

# WEST VIRGINIA

2022 Overall Record: 33-22, 14-10 in Big 12

Final 2022 Ranking: None

2023 Rankings: None

Returning Seniors: 6

Returning Juniors: 3

Returning Underclassmen: 9

Returning Position Players: 5

Returning Starting Pitchers: 2

Returning Relief Pitchers: 5

2022 Players Drafted/Signed: 2 (RHP Jacob Watters, OF Victor Scott)

2022 Undrafted Free Agents Signed: None

2022 Transfers In: 4. RHP Blaine Traxel (Cal State Northridge); C/IF Landon Wallace (Nevada); RHP Keegan Allen (Oklahoma); RHP Grant Siegel (Tulane)

2022 Transfers Out: 13. OF Austin Davis (TCU); C McGwire Holbrook (Florida State); RHP Daniel Ouderkirk (Penn State); IF James Sadler; LHP John Lowrey; RHP Thomas Beam; RHP Trent Hodgdon; RHP/IF Ben Abernathy; RHP Deaton Oak; C/OF Vice Ippoliti; 2B Mikey Kluska; RHP Zach Ottinger; RHP Tyler Stretchay

## Position Starters Returning

Player	Pos.	Class.	GP-GS	2022 Stats
Braden Barry	LF	Jr.	53-46	.280/.497/.374, 6 HR, 26 RBIs, 16-20 SB
Grant Hussey	1B	Soph.	54-54	.244/.489/.379, 11 HR, 35 RBIs
Dayne Leonard	C	R-Sr.	48-41	.331/.451/.426, 3 HR, 23 RBIs
Tevin Tucker	SS	R-Jr.	55-55	.181/.269/.307, 2 HR 19 RBIs, 21-27 SB
JJ Wetherholt	3B	Soph.	54-53	.308/.471/.411, 5 HR, 39 RBIs

## Other Notable Position Players

Player	Pos.	Class.	GP-GS	2022 Stats
Tyler Cox	OF	Soph.	31-3	.086/.114/.195, 1 RBI
Kevin Dowdell	IF	Sr.	26-6	.200/.433/.314, 2 HR, 7 RBIs
Evan Smith	IF/OF	Soph.	30-8	.189/.378/.380, 1 HR, 10 RBIs
Alex Khan	IF	Soph.	31-6	.083/.083/.154, 3 RBIs

## Position Players Lost

Player	Pos.	Class.	GP-GS	2022 Stats
Ben Abernathy	IF	Soph.	32-0	.318/.364/.464, 1 RBI, 12-15 SB
Nathan Blasick	IF	Soph.	39-14	.271/.508/.421, 3 HR, 11 RBIs
Austin Davis	RF	Jr.	55-55	.330/.442/.402, 4 HR, 26 RBIs, 29-35 SB
McGwire Holbrook	C	Soph.	54-47	.327/.509/.401, 6 HR, 43 RBIs
Vince Ippoliti	C/OF	Sr.	23-9	.226/.355/.415, 7 RBIs
Michael Kluska	SS	Soph.	50-43	.213/.298/.277, 1 HR, 21 RBIs
Victor Scott	RF	Jr.	55-55	.278/.454/.397, 6 HR, 47 RBIs

## Starting Pitchers Returning

Player	Pos.	Class.	GP-GS	2022 Stats
Ben Hampton	LHP	Jr.	15-15	8-5, 4.66 ERA, 83 IP, 81 H, 45 R, 43 ER, 27 BB, 90 K, .253 OBA
Aiden Major	RHP	Soph.	11-5	3-0, 3.49 ERA, 28.1 IP, 17 H, 12 R, 11 ER, 21 BB, 31 K, .175 OBA

## Relievers Returning

Player	Pos.	Class.	GP-GS	2022 Stats
Jake Carr	LHP	Sr.		DNP-Injured
Michael Kilker	RHP	Soph.	11-2	2-0, 6.08 ERA, 13.1 IP, 9 H, 10 R, 9 ER, 9 BB, 21 K, .191 OBA
Carlson Reed	RHP	Jr.	18-4	0-1, 5.13 ERA, 40.1 IP, 51 H, 26 R, 23 ER, 20 BB, 42 K, .298 OBA
Noah Short	RHP	R-Sr.	24-0	0-1, 4.25 ERA, 2 SV, 29.2 IP, 26 H, 15 R, 12 ER, 13 BB, 23 K, .274 OBA
Chris Sleeper	RHP	Soph.	14-4	3-4, 3.61 ERA, 42.1 IP, 37 H, 17 R, 17 ER, 23 BB, 28 K, .237 OBA
Will Watson	RHP	Soph.	7-1	0-0, 7.11 ERA, 6.1 IP, 6 H, 5 R, 5 ER, 7 BB, 9 K, .261 OBA

## Pitchers Lost

Player	Pos.	Class.	GP-GS	2022 Stats
Ben Abernathy	RHP	Soph.	13-1	1-0, 6.39 ERA, 12.2 IP, 14 H, 12 R, 9 ER, 6 BB, 7 K, .280 OBA
Trey Braithwaite	RHP	Sr.	22-0	3-0, 1.70 ERA, 8 SV, 37 IP< 18 H, 11 R, 7 ER, 20 BB, 36 K, .151 OBA
Zach Bravo	RHP	GR	14-9	3-1, 7.71 ERA, 37.1 IP, 45 H, 39 R, 32 ER, 21 BB, 26 K, .292 OBA
Trent Hodgdon	RHP	Fr.	10-0	0-0, 5.62 ERA, 8 IP, 4 H, 6 R, 5 ER, 9 BB, 12 K, .154 OBA
Beau Lowery	LHP	Sr.	12-0	3-0, 19.50 ERA, 6 IP, 14 H, 13 R, 13 ER, 2 BB, 11 K, .424 OBA
Zach Ottinger	RHP	Sr.	17-0	2-2, 4.84 ERA, 1 SV, 22.1 IP, 27 H, 14 R, 12 ER, 13 BB, 21 K, .300 OBA

Daniel Ouderkirk	RHP	R-Jr.	9-0	1-0, 6.75 ERA, 8 IP, 6 H, 9 R, 6 ER, 10 BB, 15 K, .214 OBA
Chase Smith	RHP	Sr.	25-0	1-1, 3.95 ERA, 1 SV, 27.1 IP, 29 H, 15 R, 12 ER, 13 BB, 23 K, .274 OBA
Tyler Strechay	RHP	Soph.	10-3	0-0, 4.63 ERA, 11.2 IP, 19 H, 6 R, 6 ER, 6 BB, 11 K, .373 OBA
Jacob Watters	RHP	Jr.	18-11	3-7, 6.22 ERA, 59.1 IP, 64 H, 44 R, 41 ER, 41 BB, 75 K, .275 OBA

#### Top Newcomers

Name	Pos.	Class	Hometown/High School/Prev. School
Carson Estridge	RHP	Fr.	Haymarket, Virginia/Battlefield HS
Ellis Garcia	IF	Fr.	Elmwood Park, New Jersey/St. Joseph's Regional HS
Tre Keels	OF	Fr.	Portsmouth, Virginia/IMG Academy
Gavin Van Kempen	RHP	Fr.	Castelon, New York/Maple Hill HS
Sam White	C/IF	Fr.	Aurora, Ontario, Canada/Aurora HS

#### Transfers

Name	Pos.	Class	Hometown/High School/Prev. School
Keegan Allen	RHP	Soph.	Rogers, Arkansas/Rogers HS/Oklahoma
Caleb McNeely	LF	R-Sr.	Versailles, Kentucky/Woodford County HS/Walters State CC
Grant Siegel	RHP	Soph.	Fort Lauderdale, Florida / NSU University School/Tulane
Blaine Traxel	RHP	GR	Burbank, California/Bishop Alemany/Cal State Northridge
Landon Wallace	OF	Jr.	Roseville, California/Roseville HS/Nevada

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