 1/9.

We Call Him 'H': Junior G/F Hamza Ahmad scored 18 points for the Orange and Black in the game against the Thunderbirds. Ahmad shot 10-for-13 from the free throw line. The 6'2 junior also picked up seven rebounds in the contest, of which five were defensive.

Off the Bench: Ten Bridgemen participated in the contest vs Mahwah on 1/9. Coming off the bench for the home side were senior Josh Estella, freshman Isiah Stang, senior Sam Morell, senior Kevin Hernandez and junior Warren Wilkerson. No reserve players that checked into the contest would score for Fort Lee. Stang picked up a steal for the Bridgemen and Wilkerson has three rebounds (all defensive) to his credit.

Upcoming Stretch: Following the matchup at Pascack Hills, Fort Lee returns home for the first of three consecutive home games. The Bridgemen will host Dumont on 1/16, Northern Valley - Old Tappan on 1/18 and Ridgefield Park on 1/21. With the exception of the NVOT game (3 P.M.), the games vs Dumont and Ridgefield Park will tip-off at 7 P.M.

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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:

Season Composite Line Score (Through six games)

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Т
Fort Lee	65	69	74	94	302
Opponents	81	108	101	87	377

......All others, 0